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## Cuyahoga Valley National Park News Release

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### **Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad Services Affected by Storm**

*Virginia Kendall Lake Parking Lot and Lake Trail Closed*

**Brecksville, Ohio** – Heavy rains have caused the cancellation of several services and the closure of some sites in Cuyahoga Valley National Park (CVNP). The most visible destruction occurred to the Ohio & Erie Canal Towpath Trail and the tracks along the route of the Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad (CVSR). The National Park Service continues to assess the damage to the cultural and natural resources in CVNP.

The Ohio & Erie Canal Towpath Trail in Cuyahoga Valley National Park will remain closed due to high water and washouts throughout the trail.

The twenty-six miles of CVSR Railroad tracks are owned and maintained by the National Park Service and are located within the national park boundary. The tracks are listed on the National Register of Historic Places and CVSR works with the National Park Service to provide scenic excursions through CVNP. The tracks sustained major damage specifically in the south near Yellow Creek. At this time, service will not occur from Peninsula to Akron Northside Station. The Thomas the Tank Engine™ event will continue as scheduled. For more information visit [www.cvsr.com](http://www.cvsr.com) or 800-468-4070.

Additional closures include Virginia Kendall Lake Parking Lot and Lake Trail due to high water.

If visiting the park, expect downed trees, mud, and standing water. Please respect all park closures for the safety of visitors, resource, and park staff. Please do not drive or walk through moving water or designated closed areas. Please check [www.nps.gov/cuva](http://www.nps.gov/cuva) in advance of traveling to the park for updates.

CVNP encompasses 33,000 acres along the Cuyahoga River between Cleveland and Akron, Ohio. Managed by the National Park Service, CVNP combines cultural, historical, recreational, and natural activities in one setting. For more information visit [www.nps.gov/cuva](http://www.nps.gov/cuva) or call 330-657-2752.

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