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Guides



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as the trail starts to steadily descend down McGowan Mountain toward Otter Creek, you will be treated to the sights and sounds of this remote region. Listen for the rushing rapids of Otter Creek far below. The view over the valley and of the mountains in the distance is breathtaking.

The trail terminates at the valley floor, where it meets two other rail-trails, the [Otter Creek Trail](#) and [Possession Camp Trail](#). To reach both of these trails, you must cross the rather wide Otter Creek, so hike up your pant legs and plunge in—carefully!—if you plan to continue your trail adventure on the opposite shore.

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The trailhead for the 4-mile Moore Run Trail is marked simply with a posted sign along Forest Road 324. You may need to look closely for the trail itself, as the overgrowth of rhododendron around the trailhead can obscure it. However, once you find the trail near the creek bed, it is easy to follow the entire way.

The trail begins by following Moore Run (a creek) for about 2 miles. You will pass through two high mountain meadows and cross several small streams. After 2 miles,



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States: West Virginia

Counties: Randolph

Length: 4.2miles

Trail end points: Otter Creek Trail and
Possession Camp Trail to Moore Run Trailhead
on FR 324

Trail surfaces: Dirt

Trail category: Rail-Trail

Trail activities: Walking

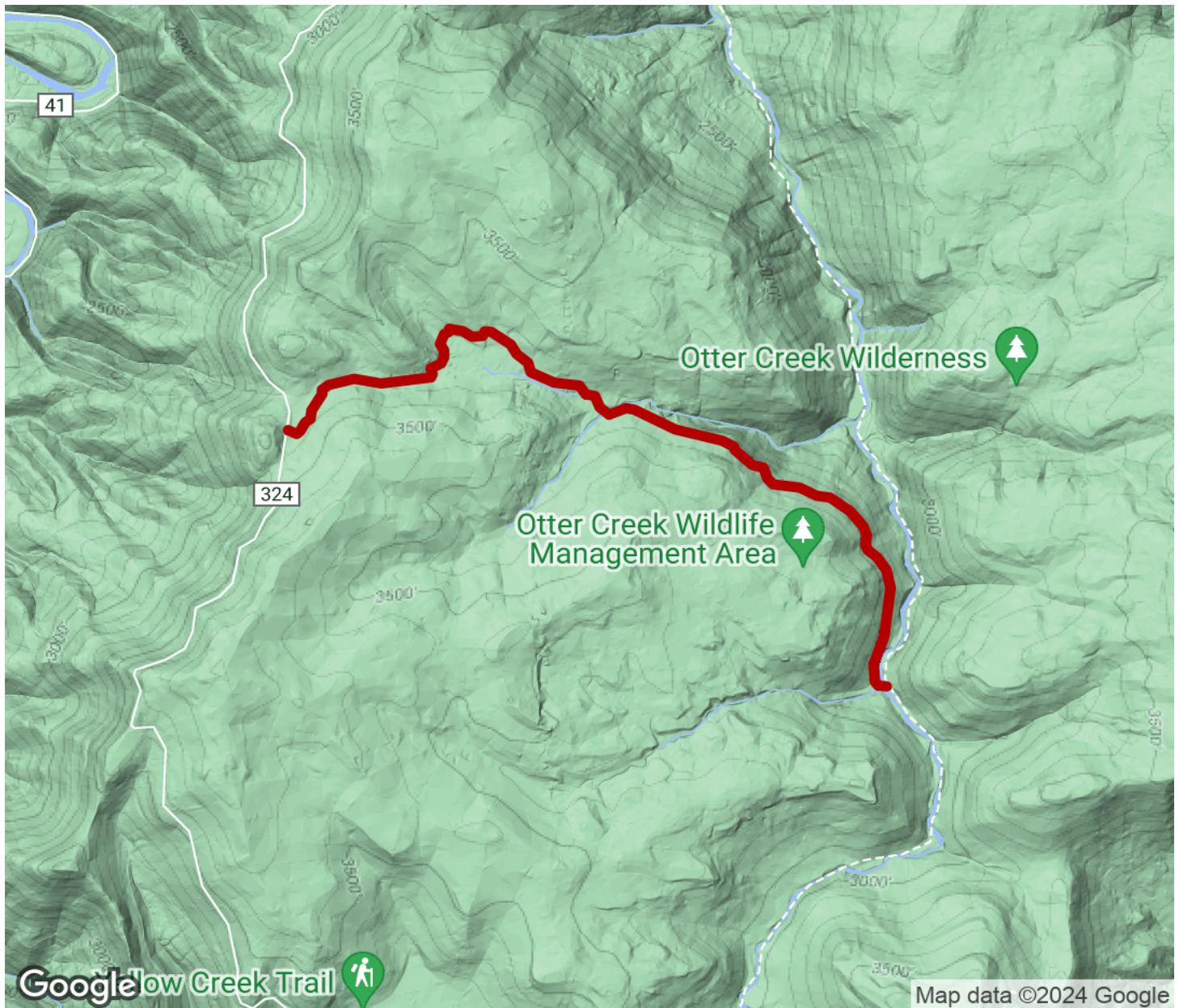
Parking & Trail Access

To reach the Moore Run Trail from Parsons, take County Road 219 south, and stay left at the fork to continue on Brooklyn Heights Road. Turn right on Forest Road 701 and then continue on FR 324, heading south. The trailhead, though hard to spot, is on the left.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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