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The National Park Service defines a National Heritage Area as a place designated by Congress where natural, cultural, and historic resources combine to form a cohesive, nationally distinctive landscape arising from patterns of human activity shaped by geography.

These patterns make National Heritage Areas representative of the diverse national experience through the physical features that remain, the traditions that have evolved in them, and today's residents.

During the 30 years in which the National Heritage Area program has operated, Congress has to date passed legislation authorizing only 49 National Heritage Areas across the country. In 2004, President George W. Bush signed H.R. 4818 designating all of Venango County and

the eastern portion of Crawford County as the Oil Region National Heritage Area, with the Oil Region Alliance as its federally designated manager. The same territory has been an official Pennsylvania Heritage Area since 1994.

As its name suggests, the Oil Region National Heritage Area's special legacy is being the birthplace of the modern petroleum industry. From Edwin Drake's 1859 drilling of the first commercial oil well along Oil Creek near Titusville, through the early oil booms and the more recent natural gas production booms, into today and beyond, this region's architecture, economics, festivals, place names, and tremendous collection of historic items have been shaped by this industry and the continuing population shifts along the way.

Area attractions, hospitality providers, businesses, and residents are eager to share their stories and resources with you as you explore the communities, river valleys, forested hillsides, museums, and special events in the Oil Region National Heritage Area. Come check these out soon!



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These trails traverse through Venango and Crawford Counties, as both have been key locations for major events through the years. Today you can see reminders of why the Oil Creek and Allegheny River valleys are referred to as *'The Valley That Changed The World!'*

The Seneca nation within the Iroquois Confederacy used the Allegheny River as a transportation corridor and the surrounding hills as hunting territory. **Indian God Rock** is a large upright boulder on the eastern riverbank nine miles downstream from Franklin; its surface was chiseled with hieroglyphics prior to European settlement. An interpretive panel along the adjacent Allegheny River Trail illustrates the earlier markings which unfortunately have since been covered by graffiti. In appreciation for assistance during the Revolutionary War, in 1791 the



Pennsylvania Legislature gave **Chief Cornplanter** three land grants, including what is now Oil City's Northside. A life-size bronze statue of Cornplanter stands in Oil City's Creekside Park.

In 1753 young British officer **George Washington** was assigned to deliver letters to the commandants of several French forts demanding them to depart from what we now know as northwestern Pennsylvania. He and his contingent traveled upstream along the Allegheny River by horseback, pausing at what is now known as Riverfront Park in Franklin. The group then went on to Fort LeBoeuf in Erie County, where they borrowed canoes for the return trip.

They traveled on the Venango River, renaming it French Creek. Circular red/white/blue metallic signs labeled **Washington Trail** stretch along roadways from Waterford, PA through Meadville and Franklin and Butler County and to the Maryland/PA border to show the route he traveled.

1859 was an absolutely pivotal year here and across the country. On August 27, crude oil was produced from the world's first successful commercial well, drilled by **Edwin L. Drake** at Watson's Flats along Oil Creek just south of Titusville. Within months, derricks marked the spots of numerous wells – some gushers, some pumpers, and some dry holes.

A whole new industry developed to solve the challenging problems of extraction, transportation, storage, record-keeping, royalty agreements, branding, and marketing oil for ever-widening uses including lubrication, medication, illumination, and then fuel for vehicles. Oilfield equipment (some now rusting and quiet, others pumped by more than 50 independent producers) can still be seen throughout the Oil Region.

The second oldest **Civil War monument** in the USA stands tall in South Park beside the Venango County Courthouse in Franklin. Using a marble obelisk which the community won in 1865 in a competition to raise funds for medical care of the war-wounded, citizens erected it in 1866 on a base listing the county's fallen soldiers.



Oil boomtowns sprouted like mushrooms following the war, as exploration wells uncovered more oil fields in western Pennsylvania. While some communities like **Pithole, Shamburg, Red Hot, Petroleum Centre, Pearl, and Funkville** are just memories or crossroads with few

remnant structures today, others such as Oil City and Emlenton flourished by hosting manufacturing and commercial services to support the burgeoning petroleum and natural gas industries. Miniature dioramas are displayed inside the Petroleum Centre Train Station and the Pithole Visitor's Center.

The area's **Victorian architecture** is amply demonstrated in its buildings; a brochure about Victorian Architecture in the Oil Region National Heritage Area is available locally.



In addition 39 blue/gold road-side historical markers point out specific significant oil pioneers, locations, events, and companies.

You can create your own driving tour as you check out markers ranging from Samuel C.T. Dodd to First Oil Pipeline to Captain Jacob Vandergrift and the Crawford Family.

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Nicknamed the “Queen City” for its elite cultural standing in the 1860s, Titusville had hotels, theaters and concert halls. Nestled in “The Valley That Changed the World” it is the birthplace of the modern petroleum industry. Visit the site of the first successful commercial oil well, drilled August 27, 1859. Learn the importance of Colonel Edwin Drake’s discovery and its impact on our daily lives through interactive exhibits at **Drake Well Museum and Park**.

Take a step back in time on the **Historic Walking Tour**.

More than twenty interpretive panels highlight landmarks and historical figures including investigative journalism pioneer **Ida Tarbell**. The recently restored 1870s Tarbell House hosts events including themed teas with student historical re-enactors and other educational programs. Arrangements can be made for private tours and events.

John Heisman, for whom the trophy awarded to the outstanding college football player of the year is named, grew up here playing the rugby-style version of the game in the 1880s. A historical marker credits him with several improvements that led to modern football and a monument memorializes the field where he first played.

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Both race courses and hundreds of other users throughout the year take advantage of the **Ed Myer Complex**, whose ball fields, tennis courts, track, beach volleyball pit, and BMX bike course are open for free public use.

Titusville is a designated **Trail Town**. A paved bike and hiking path known as the **Queen City Trail** is part of the **Erie to Pittsburgh Trail** system. The trail surrounds the **Ed Myer Complex** alongside Oil Creek, a state designated water trail and prime area for fishing, kayaking and bird watching. The creek connects the town to Drake Well Museum and **Oil Creek State Park** further downstream.

You can also reach the park by rail. View the exhibits at the visitor center at the **Oil Creek & Titusville Railroad's Perry Street Station** then board the vintage excursion train for a three-hour tour. The train runs June through October and has the nation's only operating Railway Post Office car so you can send a postcard during your ride. The gazebo at **Scheide Park**, the heart of the downtown, serves as a bandstand for Concerts in the Park Monday nights in the summer and other events throughout the year.

The **Open Air Market** offers a variety of locally grown produce and handmade goods along with educational programming and entertainment June through October.

Titusville Renaissance, Inc. sponsors the market and the annual **Farm to Fork Event**, a multicourse meal prepared with regionally sourced food. Titusville hosts the **Titusville Folk & Bluegrass Festival** (formerly HOTA FEST),



Relay For Life to benefit the American Cancer Society, and **Home for the Holidays**, a winter festival which includes a drive through live nativity and a holiday light display at Burgess Park.

Everyone should see the spectacular gold-gilt **ceiling mural** inside Farmers National Bank on West Spring Street. Plan to tour a factory to see pocket knives in the making, including designs commemorating saucy **French Kate** and the infamous **Ben Hogan**. Eat like a local at a favorite diner or grab a drink at one of our breweries.

Titusville is the happy home to a branch campus of the **University of Pittsburgh** and proud of its school district and hospital as well as the industries at **Titusville Opportunity Park**.

These institutions combined with active civic organizations create a family-friendly atmosphere for arts and recreation throughout the year, culminating in the annual **Titusville Oil Festival**, celebrated each August.

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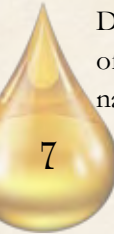
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OIL CITY



First settled in 1803 and chartered as a city in 1871, Oil City is a remarkable place with a rich heritage based upon the beginnings and growth of the oil industry. Partly situated on land once owned by Seneca leader Chief Cornplanter, it later served as the shipping point for the world's oil after Drake's discovery in 1859. It has the largest population of the cities within the Oil Region and has recently been named **one of the 10 best cities in which to live and retire in Pennsylvania.**



With three historic districts listed on the National Register of Historic Places, examples of every major style of Victorian architecture can be found throughout the homes, churches and commercial structures of Oil City. Architectural treasures include the **Oil City Library**, the **National Transit Building**, and the iconic twin steeples of **St. Joseph Church** to name a few. One of the town's landmark structures is the **Center Street Bridge**, with distinctive arched iron pony trusses that were illuminated in 2017.

