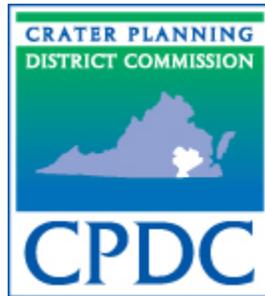


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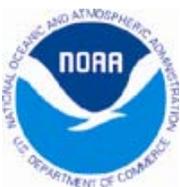


Crater Planning District Commission

November 15, 2011



Virginia Coastal Zone
MANAGEMENT PROGRAM



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Project Summary

The Technical Assistance Program includes various activities coordinated and provided by Crater Planning District Commission staff. All work relating to the products listed in the 2011 Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program Grant is summarized below. Any additional environmental tasks completed during the past year have also been outlined.

Product #1 – Environmental Impact Reviews

Commission staff reviewed 19 Environmental Impact Reports during the past year. The projects were varied and included military applications, shoreline stabilization, power generators, wastewater treatment facilities, water withdrawals, pollution discharge, and grant funding applications. All of the reviewed projects were found to be in full accord with the Crater Planning District Commission's environmental policy directives. A map of the reviewed sites has been attached.

Product #2 – Report on Coastal Meetings

Four (4) quarterly meetings of the Environmental Resources Management Task Force were held during the past year: December 10, 2010; March 4, 2011; June 17, 2011; and September 23, 2011. In addition to local government and Crater PDC staff, representatives from the following entities attended at least one meeting: Fort Lee, Virginia Main Street Program, Virginia Scenic Rivers Program, Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation, and the Richmond Regional Planning District Commission. Agendas and minutes for all meetings have been attached.

Product #3 – Coastal Training

The Commission sponsored several training sessions held in conjunction with the quarterly coastal meetings. The topics of discussion were: 1) Virginia Main Street Program, 2) Virginia Scenic Rivers Program, 3) 2010 Census and Redistricting, 4) Chesapeake Bay TMDL, 5) Rural Transportation Planning, and 6) Rivers of the Richmond Region. Relevant training materials have been attached.

In addition to the quarterly meetings, the Commission coordinated and hosted several other meetings and training sessions for local government environmental staff on the Chesapeake Bay TMDL. A summary of TMDL meetings and activities has been included.

Product #4 – Appomattox River Interpretive Guide

The Commission staff completed the Appomattox River Interpretive Guide. The Guide's purpose is to present manmade and natural features along the Lower Appomattox River Corridor from Lake Chesdin eastwardly to City Point in Hopewell. Features include recreation facilities, overlooks, cultural sites, historic sites, visitor centers, and trails. It was modeled after the James River Interpretive Guide recently completed by the Richmond Regional PDC.

The following entities participated in the creation of the Guide: The Appomattox Regional Water Authority, Chesterfield County, The City of Colonial Heights, Dinwiddie County, Friends of the Lower Appomattox River (FOLAR), Fort Lee, The City of Hopewell, The City of Petersburg, Prince George County, and the Richmond Regional PDC. Several other stakeholders were contacted throughout the process but did not provide any comments.

The final product is an 18” by 24” map folded into a 4” by 9” brochure. These brochures have been distributed throughout the region. A PDF version is included with this report. The Guide can also be downloaded here:

http://www.craterpdc.org/environment/documents/Appomattox_River_Interpretive_Guide_FINAL_Oct_2011.pdf

Additional Environmental Matters

The Commission, in partnership with Richmond Regional Planning District Commission, continued work on the green infrastructure project. It provides a resource for green infrastructure planning activities across and among the region. Detailed studies of areas around Fort Lee and within City Point in Hopewell will be completed by the end of 2011.

The Commission, in partnership with FOLAR and the James River Association, participated in two river clean-ups (Fall and Spring) along the Lower Appomattox River Corridor. Together the volunteers collected over 29 tons of waste from the shorelines along the corridor, made up mostly of discarded tires.

The Commission staff continues to provide administrative and staff support to FOLAR through grant application and project management. During the year, more than \$32,000 was raised from private donors.

House Bill 2424 was approved by the General Assembly of Virginia designating scenic river status for the Appomattox River from the Route 36 Bridge downstream to the terminus at the confluence with the James River at City Point in Hopewell.

The Crater PDC participated in the Middle Peninsula PDC’s mapping of a General Representation of Agriculturally Zoned Lands in Coastal Virginia.

The Crater PDC has scheduled public meetings in January 2012 for Virginia DCR to hold public kickoffs for updating the Virginia Outdoors Plan.

