Gilboa Dam Overlook On the west side of the road from Prattsville to Gilboa is a fine vantage point from which can be seen the large stone dam which holds the flow of the upper Schoharie Creek and its tributaries which drain the northern Catskill Mountains. The water from this Reservoir is diverted southward through a tunnel which is cut through the mountains near Shendaken to form the Esopus Creek which forms the Ashokan Reservoir one of the major sources of water for New York City. This is the beginning of the Long Path's northern section which heads northward up the Schoharie Valley to Vroomans Nose where it leaves it and heads toward the Helderbergs.