Sullivan O&W Rail Trail

The main line of the former Ontario & Western railroad runs 50 miles across the breadth of Sullivan County, connecting hamlets, towns, villages, parks, preserves and scenic farmland. Numerous segments have been developed as multi-use trails, and the long-term plan is to unify these segments into a nearly continuous trail running from the Village of Wurtsboro to Livingston Manor.

- **Location**
  Sullivan County

- **Trail Length Vision**
  50 Miles

- **Communities to be Served**
  Wurtsboro, Summitville, Mountaindale, Woodridge, Mamakating, Rockland, Fallsburg, Hurleyville, Liberty, Parksville, and Livingston Manor.

- **Trail Will Connect With**
  The O&W Rail Trail corridor into Sullivan, Ulster, and Orange counties.

- **Immediate Funding Goal**
  • $400,000 for OSI’s efforts to complete targeted acquisition of parcels essential to connectivity.
**OSI History**
In 2014, OSI acquired nine miles of railbed to develop a trail starting near Route 17 near the village of Liberty and running east to Main Street in South Fallsburg. It is now a fully renovated rail trail known as the Hurleyville Rail Trail. OSI also acquired four miles of railbed in Wurtsboro and conveyed it to the Town of Mamakating.

**Impact**
The rail trail passes through farms, woods, and wetlands, and will eventually connect to the main O&W Rail Trail and D&H Canal near Summitville. The trail has the potential to rejuvenate remote communities and serve as an engine for tourism activity in the locales along its route.

**Current Projects**
- OSI and local partners are working to protect the rail trail near Livingston Manor and Summitville.

**Trail Partners**
Sullivan O&W Rail Trail Alliance, Catskill Mountainkeeper, Center for Discovery, Sullivan County, and Towns of Fallsburg, Rockland, and Mamakating.

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