

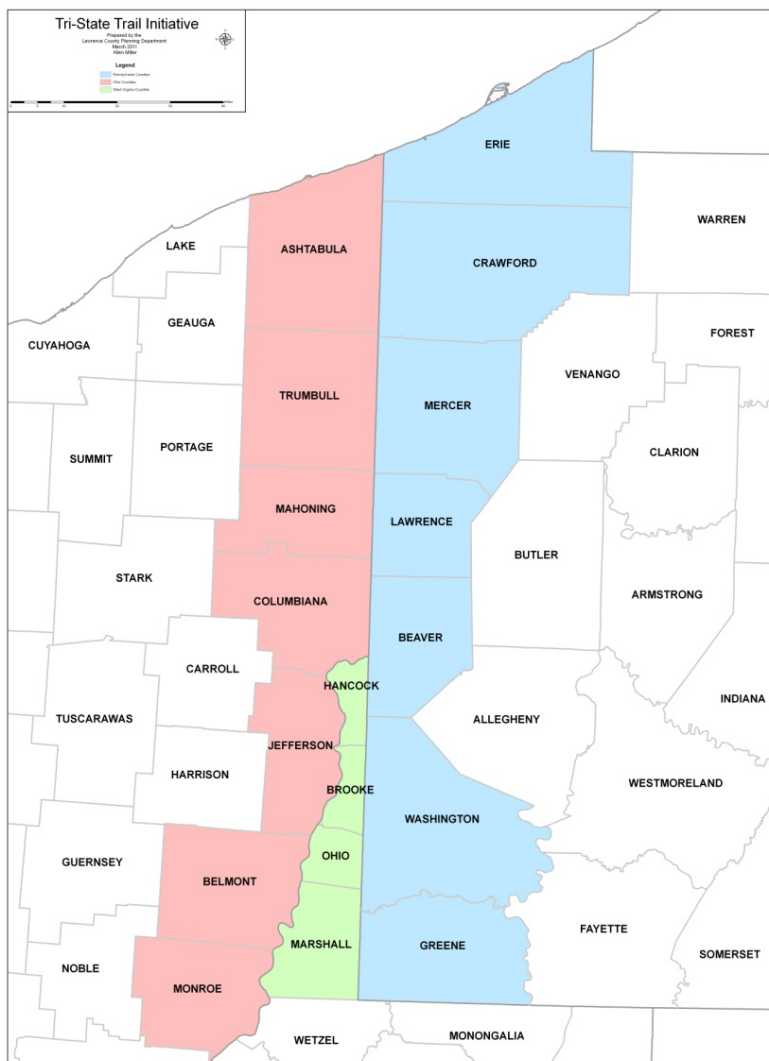
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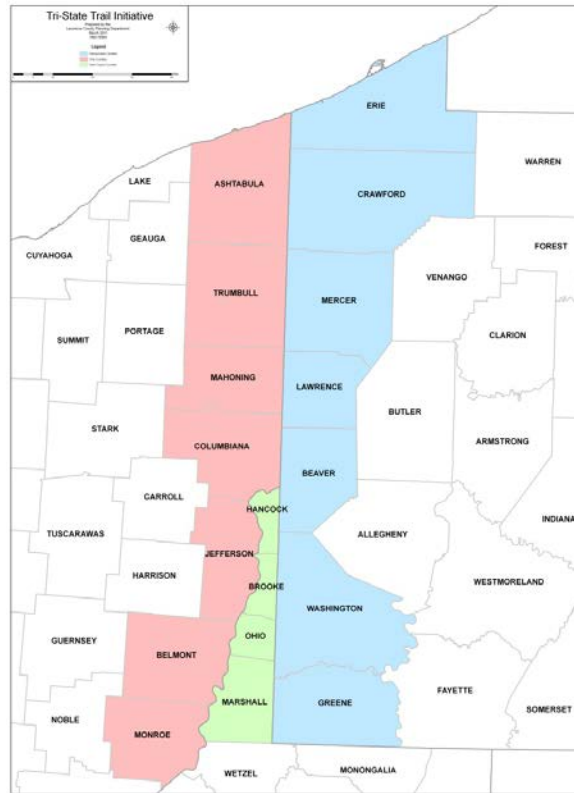
18 County Workshop Report

PA/WV/OH

March 29, 2011

Tri-State Trails Initiative





The National Park Service – *River, Trails and Conservation Assistance Program Ohio and West Virginia Field Offices* coordinated the **Tri State Trail Workshop** on Tuesday, March 29, 2011, from 12:30-5pm. The purpose of the meeting was to build upon efforts started in 2002 and continue to make connections across state lines, to work with multiple groups to update existing and proposed trail maps, identify gaps, communicate needs and concerns, share successes and challenges and continue local efforts as part of a larger system of linking trails.