Designated as a **Trail Town** in 2014, recreational activities abound with access to the Allegheny River and Oil Creek for fishing, kayaking or other water sports at **Justus Park** and the **Oil City Marina**. The Erie to Pittsburgh Trail runs through the downtown, providing great opportunities for exercise and enjoyment on an afternoon ride, day trip, or stop over spot on a multi-day journey. Bike trailheads and kayak/canoe launches are located in Justus Park in the center of town, the Oil City Marina on the southside and at **Oil Creek Memorial Landing** on the northside. **Hasson Park** contains a lovely collection of rare rhododendrons, a disc-golf course, picnic pavilions, a public swimming pool, dek hockey, playgrounds and ball fields.

The **Venango Museum of Art, Science and Industry** is the site of



the official **Oil City Visitor Center** and houses an artifact-dense exhibit area which reveals wondrous examples of the changes oil has wrought in the way we live, work and play. Visitors may meander freely around the exhibit clusters, discovering multiple conceptual connections between them.

Be sure to check out the shops, restaurants, cafes and lodging in downtown Oil City, as well as its collection of **outdoor murals and public art statues**, and artist studios located in the National Transit Building. Since the



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inception of the **ARTS Oil City** Program in 2006, more than 40 artists have relocated to Oil City taking advantage of great studio rental space, affordable homes and relaxed atmosphere of the City. The National Transit Building is also home to the **Transit Fine Arts Gallery, Graffiti Gallery, Oil Creek Earthworks Pottery Studio**, and a variety of art classes and concerts.

With its rich history and heritage, scenic natural beauty, growing arts and cultural scene, friendly people and quiet charm, Oil City is indeed **"Renowned, Rugged and Refined"** – and a very special place to visit and live.

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Cranberry Township is a beautiful place for your outdoor activities with great biking, hiking and walking trails. The **Samuel Justus Trail** provides 5.8 miles of paved asphalt, and runs



between Oil City and Franklin along **2017's PA River of the Year – the Allegheny River**. The first five miles of the Allegheny River Trail that connects Franklin to Emlenton is also located in Cranberry Township, along with portions of the **Sandycreek Trail** including the **Belmar Bridge**, a 1,385 foot long bridge with a wooden deck and railings, providing a spectacular view of the river valley.

There are two very beautiful and relaxing parks located in the township. Along Rt. 257 is **Moody Park**, the lovely pond and fountain will catch your eye. The Park also offers benches and playground equipment.



The site of the annual **Cranberry Festival** is **Morrison Park**, where you will find pavilions, tennis courts, playground equipment and open and wooded areas. The pavilions can be reserved for picnics and reunions.



Cranberry Township has public and private schools, the only hospital in Venango County - **UPMC Northwest** - and almost 250 restaurants, retail stores and service businesses! Looking for more information? Contact www.cranberrytwp.org.

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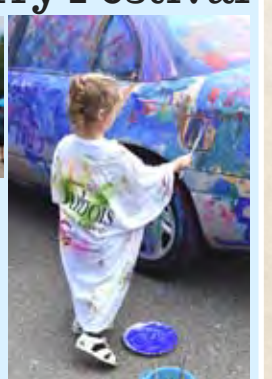
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Franklin, PA has been growing in renown as a small town with great festivals, a fact that draws thousands of visitors to the city each year. But there is much more to the city than its calendar. Natural beauty, historic architecture, independently owned shops and restaurants, a full roster of community services, safe streets, low cost of living, and high quality of life are what turn so many visitors into permanent residents.

Nestled at the confluence of the Allegheny River and French Creek, the city offers easy access to 40-plus miles of paved bike trails including the Allegheny Valley Trail and the Sandy Creek Trail, which was voted one of the **Top 10 trails in Pennsylvania**. Franklin has the distinction of being given **“Bicycle Friendly”** status by the League of American Bicyclists and has been designated a **Trail Town**. The waterways and surrounding forests provide ample opportunities for hunting, fishing, cross country skiing, golfing, biking, hiking, kayaking and more! Bicycle, kayak or canoe rentals during fair weather make enjoying these natural treasures simple.

Franklin’s oil legacy is evident in a spectacular architectural footprint that features architectural gems like the **Venango County Courthouse, St. John’s Episcopal Church** with its full set of **Tiffany Windows**, a beautifully preserved commercial downtown, and numerous Victorian homes.

Self-guided walking tours are available at city visitor centers for those

wishing to learn the stories behind these buildings and see them first-hand.

Liberty Street that runs through the heart of Franklin was named one of the **Top Ten Great Streets in America** in 2010 by the American Planning Association and one of the **Great Places in Pennsylvania** in 2017. The downtown shopping and dining district is home to so many one-of-a-kind, independently owned boutiques and restaurants, that you could spend a weekend discovering all of the unique treasures and flavors our dedicated business owners have to offer.

Franklin is home to nine major festivals, including **Applefest®** (one of the Top 20 PA Festivals) and a slate of smaller cultural and community events, throughout the year. The city holds multiple weekly outdoor concerts in the summer, and is home to the outstanding **Barrow-Civic Theatre**. Lovers of art can browse at the local coffee shop and several galleries. History lovers can visit **DeBence Antique Music World** and the **Venango County Historical Society’s** graceful **Egbert-Mullins-Koos House**. Each individual piece is great, but it’s the combination of them all that make Franklin such a special place. The community spirit is evident everywhere you look. It’s no wonder so many visitors return again and again and eventually make Franklin their home.



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EMLENTON

Founded in 1859, Emlenton Borough is located along the Allegheny River, at the southern tip of Venango County and within the **Oil Region National Heritage Area**.

This tourist destination, easily accessible from Interstate 80, invites you to discover endless recreational activities, including biking on the **Erie to Pittsburgh Trail**, hiking on the **North Country Trail** and boating and fishing on the Allegheny River, named the **2017 Pennsylvania River of the Year**. A public boat launch is located on River Avenue.

Emlenton offers a host of amenities for residents and visitors, including lodging, restaurants, main street shops, cultural events and festivals.

You'll find a hidden treasure at **Mineral Springs Park**, where you can enjoy a picnic with your family and explore the **Ritchey Run Creek** that flows through the park.



The park is home to one of the oldest continuous pumping oil wells in the country at its original depth. It was drilled in 1867 by Eben Crawford.

A community that once reportedly had more millionaires per capita than anywhere else in the country, Emlenton continues to attract national recognition for its hardwood production. Once rich with oil and gas, Emlenton respectfully celebrates its history by offering a self-guided historical walking tour and displaying artifacts in the

Pumping Jack Museum, located inside the **Crawford Center** on Hill Street. Also located inside the Crawford Center you will find the **Chicken Coop - Studio 306**. It provides a creative outlet for the community and visitors by hosting monthly workshops, open studio time and many public events of interest to artists and artisans.

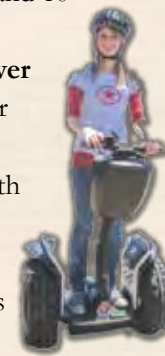
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Foxburg is located along the Allegheny River and has blossomed into a premier destination spot in Pennsylvania.

FOXBURG

Foxburg is located just three miles from Emlenton and 10 minutes from Exit 45 of I-80. It lies along the **Allegheny River**, voted the **2017 Pennsylvania River of the Year**. Foxburg has blossomed into a premier destination spot with its picturesque setting and attractions such as casual and fine dining, a hotel with river views, locally made wine and chocolate and a variety of cultural events and outdoor activities. Foxburg boasts the oldest golf course in continuous use in the country. Play the 9-holes of the historic **Foxburg Country Club** and then visit the American Golf Hall of Fame inside the club house.



While in Foxburg enjoy a live show at **Lincoln Hall** on the second floor of the **Allegheny Riverstone Center for the Arts**; concerts are held there throughout the year.

The **Red Brick Gallery & Gift Shop**, located on Main Street near the **Foxburg Free Library**, is a boutique fine art gallery and gift shop which strives to nurture artistic creativity by providing an inspiring venue for local artisans and other emerging art talent. It features hundreds of artisan-inspired items (on two floors), along with a wide selection of limited edition and collectable signature works.

