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Oil Region Alliance Update Report
For the Erie to Pittsburgh Trail Alliance Meeting; January 20, 2016

McClintock Trail - The southern 1.5 miles of the McClintock Trail has been adopted by the staff of the Northwest Commission. ORA has designed a sign that will be placed at the northern and southern entrances of the trail segment noting that the trail has been adopted. The first clean-up was held October 16, 2015.

Santa Train in Oil City along the Erie to Pittsburgh Trail – In conjunction with Oil City’s “Christmas Past” event the Oil Region Alliance, and Western New York and Pennsylvania Railroad once again brought the Santa Train to Oil City on December 6, 2015. Santa’s train stopped along the trail adjacent to National Fuel just off Relief Street in Oil City. The event had over 170 children participated in the event plus adults who accompanied the children. In addition, the 2015 event had several other partners participate in the event including the American Red Cross, the Oil City VFW, the Oil City VFW Auxiliary, Venango Museum of Art, Science & Industry, and Paws 4 A Cause.

Oil Creek Memorial Landing – Phase I of the project is complete and open to the public. This includes the preconstruction grading, paving the entranceway and parking area, and installation of trail user amenities. Phase II (final) is slated for the spring of 2016 which will include the grassy access area to Oil Creek, landscaping, kiosk, and stairs to the adjacent business and some memorial features.

Implementation of Signage Along the Trail Route Through Emlenton – The trail route through Emlenton Borough has been signed, and a dedication was held on October 5, 2015. A kiosk including a map and brief description of the Industrial Heartland Trail Coalition (IHTC) has been produced and installed. Frank Maguire provided the IHTC map and description.

Interpretive Panels - Summer intern Breanne Mason researched, wrote, and assembled visuals for 6 new outdoor interpretive panels for the Queen City Trail in Titusville, 2 for Justus Park in Oil City, and 1 for the Old Emlenton Mill in Emlenton. These 9 panels are now being laid out by General Graphics. Each host municipality will install them as the panels become available in the spring of 2016.

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