The focus was on trail corridors across three states and eighteen (18) counties bordering Pennsylvania, Ohio, and West Virginia. The counties included in Pennsylvania: Beaver, Crawford, Erie, Greene, Lawrence, Mercer, Washington; in Ohio: Ashtabula, Belmont, Columbiana, Jefferson, Mahoning, Monroe, Trumbull; and in West Virginia: Brooke, Hancock, Marshall, and Ohio. All types of trails were included in the discussion -- land and water trails, motorized and non-motorized trails.

Within this report...

Introductions notes – organizations represented and trail efforts

Breakout groups - challenges, successes, key stakeholders, opportunities and next steps

Combined challenges

Combined next steps

Plus/Delta of the workshop for future planning

Organizations represented and contact information

Each county, from north to south was given five minutes to discuss what organizations are represented and briefly report on trail efforts.

ASHTABULA (OH)

Western Reserve Greenway is the northern end of Great Ohio Lake to River Greenway (GOLRG), and runs to the southern border to Trumbull and Mahoning. It is maintained by the Ashtabula Metro Parks, and is funded by the Civic Development Corp. It is mostly done. The missing piece is North Shore Trail to Bridge Street and the last piece is to Lake Erie with much of the trail on the street. Raising funds to complete it; need to find a way to run trail near the railroad track to make it a Rail with Trail.

- ❖ Working on getting federal and state aid.
- ❖ The rail systems are still very active. A lot of the next rail systems will go along the Ashtabula River. Should be done in 5 years. Started in the next year.
- ❖ The vision in the next 10 to 15 years is to have a trail hook-up to Lake Erie.
- ❖ GOLRG - 80% or more done. Originally started out with a small group of people around a table.

ERIE (PA)

The Seaway Trail, a National Scenic Byway along the lake, is complete—it is part of the Erie to Pittsburgh Trail (EPT) that runs from New York to Erie and then to Pittsburgh. Options are being considered for the best place to travel diagonally from Crawford County to the city and the lake. The Erie to Pittsburgh Trail Alliance is working with the county. They are making efforts to get funding and a bike/ped coordinator.

CRAWFORD (PA)

- ❖ Greenway Coordinator for Venango and Crawford helps various organizations. Activity is scattered and there are a lot of proposed trails in the works, with pieces of completed trails.
- ❖ Ernst Recreational Trail in Meadville - A 5 mile trail southwest of Meadville along French Creek with three trail entrances. The proposed 1.9 mile trail extension has to cross busy Route 19. Plans for the Route 19 crossing has been redesigned many times under the direction of PennDOT and Vernon Township. The trail extension begins near the Krider Road trailhead to the country site by Bailey Road. The proposal happens to be within close range of a wetland. The project has been active since 2004, and the final plans are in the hands of PennDOT to meet late summer construction start and completion in the spring 2012. The Ernst Trail is designated as a National Recreation Trail. The trail project is managed by French Creek Recreational Trails, Inc. The Meadville Connector, in

planning stages, is an "in town" trail connecting the Ernst Trail Bean Trailhead to Meadville's Bicentennial Park.

- ❖ French Creek Water Trail - Efforts are underway to complete and designate this recreational amenity. It is in mapping process, planning and development, right now.
- ❖ East Branch Trail - In East Crawford, the Clear Lake Authority completed 3.1 miles of the East Branch Trail, a scenic two-lane system; one side is multi-use, while the other runs parallel for buggies and horses. There are on-going efforts to find funding to continue south to the Titusville Queen City Trail.
- ❖ Titusville Queen City Trail (QCT) - The design for the Queen City Trail extension through Titusville to Hydetown should be completed by June, 2011. QCT is one of the trail systems included in the Erie to Pittsburgh Trail Alliance (ETPA). The portion from Pymatuning to Lake Erie is nearly complete.

