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suburban backyards of Odenton and Piney Orchard. From Strawberry Lake Way to the south end of the Anne Arundel County section, the trail's route is mostly wooded.

In Prince George's County, the WB&A Trail picks up on the other side of the Patuxent River and stretches 7.4 miles to State Route 450 in Glenn Dale. The trail links the suburbs with the park and—like the southern portion of the Anne Arundel segment—passes through a heavily-wooded corridor. This part of the trail features five bridge crossings, two tunnels and two at-grade intersections. Along the way, you will find rest areas with bike racks and benches.

The WB&A Trail is also part of the developing East Coast Greenway, an effort to connect multi-use trails from Maine to Florida.

Central Maryland's WB&A Trail occupies the former Washington, Baltimore & Annapolis Electric Railway corridor—hence its name—for its entire route. The railroad operated electric commuter trains between its three namesake cities from 1908 to 1935. Since its closure, portions of the original corridor have been converted to roads, light-rail lines and rail-trails (as in this case).

The Washington, Baltimore & Annapolis Trail is currently open in two discontinuous segments, though there are plans to connect them with a bridge across the Patuxent River.

The northern section of the trail in Anne Arundel County runs for 5.7 miles between downtown Odenton and the Patuxent River. The trail begins by traveling through the



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States: Maryland

Counties: Anne Arundel, Prince Georges

Length: 13.1 miles

Trail end points: Piney Orchard Pkwy. and Odenton Rd. (Odenton) to Conway Rd. and Bragers Rd. (Odenton); Patuxent River to SR 450 and Seltzer Rd. (Glenn Dale)

Trail surfaces: Asphalt

Trail category: Rail-Trail

Trail activities: Bike, Inline Skating, Wheelchair Accessible, Horseback

Parking & Trail Access

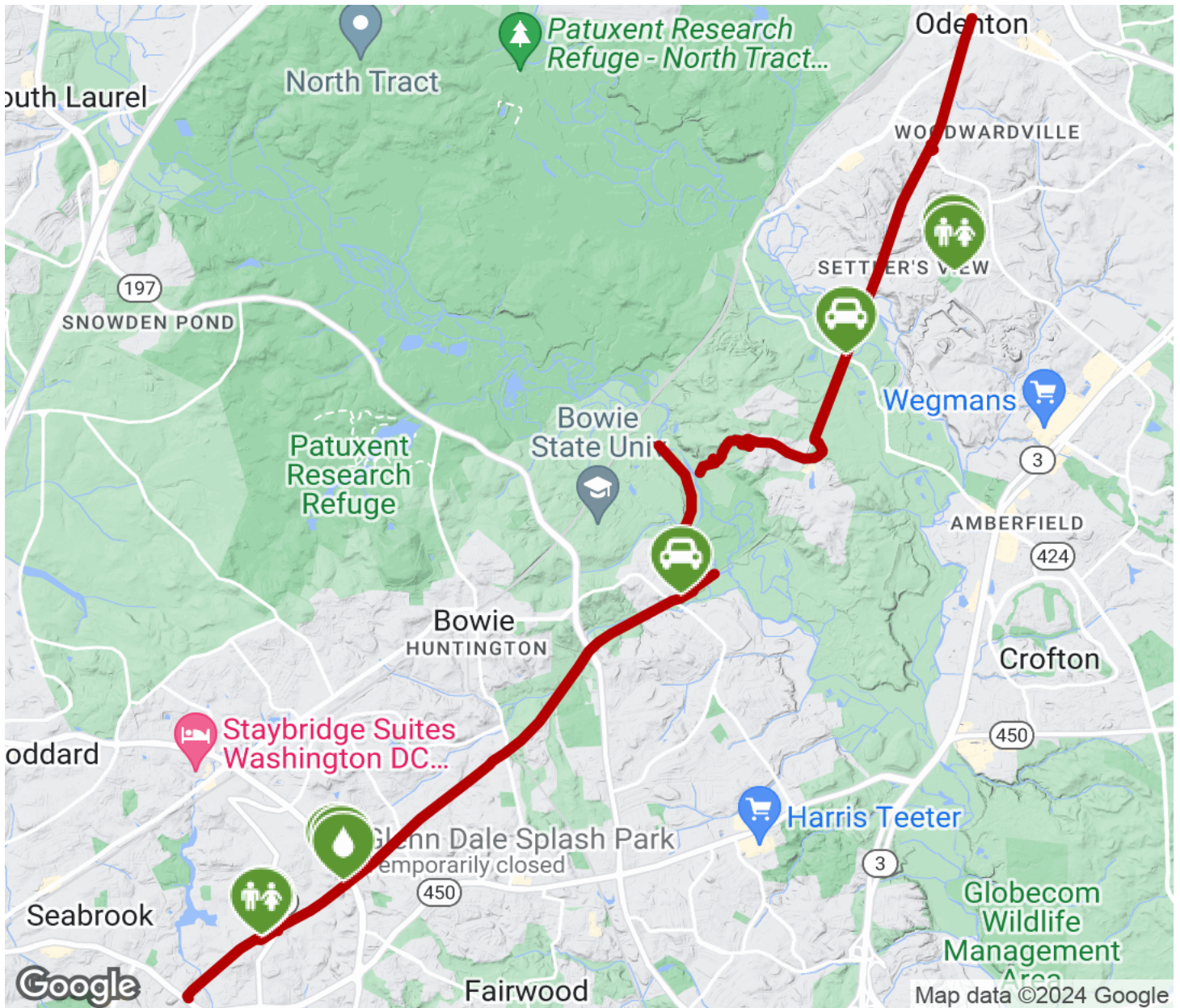
Parking for the northern portion of the WB&A Trail in Anne Arundel County can be found at Odenton Recreation Area on Strawberry Lake Way. There is a paved path along the suburban road that will take you to the trail; head west from the recreation area for about 0.6 mile. Limited parking is also available off Patuxent Road, 1 mile farther south along the trail (towards the Patuxent River).

To access the Prince George's County section of the trail, park at the trailhead off Race Track Road (1 mile southeast of the Bowie State University campus). Alternatively, parking is available at the Glenn Dale Community Center (11901 Glenn Dale Blvd., Glenn Dale). A small dedicated parking lot for the trail can also be found off Electric Avenue just west of State Route 953/Glenn Dale Road.



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- Trailhead
- Restroom
- Parking
- Water Fountain
- Tunnel