

SPRING CREEK CANYON TRAIL

Centre County

THIS PROJECT AT A GLANCE

Type of Project—

Assemblage of Spring Creek, Rockview, and Canyon area written history via stories and time line authored by Bob Hazelton. Design of interpretive panels and overall graphic presence for trail signage on Phase I of Spring Creek Canyon Trail. Production and installation of interpretive panels marking the trailheads at Rock Road and Shiloh Road. Contracting of any map renderings or map information for interpretive panels.

Funding —

The LHR contributed \$4K toward this Project. With a total cost of \$25K matching funds provided by Central PA visitors Bureau.

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The Spring Creek Canyon Trail Interpretative Signage project epitomizes the intent of the Lumber Heritage Region (LHR) because a fundamental component of the project is to highlight the cultural, historic, natural and recreational resources that portray the industrial story of the region. Beginning in 1793 with the acquisition of the Rockview land surrounding the Canyon by the Philip Benner family, the creation of the Rock Iron Works located in and along Spring Creek in the Village of Rock, and subsequently, the states penal institution,

Spring Creek and the Canyon area with its surrounding 1800 acres is widely considered the most significant and well-preserved deposit of cultural resources in Centre County. The project is built on strong interagency cooperation because the trail begins on Benner Township land and traverses sections of both PGC and PFBC land. Without PGC, PFBC and Benner Township support there would be no project. ClearWater Conservancy took the lead on this project. The Centre County Historical Society also played an active role.