TRUMBULL (OH)

The Mosquito Lake Greenway Project was started in 2008 and will link to the GOLRG and is the focal point for building community and sustainable development. Sections of the southern section of the trail are under construction with 4.5 miles started last summer. The trail runs through a bridge on the Mahoning River. Underway: Niles to Mahoning County (4 Miles) and Western Reserve Greenway to Ashtabula County to Warren to Niles.

The project operates under GOLRGC.

They are currently seeking state assistance.

Currently working on proposal for the Army Core of Engineers.

Started a Facebook page and secured a domain name.

MERCER (PA)

The Mercer County Trail Association completed 3 miles of active trail, the Trout Island Trail. They are working on right of way issues between Greenville and Jamestown.

Working with Ashtabula from the east-west line; the route is being explored and developed.

The Shenango River Watchers are in the process of developing a water trail.

MAHONING (OH)

Mahoning County has the oldest park district in the state of Ohio, Mill Creek Metro Parks, established in 1891. The district is looking to expand its recreational use, and does have a lot of shared-use trails. 18 miles of hiking trails have been completed, with its section of GOLRG 85% complete. Each county is responsible for its own section of the greenway.

Project is in phase 3, with 6 more miles to head south to Columbiana. There are right of way plans currently underway, and the section is anticipated to be completed within 5 years.

LAWRENCE (PA)

- ❖ The North Country National Scenic Trail (NCNST) cuts through Lawrence, Beaver, and Columbiana counties. The Wampum Chapter has 18 miles of trails in the woods and an additional 18-20 miles to go in Lawrence and Beaver counties. Permission is needed in order to cross lines. A 5-mile road walk hooks up to Butler County. There are gaps 5 miles from either side of Beaver River, access biggest issue with NCNST.
- ❖ A nature trail named after a former professor begins with an old railroad bed and ends at the filling station. This is a total of 2 miles of trail with all the loops and features a wetland. A viewing tower is available by reservation to observe birds. Along the trail, the loops go through a variety of habitats and also features a labyrinth.
- ❖ The Stavich Trail has the biggest western links. Stavich goes all the way to the Ohio line and connects to GOLRG. West Park Nature Center is part of the greenways and open space plan; it can link to the northeast and to Mercer County. The trail converges in New Castle. Efforts are moving south to start a project with Ellwood City and Wampum. Both groups are interested in connecting.
- ❖ Water trail, along with hike and bike comes down through 3 rivers.

COLUMBIANA (OH)

NCNST extends into Ohio and into the city of Struthers for 2.5 miles and will connect to GOLRG at Niles. There are efforts to garner a lot of support through local and congressional representatives.

The Rt.14 ODOT improvement project is underway and is funded through the state. It will include a connection of the Metroparks bike trail at about 12 miles. Also working to get through to the Beaver Creek State Parks.

- ❖ 1.5 Mile links 2 counties south to East Liverpool and Ohio River.

Columbiana County Park District -- Latonya to Washington, proclaiming a spur off of that. Currently working on connection to Point of Beginning, that would parallel Beaver Creek. Also working with the park to improve the existing Dogwood Trail. talking to land-owners.

- ❖ Point of Beginning is at the Ohio/PA state line. 0 point for all surveys, including Alaska and Hawaii.
- ❖ Beaver Creek S.P. – 2 trails improved
- ❖ John – All property owners identified
- ❖ Lisbon Trail Support

BEAVER (PA)

The Ohio River Trail Council (ORTC) is currently planning & developing a 41-mile multi-use land & water trail system along the Ohio River and its tributaries, known as the Ohio River Trail (ORT). The corridor runs from Coraopolis, PA to Ohioville, PA at the U.S. Public Land Survey "Point of Beginning", a National Historic Landmark located near the three-way intersection of Ohio, Pennsylvania and the northern tip of West Virginia. The ORT is part of the "*Rivers of Steel National Heritage Area*", "*Lewis & Clark Trail*" and is being considered for part of the *U.S Bicycle Route 50* and a portion of the *Underground Railroad Trail, Pittsburgh spur*. The ORT will also follow sections of the "*Great Path*" and the "*Lincoln Highway*".

The ORTC proposes the broad vision of a tri-state greenway system between Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia with the assistance of the National Park Service RTCA. The ORT will serve to complete a key segment in a nationally-significant trail. The proposed Ohio River Trail will unite the "*Great Ohio Lake-to-River Greenway*" in Columbiana County, Ohio to the "*Great Allegheny Passage*" in Allegheny, County Pennsylvania forming a mega-trail approximately 500 miles from the great lakes region to our nation's capitol.

