My Story





My Daily Commute

Hoodlebug Trail
By Jim Watta, Trail User

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Riding my bicycle on the Hoodlebug Trail in Indiana County is beneficial in many ways. It provides me and many others equal opportunity recreational riding. I appreciate that anyone-regardless of physical condition, age, gender, or type of bike--can use the trail at their pace and feel they are in a safe place doing so. There is community value in being able to greet others on the trail doing activities that promote

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It's easy to feel immersed in the natural world on the trail. I've enjoyed being able to see and hear so many types of birds, including the only time I've seen an indigo bunting. Or watching turtles moving across the trail to lay their eggs at the banks of the Stoney Creek. I'm also able to

reflect on our industrial heritage, for example by using bridges that were designed and built for the ages and still have purpose.

Every day, the quality of my life is enhanced by the Hoodlebug Trail.