



## COUNTY OF AMHERST



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**Public Service Announcement**

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### Trail Renovations & Closures

Two hiking/biking trails in Amherst County are receiving much needed renovations.

The Amherst County portion of the James River Heritage Trail is currently closed for renovations. Decking boards on the trail's bridge that connects Amherst County to the eastern end of Percival Island will be repaired during the winter months. The trail is currently closed and should reopen in March, 2021.

The Virginia Blue Ridge Railway Trail lies along Amherst County's northern border with Nelson County. Repairs and improvements to the trail were completed in October 2020. This included repairing two drainage issues, cutting and removing large debris, and re-surfacing the walking path. This project came in significantly under budget and the remaining funds will be used for other improvements to parks and trails.

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