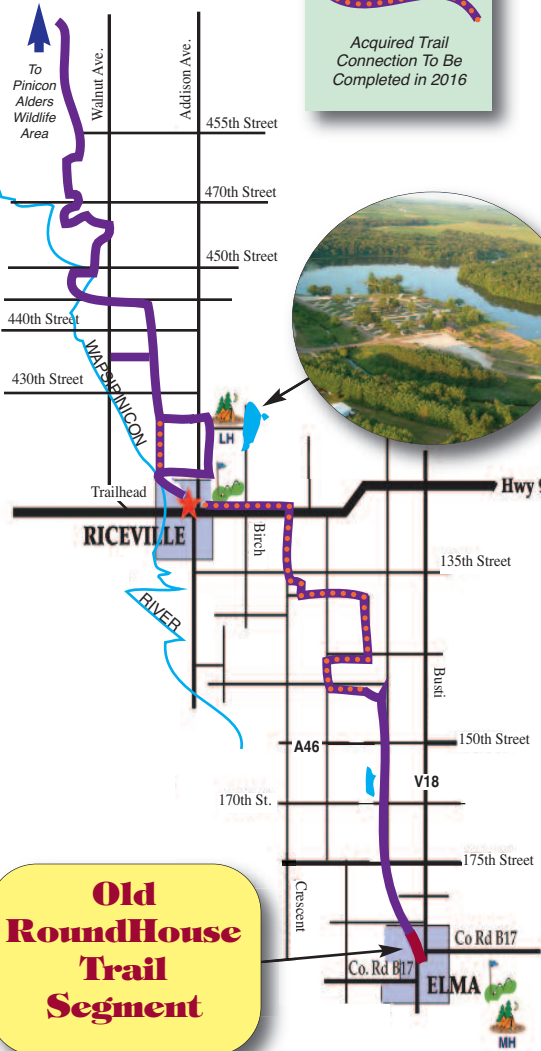


Wapsi-Great Western Line Trail WGWL

Prairie Springs Recreational Trail PSRT

Projected Connection To Shooting Star In MN



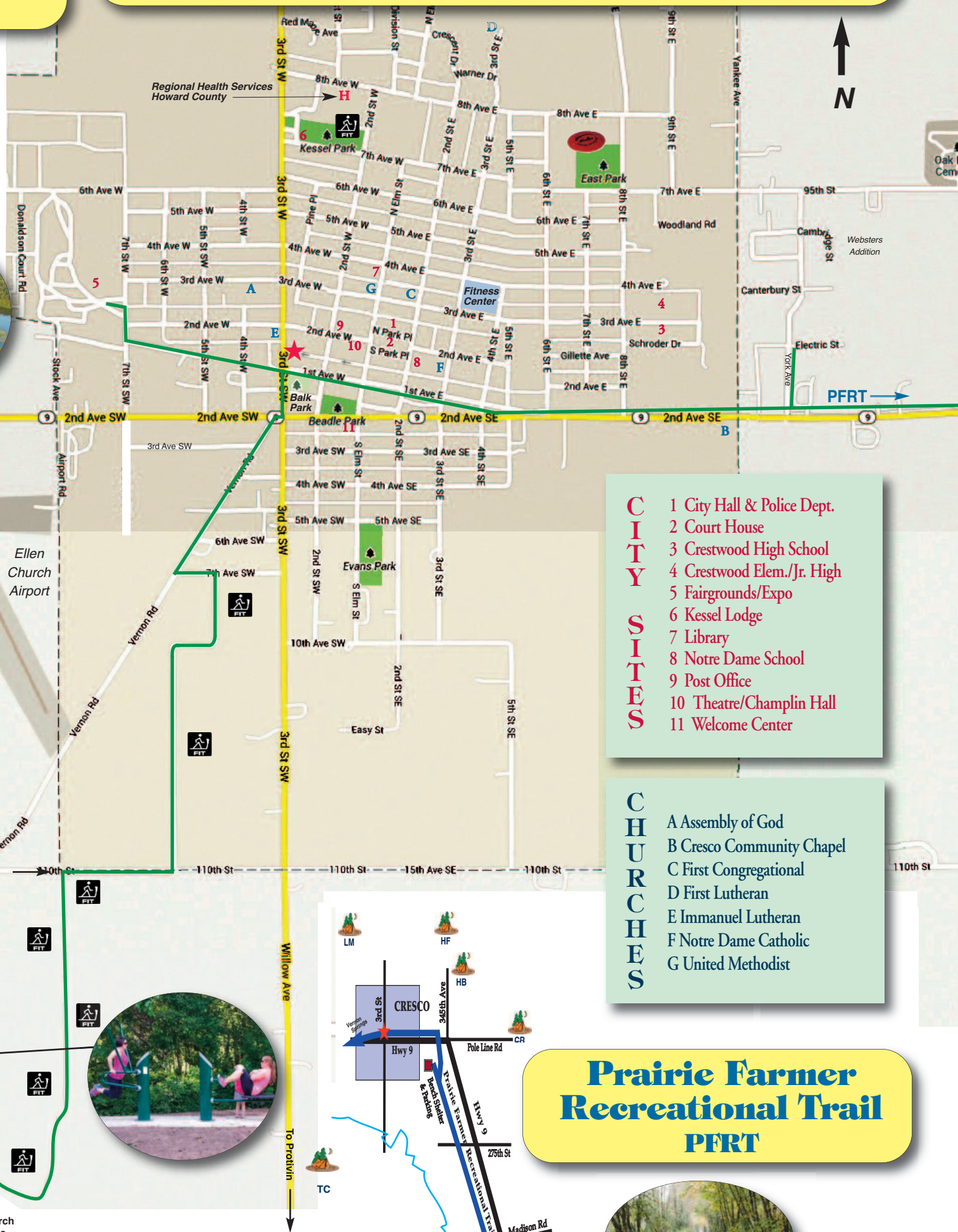
Old RoundHouse Trail Segment



WEBSITES:
www.howard-county.com
www.crescochamber.com
www.visitiowa.org
www.co.howard.ia.us/offices/conservation
www.wgwltrail.com

TOWN MILEAGE CHART

	CALMAR	CHESTER	CRESO	DECORAH	PROTIVIN	ELMA	LIME SPRINGS	RICEVILLE	RIDGEWAY	SPILLVILLE
CALMAR										
CHESTER	42									
CRESO	22	20								
DECORAH	11	41	21							
ELMA	38	20	25	38	25					
LIME SPRINGS	38	5	15	36	27	22				
PROTIVIN	14	31	12	22		25	27	34	14	14
RICEVILLE	45	18	22	44	34	15	19		31	39
RIDGEWAY	13	29	9	12	14	26	24	31		8
SPILLVILLE	6	40	20	14	14	32	35	39	8	



- CITY SITES**
- 1 City Hall & Police Dept.
 - 2 Court House
 - 3 Crestwood High School
 - 4 Crestwood Elem./Jr. High
 - 5 Fairgrounds/Expo
 - 6 Kessel Lodge
 - 7 Library
 - 8 Notre Dame School
 - 9 Post Office
 - 10 Theatre/Champlin Hall
 - 11 Welcome Center

- CHURCHES**
- A Assembly of God
 - B Cresco Community Chapel
 - C First Congregational
 - D First Lutheran
 - E Immanuel Lutheran
 - F Notre Dame Catholic
 - G United Methodist



Prairie Farmer Recreational Trail PFRT



Turkey River Campground - TR (46 Campsites)

11562 Valley Ave • Cresco • 563.547.3634

www.co.howard.ia.us/offices/conservation

Lake Hendricks Park & Campground - LH (80)

9850 Addison Ave • Riceville

641.985.2127 • 563.547.3634

www.co.howard.ia.us/offices/conservation

Howard County Fairgrounds Campground - HC (26)

6th Ave W • Cresco

563.547.4996 • 563.547.3400 • www.mhcfair.com

Lidke Park & Campground - LM (30)

3245 Oak Ave • Lime Springs

563.547.3634 • 563.566.2864

www.co.howard.ia.us/offices/conservation

Maple Heights Golf & Campground - MH (10)

200 East Wood St • Elma

641.393.2120 • 641.393.2173

Twins Campground - TC (12)

