



# Hickling Trail

Township of Springwater

**Main Trail:** 1.5 km **Difficulty:** Easy

**Parking:** South entrance at Carson Road, or 1177 Snow Valley Rd, Midhurst

Formerly farmed by the Hickling Family, the Hickling Tract was acquired as an addition to the Simcoe County Forest in 1948.

Funded by Hydro One, County of Simcoe, Trans Canada Trail and Government of Canada, the Hickling Trail is one of five sections that will connect an 11-

km gap in the Trans Canada Trail between Springwater and Barrie and help form part of the 165-km Simcoe County Loop Trail.

The Hickling Recreational Trail is 1.5km in length, has an average width of 3 metres, and is designed to be accessible. With a firm gravel surface with screenings, it is for non-motorized uses only.

## Points of Interest

1. Cycle Simcoe Outdoor Repair Station: The County of Simcoe has installed a locally built, outdoor repair station for cyclists to make minor repairs to their bikes.
2. Hickling Switch Back Climb: The Hickling switch back climb was built to meet accessibility standards and offers a stunning view of the red and white pine.
3. Red and White Pines: The majority of the property was planted primarily with red and white pine in 1949 – 1950. Periodic selective harvesting since that time has been conducted to keep the forest healthy and growing.
4. Carson Road Entrance: Secondary entrance at north side of Carson Road at Anne Street intersection. Limited parking spaces available.

*The following trail is owned and maintained by the County of Simcoe. Please note that the trails are maintained periodically throughout the year, though fallen hazards and debris may appear due to weather.*



