Points of Interest on the Paint Creek Trail:

The 8.9 mile Paint Creek Trail connects to many parks and recreation areas. Some of these areas include:
- Bear Creek Nature Park
- Dinosaur Hill Nature Preserve
- Rochester Municipal Park
- Bloomer Park and the Velodrome
- Bald Mountain State Recreation Area

The Paint Creek Trail also gives users a chance to break away and enjoy some of the amenities that Rochester, Rochester Hills, Oakland Township, Orion Township, and the Village of Lake Orion have to offer:
- Cider Mills
- Golf Courses
- Historic Sites
- Rochester Hills Public Library
- Rochester area restaurants and shops
- Lake Orion area restaurants and shops
- Downtown Rochester River Walk, connecting the Paint Creek Trail to the Clinton River Trail

Iron Belle Trail

The Paint Creek Trail is part of the Iron Belle’s biking route, which travels up the east side of the state. The Iron Belle Trail is Michigan’s showcase trail that touches hundreds of municipalities and crosses through 48 different Michigan counties. Using existing trails, networks and new connections, the trail extends more than 2,000 miles from the far western tip of the Upper Peninsula to Belle Isle in Detroit, with a route for bicycling, and a route for hiking. For the most up-to-date information on the progress of the Iron Belle Trail, please visit michigan.gov/dnrtrails.

Friends of the Paint Creek Trail

Interested in supporting the Trail? Consider joining the Friends of the Paint Creek Trail! Formed in 2010, the purpose of the group is to promote the use, maintenance, and improvements of the Paint Creek Trail. Activities include environmental stewardship, organizing annual trail events, and having direct access and input regarding trail improvements. Membership is free, and as a 501(c)(3), donations are tax-deductible.

For more information, visit www.paintcreektrailfriends.org

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Enjoy Year-Round Activity on the Paint Creek Trail

From the City of Rochester north to the Village of Lake Orion, the Paint Creek Trail follows the Paint Creek as it meanders through fields, prairies, woodlands, and marshlands. It’s a place for non-motorized travel; a place to enjoy nature and scenic open space. If you like to jog, bike, walk, hike, ride a horse, cross-country ski or view nature, the Paint Creek Trail is for you!

Fishing
Fishing access is available along the trail. Please use stairs where available. A fishing license and trout stamp are required for persons over 16 years of age.

Horseback Riding
Horseback riders are welcome on the trail north of Dutton Road. Riders are expected to observe trail rules, are not allowed to trot or canter on the trail itself and are expected to clean up after their horses. If you must go faster, please use the grassy sides of the trail.

Biking
Cyclists should adapt their speed to conditions and others on the trail, and should sound a bell or voice warning when passing. Bicycle racing and race training are not allowed. Class 1 and Class 2 e-bikes are allowed. Speed limit for all bikes is 15mph.

Get Involved
For Trail volunteer opportunities, contact the Trail Office, visit our website, or join the Friends of the PCT organization. The public is welcome and encouraged to provide suggestions via email, phone, or in person at Commission meetings, which are held on the third Tuesday of each month. Meeting information is available on our website www.paintcreektrail.org.

Trail Courtesy
Please travel on the right side of the trail, allowing others to pass on the left.
Please respect our neighbors & stay on the trail.
Cyclists yield to all other users; pedestrians yield to horseback riders.

Trail Rules and Regulations
- No motorized vehicles
- Pets must be leashed; please clean up after them
- Campfires and groundfires are not permitted
- Do not disturb vegetation or wildlife
- Ride & walk single file to avoid blocking the trail
- No hunting and no alcohol
- Speed limit is 15 mph

Trail Hours
Year-round, daily from 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset

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Michigan's First Non-Motorized Rail-to-Trail
Rochester • Rochester Hills • Oakland Township • Orion Township • Village of Lake Orion

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Dial 911 in the event of an emergency

Road-to-Road Mileage (8.9 miles total):
• Atwater to Kern/Clarkston .... 1.5
• Kern/Clarkston to Adams ....... 1.5
• Adams to Gunn .................. 1.4
• Gunn to Gallagher ............. 0.8
• Gallagher to Silverbell ........ 0.6
• Silverbell to Dutton .......... 1.0
• Dutton to Tienken ............ 1.2
• Tienken to Roch. Municipal Park .... 0.9