South of Cresco on Turkey River

563.379.3225 • 563.380.2868

Chimney Rock Canoe & Campground - CR (58)

3312 Chimney Rock Rd • Cresco

563.735.5786 • 877.787.2267 • www.chimneyrocks.com

Harvest Farms Campground - HF (128)

3690 318th Ave • Cresco

563.883.8562 • www.harvestfarmcampground.com

Hruska's Canoe Livery & Bluffton Campground - HB (38)

3233 347th St • Cresco • 563.547.4566 • 563.735.5633

www.bluffcountry.com/hruska's.htm

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- Cresco Travel & Tourism
- Howard County Community Foundation
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- Howard County Business & Tourism (HCBT)

Join the H.T. Running Club and their many activities throughout the year whether it is an informal run or their sponsored St. Patrick's Day Brew & Stew held every March. Search *FIT Running Club-Cresco* on facebook to see what is next on their running schedule!

Cresco Bicycles hosts a weekly bike ride taking advantage of the immense trail system in northeast Iowa. Follow their website and blog to make the most of your biking experience! www.crescobicycles.com

Saddle Clubs

Two saddle clubs bring the love of horses and nature together as they participate in trail rides, parades, competitions, and the Pony Express. Search *Cresco Saddle Club* and *Lime Springs Saddle Club* on facebook.

Fun 4 Fitness



The first ever *Fitness Trail* in Iowa possesses outdoor equipment strategically placed along the Prairie Spring Trail & Kessel Park, offering a work-out for all ages and levels. Enjoy a run/walk and added work-out along the trail as this scenic experience now adds a challenge to all fitness levels!

PRAIRIE SPRINGS RECREATIONAL TRAIL (PSRT)
This 3 mile paved trail can be accessed from downtown Cresco at Balk Park to Vernon Springs winding along the Prairie's Edge Nature Center next to the Turkey River. Along the trail are benches and picnic tables to stop and enjoy your moment outdoors.

PRAIRIE FARMER RECREATIONAL TRAIL (PRRT)
This 22 mile paved trail connects to the PSRT and travels the abandoned Milwaukee Railroad line between Cresco, Ridgeway, and Calmar passing through some of the most beautiful farmland in Northeast Iowa.

WAPS-GREAT WESTERN LINE TRAIL (WGWL)
Meandering through the largest wind farm in Iowa and through Old Order Amish country this 28-plus mile paved trail features a Winged Jewel Butterfly Garden with over 15 species and 3,000 plants to captivate your interest. Also, on the trail, are an 800-foot boardwalk, a Wapsipiniccon bike bridge, oak savanna & more!

Trails

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Sportsmen's Clubs

- Chester/Lime Springs Sportsmen's Club
- Elma Sportsmen's Club
- Cresco Wildlife Club
- Two High School Trap Shooting Clubs

Conservation office before you practice.

Make sure and obtain your User Agreement Card from the Fifteen acres surrounds this newly improved shooting range. www.co.howard.ia.us/offices/conservation

4 mi. W and 1.5 mi N of Cresco
563.547.3634

Bonair Shooting Range

Two public canoe landings offer miles of fun on the Upper Iowa, Turkey, and Wapsipiniccon Rivers. Link to www.bluffcountry.com/hruska.htm or www.harvestfarmcampground.com or www.chimneyrocks.com for canoes, kayaks, and tube rentals.

Fishing & Hunting

From the trout of Bigalk's Stream to the pan fish and bass of Lake Hendricks to the variety of wildlife that roam the county's forests and prairies, one doesn't have to look far to find great locations for hunting and fishing in Howard County.



Two premier snowmobile clubs, Driftunners and Stump Jumpers, groom over 400 miles of trails in Howard County! Search facebook for Driftunners Snowmobile Club and follow along as they keep everyone up-to-date on trail conditions and year-round activities. Don't miss Snowfest, a 4 day winter festival the 4th week in January.

Prairie Springs XC Ski Trails

11562 Valley Ave • Cresco
563.547.3634
<http://iowaski.blogspot.com>

Enjoy a complex trail system focusing itself along spectacular wooded terrain & the Turkey River. Skis and snowshoes available to rent at Prairie's Edge Nature Center (PENC) Maps available at www.howard-county.com or at PENC.