- ❖ Connections: Beaver River Trail, Montour Trail, and the North Country National Scenic Trail (NCNST).
- ❖ Working on water trails on Ohio and Beaver Rivers. The Beaver County Water Trail will link Lawrence and Beaver counties.
- ❖ Received a grant from EPA for Brownfield studies at old steel mill properties and look for opportunities to align the trail through the properties during clean up
- ❖ NPS RTCA providing technical assistance with feasibility studies. One study has been completed, and about to start on North Shore Trail to Point of Beginning. Having community meeting on June 17th, 2011.
- ❖ Beaver River Rails to Trails -- have an operational 2 mile trail from falls to Geneva College. Hooking up to Ohio River's Rails to Trails. Working on extending the trail system.
- ❖ North shore—50k feasibility trail study.
- ❖ South shore – 29k feasibility trail study.

JEFFERSON (OH)

Many trails dead-end here, there are empty links between all the trails. Jefferson is starting from scratch and has no trails to go forward. 2 years ago Jefferson County Community Investment Plan was started; the plan included biking and walking trails to link counties. The plan has generated a lot of interest; the release of the executive summary in June 2011 has moved the effort towards implementation. This time next year, they would like to have a small piece of trail completed. RTCA has provided assistance in the development of this vision.

HANCOCK (WV)

Report being sent?

BROOKE (PA)

- ❖ Brooke Pioneer Trail - finished 3.4 miles from the Ohio County line north, which then completes a total trail from the line to the north end of Wellsburg.
- ❖ 6 mile gap between the north end of Wellsburg and the Panhandle Trail in Weirton.
- ❖ Ruby Greathouse is the community champion for the Brooke Pioneer Trail.

WASHINGTON (PA)

- ❖ 17 miles of the Panhandle Trail is in Washington County. At this point, 9 miles are completed. It is anticipated to have 8 miles completed in the summer. Will link to Brooke County.
- ❖ National Pike Trail - owns 2 miles of trail corridor that is in use. There are 2 pre-civil war tunnels, which are one of the last remaining examples of civil war tunnel architecture. Looking for partners and new people to help spearhead the trail they own. This could be a potential link to Ohio County in West Virginia.
- ❖ Montour Trail - trying to improve connection to Panhandle and GAP and eventually develop a connection to Pittsburgh International Airport. Have an advertisement for construction of bridges. Has a grant to study another trail. 50-something miles. Main line will be about 46 miles when completed, creating a large c-shape around Pittsburgh, linking the Steel Valley Trail on the east, and the City of Coraopolis on the Ohio River to the north.
- ❖ The Carnegie link, connecting to the eastern Panhandle trail. A lot of interest has been generated to get the last 3 miles of Carnegie finished. This is relevant because it is a key part of the Allegheny transit, a huge commuter route.

BELMONT (OH)

Ohio Valley Riverfront Development began in 2007. This is an effort to connect all of the waterfront communities. The communities are not able to go from one community to another because there are no connections. Improving this will promote health and recreational use.

Shadyside is a municipality with about 3,000 people. Just completed a one-mile long Sports Trail along the Ohio Scenic Route 7 that includes a marina and ballparks with a connection between Shadyside and Meadville. The trail incorporates the marina, and overlooks the Ohio River.

- ❖ Loop project - the downtown area will be redeveloped to include 1-2 miles of trail. The center median will be turned into a park. Trying to get people to help with development. The west side has Hillview Park, which overlooks a football field. The running track has walkers all times of the day. The town is dedicated around its school and athletes. First piece of trail along the river.

Powhattan Point is the only community that has the only commercial trail along the Ohio River, a one-mile loop. Looking to develop an old historic area at southern-most town in Belmont is goes directly into Monroe for a good connection.

St. Clairsville has the National Bike Trail open for use.

Starting a Community Investment Corporation (CIC) to talk about trails, but hasn't been legally started. Met with people that have shown a lot of interest in equestrian and Amish buggy trails.

The biggest challenge: looking for a crossing from Ohio to WV working with Ohio Valley Trail Partners, based in Wheeling. Committed to coming across old State Route 40, across the Wheeling Suspension Bridge. The goal is to form the longest continual trail in the US, with the Ohio Buckeye Trail (OBT) included. OBT is 1400 miles long and crosses through 49 counties, but is mostly hiking only trail.

