

# **BLAZING STAR STATE TRAIL**

FREEBORN COUNTY







### MORE INFORMATION

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## SHARE THE TRAIL

- Stay on designated trail.
- Keep right so others can pass.
- Keep pets on leash and pick up waste.
- Obey traffic signs and rules.
- Pack out all garbage and litter.
- Respect adjoining landowner's rights and privacy.
- Verbally warn other trail users when passing from behind.
- Overnight camping and campfires are permitted only on designated campsites. Do not leave them unattended.
- Enjoy the beauty of wild plants and animals, but leave them undisturbed for all to eniov.
- Trail users are legally responsible for obeying the rules and regulations provided in Minnesota Rules, 6100.3000.

# **ABOUT THE TRAIL**

The Blazing Star State Trail runs from Albert Lea Lake in Albert Lea through Myre-Big Island State Park. When complete, it will connect Albert Lea and Austin via Myre-Big Island State Park and Hayward.

Six miles of trail are currently constructed between the city of Albert Lea and Myre-Big Island State Park. The trail connects to Albert Lea's city trail system. Another 1.5 miles of trail are built between the city of Hayward and

Township Road 290. Once the trail reaches Austin, it will connect to Austin's city trail system and the Shooting Star State Trail.

Enjoy views of rural landscapes along the trail. Travel past Myre-Big Island State Park for diverse natural environments like wetlands, oak savanna, big woods and prairie. Visit during spring or fall migration for excellent birding opportunities.



Blazing star flowers are prevelant along the trail

## PARKING AVAILABLE

DO NOT LEAVE VALUABLES IN YOUR VEHICLE

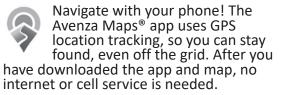
Albert Lea: At the Frank Hall Park or East Front Street trailheads.

Myre-Big Island State Park: At the Visitor Center, Big Island and White Fox Campground.

West of Hayward: At the trailhead on Township Rd. 290.

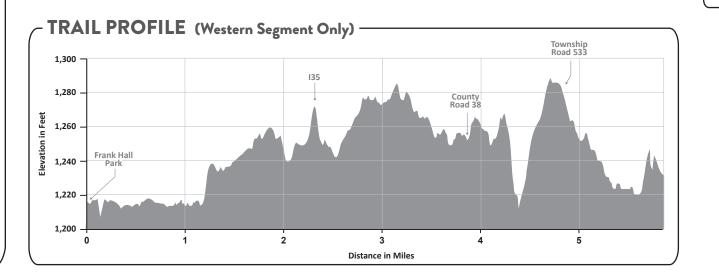
Hayward: At the city trailhead on West Street.

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