Environmental Impact Review List
Crater Planning District Commission

<u>ID NUMBER</u>	<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
11-002F	Nationwide Use of High Frequency and Ultra High Frequency SONAR Technology	coastal waters
66.466	Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay - EPA Funding Grant Application	bay waters
11-015S	Hog Island West Shoreline Stabilization Project	Hog Island, VA - James River
VA0079502	Hopewell Cogeneration Ltd. Partnership	1114 Hercules Rd - Hopewell, VA
VA0070271	Falling Run Wastewater Treatment Plant	1174 Old Halifax Rd - Emporia, VA
VA0090344	Matoaca High School Wastewater Permit	Matocaca High School - 17700 Longhouse Ln - Chesterfield, VA
11-059S	Fort Pickett Future Mission Requirements	Fort Pickett
GW0008500	Charles City County School Board Ground Water Withdrawal Permit	Charles City County School Complex - 10045 Courthouse Rd
VA0006483	Georgia-Pacific Wood Products Storm Water Permit	643 Davis St - Emporia, VA
GW0006600	Wildwood Farms Ground Water Permit	Wildwood Farms Subdivision - Prince George, VA
66.466	Chesapeake Bay Water Program - EPA Funding Grant Application	bay waters
VA0090697	Sussex School Water Treatment Plant	21394 Sussex Dr - Sussex, VA
FY 2011	Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program	VA waters
11-112F	SEA for the Qualifications Training Range at Fort Lee	Fort Lee range area (northern section)
VA0059161	U.S. Army Garrison Fort Lee Pollutant Discharge Permit	Fort Lee (general)
VA0003077	DuPont Teijin Films Pollutant Discharge Permit	3600 Discovery Dr - Chesterfield, VA
GW0008800	Stony Creek Ground Water Withdrawal Permit	Town of Stony Creek
VA0090786	Sussex School Sewage Treatment Plant	21394 Sussex Dr - Sussex, VA
11-134S	Hopewell Power Station Conversion	107 Terminal St - Hopewell, VA



**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
REVIEW SITES**

**CRATER PLANNING
DISTRICT COMMISSION**

Crater Planning Directors Meeting

**Crater PDC Conference Room
1964 Wakefield Street
Petersburg, Virginia**

Noon, Friday, December 10, 2010

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Virginia Main Street Program
Kyle H. Meyer, DHCD
3. Crater Fort Lee Joint Land Use Study
4. Virginia Coastal Program Update
- Appomattox River Interpretive Guide
5. Chowan River Basin Reconnaissance Phase Study
6. Reports
- Chesapeake Bay TMDL, Phase I Virginia Watershed
Implementation Plan
7. Other Local and Regional Planning Issues
8. Next Meeting Date – March 4, 2011
9. Adjournment

Minutes of the Crater Planning Directors meeting held on Friday, December 10, 2010 in the Crater PDC Conference Room, 1964 Wakefield Street, Petersburg, Virginia.

Attendees: Kyle Meyer, DHCD; Steve Hall, Emporia; Allyson Finchum, Charles City County; Mike Tompkins, Chesterfield County; Carol Anderson, Fort Lee; Victor Liu, Mark Bittner, Crater PDC.

Welcome and Introductions

Victor Liu called the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m.

Virginia Main Street Program

Mr. Meyer presented background on the Virginia Main Street (VMS) Program. Since 1985, VMS has been helping localities revitalize the economic vitality of downtown commercial districts using the National Main Street Center's successful Main Street Approach. Main Street is a comprehensive, incremental approach to revitalization built around a community's unique heritage and attributes. Using local resources and initiatives, Main Street helps communities develop their own strategies to stimulate long term economic growth and pride in the traditional community center – downtown.

This topic was relevant to the Crater Region because the City of Hopewell had applied to become a Main Street community. That application was approved in August 2011.

Crater Fort Lee Joint Land Use Study

Ms. Anderson stated that, in the coming months, Fort Lee would be conducting a Joint Land Use Study to examine development issues on property surrounding the base. The purpose was to identify and perhaps mitigate encroachment of non-compatible development around Fort Lee similar to what had happened around other military installations. Local representatives would be informed and involved throughout the process.

Appomattox River Interpretive Guide

Mr. Bittner presented a new project called the Appomattox River Interpretive Guide. During the coming year, the Crater PDC would be composing the Guide with the purpose of presenting manmade and natural features along the Lower Appomattox River Corridor from Lake Chesdin eastwardly to City Point in Hopewell. Mr. Bittner stated it would be very similar to the James River Interpretive Guide produced by the Richmond Regional Planning District Commission.