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Town Square
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814.678.3018 kamos@oilcity.org

Two Mile Run County Park
471 Beach Road, Franklin, PA 16323
814.676.6116 www.twomilerun.net

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Emlenton, PA 16373
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Titusville Whether serving residents or out-of-town visitors, a vibrant arts environment is essential to every community. The mission of the Titusville Council on the Arts (TCA) is to stimulate, encourage, expand and support the practice, appreciation, and understanding of the performing and visual arts.

TCA hosts free summer concerts on Monday nights at Scheide Park in downtown Titusville. The performances feature live music ranging from traditional German folk to rock 'n roll, country, bluegrass and more. TCA also hosts the **Titusville Folk & Bluegrass Festival**, a weekend of live music, art, dance, workshops and jam sessions for all ages.

The **Oil Region Coalition of Artists (ORCA)** hosts monthly open mics, summer youth art camps, the yearly Art in the Park event, and Expressions, an annual exhibit of female artists from the Oil Region.

The **Tarbell House** on East Main Street is a fully-restored 1870 Italianate structure. It once served as the familial home of Progressive Era investigative journalist Ida M. Tarbell. During the school year, students from Tarbell's alma mater, Titusville High School, serve teas to the public in character as historical figures from Titusville's past. Advance reservations are required for these multi-course teas which are open to the public.

Oil City The historic **National Transit Building** in downtown Oil City serves as a hub for the growing arts movement. Artists from across the country have relocated to Oil City, attracted by the low real estate prices and strong commitment to the arts. Many work and exhibit in the second-floor National Transit Studios. The studios are open

to the public by appointment, for special events, and during open studios scheduled throughout the year. The **Oil Valley Center for the Arts**, at the National Transit Building, offers classes in the arts through Oil Creek Earthworks Studio. **Graffiti Gallery** and the **Transit Fine Art Gallery** are non-profit galleries which showcase the work of local and regional artists.

First Night @ Oil City is held every New Year's Eve. A **Bluegrass Festival** is held in February. The **Oil Region Indie Music Fest** is held in June and features emerging young musicians playing original music at several venues.

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Oil City offers a robust live music scene throughout the year, with a monthly **Winter Concert Series** in the National Transit Building and weekly **Karma Concert Series** at Karma Coffee Co. during the cooler months. In the summertime, free outdoor entertainment includes **Music on the Square**, **Pipeline Alley Concerts**, and additional performances during the city's **BridgeFest** and in Justus Park along the banks of the Allegheny River. Oil City Community Playhouse produces quality dramatic productions with local talent. The group is renovating the **Lyric Theatre** to its former glory.

Oil City Arts Council
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Franklin Along with its festivals, Franklin is known for its family-friendly performing arts offerings. **DeBence Antique Music World** hosts free monthly musical concerts featuring a variety of performers. In the summer, concerts are held every Thursday night in **Bandstand Park** and Franklin's **Taste of Talent** vocal competition showcases local performers.

However, the jewel in Franklin's arts and culture crown is the fully restored **Barrow-Civic Theater**. The Barrow and its Little Theater host musical theater, films, drama, revues, and concerts throughout the year.

A number of arts-based businesses have grown up on Liberty Street to provide an outlet for the many creative artists in the Oil Region. Olde Liberty, the Galleria at Olde Liberty and Boutique Malo offer work by local artists.

Emlenton Throughout the year an assortment of musical and dramatic acts are held in the auditorium of the **Crawford Center**, a former school, in Emlenton.

Also located in the Crawford Center is the **Chicken Coop - Studio 306**. Founded as a space for local artists to create and share their works, it is also the site for monthly workshops and events.

Foxburg Foxburg is home to the **Allegheny RiverStone Center for the Arts (ARCA)**. ARCA provides a wide variety of programs in music, drama, literature, the media and visual arts. They also present an annual Performance Concert Series including classical, jazz and popular music, drama, and film in **Lincoln Hall**.

The **Red Brick Gallery and Gift Shop**, a boutique fine art gallery and gift shop, strives to nurture artistic creativity by providing an inspiring venue for local artisans and other emerging art talent.



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Crawford Center for the Music & Arts

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www.debencemusicworld.com

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Franklin Fine Arts Council

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Franklin Public Library

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Oil City Arts Council

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www.ocartscouncil.com

Oil City Civic Center

206 Seneca Street
Oil City, PA 16301 814.678.0007
www.nationaltransitbuilding.com

Oil City Library

2 Central Avenue
Oil City, PA 16301 814.678.3072
www.oilcitylibrary.org

Oil Region Coalition of Artists (ORCA)

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www.facebook.com/oilregioncoalitionofartists

Petroleum History Institute

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The Red Brick Gallery & Shop

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Titusville Council on the Arts

