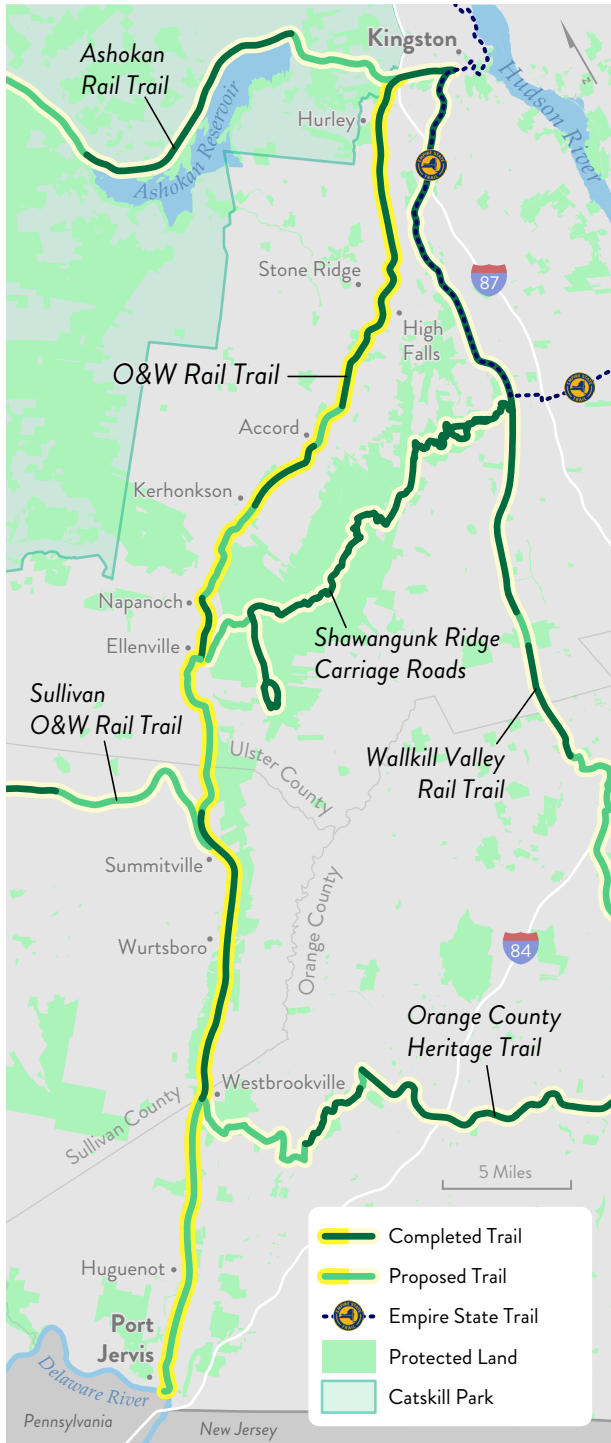


# O&W Rail Trail

## including the D&H Canal



### Location

Ulster County, Sullivan County, and Orange County

### Trail Length Vision

57 Miles

### Communities to be Served

Kingston, Hurley, Stone Ridge, High Falls, Accord, Kerhonkson, Napanoch, Ellenville, Summitville, Mamakating, Wurtsboro, Westbrookville, Cuddebackville, Huguenot, and Port Jervis.

### Trail Will Connect With

Shawangunk Ridge Carriage Roads, Orange County Heritage Trail, the Delaware and Hudson Rivers, Sullivan O&W Rail Trail, Catskill Mountain Rail Trail, and D&H Canal.

### Immediate Funding Goals

- \$200,000 for feasibility analysis and community outreach along the full corridor.
- \$800,000 to complete the acquisition of a critical trail gap in Otisville.

The abandoned bed of the Kingston-Port Jervis branch of the Ontario & Western Railroad runs for 57 miles, and along much of its route it is paralleled by the historic Delaware & Hudson Canal. Running through the scenic Rondout and Neversink Valleys and traversing numerous protected landscapes, it has the potential of becoming the longest “feeder” trail to the Empire State Trail.



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O&W Rail Trail

## OSI History

West of the Shawangunk Ridge, OSI has acquired more than 17 miles of rail corridor and transferred more than 14 miles to the Town of Wawarsing, the Town of Mamakating, and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation.

## Impact

The O&W Rail Trail serves as the main trail that will eventually reconnect the cities of Kingston and Port Jervis.

## Current Projects

- OSI is leading a Comprehensive Feasibility Study of the 57-mile O&W Rail Trail corridor, including portions of the D&H Canal corridor, to inform development of a continuous, shared-use trail from the City of Kingston in Ulster County to the City of Port Jervis in Orange County.
- Restoration of a three-mile stretch of the O&W Rail Trail connecting the hamlets of Accord and Kerhonkson.
- Restoration of a 2.1-mile stretch of the O&W Rail Trail from Ellenville to Napanoch.
- OSI is working in partnership with the Town of Wawarsing to restore a bridge crossing and improve trail access at Port Ben.
- Restoration of a six-mile stretch of the O&W Rail Trail between Canal Street and Ellenville, north to Foordmore Road in Wawarsing.

## Trail Partners

Ulster County, Sullivan County, Orange County, Cities of Kingston and Port Jervis, Towns of Hurley, Marbletown, Rochester, Wawarsing, and Mamakating, and Villages of Ellenville and Wurtsboro. Sullivan O&W Rail Trail Alliance, New York State Parks, Palisades Interstate Park Commission, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, New York-New Jersey Trail Conference, and the O&W Rail Trail Coalition.

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