Chowan River Basin Reconnaissance Phase Study

Mr. Bittner presented information on the Chowan River Basin Reconnaissance Phase Study currently underway by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE). The Study was examining flooding issues in the Basin with the hope of mitigating or preventing future occurrences. The Basin runs through parts of Southeastern Virginia and Northeastern North Carolina, including the following Crater localities: the Cities of Emporia and Petersburg, and Dinwiddie, Greensville, Prince George, Surry, and Sussex Counties. The USACE was involving localities and PDCs and asking them to submit known flood areas and review draft reports. The Final Report was produced in May 2011.

Chesapeake Bay TMDL

Mr. Liu gave a brief update on the TMDL process and timeline. He stated the PDC would assist by facilitating meetings and organizing information for all regional entities.

Other Local and Regional Planning Issues

No other issues were discussed.

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting was tentatively scheduled for March 4, 2011.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:45 p.m.

Crater Planning Directors Meeting

**Crater PDC Conference Room
1964 Wakefield Street
Petersburg, Virginia**

Noon, Friday, March 4, 2011

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Virginia Scenic Rivers Program
Lynn Crump, DCR
3. Virginia Coastal Program Update
Appomattox River Interpretive Guide
4. Virginia Coastal Program Update
FY 2011 Focal Area Grant Application
5. 2010 U.S. Census Data and Redistricting
6. Other Local and Regional Planning Issues
7. Next Meeting Date – June 17, 2011 (tentative)
8. Adjournment

Minutes of the Crater Planning Directors meeting held on Friday, March 4, 2011 in the Longwood SBDC Conference Room, 1964 Wakefield Street, Petersburg, Virginia.

Attendees: Lynn Crump, Virginia DCR; Steve Hall, Emporia; Leonard Muse, Petersburg; March Altman, Hopewell; Sharon Williams, Prince George County; Rhonda Mack, Surry County; Mark Bassett, Dinwiddie County; Allyson Finchum, Charles City County; George Schanzenbacker, Jamie Sherry, Colonial Heights; Dana Bradshaw, Corienne Reisch, Fort Lee; Mark Bittner, Crater PDC.

Welcome and Introductions

Mark Bittner called the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m. He welcomed everyone to the meeting, announced the retirement of Victor Liu, and stated he would be coordinating the Planning Directors meetings from this point forward.

Virginia Scenic Rivers Program

Ms. Crump gave a power point presentation on the Virginia Scenic Rivers Program to the group. The Program's intent is to identify, designate and help protect rivers and streams that possess outstanding scenic, recreational, historic and natural characteristics of statewide significance for future generations.

The presentation included a review of the process for scenic river designation, as well as an explanation what designation does and does not do. A fuller explanation is available at http://www.dcr.virginia.gov/recreational_planning/srmain.shtml.

Ms. Crump discussed several scenic rivers throughout the state as well as the Appomattox River within the Crater region. The Appomattox is currently designated as scenic from the dam below Lake Chesdin to Route 36 in Petersburg. A current proposal would extend this designation from Route 36 to the confluence with the James River at City Point in Hopewell. It has been passed by the General Assembly and is awaiting signature by the Governor.

Appomattox River Interpretive Guide

Mr. Bittner updated the group on the status of the Appomattox River Interpretive Guide. Stakeholders along the river have been contacted about the project. Formal meetings have been held with FOLAR and the City of Hopewell. A list of points of interest for inclusion in the Guide was presented. Mr. Bittner asked those in attendance to review the list and offer any additions or corrections.

Mr. Bittner presented a draft map of the guide. The group asked if the map could be placed on the Crater PDC website for review. Mr. Bittner indicated he would do that in the near future.

Virginia Coastal Program – FY 2011 Focal Area Grant Application

Mr. Bittner presented information on the latest grant application for the Virginia Coastal Program Focal Area. This year's program is open to competitive grant applications in the areas of water quality, coastal resiliency, working waterfronts, and public access. It was felt the public access option would be most beneficial to the Crater region. Someone suggested a canoe launch site at the Appomattox River Regional Park in Prince George. Mr. Bittner asked those in attendance to suggest possible projects prior to the application deadline of April 1, 2011.

NOTE: On March 7, 2011, this application process was suspended because of budget uncertainty. It may be restored once the situation is settled.

2010 U.S. Census Data and Redistricting

Mr. Bittner made a presentation on how to access and download new 2010 data from the U.S. Census website. A live internet demonstration showed how to query and save data for several different geographic areas and boundary levels.

Mr. Bittner also stated the Crater PDC is willing to help any of its local governments with redistricting mandated by the new Census data. The PDC has already assisted Charles City, Dinwiddie, Greensville, and Sussex Counties. Mr. Bittner shared the information for Greensville County that had been amassed. This information included population figures broken down by age and race, as well as maps of potential new voting districts. Several attendees indicated they would be contacting the PDC about similar assistance for their localities.