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www.venangomuseum.org



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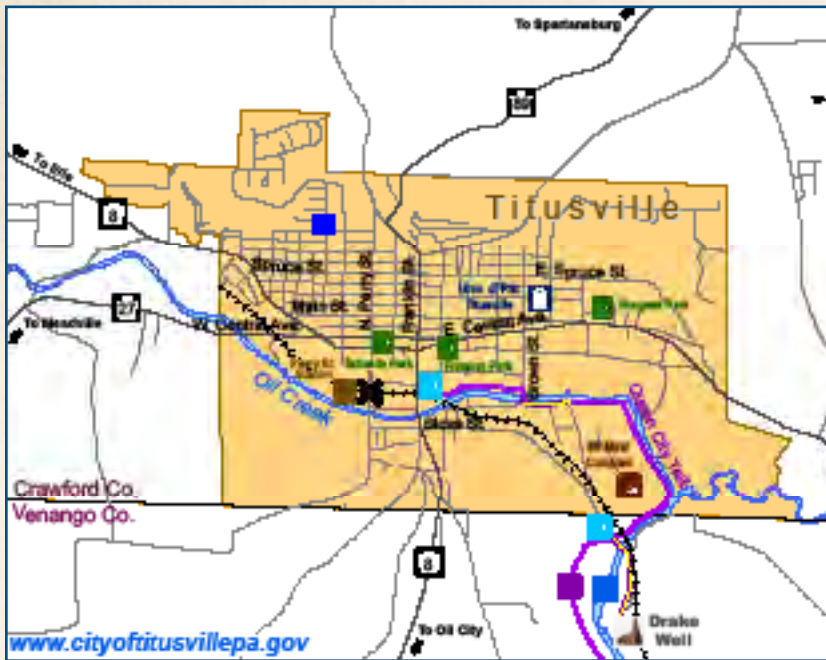
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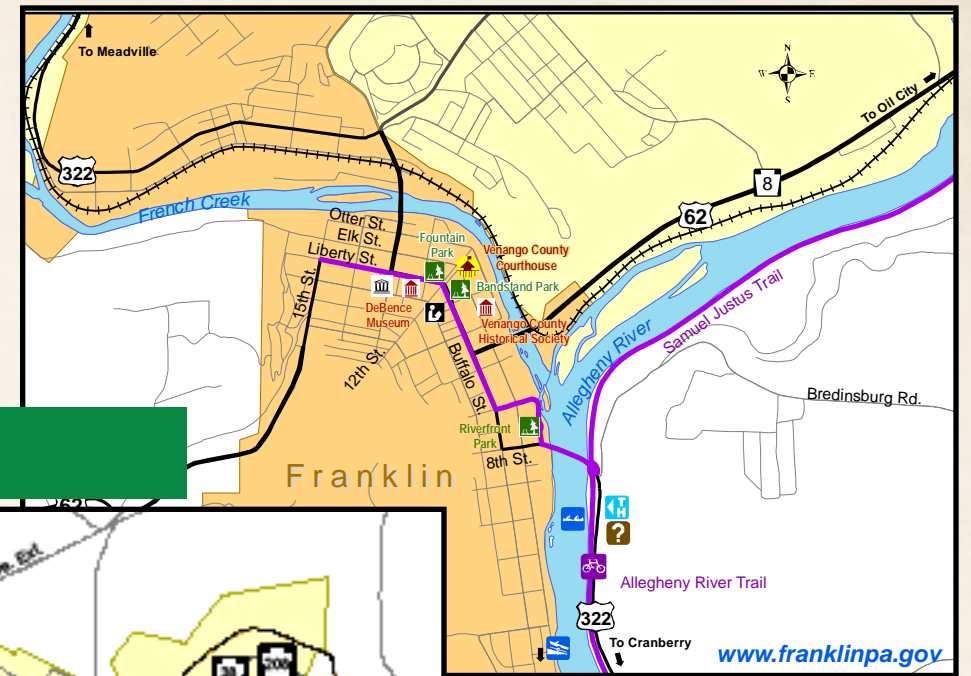
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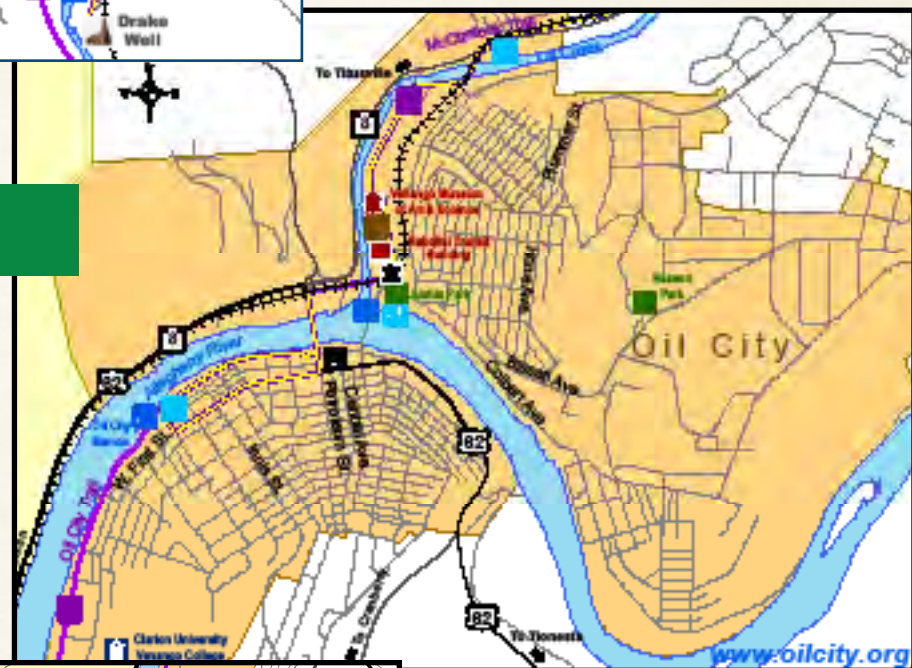
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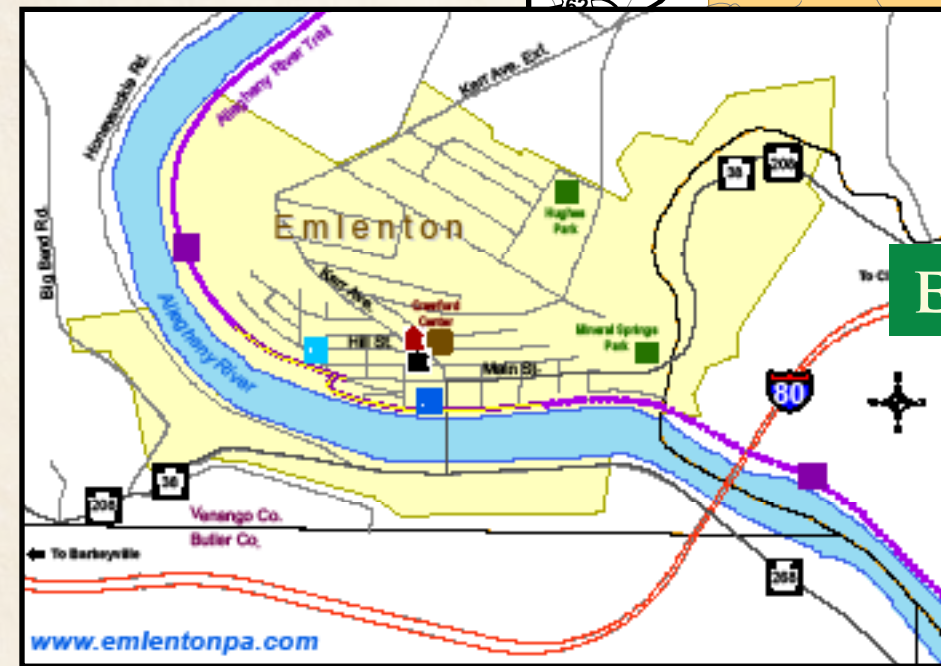
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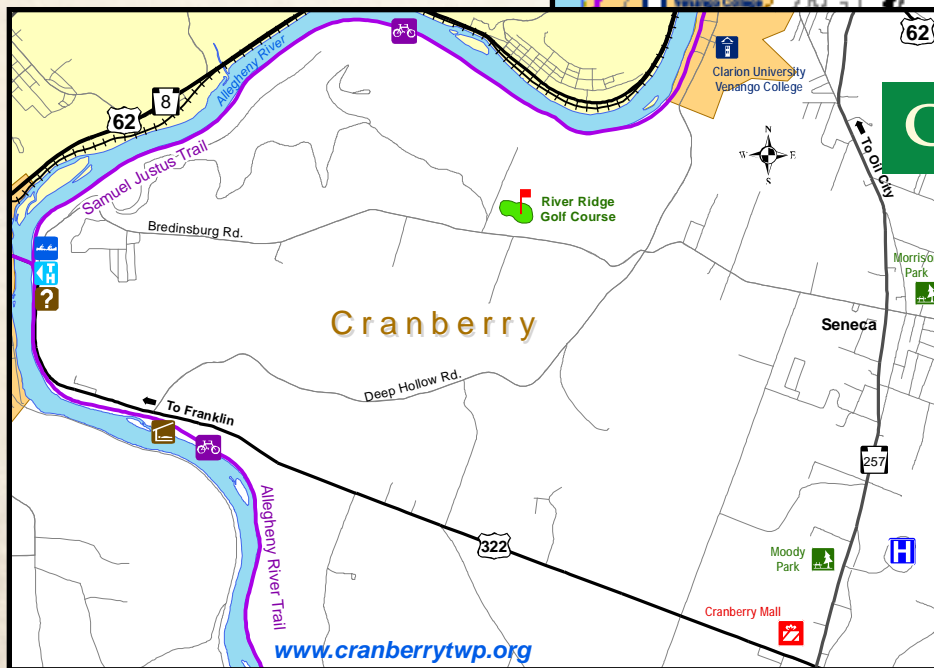
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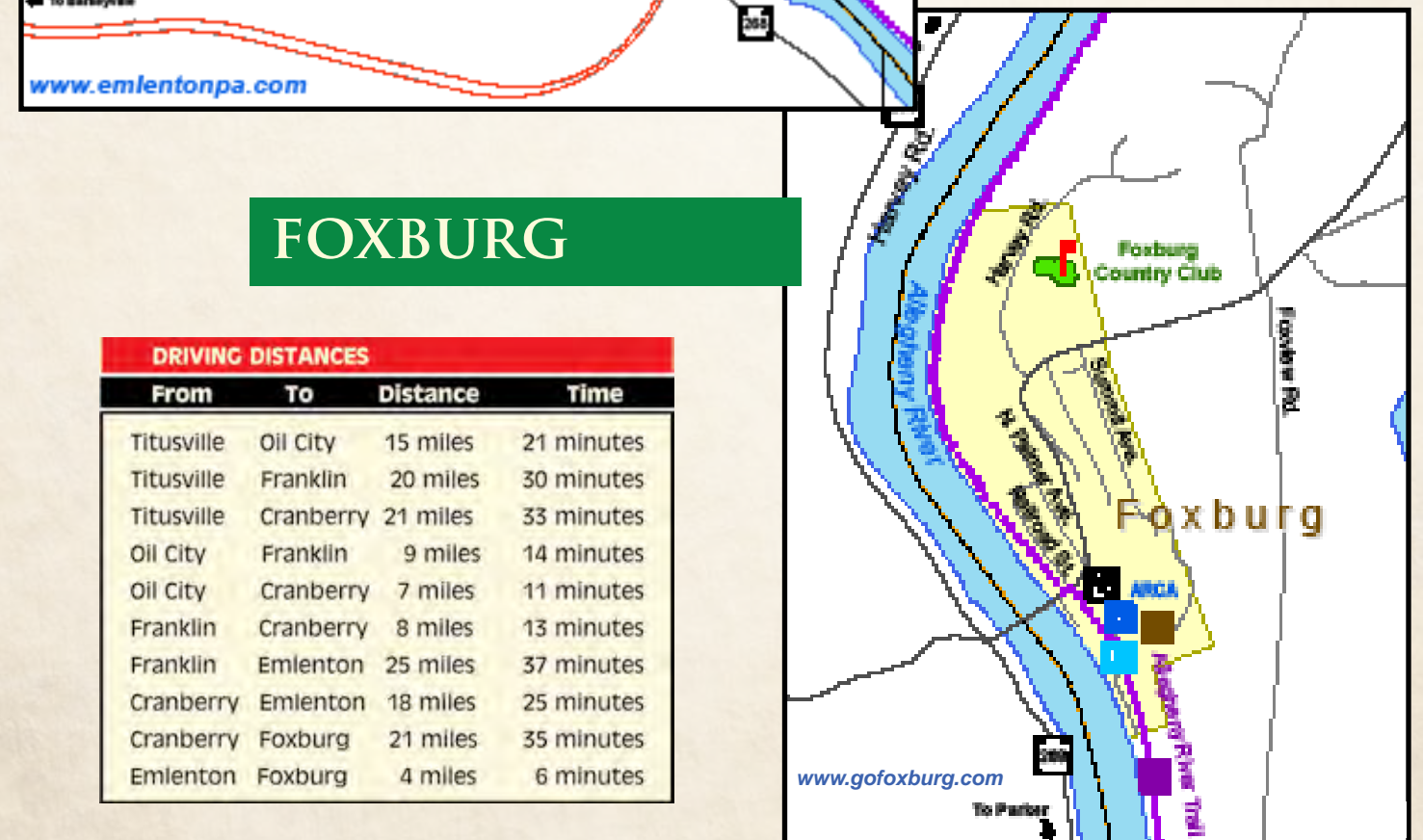


