



**Southern Tier Regional Economic Development Council  
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**Tourism Group Ideas**

- Rails to Trails – income generation
  - Along rivers
  - Non-motorized
  - Family activity
- Shoulders for bike routes
  - Walking, jogging, running
  - Tour groups – maps for week/weekend events (where to eat, where to sleep)
- Improving sight lines
  - Attracts professional workforce
- Is it possible to de-seasonalize winter trails – and make multi-seasonal
- Study:
  - Chenango County Rail Evaluation by Commerce Chenango
  - Virginia Creeper Trail Study - There are two web sites relating to the Virginia Creeper Trail which may be of interest.  
  
<[www.vacrepertrail.com](http://www.vacrepertrail.com)> trail web site  
  
[www.vacrepertrail.org/data](http://www.vacrepertrail.org/data) research of economic impacts of the trail, under Podcasts, click on 2004 Creeper Trail Study