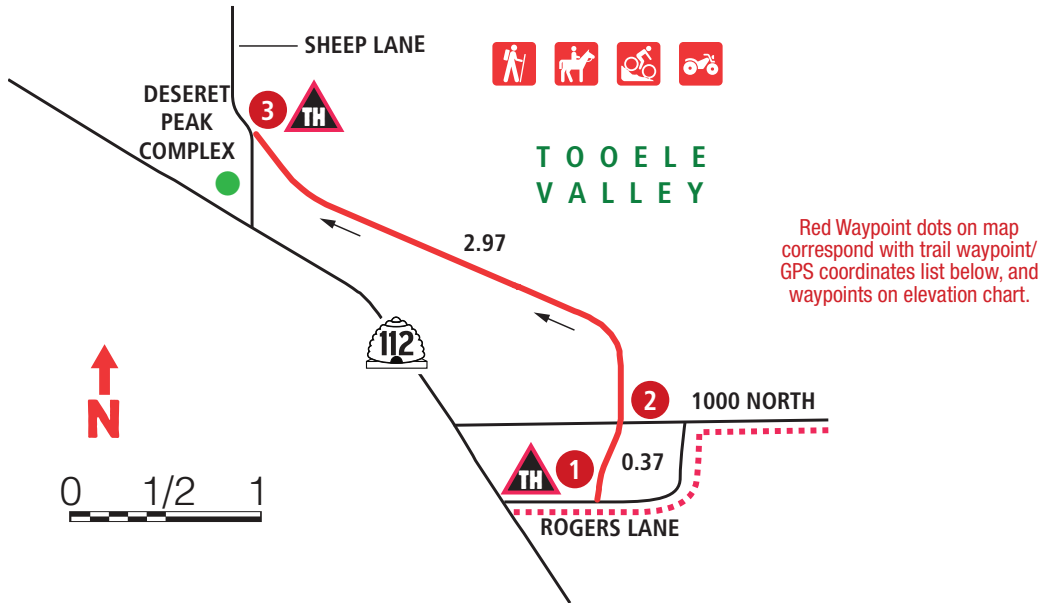


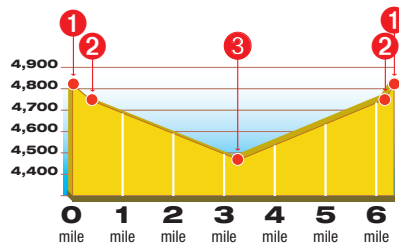
# MID-VALLEY TRAIL

**Type:** Out and Back on smooth, cinder-packed dirt road that used to be a railroad bed. Hike, Horseback, Mountain Bike, ATV/OHV. **Distance:** 6.68 miles. **Elevation gain:** 331 feet. **Rating:** Easy. **Trail time:** up to 1 hour (on mountain bike). **Signage:** Yes. **Season:** Year-round. **Water:** Non-existent. Bring your own. **Services:** Groceries, fuel and general services available in Tooele. **USGS 7.5 topo maps:** Tooele. **How to get there:** From Main Street (SR-36), head west on 1000 North for one mile and turn left onto 600 West. After heading south for 0.25 mile, 600 West veers to the right and becomes Rogers Lane. Continue west for 0.65 mile to the trailhead on the left.



## Trail Waypoint

	Distance	Altitude	Latitude	Longitude
<b>1</b> Mid Valley Trailhead (South)	0	4,802	N40 32.737	W112 19.722
<b>2</b> 1000 North Tunnel	0.37	4,747	N40 33.037	W112 19.619
<b>3</b> Mid Valley Trailhead (North)	3.34	4,459	N40 34.521	W112 22.022
<b>2</b> 1000 North Tunnel	6.3	4,747	N40 33.037	W112 19.619
<b>1</b> Mid Valley Trailhead (South)	6.68	4,802	N40 32.737	W112 19.722



**Trail Description:** Shortly after the turn of the 20th century, a railroad line was built that ran through the heart of Tooele Valley toward Tooele City and on to the International Smelting and Refining Company Smelter at the mouth of Pine Canyon. For over 60 years, the rail line, with its coal-burning, smoke-belching locomotive, carried workers, raw materials and finished product to and from the smelter. That locomotive today is on display at the Tooele Valley Railroad Museum in Tooele. Years after the smelter closed, the tracks for the Old Warner Branch were pulled up and used elsewhere. The remaining rail bed has been converted into a splendid multi-purpose trail that is suitable for families and all ages. **The trail begins** at the Mid Valley Trail's south trailhead off of Rogers Lane, which features a large parking area for vehicles and trailers. Proceed north on the trail and after 0.37 of a mile—much to children's delight—it runs underneath 1000 North via a tunnel (**Waypoint #2**). The trail continues north on a gradual descent and then veers left to the northwest. After 2.97 miles, the trail ends at Sheeps Lane (**Waypoint #3**) and directly across from Deseret Peak Complex and Miller Motorsports Park. Visible along the way are Tooele Valley, the Great Salt Lake, Stansbury Island, and the surrounding Oquirrh and Stansbury Mountains. The Mid Valley Trail is most enjoyable during mornings and evenings. Shortly after the trail begins to head northwest, there is an unmarked spot to the north that is of historical significance. Back in the 1850s and 1860s, as the pioneers came up the valley on their wagons from Lake Point, they would come to an intersection in the trail. For Tooele they'd proceed south. For Grantsville and California, they'd head west. The trail intersection has been obliterated by time, but the history remains.