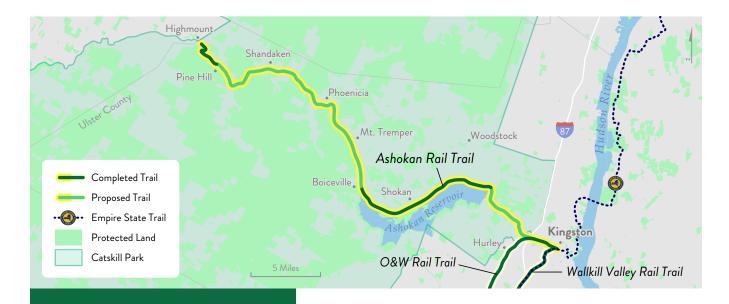


# Catskill Mountain Rail Trail

## including the Ashokan Rail Trail



Envisioned as a multi-use trail, this trail runs the breadth of the Catskill Park, passing by scenic farmland, the Ashokan Reservoir, and numerous Catskill hamlets and villages. Three segments of this trail – the Ashokan Rail Trail, Kingston Point Rail Trail, and Kingston Midtown Linear Park – have been developed for public recreational use.

#### Location

Ulster County and Catskill Park

## **Trail Length Vision**

39 Miles

#### Communities to be Served

Kingston, Hurley, Woodstock, Shokan, Boiceville, Mount Tremper, Phoenicia, Shandaken, Big Indian, and Highmount.

### **Trail Will Connect With**

Empire State Trail, Wallkill Valley Rail Trail, O&W Rail Trail, and the Hudson River.

## **Immediate Funding Goal**

 \$750,000 for OSI to develop a design and conduct community engagement for the six-mile Ashokan Rail Trail Phase II that would connect the City of Kingston to the Ashokan Reservoir and the larger Catskill Park.



Ashokan Rail Trail

# **OSI History**

In 2015, OSI funded a feasibility study that leveraged more than \$17 million from Ulster County to construct the nearly 12-mile long Ashokan Rail Trail in 2019. The trail extends from Basin Road in West Hurley to Route 28A in Boiceville.

## **Impact**

Since opening in October 2019, the Ashokan Rail Trail has welcomed more than 200,000 visitors each year. The opening of the trail marked the first public access to the land in more than a century.

## **Current Projects**

• OSI is actively fundraising to complete an engineering and feasibility study and economic impact assessment for the six-mile Ashokan Rail Trail Phase II that would connect the City of Kingston to the Ashokan Reservoir and the larger Catskill Park.

### **Trail Partners**

City of Kingston, Ulster County, Woodstock Land Conservancy, Catskill Mountainkeeper, Ulster County Trails Advisory Committee, and New York City Department of Environmental Protection.

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