DNR Administered Grants

Indiana Trails Program and Land & Water Conservation Fund



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- What is the Indiana Trails Program?
- Where are the ITP Funds Coming From?

How is this better for grant awardees?

Why is Indiana changing RTP?

How will ITP differ from RTP?

Will funding amount remain the same as for RTP?

 Will the funding allocations to motorized and non-motorized remain the same?

• Is the local match requirements the same?

• Will ITP continue to be a reimbursement program?



Who is eligible to apply for ITP?

What types of projects are eligible?

When can I apply for ITP funds?

• What about my existing RTP grant? Will it be converted or changed?

• Why did Indiana choose to opt out of the Federal Highway Administration's Recreational Trails Program?

Does Indiana have to opt out each year from RTP?

Will Indiana retain the Trails Advisory Board?

- Where can I learn more about ITP?
 - https://www.dnr.IN.gov/outdoor/10447.htm



Land & Water Conservation Fund



https://www.dnr.IN.gov/4071.htm

Indiana Trail Count Analysis



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Has Trail Use Changed in 2020?



A Quick 4 Question Survey!



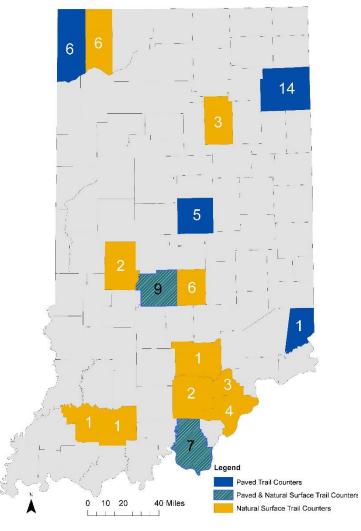
www.surveymonkey.com/r/WFCL5BZ



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Location of Trail Counters Reporting Data



- Convivence Sample Trail Counts
- 71 Trail Counters
 - Fixed, Infrared Trail Counters
 - From 16 Counties
 - Located on Both Paved & Natural Surface Trails
 - Counts Pedestrians, Bicyclists, & Equestrians
- Data Voluntarily Provided by:
 - Local or County Trail Managers
 - Regional or MPO Partners
 - State Agency
 - Non-Profit Trail Managers
- Monthly Counts (NOT Users)



Trail Use Changes in Indiana by Month

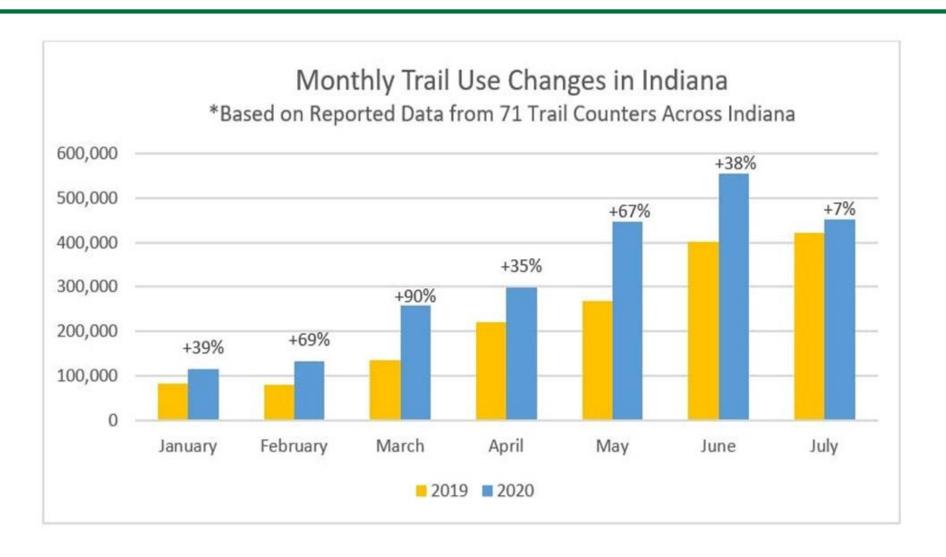
Month	2019	2020	% Change from Prior Year
January	83,688	116,026	39%
February	78,932	133,748	69%
March	135,107	257,162	90%
April	220,570	298,308	35%
May	268,543	447,563	67%
June	401,705	553,925	38%
July	422,955	452,349	7%

^{*}Based on Reported Data from 71 Trail Counters Across Indiana



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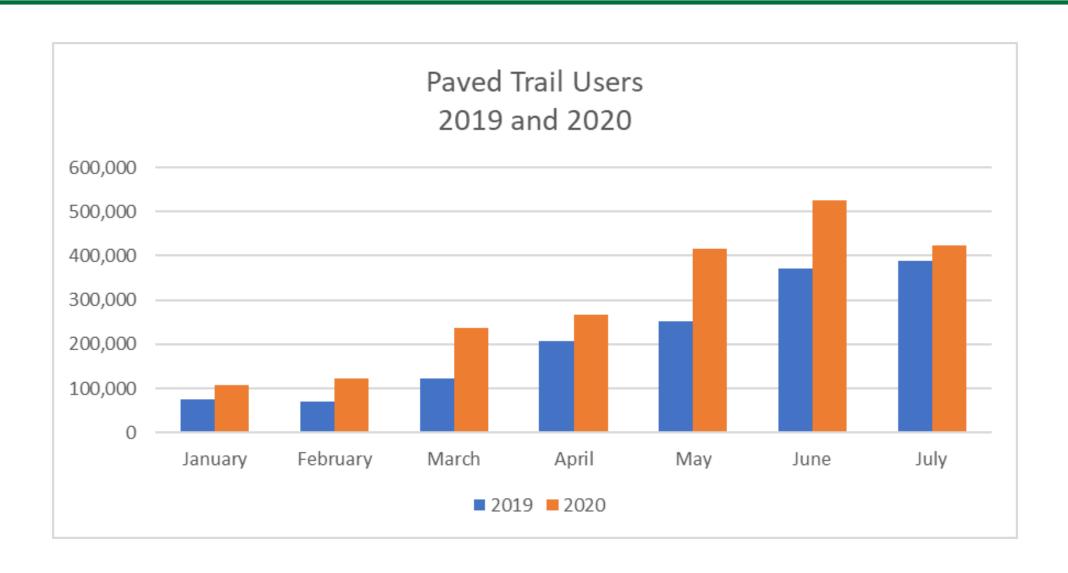




Paved Multi-Use Trail Use Change by Month

Month	2019	2020	% Change from Same Month of Prior Year
January	74,406	107,132	44%
February	70,825	122,759	73%
March	121,102	236,052	95%
April	205,888	266,388	29%
May	251,261	417,045	66%
June	371,231	525,081	41%
July	389,257	423,196	9%







More Trail Count Resources

Trail Count Resources

- Rails-to-Trails
 - Survey & Counts, with Aug. 11
 Webinar
 - National RTC Counts
- American Trails
 - Oct. 22 Webinar
- Connecticut Trail Census

Funding Opportunities

- Transportation Alternatives (TA)
- Next Level Trails
- Greenways Foundation <u>Grants</u>
- International Mountain Bike Association (IMBA) <u>Trails Count</u> <u>Grant Program</u>



Thank You!

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https://www.dnr.IN.gov/outdoor/10484.htm

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