The Trails



The Sugar Notch Trail system includes two trails of varying technical difficulty:

Ridgetop Trail (±3 miles)

Begins at a trailhead just above the first set of playing fields in the Greater Hanover Area Recreation Park. You'll walk alongside a section of Sugar Notch Run, cross an old railroad bridge, and follow the ridgeline of Little Wilkes-Barre Mountain. The trail ends just past a cemetery on Main Street.

Jacqueline Munro Trail (±0.6 miles)

Named in 2017 in memory of our late colleague, the Munro Trail is a shorter walk, providing a pedestrian route between Sugar Notch and the recreation park. The primary trailhead is located off of Broadhead Avenue at Chestnut Street, in a small playground. The trail runs through the reclaimed Sugar Notch residential area to the playing fields.

Three of the trailheads have parking. Both trails are marked by blazes.

Remember – Leave No Trace

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 Sugar Notch Trail System. 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.

From I-81, take Exit 164 to S.R. 29. Take Exit 1 (Sugar Notch) to Main Street.

Ridgetop Trailheads East: Turn RIGHT onto Main Street and RIGHT onto Earth Conservancy Drive 41.198284, -75.913377

West: Turn LEFT onto Main Street and follow to just past cemetery on RIGHT. 41.192952, -75.944689

Jacqueline Munro Trailheads

East: Turn RIGHT onto Main Street and RIGHT onto Earth Conservancy Drive 41.198086, -75.914916

West: Turn LEFT onto Main Street and LEFT onto Broadhead Avenue 41.195882, -75.928778

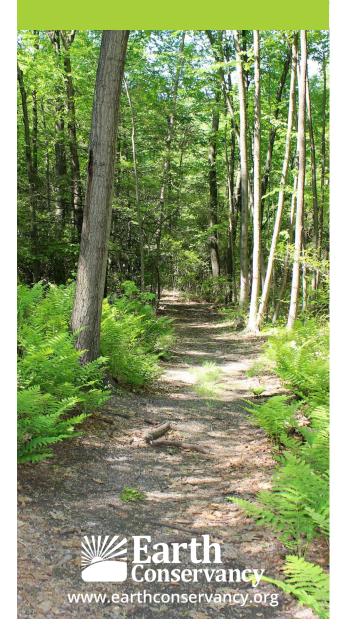


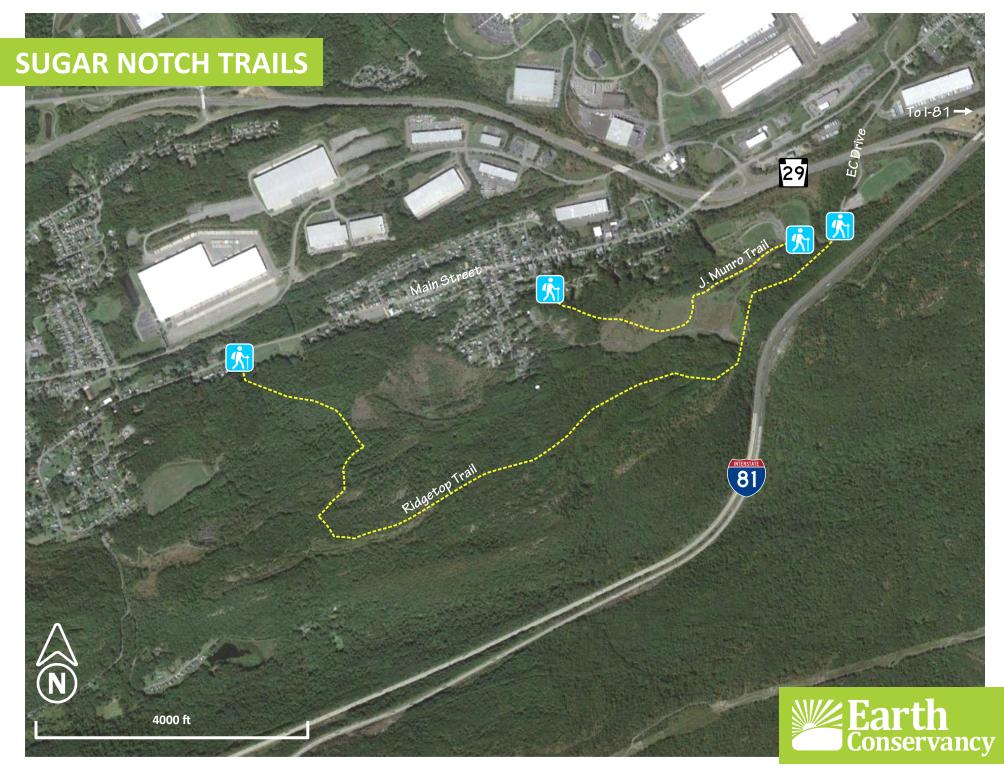
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