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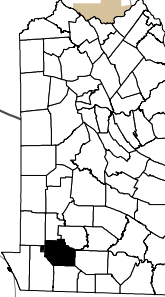
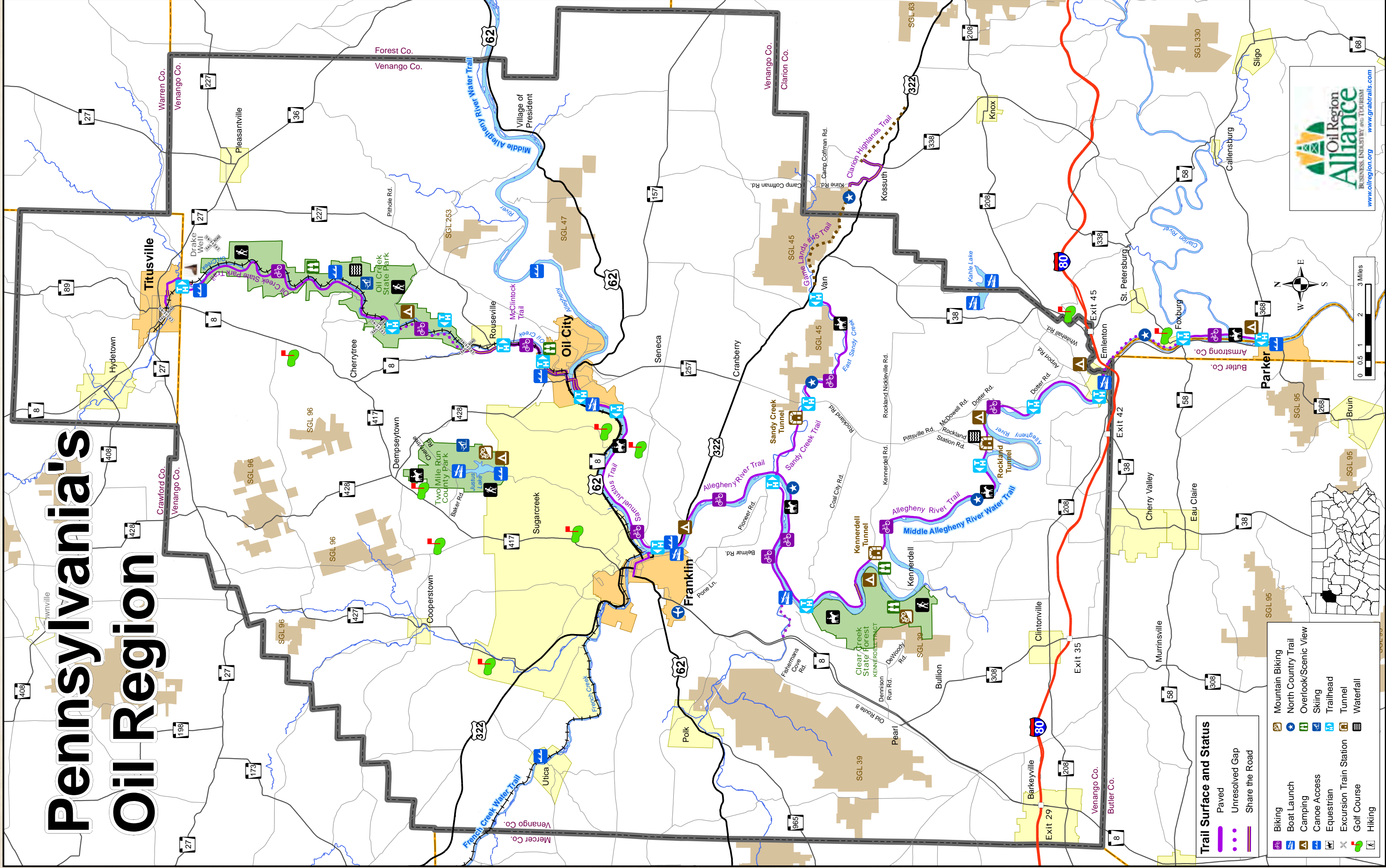


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Titusville	Cranberry	21 miles	33 minutes
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Oil City	Cranberry	7 miles	11 minutes
Franklin	Cranberry	8 miles	13 minutes
Franklin	Emlenton	25 miles	37 minutes
Cranberry	Emlenton	18 miles	25 minutes
Cranberry	Foxburg	21 miles	35 minutes
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Pennsylvania's Oil Region



EVENTS & FESTIVALS

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JANUARY

Learn-to-ski day at Two Mile Run County Park

www.twomilerun.net

Learn-to-ski clinics at Oil Creek State Park

www.dcnr.state.pa.us

FEBRUARY

Franklin On Ice

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www.franklinpa.gov

Oil Country Bluegrass Festival

A weekend of live bluegrass music at the Days Inn – Oil City.
www.ocartscouncil.com

MARCH

Expressions

Showcase of Women Artists of the Oil Region in Titusville by the Oil Region Coalition of Artists in Titusville.
www.facebook.com/oilregioncoalitionofartists

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Music, lectures, workshops or historic demonstrations related to the people, places & events of petroleum history at Drake Well Museum and Park.
www.drakewell.org

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APRIL

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Display of Marshmallow Masterpieces hosted by Titusville Council on the Arts at the Titusville YWCA.
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JUNE

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Titusville Folk and Bluegrass Festival (formerly HOTAFEST)

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www.TitusvilleCouncilOnTheArts.com

Oil Region Indie Music Festival

Original artists perform at various venues in downtown Oil City.
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www.franklinbluesandbbq.com

Chicks in the Sticks

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4th of July Week Festivities

A full week of nightly concerts, parades and fireworks on the 4th in downtown Franklin.
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40th Annual Emlenton Summer Festival at Hughes Park

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JULY

Cranberry Fireworks Spectacular

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International Bowhunting Organization Competition

Two Mile Run County Park. For more information visit
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Oil Heritage Festival

Car show, artisan & fine crafts fair, children's events, concerts, parade & fireworks, all in Oil City.
www.venangochamber.org

World War II Reenactment Weekend

Encampment, battle re-enactment, USO dance & historic displays at Perry Street Station in Titusville.
www.octrr.org



AUGUST

Taste of Franklin-Taste of Talent

Fountain Park - sample the city's finest cuisine and then hear the finals of the vocal competition.
www.franklinpa.gov

BridgeFest

Two great evenings of music, art, food & more on Veterans Memorial Bridge and the iconic, illuminated Center Street Bridge in downtown Oil City.
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Justus Lake stretches over 144 acres and provides an opportunity for fun with electric motor boats, sail boats, canoes and kayaks. There is an accessible boat launch located at the north end of the lake and another launch in the Nature Lodge area.

