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The Suffolk Seaboard Coastline Trail is currently a 5.6-mile trail in three separate segments that will one day span 20 miles, connecting the communities of Suffolk and Chesapeake in southeastern Virginia.

## About the Route

In 2015, the first 2.3 miles of the paved pathway opened, stretching from the historical village of Driver to the rural outskirts of Suffolk. A second phase was completed in 2017, extending the trail farther east 1.1 miles to Bromay Street in Chesapeake. At each end are small parking lots, fix-it stations, water, and restroom facilities. There is one at-grade road crossing with Shoulders Hill Road,

approximately one mile from the east terminus.

In the heart of Suffolk, two additional segments of the trail have been constructed. The first trail provides about a half-mile of pathway just east of Main Street around the outside of Cedar Hill Cemetery, a short distance away from the city's Seaboard Station Railroad Museum, a must visit for rail aficionados. A second segment of trail was opened in 2021, spanning about 1.5 mile from Suburban Drive to Nansemond Parkway northeast of downtown - a pleasant and shady stretch of trail along the former rail corridor.

Each segment of the rail-trail follows the former Seaboard Coastal Railroad right of way and much of the pathway is surrounded by trees, farmland, and neighborhoods. It crosses over several creeks and winds through some of the area's plentiful marshland. Local wildlife abounds, so be on the lookout for copperheads sunning on the trail.

## Connections

The trail is part of a larger 41-mile effort called the South Hampton Roads Trail, which will link Suffolk, Chesapeake, Portsmouth, Norfolk, and Virginia Beach.



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**States:** Virginia

**Counties:** Chesapeake, Suffolk

Length: 5.6 miles

**Trail end points:** Prentis St to US-58 & Moore Ave (Suffolk); Suburban Dr to Nansemond Pkwy (Suffolk) to Kings Hwy (Driver) to Bromay St (Chesapeake)

**Trail surfaces:** Asphalt

**Trail category:** Rail-Trail

**Trail activities:** Bike, Inline Skating, Wheelchair Accessible, Walking

## Parking & Trail Access

The Suffolk Seaboard Coastline Trail is in three separate segments in Suffolk. Each segment has at least one parking option.

For the southern most segment, parking is available on Prentis Street across from the Suffolk Seaboard Station Railroad Museum (326 N Main St, Suffolk, VA 23434).

The middle section has parking available at its southern end (at approximately 212 Suburban Dr, Suffolk, VA 23434).

For the northern section, parking is available by both ends. At the southern end, parking is located beside the trail at the intersection of Nansemond Parkway and Kings Highway. There are approximately 10 parking spaces. At the northern end, there is free parking located at 4841 S Hampton Roads Trail Suffolk, Suffolk.

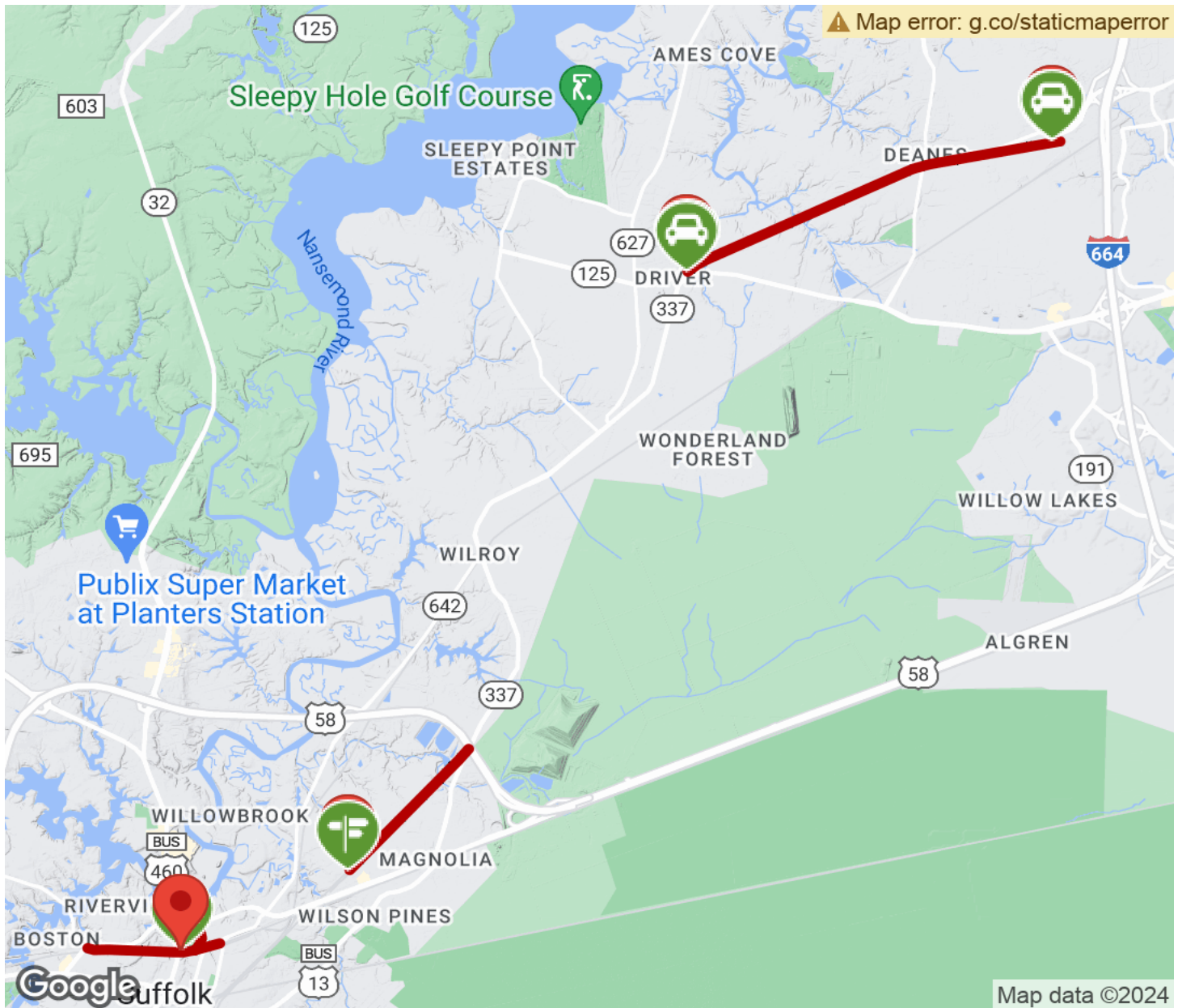
There is a trailhead is located near Shoulders Hill Road and Bob White Parkway, but has no dedicated parking (street parking only).

Visit the [TrailLink map](#) for all options.



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- Tunnel