



# Barnegat Branch Rail Trail Bikeway Project

The planned Barnegat Branch Rail Trail Bikeway is a 15.6-mile linear 'rail-to-trail' project that will extend from Barnegat to Toms River Township. The public trail will lie primarily along the abandoned Barnegat Branch Division of the Central Railroad of New Jersey (CNJ), and include 2.0 miles of existing trail and proposed road and sidewalk connections. This regional bikeway will link Barnegat with Toms River and provide the County its first north-south bicycle and pedestrian route, as well as providing its residents with a new type of recreational experience. The trail will join the list of 43 existing rail trail projects in NJ and 17 County parks.



## Construction Details

- Phase 1a - 2.7 miles: West Bay Avenue (Barnegat) to Pancoast Road (Waretown) - to open Fall 2007
- Phase 1b - .5 miles: Pancoast Road to Country Lane (Waretown) - to open 2008, pending State grant application



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