

**Newest Gem in the Emerald Necklace,
Ohio & Erie Canal Reservation
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- I. Ohio-landlocked
 - A. The need for transportation in the Western Reserve
 - B. The route for commerce
- II. The Ohio & Erie Canal- the solution
 - A. Founders & builders
 - B. Design, construction
 - a. elevation to summit
 - b. length
 - c. time to construct
 - d. number of locks
 - e. number of aqueducts
 - f. feeders
 - C. Cleveland
 - a. why Cleveland?
 - b. the port
 - D. Canal Demise
 - a. birth of the railroads
 - b. the "Flood of '13"
 - e. dormancy- ASW upkeep

III. The Cuyahoga Valley National Recreation Area

A. the valley as a park

B. CVNRA's efforts to preserve

IV. Cleveland Metroparks involvement

A. The Ohio & Erie Canal Reservation

B. Efforts to acquire land

a. corporate involvement

b. plans

c. dates