



# Red Ski Trail

## Venango County, Oil Creek State Park

### VOLUNTEERS

Friends of  
Oil Creek State Park  
(a chapter of the PA Parks &  
Forests Foundation)  
Local Volunteers

### CONTRACTED SERVICES

Let George Do It, Inc.

Oil Creek State Park - Eight dedicated volunteers donated a total of 32 hours to properly dispose of trash and tires from the state park's Red Ski Trail. Volunteers met at the Oil Creek State Park office to receive cleanup supplies and a safety talk prior to proceeding to the dumpsite to bag clothing, vehicle parts, scrap metal, cans, bottles and other household trash. Oil Creek State Park staff were also on hand during the cleanup, and contractor Let George Do It, Inc. collected the waste and properly disposed of it along with the waste from the Maintenance Barn equipment cleanup later in September. The trash not only offered prime breeding sites for mosquitoes, potential carriers of West Nile virus, but also threatened the water quality of the Oil Creek Watershed and the region's historical significance.

### Cleanup Date:

**August 25, 2007**

### Township: Cornplanter

**Trash Removed: \*43.2 Tons**

**Tires Removed: \*6.67 Tons**

**# Volunteers: 8**

**# Volunteer Hours: 32**

\*Combined with the  
Maintenance Barn Cleanup

An interesting fact regarding the cleanup: Two bear cubs were spotted on Burns Lane prior to the start of the cleanup. Oil Creek State Park not only offers great opportunities to witness wildlife in their native habitat, but also tells the story of the changing landscapes from oil boomtowns and oil wells of the past to clean trout streams and forested hillsides seen today.

*"The red ski trail went right past an old household dump from the 1950's. It was unsightly for hikers and skiers alike. Now, park visitors can enjoy a more aesthetic outing without viewing rusty car parts and glass bottles littering the landscape."*

Stacey Marendt  
Environmental Education Specialist  
Oil Creek State Park



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