Paddle boat, canoe and kayak rentals are available during the summer at Crosby Beach. Crosby Beach opens the second weekend in June and features a sandy beach, grass sunning area, shade trees, lifeguards, a sand volleyball court and children's play area.

Anglers may test their skills for trout, bass, muskellunge, walleye and pan fish. During the winter months, ice fishing is popular.

More than 30 miles of trails traverse scenic woods and fields.

Bridle trails around the perimeter of the park give horseback riders a scenic excursion around the lake. Overnight horse camping is available in the Lockwood area and there are

additional areas to park for day riding. **Mountain bikers** enjoy the challenge of a variety of available terrain and conditions.

Cross-country ski trails are groomed and ski boots, poles and skis are available for rent. The Pioneer Flats area is also a favorite spot for **sledding, tubing and snowboarding**.

The **family campground** usually opens the weekend before Memorial Day Weekend and has 72 secluded campsites including primitive walk-in sites, electric sites, sites along the lake, and full hook-up sites. Campground facilities include modern showers, restrooms, and a dump station. Pets are permitted in campsites but must be on a leash at all times. Call the park office in advance to make camping arrangements.

Two charming country homes are also available to rent by the week or weekend. Both are equipped with a complete kitchen, bathroom, washer and dryer, gas burning fireplace and whole-house air conditioning. Reservations are required and are available up to one year in advance.

Picnic tables are located throughout the park. Pavilions are available on a first-come first-serve basis unless they are reserved; pavilions may be reserved up to one year in advance.

Find out more about this county treasure at www.twomilerun.net.



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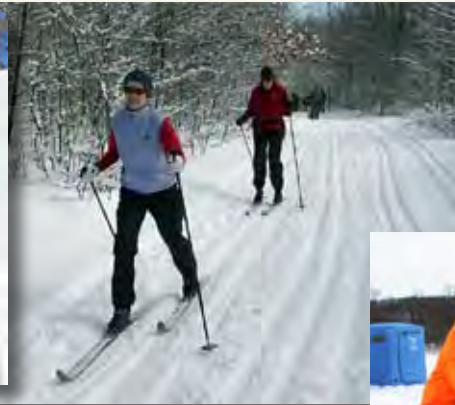


The Oil Heritage Region has something for everyone, all four seasons of the year. There's no reason to hibernate in the winter – not when there's cross country skiing, sled riding, snow shoeing and ice fishing. The region's location in northwest Pennsylvania makes it subject to lake effect snow cover for much of the winter.

Oil Creek State Park is easily accessed from PA Route 8 just one mile north of the borough of Rouseville.

The park has a network of 11.5 miles of trails utilized from old oil lease and lumber roads.

There are three main trails: green and blue loops are suitable for beginning or intermediate cross-country skiers; and the red loop is designed for those with more experience. The trails are meticulously groomed for the classical ski technique. There's a large parking area, composting toilets and a warming hut. Several night ski events are scheduled throughout the season. A nominal fee is charged for a ski pass, which is required in the complex.



Two Mile Run County Park is located conveniently to Oil City, Franklin and Titusville. Cross country ski trails are groomed, and ski boots, poles and skis are available for rent, as are snow shoes. It's also a favorite spot for sledding. **Ice fishing on Justus Lake** inside Two Mile Run County Park produces perch, trout, and even a few walleye.

The Venango Fatherhood Initiative hosts **Winterfest** at

Two Mile Run County Park each winter, usually in January. It's a free, fun-filled, family-friendly day with sledding and snow-men building contests.

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GRAB LIFE BY THE TRAILS



The **Erie to Pittsburgh Trail** travels through the region and several towns via this regional system. Six local trails are segments totaling 65 miles of mostly paved surface that provide for biking, hiking, roller blading and cross country skiing in the winter as well as equestrian use along the side.

The **Queen City Trail** connects the City of Titusville with **Oil Creek State Park (OCSP)**. Its 1.4 miles join with the 9.7 miles of the OCSP Trail through the "The Valley That Changed The World." Enjoy the combination of natural beauty and historical significance as you ride and stop to read the interpretive panels. The OCSP Trail currently ends at Petroleum Centre. To continue south, follow State Park Road (SR 1007) through the park for about 3 miles to SR 8 at Rynd Farm.

The **McClintock Trail** (cross Rt. 8) follows Waitz Rd., a dirt road, about 2 miles to the site of the historic McClintock Oil Well #1. Then it goes off road again for another 1.7 miles on paved surface paralleling active railroad tracks. The trains may whistle if you wave.

Within **Oil City** follow the trail markings as you share the road through the business and residential districts.

Cross Oil Creek on the walkway of the railroad bridge and then proceed over the Allegheny River to the west end of town and the Marina. Meet the next trail segment across from Venango College.



The **Samuel Justus Trail** is approximately six miles long. It runs alongside the Allegheny River between Oil City and Franklin and meets the **Allegheny River Trail (ART)** at the Saltbox Visitors Center. The ART continues along the river for 28 miles and takes you through two railroad tunnels: the **Kennerdell Tunnel**, 15 miles south of Franklin is 3,350 feet long and the **Rockland Tunnel**, 21 miles south of Franklin is 2,868 feet long. Bring a light since both tunnels are very dark but fun! About 14 miles south of Franklin, trail users follow a well-marked half-mile detour on a private, dirt drive rejoining the pavement to continue south. This segment of the Erie to Pittsburgh Trail leaves the Oil Region as you travel through Emlenton Borough.

The **Sandy Creek Trail** travels east and west crossing over the Erie to Pittsburgh Trail at Belmar. There are 12 miles of paved surface, five pedestrian bridges and the **Deep Valley Tunnel**. The **Belmar Bridge** spans the Allegheny River, is 1,385 feet long with a wooden deck and railings, and has a great view of the river valley.



If you prefer dirt, roots and rocks to pavement, the Oil Region is home to miles of **mountain biking trails**. Mountain bikes may be used on most roads and trails on the **Kennerdell Tract of Clear Creek State Forest** unless otherwise posted. Only **Dennison Run Trail** is permanently off limits to bicycles to protect this Exceptional Value (EV) watershed. Degree of difficulty varies considerably.

Mountain bikers also enjoy the challenge of a variety of terrain and conditions at **Two Mile Run County Park**. You will find both double track and single track with bridges, rocks, roots, logs, and many other natural obstacles and rolling terrain that create a natural challenge for all levels of riders. About 12 miles of single-track are marked with yellow trail markers and mapped for you to follow (maps available at the park office).

There are over 30 miles of marked multi-use trails and connector trails for all riders. With the revival of the annual mountain bike races, even more people are enjoying this exciting sport. The **North Country Trail (NCT)** is America's longest National Scenic Trail stretching 4,600 miles from New York to North Dakota.



Hikers can travel through this area as the NCT shares the Sandy Creek Trail to the connection with the Allegheny River Trail and then south to Parker Landing.

Within **Oil Creek State Park**, 52 miles of hiking, skiing and interpretive trails lead visitors through areas rich in historic and scenic interest. Discover how the face of the valley was changed with history and reclaimed by nature today. Eleven miles of cross country skiing trails are groomed in the winter. The 36-mile long **Gerard Hiking Trail** encompasses the entire park and is marked with yellow blazes while shorter day hikes use the five connecting loops. Two overnight hike-in Adirondack shelter areas are along the trail, but must be reserved.

A network of 35 miles of trails allows hikers to explore the **Kennerdell Tract of Clear Creek State Forest** and enjoy vistas above the Allegheny River. This tract includes a trail past a stone iron furnace on Bullion Run constructed in the 1840's. **Two Mile Run County Park** has over 30 miles of hiking trails through woods and fields. Stay close to the activity centers of the beach and nature lodge or enjoy the forest with views of the lake. In winter, cross-country ski trails are groomed and marked for various levels of expertise.



This region with its natural, scenic beauty and gently rolling woodlands is the perfect setting for a trail ride any time of the year for the horseback riding enthusiasts. Most accommodating trails are shared-use so watch for other trail users.

