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Rail Trail**
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Trail advocates ultimately envision a 46-mile trail from Wassaic in Dutchess County to Chatham in Columbia County. Currently, the trail is over halfway complete. For now, trail users can ride uninterrupted from Wassaic to Taconic State Park.

About the Route

Overall, the trail is bucolic and easygoing throughout. The asphalt pavement is well maintained and mostly flat.

Scenery is generally wooded, though the path passes through a variety of landscapes, including wetlands, creeks, some open grasslands, tree farms, and farmland. The trail features numerous parking lots and access points, mileposts, signage, and benches.

The southern end of the 24.7-mile southern section begins just south of Wassaic Station, the northern terminus of the Metro-North Railroad Harlem Line, a commuter route. Because the Metro-North line ends here, the trail parallels the active rail line only a short distance. The northern endpoint of this trail section is just north of Taconic State Park at Orphan Farm Road in the hamlet of Copake Falls.

After a gap of 0.7 mile, the southern end of this section of trail picks up at Black Grocery Road and continues north to Anthony Street in a residential area of Hillsdale. Currently this segment is only 1.5 miles long and is difficult to access. However, pleasant views along the way include vast fields of Christmas trees and other active farmland.

A 0.2-mile section of trail runs through the village of Chatham. This is the first piece of the planned northern section of the trail, of which, Chatham will form the northernmost end of the trail.



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States: New York

Counties: Columbia, Dutchess

Length: 26.4 miles

Trail end points: Anthony St (Hillsdale) to
Furnace Bank Rd (Wassaic)

Trail surfaces: Asphalt

Trail category: Rail-Trail

Trail activities: Bike, Inline

Skating, Walking, Wheelchair Accessible, Cross
Country Skiing

Parking & Trail Access

The Harlem Valley Rail Trail runs between Anthony St (Hillsdale) and Furnace Bank Rd (Wassaic).

Parking is available at several locations along the trail, including:

- Wassaic MTA Station
- Mechanic St & Railroad Ave (Amenia)
- Coleman Station Rd (Millerton)
- former Millerton Station (14 Main St, Millerton)
- Miles Rd & NY-344 (Copake Falls)

Visit the [TrailLink Map](#) for all options and detailed directions.