OHIO (WV)

Wheeling Heritage Trail has 13 miles of paved trail. In the month of May, a 5th anniversary bike ride is being organized. Ohio Valley Trail Partners is the lead group.

- ❖ Wheeling Heritage Trail along the Ohio River - 11.3 miles South to North, into Brooke County, and 5 miles West to East, along Wheeling Creek.
- ❖ 10 million dollar project to build 13 more miles in the city that includes 4 tunnels, 7 bridges, 14 loops. Some adjacent areas are included; a cave, 2 waterfalls, a fossil rock quarry, and 150 miles of repelling cliffs.
- ❖ \$ 13,500 from coal company and buying 6 person golf cart to tour tunnels and trails.
- ❖ More information available on the Wheeling National Heritage Area brochure.

MONROE (OH)

There are 9 parks in the county that have hiking trails, cave areas, and cliff areas. The County Park District is the manager.

- ❖ Need grants to modify the river trail possibilities.
- ❖ Sunfish Creek – Ohio River Scenic Byway and Ohio River Access. Could establish a water trail.
- ❖ Wayne – National Forest trails

MARSHALL (WV)

Glendale to McMakein (Ohio County) to Moundsville has approximately 3 miles completed. The Warrior trail runs through the county. The north end of it to the southern part of Ohio county line is not complete, and that's about 5 miles. 1 community McMakein is now in the process of applying for grants for the section of their unfinished part.

East end of Marshall County is a tentative route to Fairmount, West Virginia. There are about 17 tunnels along the route.

GREENE (PA)

The Warrior Trail Association manages the 63-mile long Warrior Trail that goes from Greensboro, PA into West Virginia and to the Ohio River.

Primary problems involve the need for additional volunteers for work hikes. Due to private property issues, trail sections get moved back onto the road in places. The Warrior Trail is strictly a hiking trail that travels through woods, pastures, and game lands. It follows the ridge line on top of the watershed, and you never cross a stream.

- ❖ Greene River Trail – runs along the Monongahela River. Managed by Greene County which has a recreation plan.
- ❖ Greensboro, PA has a 1-mile trail along the Monongahela River, connecting their community to the County Park that has a pool and skating rink. They also have a PA Fish & Boat Commission river access site in nearby Glassworks, for motor boats and paddlers.

Additional counties not in the original 18 counties

Allegheny (PA)

The county has a trail and greenway plan and is currently working on trail development through Pittsburgh with connections to the Ohio River Trail and the Montour Trail. All trails lead to Pittsburgh and the Great Allegheny Passage. There are efforts to ensure parks are connected to each other.

- ❖ It is all done with non-profit partners.
- ❖ Connections to Ohio River trails, Montour Trail.
- ❖ A Task Force will look at Rail with Trail options because rail banked corridors are looking at renewing rail service.
- ❖ Trail Volunteer Fund is based in Allegheny County. It assists volunteer efforts to build and operate trails in the region.

OIL REGION NHA (PA)

1.5 miles of trail are on the ground in Crawford and over 68 miles in Venango County. Crawford and Venango are on planning teams for trails.

Funding Opportunities

Trail Volunteer Fund was started by Mary Shaw and Roy Weil to help build the backbone of volunteers. The trail volunteer fund exists to provide support for volunteers working on trail development and maintenance for the bike system. It helps to buy the materials and supplies for volunteer work. The fund is for Pennsylvania and the network that comes into PA. Stavich Pike Trail: recipients from the funding. 8000 daffodils.

Western PA Conservancy - Supports canoe and kayak water trails, has given \$4,000 in grants. There needs to be an on-going effort to keep the brambles out of the way, and needs to be maintained. Need a strong organization to handle it.

Break Out Group 1 – Erie, Crawford, and Ashtabula

CHALLENGES

- ❖ Easements (NIMBY)
- ❖ Railroad partnerships
- ❖ Environmental issues (wetlands)
- ❖ Inexperience of volunteer groups
- ❖ On-going maintenance
- ❖ Vandalism
- ❖ Capacity – Lack of in voids-gaps
- ❖ Funding
- ❖ Communication between public agencies and volunteer groups
- ❖ Education of the masses
- ❖ ADA requirements

SUCSESSES

- ❖ Donations
- ❖ Miles on the ground
- ❖ Trails for transportation
- ❖ Formation of EPTA
- ❖ Completed tunnels
- ❖ Multi-county partnerships
- ❖ Additional trail groups formed
- ❖ Covered bridge completion
- ❖ Connections with downtowns

