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# **Bramley Mountain Trail Opens in Delaware County**



# More than Three Dozen Hikers Join Catskill Mountain Club, DEP for Opening of New Trail

# Additional High-Res Images of the Bramley Mountain Trail Are Available on <u>DEP's Flickr Page</u>

More than three dozen hikers joined the Catskill Mountain Club and New York City Department of Environmental Protection on July 29 to celebrate the opening of a new trail to the summit of Bramley Mountain in Delhi. The 4-mile loop trail, located off Glen Burnie Road, traverses thick forests, a former bluestone quarry, and grassy fields. Hikers who reach the summit can see portions of the Catskill High Peaks and surrounding farmland. The trail marks the third such collaboration between the nonprofit Catskill Mountain Club and New York City DEP. The previous two trails—Shavertown Trail and Palmer Hill Trail—were also built on City water supply lands in Delaware County.

DEP manages New York City's water supply, providing more than one billion gallons of high quality water each day to roughly 9.5 million New Yorkers. This includes more than 70 upstate communities and institutions in Ulster, Orange, Putnam and Westchester counties who consume an average of 110 million total gallons of drinking water daily from New York City's water supply system. This water comes from the Catskill, Delaware, and Croton watersheds that extend more than 125 miles from the City, and the system comprises 19 reservoirs, three controlled lakes, and numerous tunnels and aqueducts. DEP has nearly 6,000 employees, including almost 1,000 scientists, engineers, surveyors,

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watershed maintainers and other professionals in the upstate watershed. In addition to its \$70 million payroll and \$157 million in annual taxes paid in upstate counties, DEP has invested more than \$1.7 billion in watershed protection programs—including partnership organizations such as the Catskill Watershed Corporation and the Watershed Agricultural Council—that support sustainable farming practices, environmentally sensitive economic development, and local economic opportunity. In addition, DEP has a robust capital program with nearly \$14 billion in investments planned over the next 10 years that will create up to 3,000 construction-related jobs per year. For more information, visit nyc.gov/dep, like us on Facebook, or follow us on Twitter.



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