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Morris Canal Greenway New Jersey



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In the early 1830s the Morris Canal opened across northern New Jersey, from Phillipsburg on the Delaware River to Newark, and later to Jersey City on the Hudson River. It provided a thoroughfare for the county's farm products to reach metropolitan markets. The county continues to retain some of its early agricultural prominence, leading the Garden State in the production of dairy cattle, milk, eggs, feed corn and alfalfa. In addition, farm markets, nurseries, wineries, and "boutique" growers are expanding within the county.

The Morris Canal also brought together the anthracite coal from Pennsylvania with the limestone and iron ore from New Jersey in the formation of heavy industry. Railroads quickly replaced the canal and sped the development of industry within the county.



The canal towpath between Waterloo Village and Allamuchy is a recreational trail open to the public for non-motorized activities. The Little Falls segment begins near the intersection of Reiner Rd & Cedar Grove Rd and ends near the corner of Lynn Pl. and Stewart Ave. Each section is about 2miles long. These trails are part of a greenway that will eventually extend between the proposed New Jersey Transportation Heritage Museum in Phillipsburg and the historic Waterloo Village - a restored canal town.

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States: New Jersey Counties: Passaic,Sussex,Warren Length: 4.1miles Trail end points: Allamuchy (near Allamuchy State Park) to Bryram Township (Waterloo Village) Trail surfaces: Dirt,Grass Trail category: Canal Trail activities: Bike,Walking,Cross Country Skiing

Parking & Trail Access

Free parking is available at historic Waterloo Village in Byram Township. Simply take Interstate 80 in New Jersey to Exit 25. Follow the signs for Waterloo Village.



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