KEY STAKEHOLDERS

- ❖ French Creek Recreation Trails, Inc.
- ❖ Mercer County Trails Association
- ❖ Crawford County
- ❖ Envision Linesville, Inc.
- ❖ Erie County Planning
- ❖ Titusville Area Trails Association
- ❖ Crawford County Planning
- ❖ Erie-Western PA Port Authority
- ❖ Northwest PA Trail Association
- ❖ Oil Regional Alliance
- ❖ Council on Greenways and Trails
- ❖ Clear Lake Authority
- ❖ Ashtabula Rec. Metro Parks

OPPORTUNITIES

- ❖ New business
- ❖ Mind-body wellness, YMCA/Health Connection
- ❖ Community Events
- ❖ Public agency partnerships/utilities

NEXT STEPS:

Crawford County Trail Organizations meeting
Strategize how to handle maintenance
Continue conversation across state lines

Have smaller regional meetings
Make a map with ADA coded onto it
Database with trails info on it

Break Out Group 2: Mercer, Lawrence, Mahoning, and Trumbull

CHALLENGES

- ❖ Trumbull, OH – Lack of local government vision and involvement
- ❖ Washington, PA – Need more volunteers and more municipal support.
- ❖ Mahoning, OH – Acquisition
- ❖ Mercer, PA – Easements, volunteers to “work”, county vision for recreation, funding
- ❖ PennDOT

Key Stakeholders

- ❖ DCNR
- ❖ DEP
- ❖ PENNDOT
- ❖ County Agencies
- ❖ American Rivers
- ❖ NPS RTCA
- ❖ Rails to Trails Conservancy
- ❖ Conservation Districts
- ❖ Non-profits
- ❖ Advocacy Groups

SUCCESES

- ❖ Mercer Trail group was pleased to have finished a trail (Shenango Reservoir)
- ❖ Partnerships with state and local non-profits to complete the water trail for the Shenango River Watchers
- ❖ Discussion of donations for the Greenville Section and Jamestown Routes
- ❖ New members coming to volunteer
- ❖ Shared Greenways Coordinator keeps trail groups in the loop

OPPORTUNITIES

- ❖ Expansion of public awareness through the ORTC Cycling Club
- ❖ Federal funding opportunities due to the filling of gaps between state trails
- ❖ Partnerships with other environmental agencies

NEXT STEPS:

Break into manageable sections between large meetings
Have topic specific meetings, education/work sessions
Tri-State Director and contacts
Share mapping as GIS and add to Explore PATrails.com
Focus on projects that enhance connectivity

Meet regularly
Need a website for info sharing
Formal organization
Respond to requests for info

BREAK OUT GROUP 3 BEAVER, COLUMBIANA, HANCOCK, JEFFERSON

CHALLENGES

- ❖ PennDOT
- ❖ Land R.O.W. Acquisitions
- ❖ Lack of abandoned rail lines
- ❖ Potential demolition of closed bridge connecting Ohio and West Virginia

SUCSESSES

- ❖ New members coming to volunteer
- ❖ Shared Greenways Coordinator keeps trail groups in the loop
- ❖ Completion of the Ohio River South Shore Trail Feasibility Study
- ❖ Ohio River North Shore Trail Feasibility Study funded and to begin in the fall of 2011.
- ❖ Ohio River Water Trail has added four kayak and canoe access points.

KEY STAKEHOLDERS

- ❖ DCNR
- ❖ DEP
- ❖ PENNDOT
- ❖ County Agencies
- ❖ American Rivers
- ❖ NPS RTCA
- ❖ Rails to Trails Conservancy
- ❖ Conservation Districts
- ❖ Ohio River Trail Council
- ❖ Advocacy Groups and non-profits

OPPORTUNITIES

- ❖ Additional marketing and partnering for ride events
- ❖ Training and stress reducers for volunteers ready to burn out
- ❖ Additional community partnerships that should be made
- ❖ Maintenance agreements

NEXT STEPS:

The ORTC will apply for an additional year of technical support from the National Park Service RTCA to further the Tri-state Initiative.

The ORTC will complete the Ohio River Trail North Shore feasibility Study and the preliminary engineering and final design for the Ohio River South Shore Trail as well as continue the development of the Ohio River Water Trail and Beaver River Water Trail.

