# Examples of Restroom Facilities and Guidelines

### **Depot Facility**

Restroom added on to exterior of historic train depot at Hanover Junction. Heritage Rail Trail County Park, York County, PA





### **Depot Facility**

Exterior access added to restroom facility at New Freedom Depot, Heritage Rail Trail County Park, York County, PA





## **Free Standing Pit Facility**

Pine Creek Rail Trail, Tioga County, PA



### **Port-A-Potty at Trailhead**

Structure containing port-a-potty at Railroad Trailhead, Heritage Rail Trail County Park, York, County, PA





## Off Road Facilities - Restrooms

#### Restrooms

Public amenities, such as phones, restrooms, etc., shall be located and concentrated at the confluence of vehicular and pedestrian traffic. ADA accessible restrooms should be placed at major trail access points in order to accommodate trail users. Where possible, other uses should be incorporated into the structure, such as storage for maintenance equipment. These structures should be located adjacent to thoroughfares for security, maintenance and access to utility hookups. They should also make use of natural light and ventilation as much as possible.

#### Off Road Facilities



#### **Typical Restrooms**



Waterless Restroom Option

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# Restroom Locations Heritage Rail Trail County Park

From the Maryland Line to the City of York trail is 21 miles long. Trail north of the City of York is not complete.

Facilities are located at the following mile markers starting at the Maryland state line as mile 0.

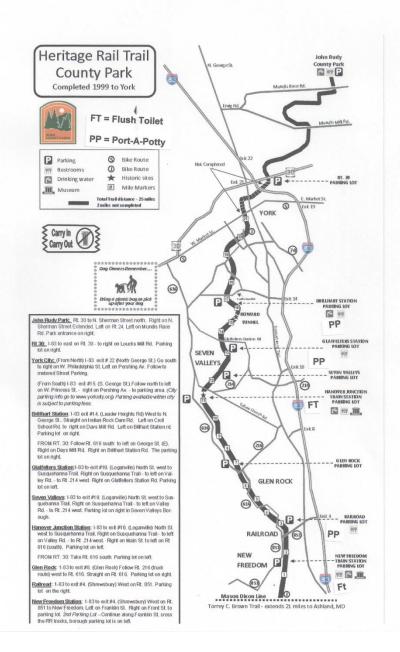
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## Restroom locations Pine Creek Rail Trail Lycoming and Tioga Counties, PA

From Wellsboro Junction to Jersey Shore the Pine Creek Rail Trail is 61.2 miles.

Facilities are located at the following mile markers starting at Wellsboro Junction as mile 0.

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16.6

24.9

26

26.7

32.8

37.3

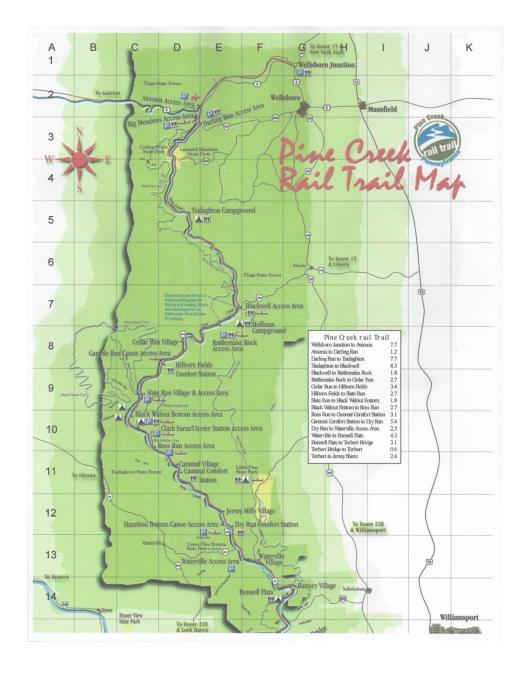
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61.2



# Restroom Locations Virginia Creeper Trail Whitetop to Abington, VA

From Whitetop to Abington the Virginia Creeper Trail is 34.3 miles long. There are nine trailheads with parking and bathroom facilities at each one but Watauga at present.

r Trail http://www.vacreep



www.vacreepertrail.us

#### **Maps and GPS Coordinates**

(All external links open separate browser window.)

Map below used by permission of Trail Express http://www.trailexpress.com/virginiacreeper/maps.php



## This is the only "standard" that could be located.

**OUTDOOR TOILET FACILITIES AVAILABILITY GUIDELINES** 

http://americanrestroom.org/pr/policy/

## American Restroom Association

"America's advocate for the availability of clean, safe, well designed public restrooms"

#### **Linear Parks and Trails**

- .1 During the month of the year where the peak monthly temperature is above 50, any multi-use trails system accommodating 2000 trail users per day shall provide toilet facilities at no greater then five kilometer intervals.
- .2 During the months of the year where the peak monthly temperature is below 50, any multi-use trails system accommodating 500 trail users shall provide toilet facilities at no greater then five kilometer intervals.
- .3 Trail and Park maps should include restroom location symbols and time of day availability information.
- .4 PSU should be substituted for unexpected closure of permanent facilities

#### Athletic Fields

.1 Athletic fields must have toilet facilities within 500 meters during team activity.

#### RESTROOMS IN PARKS, ALONG TRAILS, AND IN PUBLIC SPACE

## Bike and Pedestrian Trails

- While not a major bike issue, the availability of public restrooms is a concern for some bicyclists and walkers, particularly women. Cold weather shortens the interval between needing a "pit" stop. Winter is also the time when most public restrooms are closed. Men, often at variance with 'civility laws", can get by, but for women the option is to not ride.
- Additionally, publishers of bicycle route and trail maps should be encouraged to include public restroom location icons. Where relevant, seasonal and time-of-day restrictions should be noted.
- In response to surveys and in unsolicited comments, users
   of the Washington & Old Dominion Trail have identified
   public toilets as an important park amenity. Consequently,
   the Friends of the W&OD Trail is placing rented porta potties at
   new locations along that 45-mile trail to eliminate long gaps
   without public toilets.
- "Ever since we've asked this question, 'restrooms' is always
   Number 1 ...
- "There's not enough restrooms, especially for some of the older people who like walking on the bike trail,"