Other Local and Regional Planning Issues

No other issues were discussed.

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting was scheduled for June 17, 2011.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

Crater Planning Directors Meeting

**Crater PDC Conference Room
1964 Wakefield Street
Petersburg, Virginia**

Noon, Friday, June 17, 2011

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Chesapeake Bay TMDL – Local Government Involvement
Joan Salvati, DCR
3. Virginia Coastal Program Update
Appomattox River Interpretive Guide
4. Virginia Coastal Program Update
Suspension of FY 2011 Focal Area Grant Application
5. Rural Transportation Planning Program Update
6. Other Local and Regional Planning Issues
7. Next Meeting Date – September 16, 2011 (tentative)
8. Adjournment

Minutes of the Crater Planning Directors meeting held on Friday, June 17, 2011 in the Crater PDC Conference Room, 1964 Wakefield Street, Petersburg, Virginia.

Attendees: Joan Salvati, Megan Sommers, Virginia DCR; Mark Bassett, Dinwiddie County; Allyson Finchum, Charles City County; George Schanzenbacher, Colonial Heights; Erin Belt, Sussex County; Debbie Kilpatrick, Fritz Brandt, Fort Lee; Denny Morris, Mark Bittner, Jim McClure, Joe Vinsh, Crater PDC.

Welcome and Introductions

Mark Bittner called the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m.

Chesapeake Bay TMDL – Local Government Involvement

Ms. Salvati gave a power point presentation on the Chesapeake Bay TMDL Program to the group. The purpose was to inform representatives on how local governments would be involved in the process.

The presentation included a review of EPA model data for each locality. This data showed each locality's share of the total amount of nutrients flowing into and affecting the health of the Chesapeake Bay. The data also showed target reductions in nutrient amounts for each locality in the coming years.

Discussion then focused on having another meeting in the Crater region to deliver model data to all interested parties including planning departments, public works & utilities departments, state agencies, and soil and water conservation districts. That meeting was planned and ultimately held on June 29, 2011. It would provide greater detail than what was discussed at this meeting.

The PDC stated it would continue to facilitate meetings and organize information for all regional entities. It would also review model data to the best of its ability.

Appomattox River Interpretive Guide

Mr. Bittner updated the group on the status of the Appomattox River Interpretive Guide. Stakeholders along the river have been contacted about the project. Formal meetings have been held with FOLAR and the City of Hopewell. A list of points of interest for inclusion in the Guide was presented. Mr. Bittner asked those in attendance to review the list and offer any additions or corrections.

Mr. Bittner presented a draft map of the guide. The group asked if the map could be placed on the Crater PDC website for review. Mr. Bittner indicated he would do that in the near future.

Virginia Coastal Program – FY 2011 Focal Area Grant Application

Mr. Bittner stated that, because of budget uncertainty at the federal level, this process was being suspended. However, DCR officials said that decision had been recently reversed and applications would soon be welcomed. Mr. Bittner asked those in attendance to suggest possible projects as soon as possible.

Rural Transportation Planning Program

Mr. Bittner updated the group on the status of the Rural Transportation Planning Program. A list of project sites had been finalized and review of plan documents was taking place. Approval of the plan by the Crater PDC was expected before the end of 2011.

Other Local and Regional Planning Issues

No other issues were discussed.

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting was tentatively scheduled for September 16, 2011 (ultimately held on September 23, 2011).

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:45 p.m.

Crater Planning Directors Meeting

**Crater PDC Conference Room
1964 Wakefield Street
Petersburg, Virginia**

Noon, Friday, September 23, 2011

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Rivers of the Richmond Region
Anne Darby & Jacob Epstein, Richmond Regional PDC
3. Virginia Coastal Program Update
Appomattox River Interpretive Guide
4. Chesapeake Bay TMDL Update
5. Virginia Outdoors Plan Public Kick-Off Notice
6. Other Local and Regional Planning Issues
7. Next Meeting Date – December 16, 2011 (tentative)
8. Adjournment

Minutes of the Crater Planning Directors meeting held on Friday, September 23, 2011 in the Crater PDC Conference Room, 1964 Wakefield Street, Petersburg, Virginia.

Attendees: Anne Darby, Jacob Epstein, Richmond Regional PDC; Steve Hall, Emporia; Allyson Finchum, Charles City County; Mike Tompkins, Chesterfield County; Dana Bradshaw, Fritz Brandt, Fort Lee; Mark Bittner, Crater PDC.

Welcome and Introductions

Mark Bittner called the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m.

Rivers of the Richmond Region

Ms. Darby presented finished copies of the guide to the Rivers of the Richmond Region recently produced by the Richmond Regional PDC. It shows public access sites to all major rivers in the greater Richmond area, including the Appomattox River in the Crater region.

