



The St. Louis-San Francisco Railway, known as the Frisco, was a dominant railroad throughout the south central United States, primarily in Missouri, Arkansas, Oklahoma, and Kansas. It played an important role in the lives of people all along the rails. The Frisco had acquired rights of way through much of the region and had an interest in the development of that land, which would eventually bring people to an area, people who would use the services of the railroad. Many of the towns began initially as a result of a depot or station needed by the Frisco for fuel and water. The population also expanded along the railroad as a result of the opportunities for employment it provided.

The Frisco was particularly influential to the Springfield, Missouri area because its operational center was located there for many years. This included headquarters, major assembly and repair shops, and support activities of all kinds. The Frisco was the major employer and the key to twentieth century development in the area. Ozarks residents became trades people, office workers, executives, depot workers and operating personnel. Employees relied on the Frisco for employment and local business relied on the Frisco employees for their livelihood.

For many years the Frisco provided a primary link between small towns in the South and Midwest to the rest of the country. The Frisco shipped products to market, brought goods in for local consumption, and provided reliable mail, package, and passenger service. Expansion of service into branch lines enabled local development which in turn helped the railroad prosper.

LEAVE NO TRACE ON THE THOM STATION TRAIL



Manage Your Dog

Keep your dog near you and under control. Carry and use a leash as required. Ask before allowing your dog to approach other people and dogs.



Pick Up Poop

Phew! Dog poop is raw sewage. It stinks, causes damage to the environment, and others can step in it. Pack a pick-up bag and always pick up your dog's poop — wherever it's left.



Trash Your Trash

Please take out all trash — yours and others'. Even organic garbage such as orange peels, apple cores and food scraps, take years to break down. Animals which feed on trash often die!



Leave It as You Find It

Picking flowers, collecting rocks, or picking berries may not seem to be a big deal, but it means others won't have a chance to enjoy them. Lots of people visit Thom Station Trail. If each takes something, what will remain?



Stay on Trail

Traveling on trail leaves room for wildlife and their homes. Shortcutting trails causes erosion. The trail is a small corridor between private property. Respect property owners by staying on the trail.



Share Our Trails

We can all enjoy Thom Station Trail. Pay attention, expect to encounter others and be courteous. Yield to all.

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Welcome to the

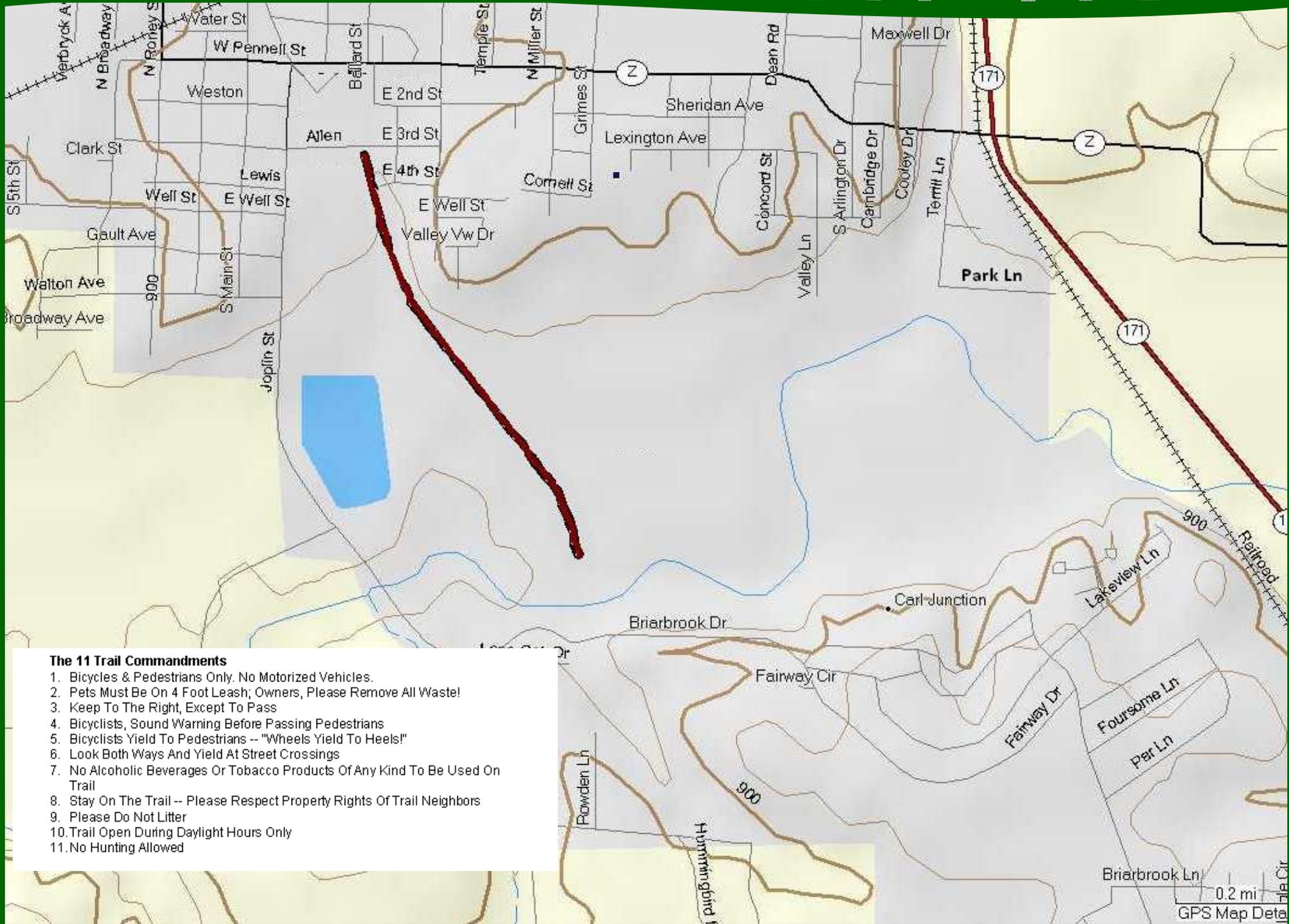
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The Thom Station Trail is Carl Junction's newest walking/biking trail. The trail head is located near 3rd and Allen. Phase One is complete with a trail $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile long.

Thom Station Trail



The 11 Trail Commandments

1. Bicycles & Pedestrians Only. No Motorized Vehicles.
2. Pets Must Be On 4 Foot Leash; Owners, Please Remove All Waste!
3. Keep To The Right, Except To Pass
4. Bicyclists, Sound Warning Before Passing Pedestrians
5. Bicyclists Yield To Pedestrians -- "Wheels Yield To Heels!"
6. Look Both Ways And Yield At Street Crossings
7. No Alcoholic Beverages Or Tobacco Products Of Any Kind To Be Used On Trail
8. Stay On The Trail -- Please Respect Property Rights Of Trail Neighbors
9. Please Do Not Litter
10. Trail Open During Daylight Hours Only
11. No Hunting Allowed