



Allegheny Valley Trails Association (AVTA)

Clarion County, PA

Project Description:

A greenway through the most beautiful section of the southern segment of the Allegheny Wild and Scenic River is made possible through a \$58,000 grant for acquisition is for two parcels of land north of the Parker Bridge in Perry Township.

This acquisition completes the southern most section of the Allegheny River Trail, which runs along the Allegheny River between Franklin and Emlenton. Funding was

"We have raised \$7 million in 17 years to build trails. In 2006, our trail users report showed that we received \$4 million back in one year, which is in an excellent return on our investment!"

Jim Holden, President of AVTA



raised by local resources and AVTA, whose vision it was to extend the economic, recreational and environmental benefits of the trail system farther south between the communities of Foxburg and Parker.

The recreational trail is one of the major developments called for in the multi-municipal comprehensive plan that was adopted in 2002 by Foxburg, St. Petersburg and Richland Township. This trail project will not only provide

recreation opportunities for local citizens, but also for travelers to the region. Because the trail follows the former railroad right of ways, it offers a flat, scenic hiking, walking or biking experience that can be accessible and enjoyed by all ages.



Amount of funds awarded, year and matching sources:

2007 Total Project Cost \$116,000	
Grant amount:	\$58,000
Matching funds:	\$58,000