Horseback riding is authorized on all State Forest roads and trails, with a few exceptions. The **Kennerdell Tract of Clear Creek State Forest**, located in southern Venango County, depicts many different aspects of natural history and human influence including an iron furnace at Bullion Run. The 3,200 acre forest land has 26 miles of trail but the trail system south of Dennison Run, the Goat and the midsection of the River Trail are limited to hiking due to trail conditions and to protect the Exceptional Value (EV) watershed.

Two Mile Run County Park, a 2,695 acre park with a 144 acre lake, is well known to those on horseback. The bridle trail around the perimeter of the park provides a long ride through the woods with scenic views of the park. Over 35 miles of multi-use trails are available in total with an inner loop closer to the lake and several cross-over trails. Limited overnight camping is available for those with horses and trailers.

The Allegheny Valley Trails Association permits horses alongside the **Sandy Creek Trail** and **Allegheny River Trail**, each a multi-use (bicycle) trail.





GOLF TRAILS

Anyone wishing to hit the links can do just that while visiting the Oil Region. You'll find a variety of golf courses here, including the 27-hole course at **Cross Creek Resort**, located on PA Route 8 just three miles south of Titusville. The course was built in 1959 with Wynn Tredway as architect. Stay-and-play packages are offered. Cross Creek Resort has meeting rooms and a restaurant with bar.

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Whitetail Run
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Lucky Hills Golf Course was built in 2000 just outside of Franklin. It has nine holes, is 3,430 yards with a par 36. **Dawndi's Restaurant** was recently built at the site and serves lunch and dinner, offering casual dining with a beautiful view.

Other nine-hole golf courses in the Oil Region include: **River Ridge Golf Course; Sleepy Hollow Golf Club; Speers Public Golf Course; Stoney Meadow Golf Course; and Whitetail Run Golf Course.**

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The **Erie to Pittsburgh Trail** connects the **Bayfront of Lake Erie** to **Point State Park** in Pittsburgh. The Oil Region is the central hub of the developing trail. Six of our trails are segments of the regional asset connecting us to the rest of western Pennsylvania. When finished, it will be approximately 270 miles long, through two states and seven counties.

The Oil Region is making connections here and beyond. The network of all types of trails in this guide will connect us with Pennsylvania's open space, natural landscape, scenic, cultural, historic, and recreation sites, within urban and rural communities becoming part of one of the Commonwealth's most powerful tools to achieve sustainable growth and livable communities.

The Erie to Pittsburgh Trail is now also part of a much larger network of inter-state trails. A system of long, cross-region segments (commonly referred to as destination corridors) align nearly 1,600 miles of trails through 53 counties of Western Pennsylvania, Western New York, Western Maryland, Northern West Virginia and Eastern Ohio.



RECREATION TRAILS IN THE OIL REGION

Mileage between trailheads and points of interest, north to south

Trail/Connector	Trailhead /Point of Interest	Miles
Erie to Pittsburgh Trail		
Queen City Trail	Black Bridge to Jersey Bridge	1.44
Oil Creek State Park	Drake Well Museum to Rynd Farm	12.8
(State Park Road)	Drake Well Museum to Petroleum Cntr. Petroleum Cntr to Rynd Farm at Rte. 8	9.7 3.1
McClintock Trail (Waitz Road)	Rynd Farm to Oil City Rynd Farm to McClintock Well #1 McClintock Well #1 to Oil City	3.7 2 1.7
Oil City Trail (City streets & trail segments)	White Bridge thru OC to West End	3.5
Samuel Justus Trail (Cranberry Township)	Oil City to Franklin	5.8
Allegheny River Trail	Franklin to Belmar Franklin to Indian God Rock Belmar to Brandon Brandon to Kennerdell Tunnel Kennerdell to Rockland Station (Tunnel) Rockland Station to Emlenton Emlenton to Foxburg via Route 268	5.2 9 5 5 7 6 3
Connector Trail to the Erie to Pittsburgh Trail		
Sandy Creek Trail	Fisherman's Cove to Van Fisherman's Cove to Belmar Belmar to Sandy Creek Tunnel Belmar to Rockland Road Belmar to Van	12 4.5 2 3 7.5



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WATER TRAILS

The **Allegheny River** was named the **2017 PA River of the Year** in a contest conducted by the PA DCNR. The Allegheny flows free from Kinzua Dam tailrace to East Brady and is among the top rivers for smallmouth bass, walleye, musky and flathead catfish in the northeastern states. The 107 mile section from Kinzua Dam to Emlenton comprises the **Wild & Scenic Allegheny River Water Trail**, a recreational corridor for wildlife observation, fishing, paddling and jet boating on a moderate-flow riffle-and-pool river. The Oil Heritage section extends from the launch at Tionesta to Emlenton. Overnight float trips are popular with primitive camping available on select public lands. Canoe rentals are available at Franklin and Emlenton. Inexperienced paddlers should avoid the Class III rapids in Oil City by portaging river right. All pertinent information on access and camping can be found online at www.fishandboat.com/watertrails.

In Franklin there's a public boat ramp with parking at the corner of Elk and Third Streets, and kayak and canoe access at the Franklin Trailhead near the Eighth Street Bridge on Route 322. The **Oil City Marina** is located at the corner of Wyllis and West Front Streets and has a public boat ramp, picnic tables and parking. There's also an access point for small watercraft at **Oil Creek Memorial Landing**. It's located just north of the business district on Route 8 in Oil City. Public parking is available.

Steeped in geological and historical significance, **French Creek** is recognized as the most biologically diverse stream of its size in Pennsylvania. Walleyes, smallmouth bass, northern pike and muskellunge are the primary species of interest to anglers. The **French Creek Water Trail** extends from Union City Dam tailrace to the confluence with the Allegheny River at Franklin, providing an incredible paddle sport resource. The final 14 miles flow through the Oil Region; a comfortable one-day float-n-fish trip is from PF & BC Access

at Utica to **Riverfront Park** in Franklin. To learn more about access and points of interest, request the French Creek Water Trail brochure from the French Creek Conservancy at www.frenchcreekwatershed.com.

Flowing through "The Valley That Changed the World," the story of **Oil Creek** is intertwined with the discovery and early production of Pennsylvania crude. In 2017 Oil Creek was officially named a PA Water Trail. Today Oil Creek is recognized for its abundant fly hatches, drawing trout anglers for late spring and early summer fishing. Smallmouth bass take center stage during summer, with trout again in the limelight from mid-fall through early spring in the two **Delayed Harvest Artificial Lures Only** special regulation areas. Additional stocked trout streams in the Oil Region worthy of investigation include East Branch Sugar Creek, Little Sandy Creek, Lower & Upper Two Mile Run, Pithole Creek, Sandy Creek, and Sugar Creek.

The 144-acre **Justus Lake** in Two Mile Run County Park supports a two-tier fishery with both coldwater and warmwater species. Limited to electric motors only, this lake is very inviting for paddle craft. Two ramps create easy access to both ends of the lake. As an Approved Trout Water Open to Year-Round Fishing, Justus Lake is stocked with trout in the spring and late fall; the lake is deep and cool enough to support trout through the summer, too.

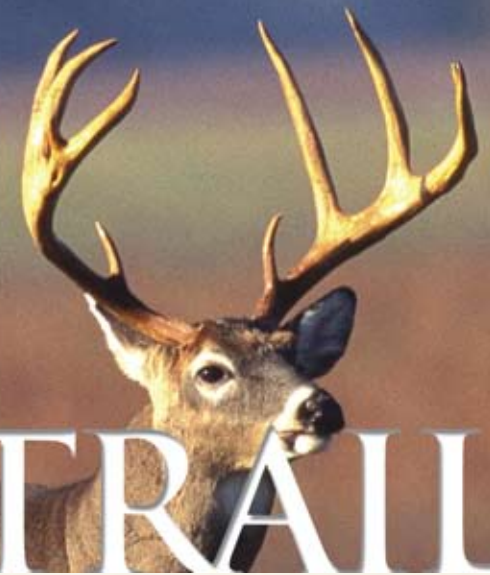
But an equally viable warmwater fishery exists in the lake as well, including musky, largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, bluegill and yellow perch.



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GAME TRAILS



Venango County is a Gateway to the **Allegheny National Forest** which provides over 500,000 acres of land open to the public for hunting, fishing and outdoor recreation.

