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In addition to scenic landscape and abundant wildlife, Trout Run Trail features public art sculptures – keep an eye out for them; they make for perfect photo opportunities too!



When folks think Iowa, they often think “flat.” But nestled in the far northeast corner of this Midwestern state is a hidden secret: Winneshiek County!

Beautiful Winneshiek County has always been marked by rolling hills, flowing streams, and soaring bluffs. But now, it boasts amazing recreational trails too! From the laid-back Prairie Farmer Rec. Trail, spanning 20 miles from Cresco to Calmar, to the 11-mile Trout Run Trail, a loop that hosts both casual riding over bridges and farmland and steep switchbacks with stunning views of the valley. Both of these trails are open to all sorts of fun activities, year-round: riders, walkers, joggers, skaters, skiers...you get the idea!



See you on the trail!  
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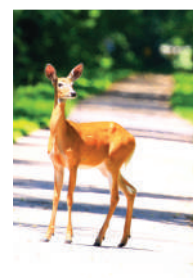
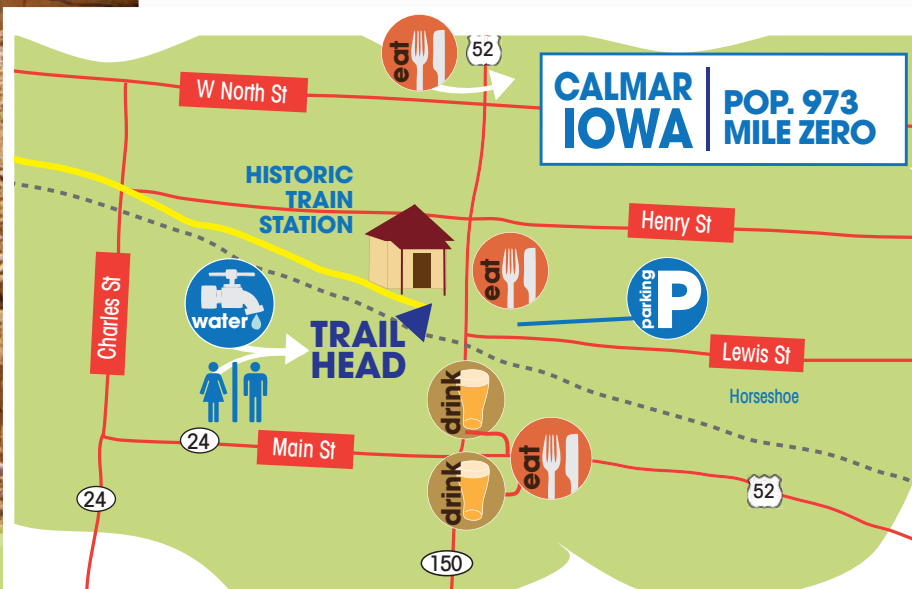
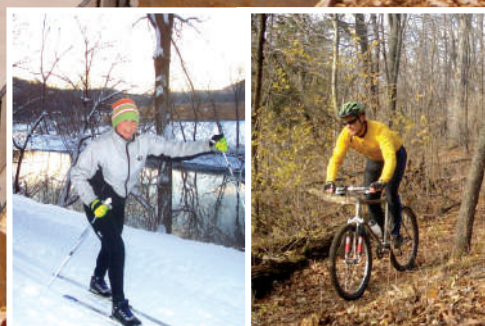


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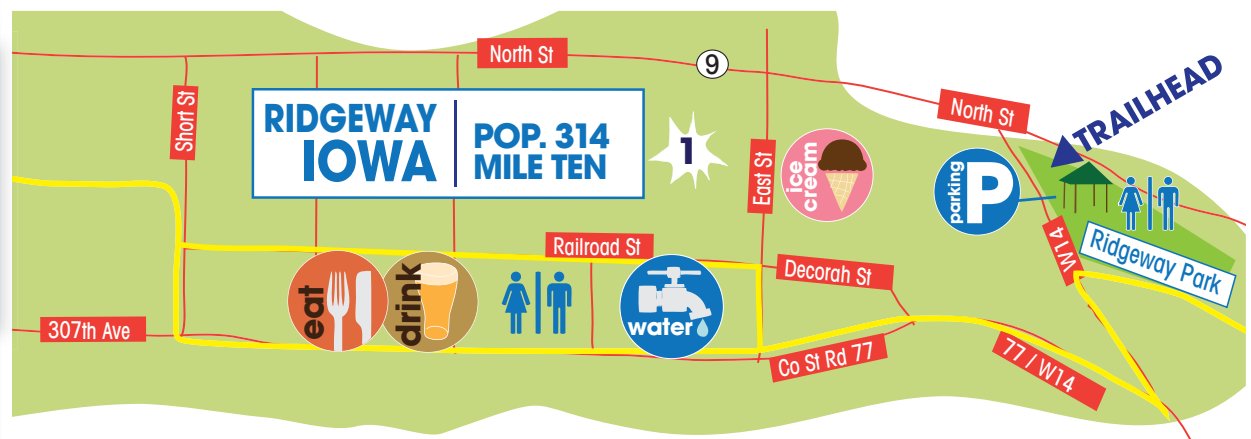