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Elma Area Wellness Center

501 Bust Ave • 641.393.0062
www.elmawellness.com
Open 24/7 for members with key card. Offering classes, fitness equipment, Dry Spa, restrooms with showers and lockers.



Open Daily: 1 p.m. – 5 p.m., 7 p.m. – 9 p.m.
Seasonal Hours:*

Lime Springs Pool

- Indoor Track
- Free Weights and Circuit Weight Equipment
- Bikes, Krank Cycle, P90X, AMT, Stair Climbers
- Treadmill, Ellipticals, NuStep, Rower, and much more
- Basketball, Volleyball, Bating Cages, Golf Simulator
- Agility, Aerobics, Wrestling, & Meeting rooms
- Indoor Pool, Diving, Lap Lanes, Zero-Depth entry, Spa, Outdoor Patio
- Summer Swim Team, Leagues & Activities throughout year

Participate in wellness activities year round!



Cresco Fitness Center & Thomson Pool

316 3rd Ave E
563.547.3443
www.cityofcresco.com
Hours:
Mon-Fri: 5 a.m. – 9 p.m.
Sat 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Sun: 1 p.m. – 6 p.m.



Rock Arch Rapids

Vernon Springs Mill Pond
1.5 miles south of Cresco

Iowa's first rock arch rapids at Vernon Springs reconnects miles of river habitat, featuring excellent fishing off the formations. Over 280 feet of pools and rapids showcases this stunning new recreation area.

City Parks

CHESTER

City Park - Hwy 63

CRESCO

Balk Park - 3rd Street West/1st Avenue West
Beadle Park - Hwy. 9/North Elm Street
East Park - 7th Avenue East/8th Street East
Kessel Park - 7th Avenue West/3rd Street West
Evans Park - South Elm Street/5th Avenue Southwest

ELMA

Ball Park - Garden Avenue/Maple Street
City Park - Maple Street/4th & 6th Street

LIME SPRINGS

Brown Park - West Merrill Street/South Lincoln Street
Ball Park - Grant Street
Kitchen Park - West Main Street
Vander Bie Park - Willard Street/Main Street

PROTIVIN

Ball Park - Commercial Avenue
City Park - Main Street/South Avenue

RICEVILLE

City Park - Woodland Avenue

Howard Co. Safari

Stop at any of our 4 county libraries & pick up your Safari Guide Book and take part in the "hunt!" The Safari is designed to get families and groups out of the house and exploring the natural, cultural, and historical treasures of Howard County. www.extension.iastate.edu/howard.

Howard County Farmers Market

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
★		Cresco 2:00pm-5:30pm located at Grube's North Lot	Protivin 2:00pm-5:30pm located at Protivin City Park Elma 3:30pm-6:30pm Charter School	Chester 1:00pm-4:00pm located at Chester City Park ★ Check www.howard-county.com for special Sunday Market dates 563.547.3434	Cresco 2:00pm-5:30pm located at Grube's North Lot	Riceville 9:00am-11:30am located at 203 Main St Hwy 9 Lime Springs 9:00am-Noon located at Brown Park

Golf Courses

CRESCO COUNTRY CLUB

22005 115th St • 563.547.2374
crescocountryclub.com
Rolling terrain, spectacular views and several greens protected by water. Signature hole #9 with a towering oak guarding the green is a must-play. Driving Range is located along west side of course and is open to the public.



MAPLE HEIGHTS GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB

200 E Wood St • Elma • 641.393.2120
golfelma.com
Sandy bunkers and four water hazards including a 2.5 acre lake, challenges come into play throughout the design. There are over 300 trees lining the fairways adding to this picturesque course.

RICEVILLE COUNTRY CLUB

402 E Main St • 641.985.2447
ricevillecounrtyclub.weebly.com
Graced with bent grass greens and bluegrass fairways, the real star is its signature hole #6 with fairway leading to a hidden green.

DISC GOLF

East Park • Cresco
563.547.3443
cityofcresco.com



East Side DGC is a game for everyone and every age!



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