

Elevations at Mileposts and Other Landmarks on the Washington & Old Dominion Railroad Trail (2013)

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Description:

Abstract:

The point features represent mileposts, road crossings, and the trail's highest point on the Washington & Old Dominion Railroad Trail in the Washington & Old Dominion Railroad Regional Park in northern Virginia. Miscellaneous other points of interest that are signposted on the trail are also included in this dataset. Attributes include elevation above sea level in feet and meters, as well as some other information, such as time mapped.

Purpose:

This is a data layer to be used for creating maps, graphs, and similar documents that serve as a reference to users of the Washington & Old Dominion Railroad Regional Park.

Supplemental Information:

The Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority already carried out the mapping of elevations (at mile and half-mile markers only) on the Washington & Old Dominion Railroad Trail in early June 2001. However, the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority,

realizing the limitations of GPS technology as it existed at the time, intended to repeat the mapping of elevations in the future after GPS technology advances. This dataset is the result of this repeated mapping of elevations. The GPS device used was a Garmin eTrex Legend HCx, and the elevations were mapped between November 12, 2012 and April 4, 2013.

Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 04/22/2013

Time_of_Day: 23:06:25

Currentness_Reference: ground condition

Status:

Progress: Complete

Maintenance_and_Update_Frequency: None planned

Spatial_Domain:

Bounding_Coordinates:

West_Bounding_Coordinate: -77.716262

East_Bounding_Coordinate: -77.085873

North_Bounding_Coordinate: 39.147947

South_Bounding_Coordinate: 38.844309

Data_Set_G-Polygon:

Data_Set_G-Polygon_Outer_G-Ring:

Keywords:

Theme:

Theme_Keyword_Thesaurus: ISO 19115 Topic Category

Theme_Keyword: road crossings

Theme_Keyword: points of interest

Theme_Keyword: elevations

Theme_Keyword: trail

Theme_Keyword: park

Place:

Place_Keyword_Thesaurus: none

Place_Keyword: Virginia

Place_Keyword: United States

Place_Keyword: Loudoun

Place_Keyword: Fairfax

Place_Keyword: Arlington

Place_Keyword: Washington & Old Dominion Railroad Regional Park

Stratum:

Stratum_Keyword: surface

Temporal:

Temporal_Keyword: 2013

Access_Constraints: None.

Use_Constraints:

Every reasonable effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of these data. The Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority does not assume any liability arising from the use of these data. These data are provided without warranty of any kind, expressed or implied. Acknowledgement of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority as the source of the data is encouraged in any products derived from these data.

Point_of_Contact:

Contact_Information:

Contact_Person_Primary:

Contact_Organization:

Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority Washington & Old Dominion
Railroad Regional Park

Contact_Position: Park Manager

Contact_Address:

Address_Type: mailing and physical address

Address: 21293 Smith Switch Road

City: Ashburn

State_or_Province: Virginia

Postal_Code: 20147

Country: United States

Contact_Voice_Telephone: (703) 729-0596

Browse_Graphic:

Browse_Graphic_File_Name: C:\...\TrailGraphic.jpg

Browse_Graphic_File_Description:

A vector dataset of all mileposts and other landmarks exported from ArcGIS to a JPEG file.

Browse_Graphic_File_Type: JPEG

Data_Set_Credit:

This dataset was developed for the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority by Dmitriy Tarasov, a volunteer with the NVRPA.

Security_Information:

Security_Classification: Unclassified

Native_Data_Set_Environment:

Microsoft Windows XP Version 5.1 (Build 2600) Service Pack 1; ESRI ArcCatalog 9.0.0.535

Cross_Reference:

Citation_Information:

Originator: Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation

Publication_Date: 06/19/2009

Publication_Time: 12:41:44

Title: conslands.shp

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: vector digital data

Series_Information:

Series_Name: Conservation Lands Shapefiles and Metadata

Publication_Information:

Publication_Place: Richmond, VA

Publisher: Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation

Other_Citation_Details:

The date of the last modification to the shapefile, according to the ESRI Geoprocessing History section of the shapefile's ArcGIS metadata, is presumed to be the publication date.

Online_Linkage:

http://www.dcr.virginia.gov/natural_heritage/documents/conslands.zip

Data_Quality_Information:

Attribute_Accuracy:

Attribute_Accuracy_Report:

The "ident" (name) attribute has been verified to ensure that each feature is correctly labeled and the dataset contains no duplicates.

Quantitative_Attribute_Accuracy_Assessment:

Attribute_Accuracy_Value: > 90% attribute accuracy exists

Attribute_Accuracy_Explanation:

Each feature has been checked against street maps, and, where possible, USGS topographic maps to ensure accuracy in the "ident" (name) attribute.

Logical_Consistency_Report:

All feature names (the "ident" attribute) have been verified to contain no errors, and the dataset verified to contain no duplicates. The elevations of all points have been checked against a USGS topographic map to ensure that the elevation values are accurate to within 10 feet.

Completeness_Report:

Users need to be aware that, due to development in the area, new features, especially road crossings, may appear that are not included in this dataset because they did not exist at the time of mapping.

