Portland: Southeast Creeks and Bridges

The 40-Mile Loop

In 2006, three bridges opened on the Springwater Corridor Trail, closing a large gap in the trail and reconnecting the community of Sellwood with the town of Milwaukie. The bridges represent a leap forward in the century-old plan to create a system of trails to connect neighborhoods, parks and natural areas in Portland and nearby cities. Dubbed the 40-Mile Loop, the route, much of which is complete, now comprises 140 miles linking wetlands, buttes, fields and pastures with neighborhoods and parks in the metropolitan region. The last gap in the Springwater Corridor Trail is a 1-mile section running west from 19th and Ochoco to the Springwater on the Willamette Trail section that leads into the heart of Portland.

Funding to complete this final segment has been secured. Metro and the City of Portland are working on closing the gap and finishing the trail in the next several years.

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Bridge over McLoughlin

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4.6 miles 9715 steps difficulty 45.499, -122.658