

The Betsie Valley Trail was built on the rail bed of the former Ann Arbor Railroad and is 22 miles long. It extends from Frankfort through Elberta and Beulah to Thompsonville in Benzie County. From Frankfort to Beulah the Trail is non-motorized year round. All of it is excellent for bicycles and pedestrian use.

The 6 miles from Frankfort to Mollineaux Rd. is asphalt, then continues for 3 miles as crushed limestone along Crystal Lake into Beulah. From Beulah to Thompsonville (13 miles) the compacted aggregate trail is best ridden with a larger tired bicycle. This section is open to snowmobiles from December through March.

Pets are permitted on most parts of the Trail as long as they are on a leash and under control. **Pets (except leader dogs) are NOT permitted on the portion of the Trail between Mollineaux Road and Beulah.**

The Trail is owned by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and is managed by the Betsie Valley Trailways Management Council (BVTMC) agency of Benzie County. The Friends of the Betsie Valley Trail (FBVT) is a Michigan 501(c)3 not-for-profit corporation formed in 1993 “to advocate, promote and encourage the development and successful operation of the Betsie Valley Trail.”

The Friends provide much of the funding and volunteer recruitment to help maintain the Trail. Please consider joining!

SHOW YOUR SUPPORT!

The Betsie Valley Trail is an amazing and widely admired resource that simply cannot thrive without contributions – both monetary and volunteer – from trail users like you.

YOU can help keep this community resource beautiful and safe – become a member or volunteer. Together, we’re building a better-than-ever Betsie Valley Trail!

Become a member today!



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Become a Trail Crew Volunteer!



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TRAIL MAP



**BETSIE
VALLEY
TRAIL**

Emergencies: 911

Benzie County Sheriff: 231-882-4484

Trail Issues: bvtcare@gmail.com

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TRAIL KEY

- Paved
- Aggregate
- Beach to Beach
- Mile Marker
- Parking
- Beulah Trailhead & Visitors Center
- Restrooms

BEULAH
Benzie Blvd.
Spring Valley Street
River Rd.
Homestead Rd.
Case Rd.

BENZONIA

FRANKFORT
Leelanau Ave.
Forest Ave.
Main St.
Lake St.

ELBERTA
River Rd.

Betsie Lake

TRAIL DISTANCES

Frankfort Beach to Elberta	2 miles
Elberta to Mollineaux Rd.	5 miles
Mollineaux Rd. to Beulah	3 miles
Beulah to Pioneer Rd.	7 miles
Pioneer Rd. to Thompsonville	5 miles
TOTAL	22 miles