Each year more than 54,000 people hunt northwestern Pennsylvania, with nearly 10,000 in the Oil Region. Venango County features **five state game lands open for public hunting** in addition to Oil Creek State Park, Kennerdell Tract of Clear Creek State Forest and Two



Mile Run County Park. The region's rivers and wetlands are prime sites for waterfowl, and fur trapping is also popular.

The Oil Region meets the needs of the big game hunter with abundant populations for fall hunting seasons for Pennsylvania's famous trophy white-tailed deer, turkey and black bear. And in the Spring, the region comes alive with gobbles of eastern wild turkeys to hunt.

There are many more small game opportunities in the area as well, especially grouse and squirrels. The Pennsylvania Game Commission provides all the information needed to get started from license information, hunting seasons broken down by region, and perhaps most important, maps of state game lands. This information can be found at gohuntpa.org.

Most people are required to take a hunter education course to hunt in Pennsylvania. However, adult newcomers or youth 11 years of age and younger can go hunting prior to the completion of hunter education under the mentored hunting program. More information on mentored hunting can also be found at gohuntpa.org.

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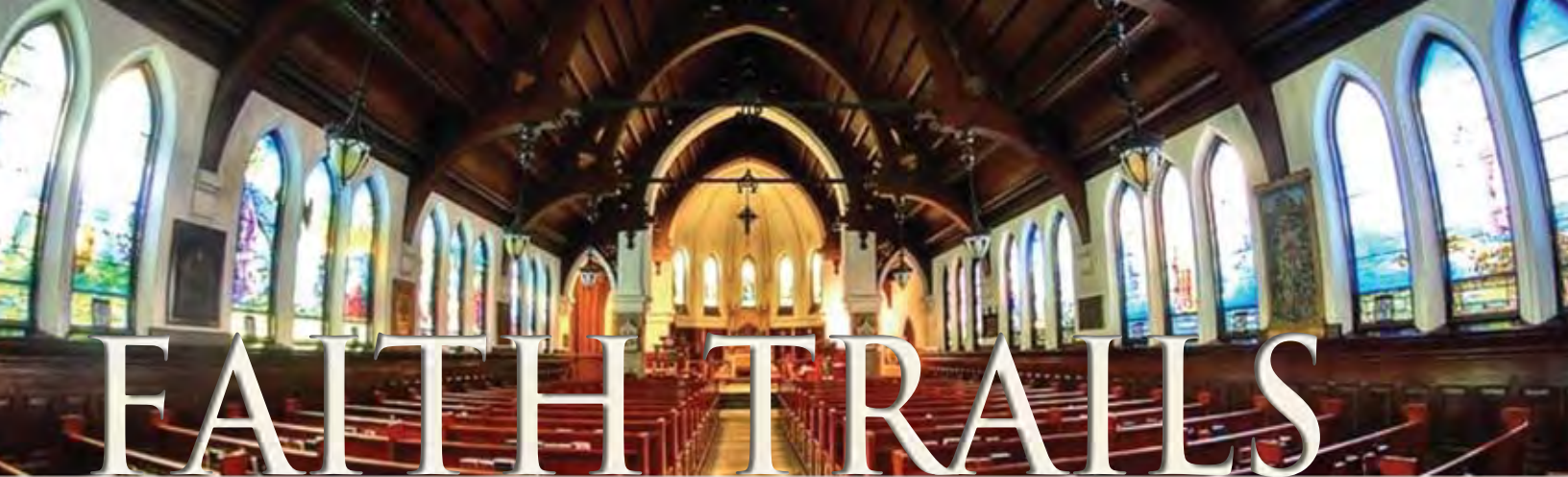
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OIL CREEK STATE PARK

Visitors can find numerous waterfalls tucked into the woodlands of the Oil Region. Four are located inside Oil Creek State Park. Pictured here is Miller Falls, which is approximately halfway between Titusville and Petroleum Centre along the Oil Creek Bike Trail. Pioneer Falls (also known as Gregg Falls) is near the ghost town of Pioneer and is easily visible from the Gerard Trail. Boughton Falls is a very nice 35' waterfall located in the northern end of the park. Plum Dungeon Falls is the highest at 60' but can be a disappointment if there has not been significant rain or snow melt prior to your visit.

Oil Creek State Park has 52 miles of hiking trails inside the park, and 9.7 miles of paved bicycle trail through the scenic Oil Creek Gorge. Trailheads are located at Rynd Farm in the south, Petroleum Centre midway, and Jersey Bridge near Drake Well Museum in the north. Trail users may rent bicycles at the park office. Trail maps and information can also be found there.

The park is also a great place to picnic, fish, canoe or kayak. More information about Oil Creek State Park can be found at www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/Parks/oilcreek.



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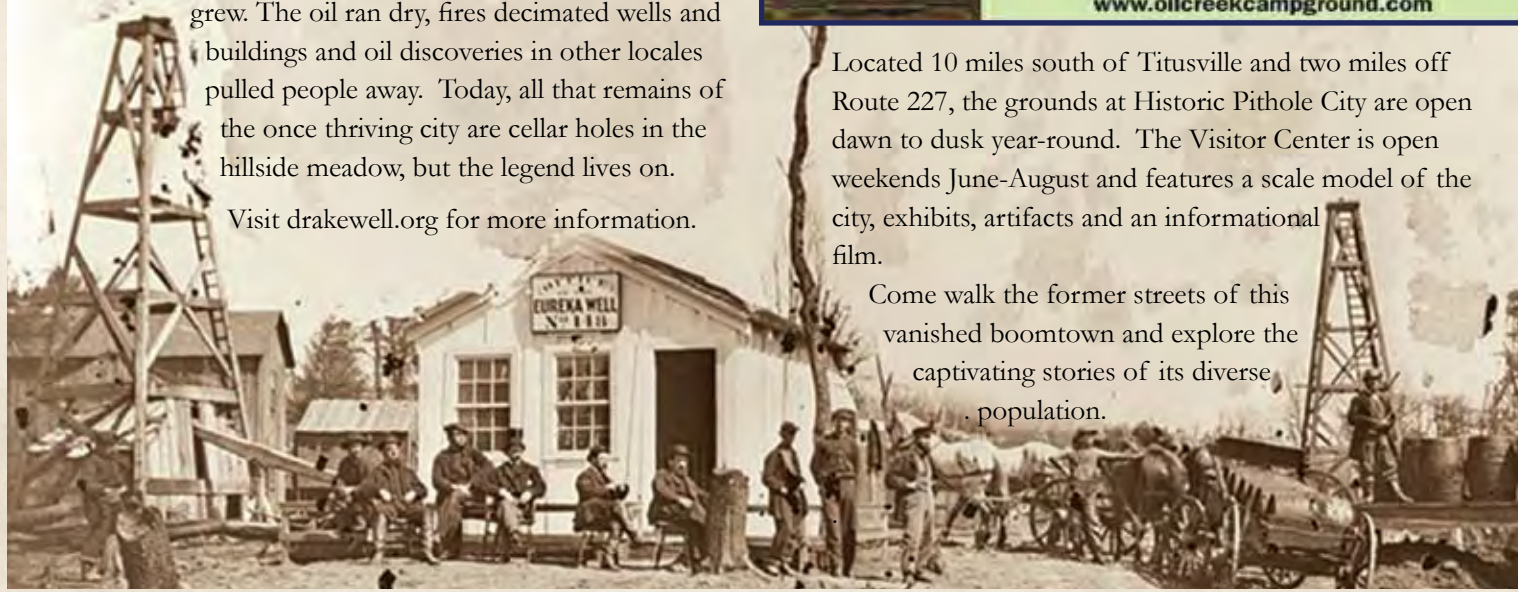
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The Oil Region Alliance is proud to preserve historic properties in the Oil Region, including the following:

Coal Oil Johnny House (167 Old Bankson Road, Oil City), also known as the McClintock-Steele-Waitz House, was constructed circa 1850. Bought in 1999, the restored building was moved inside Oil Creek State Park and now depicts the life of an early oil producing family.

Neilltown Church (2638 Neilltown Road, Pleasantville) is a Greek Revival church built in 1842. The building was purchased in 2004. After an extensive rehabilitation, it's now a special public events venue for memorial services, weddings, performances and educational programs.

Tarbell House (324 E. Main St., Titusville) is the 1870 Italianate family home of journalism pioneer Ida Tarbell. Purchased in 2007, the home was renovated in 10 phases and is now operated as a house museum available for tours by appointment and hosts special events.

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