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 EXISTING TRAILS
 TRAIL GAPS



Seattle

WA

Missoula

MT

ID

WY

Casper

NE

Lincoln

IA

Omaha

Cedar
Rapids

Chicago

IL

Muncie

IN

OH

Columbus

WV

Pittsburgh

PA

MD

Washington, D.C.

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0 250 500
Miles

TOTAL MILES

3,700+

1,900+

EXISTING TRAIL
MILES



MORE THAN
52%
COMPLETE

125+

EXISTING TRAILS
HOSTING ROUTE

90+

TRAIL GAPS

12 STATES TRAVERSED

WASHINGTON → IDAHO → MONTANA
IOWA ← NEBRASKA ← WYOMING
→ ILLINOIS → INDIANA → OHIO
MARYLAND ← PENNSYLVANIA ← WEST VIRGINIA

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DISTRICT OF
COLUMBIA



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THE GREAT AMERICAN RAIL-TRAIL

Preferred Route - over 3,700 miles from Washington, D.C. to Washington State



Catalyst Initiatives

- MD – C&O Canal (advocate for continued trail surface improvements)
- WV – Trail Gap #2: Weirton to W.Va.-Ohio State Line
- OH – Statewide Trail Network Funding
- OH & IN – Trail Gaps #14, #15 & #16
- IL – Statewide Trail Funding
- IA – Statewide Trail Funding
- NE – Trail Gap #55: MoPac Trail Gap
- WY – Trail Gap #63: Glenrock to Casper
- MT – Trail Gap #68: Highway 89 South Pedestrian Trail Extension
- WA – Palouse to Cascades State Park Trail Funding

Catalyst Initiatives



C&O Canal Towpath | Photo by M.J. Clingan, courtesy C&O Canal Trust

MARYLAND

The C&O Canal

RTC will monitor and advocate for continued trail surface improvements along the historic corridor to ensure the highest-quality trail-user experience. In addition, RTC will pursue public funding for a comprehensive hydrology study of the C&O Canal Towpath to determine the status and condition of the 19th-century culverts beneath the canal that carry water through its substructure and into the Potomac River, including recommendations for costs to modernize the culvert system.



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