BREAK OUT GROUP 4 BELMONT, BROOKE, GREENE, MARSHALL, MONROE, OHIO, WASHINGTON

CHALLENGES

- ❖ Fort Steuben Bridge
- ❖ Funding into future
- ❖ Working within highway right of way
- ❖ Private property
- ❖ Hazardous chemicals
- ❖ Beginning a project and using the money before the grant expires, using grant money before able to request more
- ❖ Tunnel access/repair
- ❖ Volunteer recruitment
- ❖ Trail maintenance
- ❖ ADA requirements
- ❖ Promoting road R.O.W. use and liability

SUCCESSSES

- ❖ Grants for expansion
- ❖ Maintaining working relationships with local groups (i.e.: boy scouts, colleges, etc.) and landowners in the maintenance of the warrior trail.
- ❖ 1400 mile hiking trail (Buckeye Trail) that has existed for over 50 years.
- ❖ Core/hardworking volunteers
- ❖ Group 4 Opportunities
- ❖ Next federal surface transportation bill
- ❖ Funding for landowner negotiations, staff time, land protection.
- ❖ Funding for environmental planning – Wayne NF

KEY STAKE HOLDERS

- ❖ Monroe County Parks
- ❖ Warrior Trail Association
- ❖ North Country Trail
- ❖ Buckeye Trail Association
- ❖ Ohio Valley Riverfront Development
- ❖ Ohio Valley Trail Partners/City of Wheeling
- ❖ Brooke Pioneer Trail Association

OPPORTUNITIES

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NEXT STEPS

Identify the gaps and work together to connect them
Communication via e-mail tree for updates and connections
Overlapping projects

Survey monkey to prioritize issues
Compile info from workshop

COMBINED CHALLENGES

Easements	Acquisition Land ROW acquisitions
Railroad partnerships	(NIMBY) Not in my Back Yard
Environmental issues (wetlands)	County vision for recreation, funding
Inexperience of volunteer groups	Penn Dot
On-going maintenance	No abandoned rail lines
Vandalism	Potential demolition of closed bridge
Capacity –voids/gaps	connecting Ohio and West Virginia
Funding	Fort Steuben Bridge
Communication between public agencies	Private property
and volunteer groups	Hazardous chemicals
Education of the masses	Grant funding timing
ADA requirements	Tunnel access/repair
Lack of local government vision	Volunteer recruitment
More municipal support and involvement	Promoting road R.O.W. use and liability

COMBINED NEXT STEPS – TO BE PRIORITIZED

Share mapping as GIS and add to ExplorePATrails.com
Tri-State Director and Contacts
Have smaller regional meetings
Regular meetings
Identify the gaps and work together to connect them
ADA rules
Communication via e-mail tree for updates and connections
Easements
Funding
Railroads
Database with trails info on it
Strategize how to handle maintenance
Formal organization
Crawford County Trail Organizations meeting
Make a map with ADA coded onto it
Continue conversation across state lines
Trumbull, OH – Break out into more manageable sections between larger meetings
A website for info-sharing and a resource of relevant websites
Mahoning, OH – Break down into state partners/counties that border each other
Mercer, PA – Meetings on hurdles, education/work sessions
Respond to Requests for info, especially for marketing and promotional use
Focus on projects that enhance connectivity

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PLUS/DELTA



Evaluation of the workshop from participants. What went well (plus) and what could be changed for next meeting (delta).

- ❖ Good turn-out, variety of projects
- ❖ Lots of progress has been made
- ❖ Networking with key people otherwise would not meet due to the introductions
- ❖ Introductions set a structure
- ❖ Helpful to see grand scope of trails
- ❖ Maps are great and a lot of work
- ❖ Maps showed sources
- ❖ Great overview
- ❖ Displays/handouts
- ❖ Diversity of groups and organizations, governments and volunteers
- ❖ Do not do introductions next meeting
- ❖ Group introductions take a lot of time
- ❖ Enforce more structure on introductions
- ❖ Do trail updates ever 5 years +/-
- ❖ Do big meeting annually
- ❖ Have topics and then discussion on the topic, such as ADA and RR for example.
- ❖ Do semi-annual meeting for big group.
- ❖ Next meeting- same mapper for updates
- ❖ Next map use color of trail types
- ❖ Boil down purpose and goal to one sentence
- ❖ Meet 6 months – year
- ❖ Convey goals
- ❖ Make pamphlet map
- ❖ ADA issues/coding

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