

## Apple Capital Loop Trail Historical Highlights

- 1908 Pipeline Bridge completed – first bridge to span the Columbia River
- 1952 Wenatchee Reclamation District purchases Pipeline Bridge for \$1
- 1960s Kirby Billingsley convinces WA State Parks Department to purchase the DOT right-of-way in E Wenatchee for the purpose of a state park.
- ~1968 Wenatchee Allied Arts Council takes action to protect and restore Wenatchee’s riverfront
- 1969 National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) enacted
- 1972 No easy access to the Columbia River in Wenatchee
- 1972 Columbia River Environmental Study Team (CREST) and Stewards of the River Study lay out concept for Riverfront Park
- 1974 Walkway included in final construction of the Odabashian Bridge
- Mid-1970s Planning for Recreation projects associated with Rock Island and Rocky Reach Dams, aka “Exhibit R”
- Early 1980s Clyde Ballard sees that funding for river front trail included in highway plan budget
- 1985 Save the Riverfront Committee forms
- 1985 First segment of Riverfront Park completed; Rotary Club builds circular ramp up to Pipeline Bridge; funding secured to build riverfront highway
- 1985 Chelan Douglas Land Trust receives non-profit status
- 1988 Court decides that riverfront highway could not be built because it would violate the Shorelines Management Act
- 1989 DOT drops appeal blocking highway construction
- 1989 Complete the Loop Coalition formed
- 1998 Formal dedication of the Apple Capital Recreation Loop Trail
- 2014 Rocky Reach Trail completed