

To quote the minutes of the *March 31,2011 meeting* in Oil City:

“End Points for EPTA: Mr. Weil asked what the exact end points for the Erie to Pittsburgh Trail are. In Pittsburgh, it’s the fountain at Point State Park downtown. Today, attendees defined Perry Monument in Presque Isle State Park at the upper end, recognizing that overnight parking is not allowed on the peninsula, and thus the parking lot at TREC would be advised.”

If we decide to choose another end point for the Erie to Pittsburgh Trail, here is some suggested criteria. It may not be possible to satisfy all of them for a given place.

- 1) It should be a place rather than an area
- 2) One should “know” when one has arrived
- 3) The place should be distinctive. i.e There should be no question as to where it was taken
- 4) It should be possible to take a photo that others will recognize
- 5) The place should be widely known so they can tell their friends without a detail explication of what it is or where it is.
- 6) The background should not be distracting.
- 7) A place where 5 to 15 people can gather without interfering with others
- 8) A place where 25 to 75 people can gather with minimal impact on others
- 9) A non-commercial place, i.e. no access fee, or subtle pressure to buy something
- 10) A place where users will not get hassled as they gather and loiter.
- 11) A nearby place to get the trip unloaded and organized
- 12) A nearby place convenient to wait for pickup at end of trip