Ms. Darby also gave a PowerPoint presentation that included photos from interesting spots along area rivers. Production of the guide required significant field work, which also involved Crater area personnel.

The guide's focus is on public access points along rivers. That differs from the Crater region's Appomattox River Interpretive Guide which not only includes public access points, but historic sites, cultural sites, and trail amenities as well.

Appomattox River Interpretive Guide

Mr. Bittner updated the group on the status of the Appomattox River Interpretive Guide. Stakeholders along the river have been contacted multiple times about the project. Mr. Bittner presented the latest draft map of the guide. He also indicated it would be placed on the Crater PDC website for review.

Chesapeake Bay TMDL Update

Mr. Bittner gave a brief update on the TMDL process and timeline. In addition to general monitoring of the process, the PDC had begun examining the EPA model's land use data in detail. Mr. Bittner presented a map showing the Crater PDC-portion of the Chesapeake Bay Watershed superimposed over the National Land Cover Dataset. This dataset forms the basis of EPA's model land use data for localities. Mr. Bittner stated he would continue to review this information and verify it to the best of his abilities. He also stated the PDC would continue to facilitate meetings and organize information for all regional entities.

Virginia Outdoors Plan Public Kick-Off Notice

Mr. Bittner presented a notice from DCR stating it was preparing to develop the 2013 Virginia Outdoors Plan (VOP). DCR asked for the Crater PDC's assistance in setting up a public kick-off meeting. Mr. Bittner stated the PDC would assist, and encouraged localities to be involved in the process as well.

Other Local and Regional Planning Issues

No other issues were discussed.

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting was tentatively scheduled for December 16, 2011.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:45 p.m.

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Virginia Main Street designates four new communities

Posted on August 16, 2011 by dhcdvms

[Governor McDonnell announced](#) yesterday that four new communities can now tout their distinction as Designated Virginia Main Street Communities. The new communities are the cities of [Hopewell](#) and [Bristol](#) and the towns of [Farmville](#) and [St. Paul](#). They were chosen based on a combination of factors that included need, readiness, community support and appropriateness of their district. With the addition of these four communities, the number of Designated Virginia Main Street Communities grows to 25.

Said Governor McDonnell,

“With public and private investment in our traditional commercial districts, we can spark entrepreneurship and job creation downtown in rural and distressed regions of our commonwealth. Main Street is a proven model that uses limited state resources to support local strategies and leverage local resources.”

Each community brings a unique set of [historic assets](#) and strategic focus to its revitalization work. Bristol and St. Paul, in [Southwest Virginia](#), are aligned with a 19-county strategy that promotes the region's cultural heritage and natural assets. Downtown Hopewell's placement on the James River is the centerpiece of a local quality of life strategy, and Farmville is strengthening ties with local universities and the emerging [regional cultural heritage strategies in Southern Virginia](#). Virginia Main Street will provide technical assistance, training, and expert resources to assist the communities with aligning resources and achieving these goals.



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Hopewell Downtown Partnership, Inc. had its origins in April 2006 when a City Council appointed Committee decided to look into the Main Street program, which is sponsored by both Virginia and the National Trust. In the Fall of 2006, the Committee decided to apply for Main Street designation. In January of 2007 Hopewell City Council passed a resolution supporting the Main Street Program for Hopewell and the appointed Committee, now expanded, formally became Hopewell's Main Street organization called the Hopewell Downtown Partnership. Thus began a series of learning activities by members of Hopewell Downtown Partnership and Hopewell City Council (click [here](#) to see the timeline of activities). In June, the Hopewell Downtown Partnership achieved Main Street affiliate status for Hopewell and community activities, including outdoor movies and those co-sponsored with the Sierra Club such as "Day at the River," were held throughout the summer. In October 2007, Hopewell Downtown Partnership became incorporated. Thus began the era of additional training for now Hopewell Downtown Partnership, Inc. and support for planning of community-building activities focused on Downtown Hopewell.

