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Guides



**Hunter  
Branch Rail  
Trail**  
*New York*



## Hunter Branch Rail Trail

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The Hunter Branch Rail Trail (HBRT) is a recently completed segment of the Hunter Regional Trail (HRT), a network of rail-trails that run along a former railroad corridor in the Town of Hunter, NY.

From Stoney Clove Road, the rail-trail runs northwest for about a mile along a segment of the Hunter Branch of the Stony Clove and Catskill Mountain Railroad, which was discontinued in 1939. The trail continues on Ski Bowl Road (Country Road 83) for about half-a-mile to Dolan's Lake in the Village of Hunter.

The route includes a 90ft pedestrian truss bridge where the railroad once crossed a small Schoharie Creek tributary. A section of the original stone abutments has been left in place for visitors to appreciate the efforts of

early railroad workers. Currently, the trail surface is unimproved (neither gravel nor paved) and is composed of the actual rail bed, but there are plans to update the trail to meet ADA specifications.

During its peak in the late 1880s and early 1900's, the trains would run from Kingston and bring visitors to local hotels such as the Catskill Mountain House and the Hotel Kaaterskill. Today, the trail will serve as an essential link in connecting communities and Main Street businesses through a network of multiuse trails.

The official opening for newest section of the Hunter Branch Rail Trail will be on Celebrate Trails Day/Earth Day (April 22, 2023)!



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**States:** New York

**Counties:** Greene

Length: 1.5miles

**Trail end points:** Ski Bowl Rd/Country Rd 83 to  
Stoney Clove Rd (Hunter)

**Trail surfaces:** Boardwalk, Crushed  
Stone, Dirt, Grass

**Trail category:** Rail-Trail

**Trail activities:** Mountain Biking, Walking

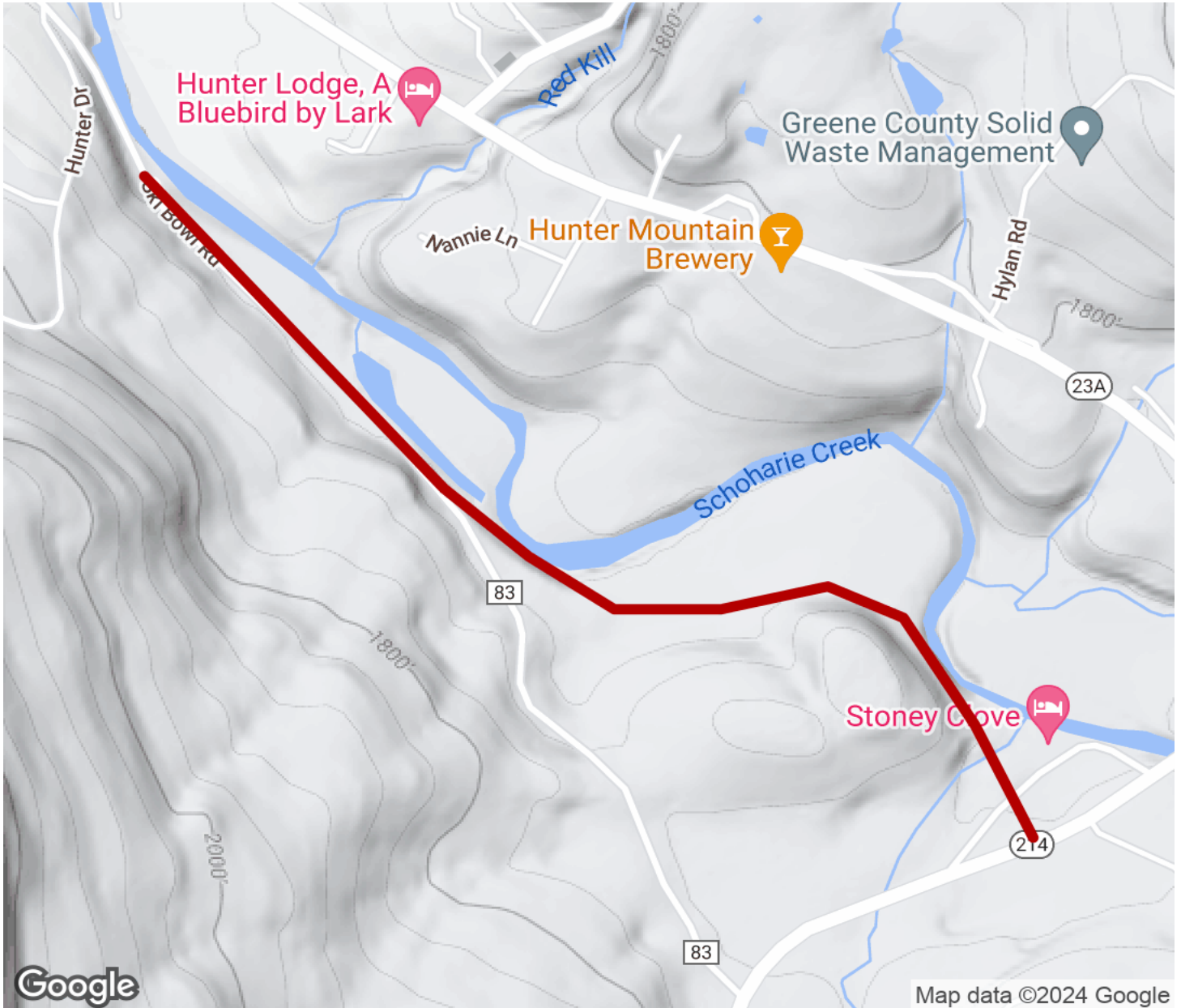
## Parking & Trail Access

There is no designated parking for this trail.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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