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Guides



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Tracing a relatively flat path from the community of Tatesville, located in Everett in the south, to Riddlesburg in the north, the upper half of the trail closely parallels the Raystown Branch of the Juniata River as it too flows north. There are no water fountains or restrooms, so plan ahead. (The one restroom that was midway along the trail has fallen into disrepair). The nearest public restroom at the north end can be found at Warriors Path State Park near Saxton.

From the trailhead at Tatesville, the pathway quickly

plunges into a forested canopy that provides shade in the summer. A little more than 4 miles of pedaling along the crushed-stone path leads to a 1930s-era railroad trestle spanning the Raystown Branch. The bridge, about 250 feet long, is perhaps the visual centerpiece of the Huntingdon and Broad Top Rail Trail, delivering lovely views of the river that the trail follows for the final 6 miles of the ride to the northern endpoint.

Shortly after crossing the bridge, state game land is on the right. Hunters can use the trail, though they are not allowed to discharge firearms from it. Nevertheless, there may be gunshots heard year-round, particularly in late fall and winter. Wildlife in the area include deer, turkeys, and even bald eagles.

As the trail leaves the state game land behind and approaches the small town of Hopewell, the surface changes to a coarser stone pathway that the trail shares with cars accessing the Coopers Recreation Area. Primitive restrooms are available here. Camping is allowed, as is RV parking, though there are no facility hookups available (call the Hopewell Township administrative office to arrange camping). A large concrete pad is all that remains of the Cooper Sawmill, once a major industry in the area and a producer of the creosote used to preserve railway lumber. This spot offers easy fishing access to the river.

The trail is entirely on road through the small town of Hopewell (population less than 250), but the route is well marked. In town, the trail passes by the Hopewell Train Station, the original train depot. While the station is not open for tours, the nearby Keystone Foundry Museum is (June–September, Saturdays and Sundays, 1–4 p.m.). The foundry, which served as a production and repair shop for the Huntingdon and Broad Top Railroad, features a collection of tools and equipment seemingly frozen in time the day the facility shut its doors for good in 1935. In an area once brimming with blast furnaces, foundries, and other iron



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States: Pennsylvania

Counties: Bedford

Length: 12.6 miles

Trail end points: Dead end north of Six Mile Run Rd (Riddlesburg) to Plank Rd (Everett)

Trail surfaces: Concrete, Crushed Stone, Dirt, Grass, Gravel

Trail category: Rail-Trail

Trail activities: Bike, Fishing, Wheelchair Accessible, Walking, Cross Country Skiing

Parking & Trail Access

The Huntingdon and Broad Top Rail Trail runs between a dead end north of Six Mile Run Rd (Riddlesburg) and Plank Rd (Everett), where parking is available.

Parking is also available at:

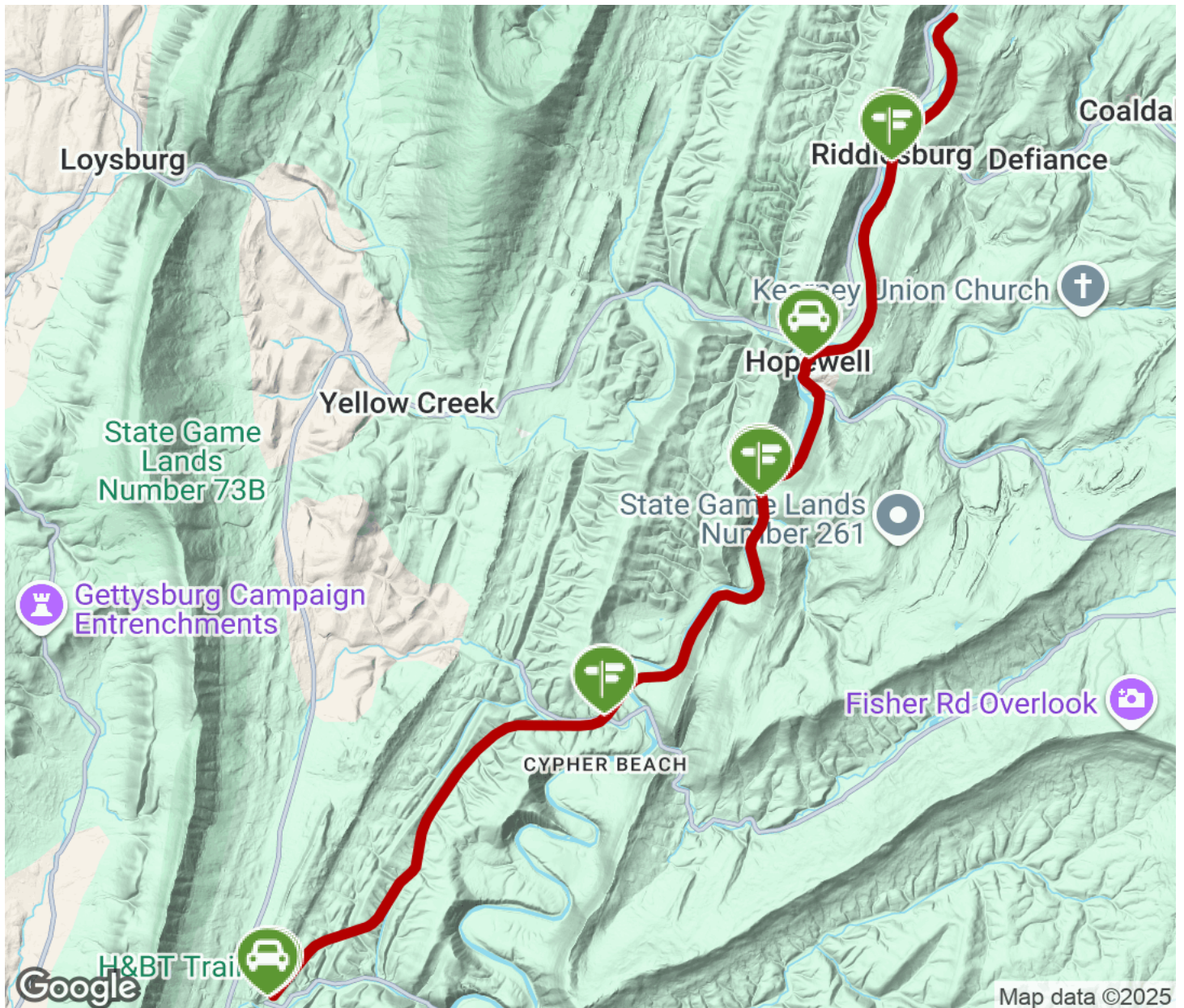
- Broad St (Hopewell)
- E Cypher Rd (Hopewell)

These are not official addresses, please visit the [TrailLink map](#) for all parking options and detailed directions.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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