The Trail



In 2005, Earth Conservancy completed work on its Penobscot Ridge Mountain Bike Trail. The area encompasses large reclaimed tracts to the south of Wanamie, and conserved properties along Penobscot Ridge. The official trail begins at one of two trailheads, both of which have parking and picnic facilities. There is a main riding path, generally easy to moderate, which is suitable for families, as well as many unofficial trails throughout the area. Overall, the combination of trails, open fields, woodlands, and valley views offers all users a varied, fun, and rewarding ride.

Remember – Leave No Trace Yield to Pedestrians

About Us

Earth Conservancy (EC) is a nonprofit organization committed to addressing the legacy impacts of anthracite mining in northeastern Pennsylvania. Our focus: reclamation, conservation, and economic revitalization. In 1994, EC purchased the lands of the bankrupt Blue Coal Corporation. Located in Luzerne County's lower Wyoming Valley, many of the +16,000 acres were mine-scarred, seen only as permanent eyesores and reminders of the past. EC, however, viewed them as an opportunity for transformation, growth, and progress.

As part of its mission, EC intends dedicate 10,000 of its acres to recreation and greenspace. To date, nearly 9,000 acres have been allocated, including the Penobscot Ridge Mountain Bike Trail. This, in concert with our reclamation and watershed work, creates a more livable community now, and clears the way for positive, progressive change for future generations.

Trailheads

Trails are open from dawn to dusk.

Both trailheads are located off West Kirmar Avenue in Nanticoke/Newport Township. From I-81, take Exit 164 to S.R. 29. Take Exit 2B (Alden) to South Valley Parkway. Stay on parkway to Middle Road, which becomes Kirmar. Parking is available at both trailheads.

Eastern Trailhead 41.175660, -76.026621

Western Trailhead 41.169070, -76.0470975



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