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## **Ogden Mine Railroad Path** *New Jersey*



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parking area has had a large amount of gravel laid down to stabilize the surface; it makes for rough bike riding. The trail leaves the Mahlon Dickerson Reservation and enters the Weldon Brook Wildlife Management Area. The surface changes back to dirt and signs along the trail indicate that you have entered the Wildlife Management Area. The trail passes through the lower end of Pine Swamp and over the Wallkill River. The trail ends at Hayward Road in a residential development where there is only on street parking. Maps of all of the trails in the Mahlon Dickerson Reservation are available at the parking lots.

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States: New Jersey Counties: Morris,Sussex Length: 2.7miles Trail end points: Saffin Rock RIII - Mahlon Dickerson Reservation to Hayward Road, Jefferson Township, NJ Trail surfaces: Ballast,Cinder,Crushed Stone,Dirt Trail category: Rail-Trail Trail activities: Horseback Riding,Mountain Biking,Walking,Cross Country Skiing

## **Parking & Trail Access**

From Interstate 80, take Exit 34 for New Jersey Route 15 north. In Hurdtown take the exit for Weldon Road, approximately 4 miles. Follow Weldon Road east about 1 mile where you will enter the Mahlon Dickerson Reservation. Look for parking at Saffin Rock Rill or Saffin Pond on the right side of the road.



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