Positional_Accuracy:

Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy:

Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy_Report:

The mileposts and other landmarks were mapped with the Wide Area Augmentation System setting enabled on the GPS device.

Quantitative_Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy_Assessment:

Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy_Value: > 95% positional accuracy exists

Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy_Explanation:

The use of the WAAS setting theoretically means a positional accuracy (for both horizontal and vertical measurements) of 25 feet or better at least 95 percent of the time.

Vertical_Positional_Accuracy:

Vertical_Positional_Accuracy_Report:

The mileposts and other landmarks were mapped with the Wide Area Augmentation System setting enabled on the GPS device.

Quantitative_Vertical_Positional_Accuracy_Assessment:

Vertical_Positional_Accuracy_Value: > 95% positional accuracy exists

Vertical_Positional_Accuracy_Explanation:

The use of the WAAS setting theoretically means a positional accuracy (for both horizontal and vertical measurements) of 25 feet or better at least 95 percent of the time.

Lineage:

Process_Step:

Process_Description:

Data on features' locations and elevations collected using a GPS device (Garmin eTrex Legend HCx).

Process_Date: 11/12/2012 - 04/04/2013

Process_Contact:

Contact_Information:

Contact_Organization_Primary:

Contact_Organization:

Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority Washington & Old Dominion Railroad Regional Park

Contact_Person: Dmitriy Tarasov

Contact_Position: volunteer

Contact_Address:

Address_Type: mailing and physical address

Address: 21293 Smith Switch Road

City: Ashburn

State_or_Province: Virginia
Postal_Code: 20147
Country: United States
Contact_Voice_Telephone: (703) 729-0596

Process_Step:

Process_Description: Data exported from the GPS device to a shapefile.

Process_Date: 04/22/2013

Process_Contact:

Contact_Information:

Contact_Organization_Primary:

Contact_Organization:

Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority Washington & Old
 Dominion Railroad Regional Park

Contact_Person: Dmitriy Tarasov

Contact_Position: volunteer

Contact_Address:

Address_Type: mailing and physical address

Address: 21293 Smith Switch Road

City: Ashburn

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Country: United States

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Process_Step:

Process_Description:

All unnecessary attributes (i.e., all empty fields in the attribute table except City) deleted.

Process_Date: 04/25/2013

Process_Contact:

Contact_Information:

Contact_Organization_Primary:

Contact_Organization:

Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority Washington & Old
 Dominion Railroad Regional Park

Contact_Person: Dmitriy Tarasov

Contact_Position: volunteer

Contact_Address:

Address_Type: mailing and physical address

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Process_Step:

Process_Description:

Some fields (i.e., InMeters, which was obtained by multiplying the contents of the "altitude" field by 0.3048, and CaptionField, which is needed for labeling purposes and which concatenates the feature's name with its altitude) added.

Process_Date: 04/25/2013 - 05/20/2013

Process_Contact:

*Contact_Information:**Contact_Organization_Primary:**Contact_Organization:*Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority Washington & Old
Dominion Railroad Regional Park*Contact_Person:* Dmitriy Tarasov*Contact_Position:* volunteer*Contact_Address:**Address_Type:* mailing and physical address*Address:* 21293 Smith Switch Road*City:* Ashburn*State_or_Province:* Virginia*Postal_Code:* 20147*Country:* United States*Contact_Voice_Telephone:* (703) 729-0596*Process_Step:**Process_Description:*

The dataset projected from its original geographic coordinate system (GCS WGS 1984) to a state plane coordinate system (NAD 1983 HARN State Plane Virginia North FIPS 4501 (Feet)).

Process_Date: 05/20/2013*Process_Contact:**Contact_Information:**Contact_Organization_Primary:**Contact_Organization:*Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority Washington & Old
Dominion Railroad Regional Park*Contact_Person:* Dmitriy Tarasov*Contact_Position:* volunteer*Contact_Address:**Address_Type:* mailing and physical address*Address:* 21293 Smith Switch Road*City:* Ashburn*State_or_Province:* Virginia*Postal_Code:* 20147*Country:* United States*Contact_Voice_Telephone:* (703) 729-0596

*Spatial_Data_Organization_Information:**Direct_Spatial_Reference_Method:* Vector*Point_and_Vector_Object_Information:*

*Spatial_Reference_Information:**Horizontal_Coordinate_System_Definition:**Planar:**Planar_Coordinate_Information:**Planar_Coordinate_Encoding_Method:* coordinate pair*Coordinate_Representation:**Abscissa_Resolution:* 0.000000*Ordinate_Resolution:* 0.000000

Planar_Distance_Units: survey feet

Geodetic_Model:

Horizontal_Datum_Name: North American 1983 HARN

Ellipsoid_Name: Geodetic Reference System 80

Semi-major_Axis: Equatorial radius

Denominator_of_Flattening_Ratio: 0.003352810681225

Entity_and_Attribute_Information:

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: Elevations on the W&OD Railroad Trail

Entity_Type_Definition:

Mile markers, road crossings, and selected other features on the Washington and Old Dominion Railroad Trail, with elevation in feet and meters, time mapped, latitude, longitude, and make and model of GPS device used for mapping the features.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: FID

Attribute_Definition: Internal feature number.

