



MILE 19 WASHOUT DETOUR



Late on July 19, 2019, a devastating flash flood washed out the 1871 Stone Arch at Long Run near Mile 19 and created an impassable gap in the trail. Redbank Valley Trails Association will be working hard to find a way to repair the gap. It won't be quick, easy or inexpensive. Donations are welcomed at www.redbankvalleytrails.org.

Please do not trespass beyond the orange barricades as there is a danger of further collapse of the trail surface.

In the meantime, we suggest the following 3.3-mile detour over narrow, rough local roads. Please use caution.

From New Bethlehem - Mile 20.5 – heading toward Climax

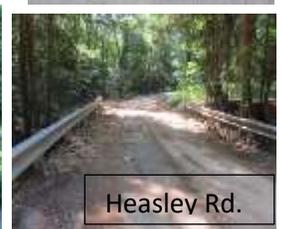
1. After you pass the South Bethlehem Spur and the Trail Volunteer Bridge, on your right you'll see a grass road coming down to the trail by the Penn Dot Yard and the former pallet/tile plant.



Turn right up the grass road and go past the Penn Dot yard on your left (.2 miles) to a left on Lumber Road.



2. Follow lightly traveled Lumber Road .7 miles to a left on lightly traveled, flood damaged, Heasley Road. Follow Heasley Road for 1.4 miles past a farm to Climax Road. It will be a rough road the 1st 1.1 miles, then becomes a better surface.



3. Make a left on Climax Road (which is more heavily traveled). Follow it mainly downhill for 1 mile.



4. At the stop sign that says "Stop except for right turns", turn right down steep, uneven Bridge Road .2 miles to the Climax Tunnel parking area and you're back on the trail!



If coming from the Allegheny River and Climax heading toward New Bethlehem, follow in the reverse direction: Up Bridge Road .2 mile, left on Climax Road 1 mile, right on Heasley Rd. 1.4 miles, right on Lumber Road .7 miles, right past Penn Dot yard .2 miles to left down grass road before gate to the trail.