One of the greatest benefits of Main Street affiliate status is free training and support offered by the Main Street staff. Board and community members attended training with Kyle Meyer from the Richmond Main Street support office in November 2007. With this support, Hopewell Downtown Partnership, Inc. has already held the first annual "Holidays in Historic Downtown Hopewell" and has planned 2008 activities (click on the "Upcoming Events" navigation tab to see).
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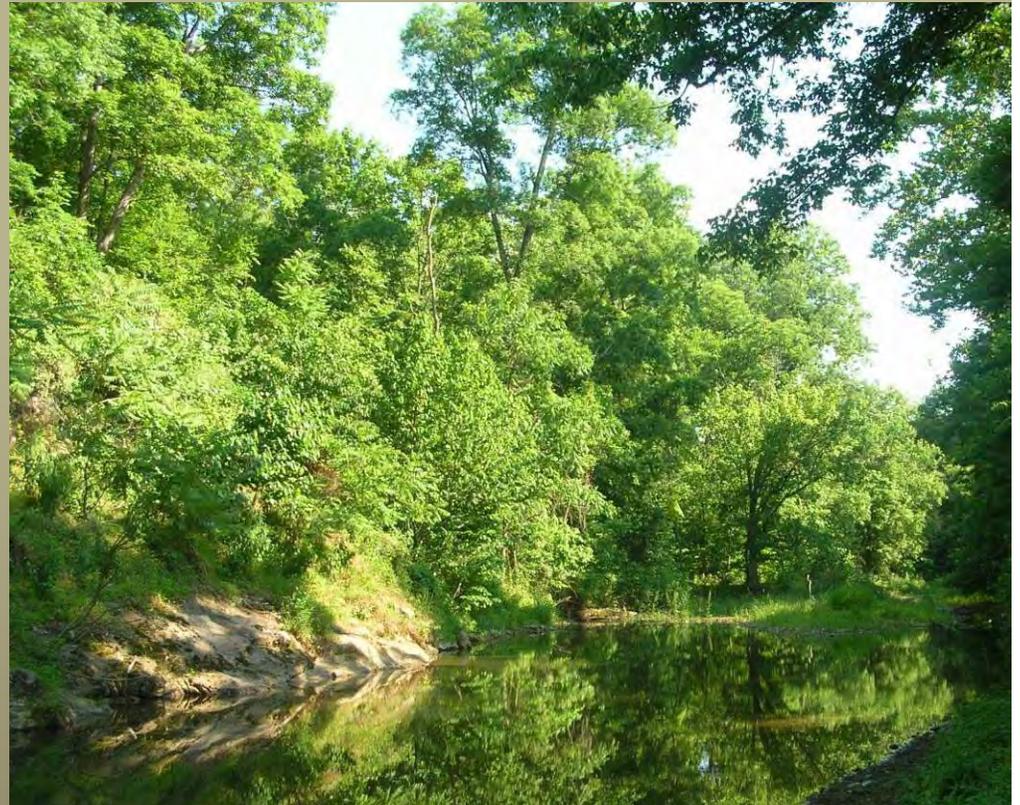
Virginia Scenic Rivers

Virginia Scenic River Program

Presented by the Virginia
Department of Conservation & Recreation
Lynn Crump, LA, ASLA

Presentation

- **History of Program**
- **Intent of Program**
- **Benefits**
 - **General**
 - **Land Conservation**
- **Process & Criteria**
- **40th Anniversary**



Program Purpose:

- Identify and protect *significant* river resources
- (Va Code “superior natural and scenic beauty, fish and wildlife, and historic, recreational, geologic, cultural, and other assets”)



Program Direction



- **Commitment to resource protection**
- **Accommodate necessary use & development**

History

- Virginia Scenic Rivers Act passed by General Assembly in 1970
- Currently 28 rivers/segments totaling 610+ miles
- 20 segments rivers - found to qualify for designation
- Over 62 segments - identified as worthy of evaluation
- 4 designated 2010

Supporting Code

- **1970 Original Act**
- **2003 Update**



The Scenic River System:

- Diverse:

 - Mountain [10]

 - Piedmont [12]

 - Coastal [6]



