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protected wetlands and a 525-foot boardwalk. The route also crosses the 2,850-foot long, 60-foot tall Glenford Dike, an engineering marvel completed in 1912 to allow passage of trains bringing supplies to and tourists from New York City via the railroad.

The trail's crushed-stone trail surface, measuring 10 to 12 feet in width at various points, is so compacted that thin-tired bikes can safely travel on it. The pathway is also ADA-compliant and features no crossing streets. In winter, the unplowed trail can be enjoyed for cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, and fat-tire bike riding.

### Overview

The Ashokan Rail Trail is an 11.5-mile multi-use trail that traces the northern edge of the Ashokan Reservoir, which provides a large proportion of New York City's drinking water. The trail sits on the historical right-of-way of the Ulster and Delaware Railroad, which ceased operations in 1978 and was purchased by Ulster County the following year.

### About the Route

Travelers on the trail will enjoy spectacular views of the Catskill Mountains and the nearly 123 billion-gallon reservoir. The area abounds with red maples, birch and eastern white pine trees, and the pathway features



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**States:** New York

**Counties:** Ulster

Length: 11.5miles

**Trail end points:** New York City Rd. (Boiceville)  
to Basin Rd. (West Hurley)

**Trail surfaces:** Crushed Stone

**Trail category:** Rail-Trail

**Trail activities:** Bike, Wheelchair

Accessible, Walking, Cross Country Skiing

## Parking & Trail Access

The Ashokan Rail Trail runs between New York City Rd. (Boiceville) and Basin Rd. (West Hurley).

Parking is available at:

- 5080 NY-28A (Boiceville)
- 3045 NY-28 (Olive)
- 1285 NY-28 (West Hurley)

Please see [TrailLink Map](#) for all parking options and detailed directions.



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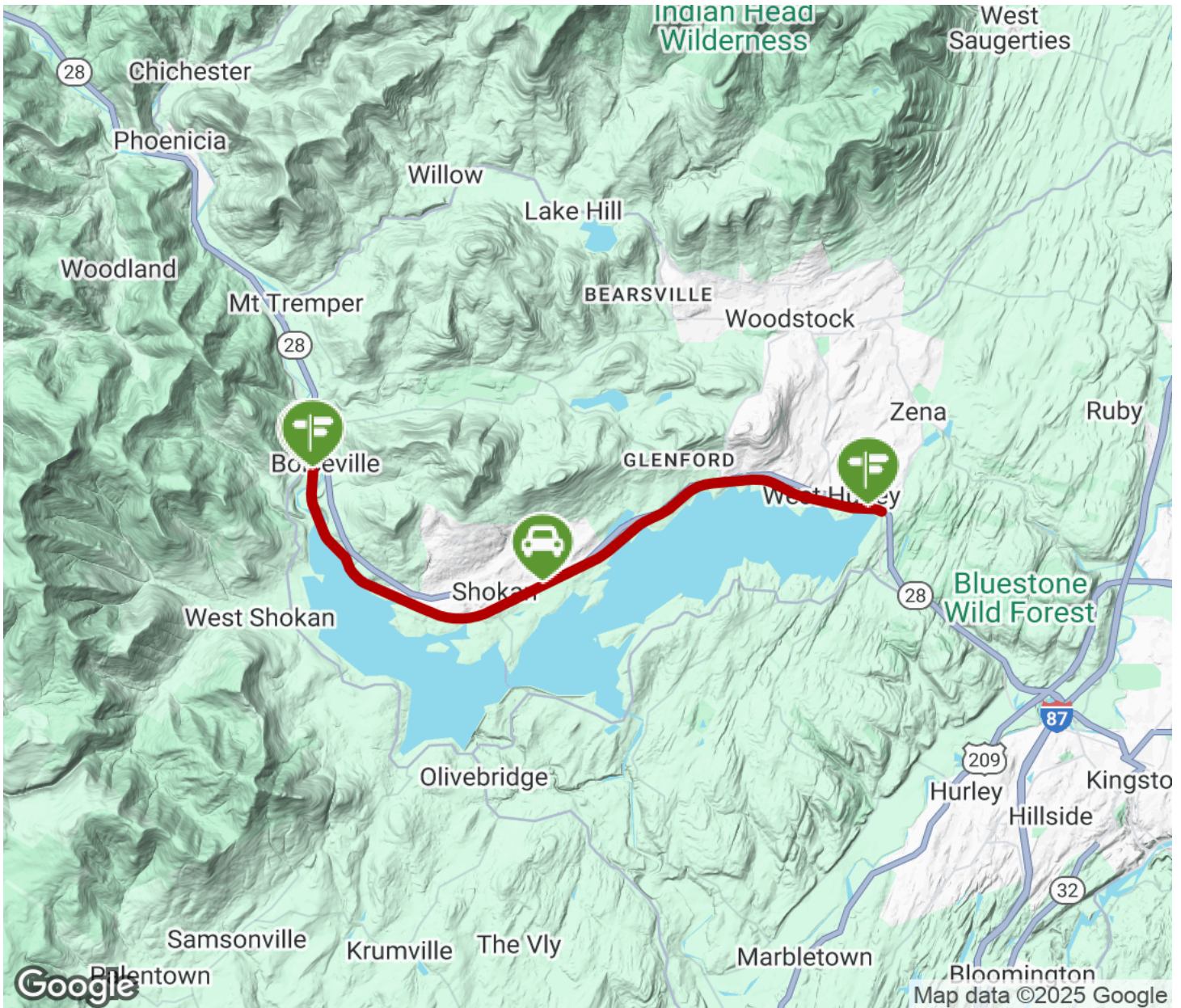
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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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