

Congressman Ralph Regula Towpath Trail (Ohio-to-Erie Canal)

Name of trail: Congressman Ralph Regula Towpath Trail (Ohio-to-Erie Canal)

Location of trail: Western part of Stark County – Canal Fulton/Massillon/Navarre

Directions from nearest main route: Several trailheads off of Rt 21

Trail Land Manager: Stark County Park District, Emergency Phone Numbers: 911
or Stark County Park District 330-477-3552, www.canalwayohio.com

Trail description: Limestone wide path on Towpath

Type of trail (multi-use, bridle/hike, etc.): Multi-use, hikers, walkers, bicyclists, horses

Trail surface: Limestone

Normal trail condition: Excellent

Trail condition during winter/wet weather: Excellent

Length of trail: About 25 miles going from Summit County towards Tuscarawas County

Trailhead parking description: Several parking areas for horse trailers along route

Trailhead horse facilities: None

Trailhead human facilities: Portable toilets

Unique /scenic trail features: Historical route of Ohio-to-Erie Canal

Trail hazards: Bicyclists! Road crossings.

Trail rating: **Easy** – Level or gently sloping terrain; consistent groomed surface; wide trail surface; shallow or no water crossings

Moderate – Rolling to hilly terrain; short steeper slopes; water crossings; irregular trail surface; narrower trail surface

Challenging – Steeper hills; unimproved trail surface; deeper water crossings; wider water crossings; boggy areas

___**Difficult** – Very steep hills; long climbs or descents; narrow trail surface; faster flowing and wider water crossings; deep water crossings

Comments: Horses are not permitted on section of trail in Massillon. Just north of Massillon you can pick up the “leg” of another trail going towards Dalton.