

Monroe Township Existing and Proposed Trail Network Map



Recently completed section of the Soccer Field Trail

The existing trails in the township, such as in Thompson Park and Veteran's Park, are currently available for hiking, jogging, and other recreational activities. The proposed trails on this map are still in development, and final alignments are being determined based on environmental conditions. It is recommended that the proposed trails be referenced for planning purposes only until the township opens them for public use.

Monroe Township Trails

Monroe Township has identified the goal of developing a trail network that would provide a system of routes for residents and visitors, and that would improve the health, natural environment and connections among communities in the Township. To advance this goal, a Trails and Bikeway Development Plan was created by the Township, which describes a trail system with connections to local destinations (e.g., schools, commercial centers, recreational areas and civic uses) and to regional trails planned in adjacent towns (e.g., Boroughs of Helmetta and Jamesburg). The plan also notes that the trail routes are intended to provide access for hikers, bicyclists and equestrians.

A Trail Network Development Plan was developed to further advance proposed trails in the Township's Trail and Bikeway Development Plan, and to assist in the implementation of the Township's trail network. This Trail Map provides an overview of existing and proposed trails in the township and their alignments as a recommended framework to build the trail network with Monroe.

On behalf of The NJDOT and the Township of Monroe, enjoy your travels through this historic and ecologically rich township.

Please use this map for informational purposes, but do not substitute it for your own common sense based on weather conditions and other factors.

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Trail Key

- 1 James Monroe Park Trails
- 2 Veteran's Park Trail
- 3 Thompson Park Trails
- 4 Gravel Hill Trail
- 5 Soccer Field Trail
- 6 Jamesburg Park Conservation Area Trails
- 7 Union Valley Road Trail

- 8 Community Center Connector Trail #1
- 9 Community Center Connector Trail #2
- 10 Manalapan Brook Nature Trail
- 11 Rocky Brook Estates Trail
- 12 East-West Trail #1
- 13 East-West Trail #2

- 14 Butterfly and Wildlife Park Walking Path
- 15 Millstone River Nature Trail
- 16 PSE&G ROW Trail
- 17 Equestrian Trail #1
- 18 Equestrian Trail #2
- 19 Softball Fields Walking Trail
- 20 Garfield Avenue Trail

Trail Tips

- **Stay on the Trail.** Staying on the trail will reduce the likelihood of getting lost and will also help to preserve the surrounding environment.
- **Buddy up** or let someone know in advance where you are going.
- **Avoid weather related health issues** like heat exhaustion, heat stroke and hypothermia by wearing appropriate clothing and bringing water and/or food.
- **Avoid insect pests** by wearing protective clothing, avoiding perfumes, and covering exposed areas of your body with insect repellent.
- **Check the weather** before your hike, bike or ride, and take cover in advance of a storm.
- **Avoid poisonous plants.** Familiarize yourself with what poison ivy, poison oak, and poison sumac look like.
- **Be aware of your surroundings and avoid tripping hazards**, such as roots, washouts and fallen trees.
- **Share the trail** and be courteous to other trail users.