Attribute_Definition_Source: ESRI

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain:

Sequential unique whole numbers that are automatically generated.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: Shape

Attribute_Definition: Feature geometry.

Attribute_Definition_Source: ESRI

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Coordinates defining the features.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: type

Attribute_Definition: Waypoint, track, or route; only waypoints in this dataset

Attribute_Definition_Source: Garmin

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ident

Attribute_Definition: Name of the feature.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: Latitude

Attribute_Definition: Latitude of the feature.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Garmin

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: Longitude

Attribute_Definition: Longitude of the feature.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Garmin

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: y_proj

Attribute_Definition:

The y-coordinate of the feature (latitude shown, since projection not defined when exporting data from GPS device using DNRGPS).

Attribute_Definition_Source: DNRGPS (Minnesota Department of Natural Resources)

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: x_proj

Attribute_Definition:

The x-coordinate of the feature (longitude shown, since projection not defined when exporting data from GPS device using DNRGPS).

Attribute_Definition_Source: DNRGPS (Minnesota Department of Natural Resources)

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: altitude

Attribute_Definition: Elevation of the feature in feet above sea level.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Garmin

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: city

Attribute_Definition:

City or town in which feature is located; field created by default when exporting data from GPS device to shapefile using DNRGPS; field not deleted in case of future need to provide this information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: model

Attribute_Definition: Model of GPS device used to collect the data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: IsHighest

Attribute_Definition:

Type of point feature (mile marker, road crossing, highest point, or other feature; originally there were only two types, Highest Point and Other Point, hence the name of the attribute).

Attribute_Definition_Source: Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: InMeters

Attribute_Definition:

Elevation of the point feature in meters above sea level; calculated by multiplying the value of the "altitude" attribute by 0.3048

Attribute_Definition_Source: Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: TimeMapped

Attribute_Definition: Time the feature was mapped.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Garmin/Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority.

Overview_Description:

Entity_and_Attribute_Overview:

The "altitude" attribute contains the feature's elevation above sea level in feet, while the "InMeters" attribute holds the same elevation in meters. The "City" attribute was generated automatically while exporting the data to a shapefile from the GPS device, and was not deleted in case the need arises to fill in this field in the future. The x_proj and y_proj fields in the attribute table contain the same information (degrees of longitude and latitude) as the Longitude and Latitude fields, respectively, because no projection was specified when exporting the data to a shapefile, and the dataset was originally unprojected. The "IsHighest" attribute is the subtype field showing the type of the feature, the subtypes being as follows: 0 = other feature 1 = trail's highest point 2 = milepost 3 = road crossing. The attribute's name is due to the fact that originally, only two subtypes (1 for trail's highest

point and 0 for all other points) were envisioned. The "ident" attribute holds the feature's name, while the "type" attribute was generated automatically when the data was exported from the GPS device; possible values are waypoint, track, and route, but in this dataset all features are waypoints. The criteria for inclusion of features in the dataset are as follows: All mile and half-mile markers on the trail are "mileposts." Road crossings are locations where the trail intersects those thoroughfares that are signposted as such. The trail's highest point was, at the time of mapping, not signposted; rather, its location was identified by Dmitriy Tarasov in parallel with the mapping of the elevations of other features. "Other" features are any features that are signposted on the trail but do not fit into the other three categories. All features except the trail's highest point were signposted on the trail at the time of mapping.

Entity_and_Attribute_Detail_Citation:

Please contact the originator of this dataset with further questions regarding the attributes using the contact information provided in the Contact section of the metadata.

Distribution_Information:

Distributor:

Contact_Information:

Contact_Organization_Primary:

Contact_Organization: Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority

Contact_Person: Dmitriy Tarasov

Contact_Position: volunteer

Contact_Instructions:

The contact information of the individual responsible for this dataset can be obtained from the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority Washington & Old Dominion Railroad Regional Park headquarters; see the Contact section of the metadata for details.

Resource_Description: Unpublished data.

Distribution_Liability:

The originator of this dataset does not assume any liability arising from the use of this dataset. The dataset was originally created for the purpose of displaying the elevations at mile markers and other landmarks in the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority's Washington & Old Dominion Railroad Park.

Standard_Order_Process:

Fees: None.

Ordering_Instructions:

This dataset has not been published and is not intended for distribution.

Turnaround: Not applicable

Custom_Order_Process: None.

Metadata_Reference_Information:

Metadata_Date: 07/08/2013

Metadata_Review_Date: 07/09/2013

Metadata_Contact:

Contact_Information:

Contact_Organization_Primary:

Contact_Organization:

Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority Washington & Old Dominion
Railroad Regional Park

Contact_Person: Dmitriy Tarasov

Contact_Position: volunteer

Contact_Instructions:

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Metadata_Standard_Name: FGDC Content Standards for Digital Geospatial Metadata

Metadata_Standard_Version: FGDC-STD-001-1998

Metadata_Time_Convention: local time

Metadata_Access_Constraints: None.

Metadata_Security_Information:

Metadata_Security_Classification: Unclassified

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