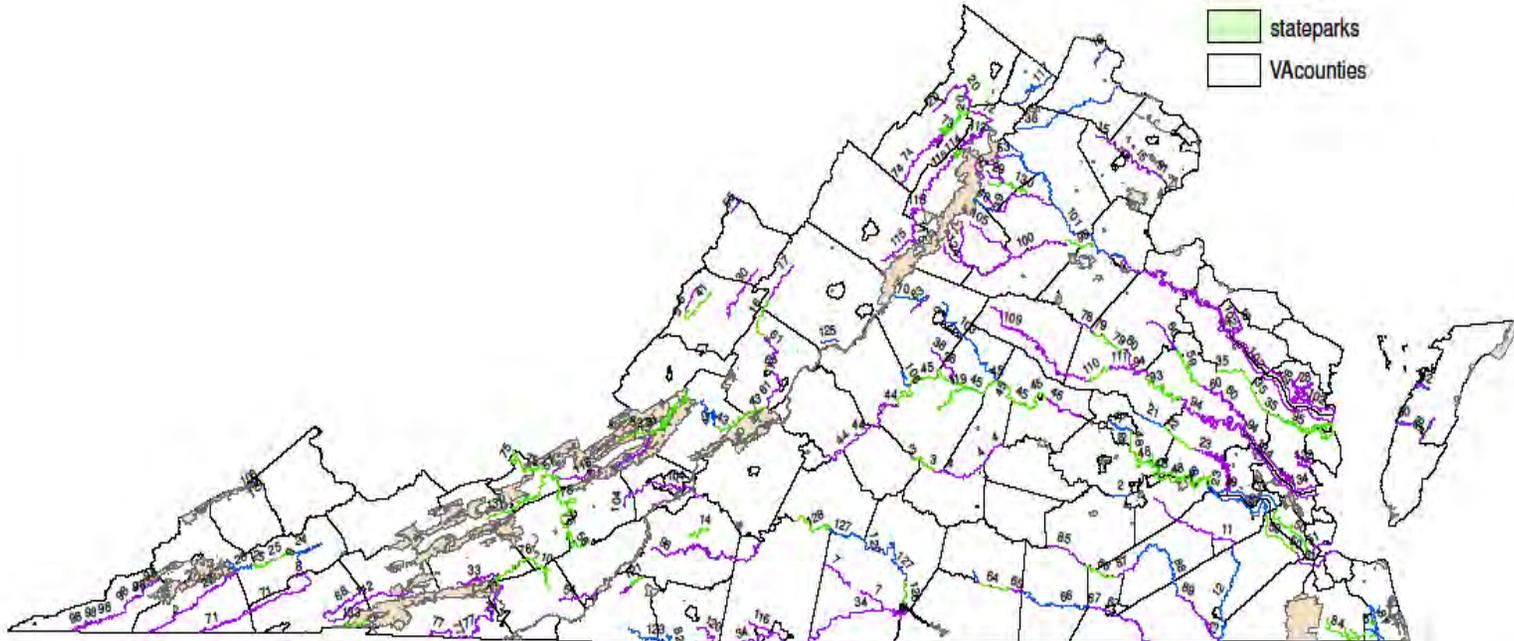
- System currently consists of 28 river segments & more than 610 river miles
- 2010 General Assembly- Jordan, Hughes, Blackwater & Russell Fork

Scenic Rivers

Legend

STATUS

- Designated
- Qualifier
- Worthy
- LWCF
- stateparks
- VAcounties



Scenic Rivers

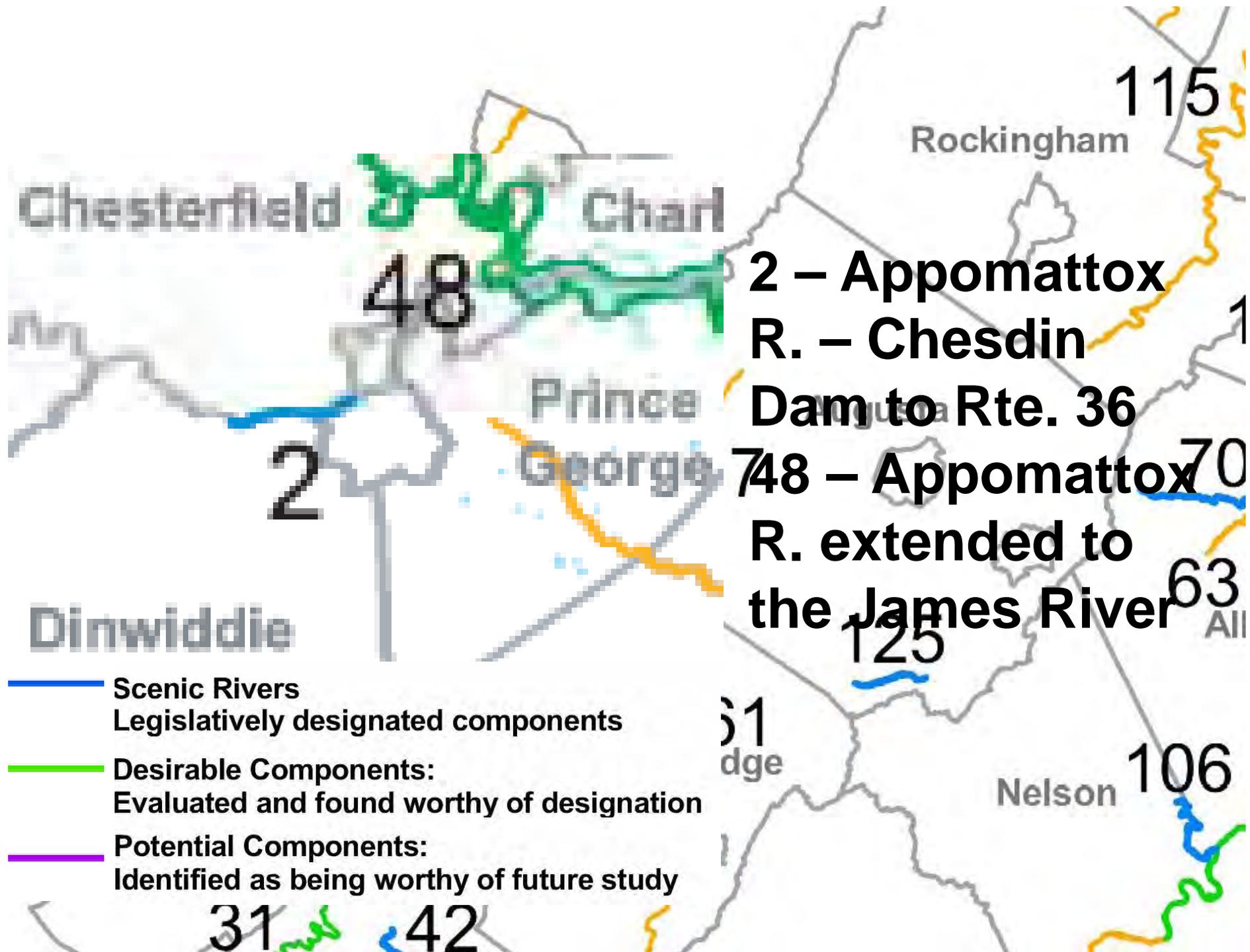
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Desirable Components:

