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Guides



**WOW Trail**  
*New Hampshire*



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### Overview

The WOW Trail is named after the three bodies of water that can be seen from this rail trail: Lake Winnepesaukee, Opechee Bay, and Lake Winnisquam. This picturesque 2.7-mile trail shares a corridor with the Winnepesaukee Scenic Railroad between Meredith and Lakeport. This urban path provides diverse experiences for users, offering the serenity of nature as well as the comforts of local restaurants and shops.

### About the Route

Leaving off from the eastern trailhead in Laconia's Lakeport neighborhood, the first mile of the trail runs along the banks of Opechee Bay to the right. Beautiful

murals and public art brighten this section of the trail, and picnic tables are available for trail users who want to enjoy the view. After crossing over the bay, the next section runs through the heart of Laconia. Just 0.5 miles from the bridge, it's impossible to miss the former Laconia B&M Railroad Station, on the left just after the trail crosses Main Street. Although passenger service ended in 1965, trail users can still find shops and restaurants inside, as well as parking.

The southernmost 1.2 miles of trail follow Lake Winnisquam, delivering picturesque vistas of the water, mountains, and wildlife. About 0.75 miles from the railroad station, Bartlett Beach is another site worth seeing. Here, there are seasonal restrooms, a playground, a volleyball court, picnic facilities, and water access. Look for signs for local restaurants for a bite to eat. The remaining portion of the trail continues along the water and reaches its southern end at the Leslie E. Roberts Beach and Recreation Area, which has water access, restrooms, and parking. Fishing is allowed at the lake, with license-free fishing days occurring in January and June.

### Connections

At the southern end of the trail, the WOW Trail connects to the [Lake Winnisquam Scenic Trail](#).



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**States:** New Hampshire

**Counties:** Belknap

Length: 2.7miles

**Trail end points:** Elm St. (Laconia) to 94 Daniel Webster Hwy (Belmont)

**Trail surfaces:** Asphalt

**Trail category:** Rail-Trail

**Trail activities:** Bike, Inline

Skating, Wheelchair Accessible, Walking, Cross Country Skiing

## Parking & Trail Access

The WOW Trail runs between Elm St. (Laconia) and 94 Daniel Webster Hwy (Belmont), with parking available at both ends.

Parking is also available at:

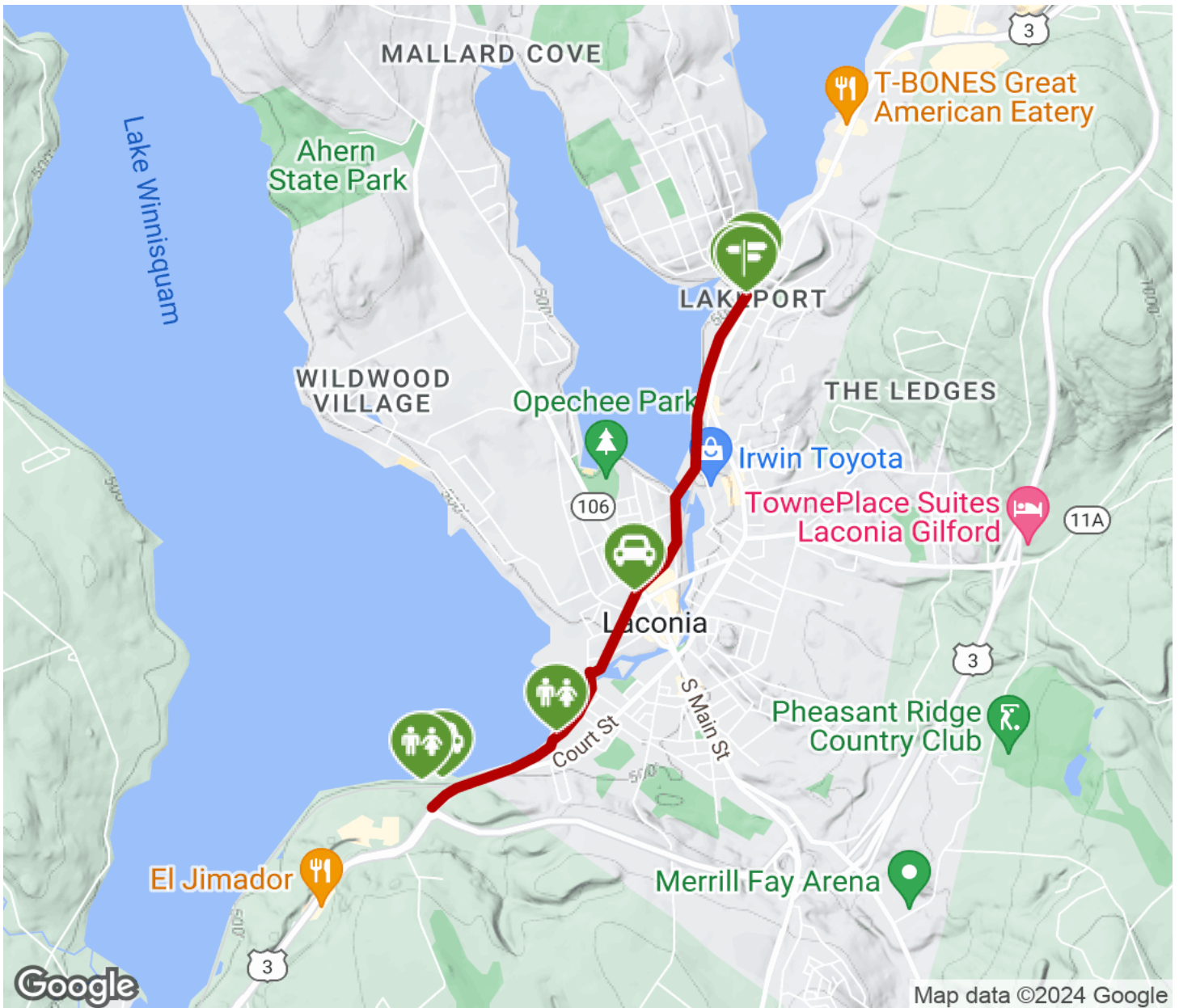
- 31 New Salem St (Lanconia)

Please see [TrailLink Map](#) for detailed directions.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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