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Guides



**Boone  
Greenway  
Trail**  
*North Carolina*



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you will find a spur to the right, heading north but towards Watauga High School).

The greenway then continues from there through woody riparian banks and colorful meadows, a natural escape. Further south and branching off the core trail are the Kennedy Trails, narrower, more challenging hiking and mountain-biking trails that disappear into the surrounding woodland. The access to the Kennedy Trails is near the second of the three scenic bridges you will encounter in this upper half of the trail. Past the third and final bridge, the scenery begins to transition from natural to urban. The lower half of the Greenway starts around Clawson-Barnley Park, following Wrinkler Creek through downtown Boone, finally ending at a shopping center.

Boone Greenway Trail serves a safe off-road transportation conduit with access to multiple destinations, but also works well as a recreational getaway for anyone looking for a change from the daily grind.

The Boone Greenway Trail is a hidden gem in the town of Boone, and each step traveled takes to across different settings, with nature, history and culture all on display. The trail traverses the town, winding, curving and looping as it follows the course of the New River.

Begin at the trailhead on Casey Lane, and then proceed south on the trail. You will soon pass the Boone Wastewater Treatment Plant on your right. About 0.6 miles from the trailhead is the Historic Dam site, featuring what remains of the hydroelectric power station that helped light up the Appalachian Training School (now Appalachian State University) back in the early 20th Century. Interpretative signage tells the story of the dam, while picnic tables allow trail users to pause and take it all in. (If you are traveling south, just before the historic dam



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**States:** North Carolina

**Counties:** Watauga

Length: 4miles

**Trail end points:** Southgate Drive to Casey Lane

**Trail surfaces:** Asphalt,Boardwalk

**Trail category:** Greenway/Non-RT

**Trail activities:** Bike,Fishing,Wheelchair Accessible,Walking,Cross Country Skiing

## Parking & Trail Access

You can access the greenway at these points:

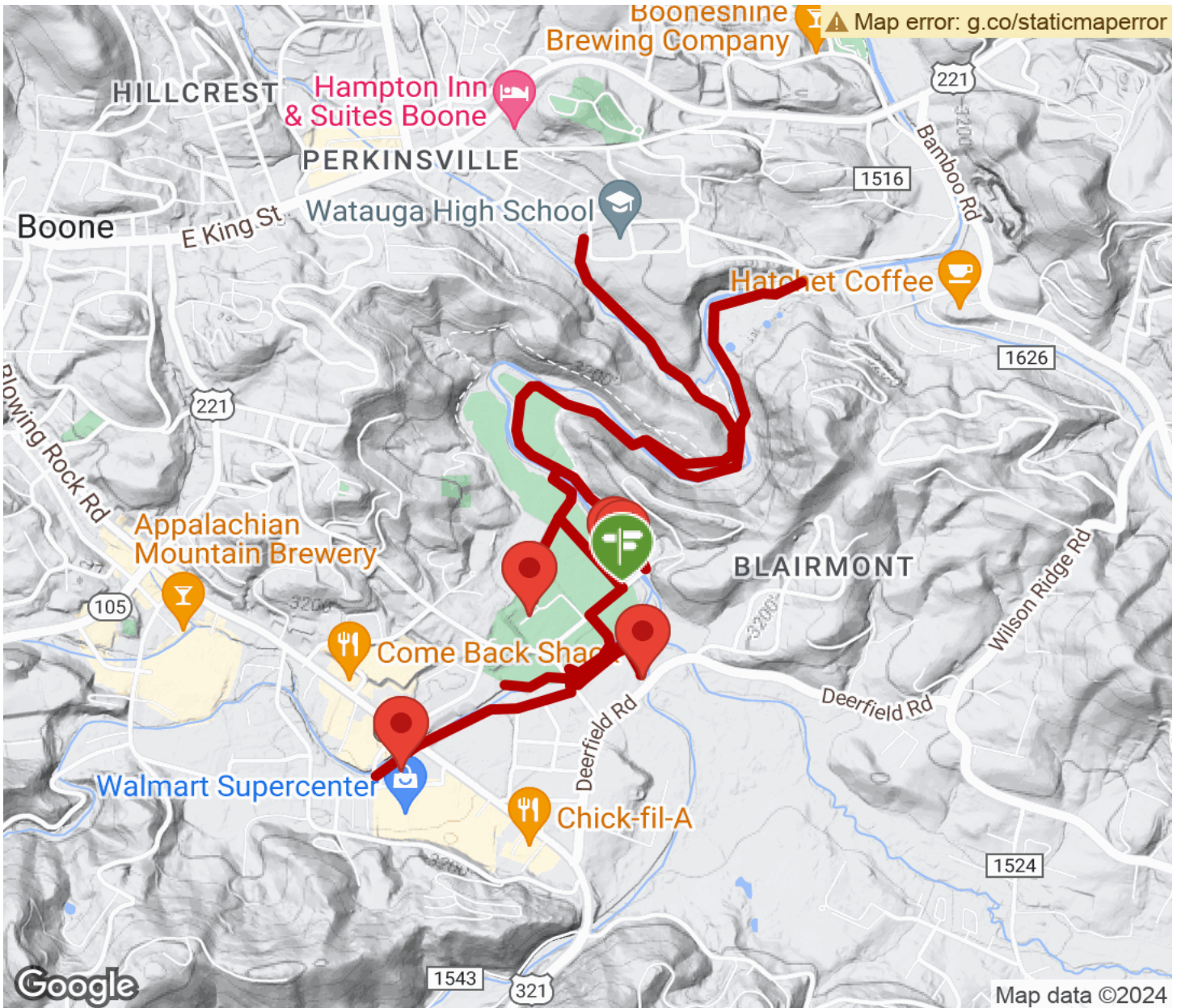
- Casey Lane - off New River Heights Rd and just north of the Boone Wastewater Treatment Plant
- Clawson-Barnley Park/ Watauga County Recreation Complex - located along Hunting Hills Lane, the park has amenities including benches, picnic tables, and interpretative signage about the wetlands and birds. It's a popular place to access the trail.
- Deerfield Road - a small segment of trail loops between Hunting Hills Lane and Deerfield Road, with parking on Deerfield.
- Southgate Shopping Complex - start or end your trail excursion by visiting one of the many restaurants here.





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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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