Prairie Farmer Recreational Trail

Are you a skilled rider looking for more adventure? There are more than 18 miles of exceptional off-road, single-track trails right here in Decorah! View maps and get info at VisitDecorah.com. Plus, trail fun is year-round.



More!



**PRAIRIE FARMER RECREATIONAL TRAIL**  
20 MILES. YEAR-ROUND.  
WINNESHIK COUNTY SECTION

Walk. Jog. Bike. Skate. Cross country ski.

**Equipment/Bike Rentals:**  
Decorah Bicycles: decorahbicycles.com, 563.382.8209, 101 College Dr, Decorah  
**Additional area bike shops:**  
Oneota River Cycles: oneotacycles.com, 563.382.0421, 220 E Water St, Decorah  
Cresco Bicycles (Howard Co. / Prairie Farmer Trailhead), www.crescobicycles.com, 563.547.2877, 225 N Elm St, Cresco

**INSIDE: TROUT RUN TRAIL MAP & FREEPORT TRAIL MAP**



# FREEPORT TRAIL

2.75 MILES,  
YEAR-ROUND.

## LEGEND

0' 500' 1000' 2000'

Trout Run Trail

Freeport Trail

On-Street Bike Route

Main Roads into Decorah

Walking Path

MILE MARKERS

Easy Terrain ● = Easy

Challenging Terrain ● = Challenging

● = Half-mile

Just follow these signs!

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## Emergency Signage Along the Trails

Signage along the trails provides trail users with location information they can relay to emergency responders in case of an accident or emergency situation. The white and blue signs display GPS coordinates that help emergency personnel to quickly find someone who has had an accident on the trail. Based on a national standardized GPS grid system, the signs provide critical and consistent information to emergency personnel.

A sample emergency sign is pictured below.

If you have an emergency on trail, follow these simple steps:

1. Dial 911
2. Read the six large numbers (Fig. 1) to the dispatcher.
3. If requested, also read the small numbers and letters at the top of sign (Fig. 2)

Be patient, it may take some time for emergency personnel to reach you. Remember, sometimes they will have to travel the same trails you did to get to your location. Funding for the signs comes in part from the Decorah Rotary Club and the Winneshiek County E 9-1-1 Board.

This nifty Trails of Winneshiek County map was made possible by these fine groups:



County: 563-534-7145; City: 563-382-4158

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## Tip 2:

Where Fifth Ave meets College Dr, you can go right for Downtown, or left to check out "west side" businesses, Luther College, or Ice Cave Road – where you'll find Dunning's Spring, scenic parks, & great hiking trails! And, if you're up for an adventure, awesome mountain biking trails too!

## Tip 1:

Decorah's downtown district is charming & fun, filled with bike-friendly businesses to visit. The Chamber & Visitor's Center on the west end of Water Street is a great place to get more info!

## Tip 5:

The Decorah Fish Hatchery is a great place to start your loop – there's the famous eagle's nest just across the road, Siewers' Spring, and, of course, lots of fish at the hatchery (you can feed them for just 25 cents)! Plus parking, picnic areas, & restrooms.

## Tip 4:

As you come down the switchbacks at "the cut" near mile 10, head right to continue the loop along scenic Dug Road toward downtown or turn left to find the spur trail through Pulpit Rock Campground. You can also continue past the campground on the road to Twin Springs Park & its lovely hiking and mountain biking trails (for skilled riders).

## Tip 3:

We're working on another trail! The box culvert under Highway 52 is the start of a future trail that will create a network of over 40 miles of paved trails! The future Dry Run Trail will connect the Trout Run Trail to the Prairie Farmer Recreational Trail, near Calmar. When completed, the Dry Run Trail itself will provide the opportunity to explore a scenic valley, prairies, oak savannas, and picturesque countryside.

# TROUT RUN TRAIL

11 MILES.  
YEAR-ROUND.

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