Evaluated and found worthy of designation

Potential Components:

Identified as being worthy of future study



- Scenic Rivers
Legislatively designated components
- Desirable Components:
Evaluated and found worthy of designation
- Potential Components:
Identified as being worthy of future study

River Resource Protection

Relies on *individual* riparian property owner: Scenic River Act does not authorize any additional restrictions on riparian land uses.



Resource Protection

- Is voluntary, with the cooperation and support of local & state government



Benefits of Designation

- **Encourages:**
 - protection and preservation
 - closer review of projects by state & local agencies
 - FERC reviews of hydro or related project proposals
- **Requires**
 - DCR to administer
 - General Assembly authorization for dams
- **Enhances** opportunities for funding

Benefits of Designation

- **Provides:**
 - opportunities to **consider scenic & other resources** in planning & design
 - continued **existing riparian land uses**
 - eligibility for **land use tax** considerations, **if** locally adopted
 - framework for **appointment** of a local Scenic River Advisory **Committee**.
- **Allows** project review & monitoring by Virginia Scenic River Board.

Benefits of Designation

- **Supports Land Conservation** through
 - Virginia Land Conservation Foundation
 - Conservation Land Tax Credit
 - Virginia Outdoors Foundation



Virginia Land Conservation Foundation

- Applications for Virginia Land Conservation Foundation grants for open-space lands will receive **additional points** (higher scores) if the property is **located on a designated scenic river**.
- “Supports the conservation and planning for any federally designated Wild and Scenic River or American Heritage River in or adjacent to Virginia, Virginia’s Scenic Rivers, Scenic Roads, and Virginia Byways by conserving land that is adjacent to, or in the viewshed of, those resources.”

Conservation Land Tax Credit

- Applicants for land-preservation tax credits of \$1 million or more (for a donation of an easement worth \$2.5 million or more) are reviewed by DCR for their **conservation value**.
- Easements on **lands contiguous to scenic rivers** can more easily pass the review, as they will be considered to have a qualified scenic conservation purpose.

Virginia Outdoors Foundation

- The Virginia Outdoors Foundation holds the vast majority of open-space easements in Virginia. Due to increased demand, VOF currently has a policy that it will not hold easements on properties that are less than **100 acres** unless the property has **special characteristics** that make it worthy of protection.
- Adjacency to scenic rivers is a factor that VOF would consider a special characteristic.



**NO Dam
construction**

Designation DOES NOT:

- **Authorize condemnation** of land for access (Eminent Domain prohibited).
- **Impose land use** controls
- **Affect rights** of riparian landowners
- **Allow public use** of private property
- **Enact federal** controls, rules, or regulations
- **Affect tributary streams**
- **Promote increase in recreational use**



Riparian Uses permitted by law, shall not be restricted

Evaluation Occurs When Requested By:

- **the State Scenic River Advisory Board**
- **the General Assembly**
- **a locality letter**



Minimum Study Requirement:

- 1. Minimum five (5) miles long**
- 2. Recognized in a VA canoeing guide OR public access along its course**
- 3. An identifiable beginning and ending**

Designation Process

1. Evaluate River

A. Request

**B. Map &
literature
surveys**

**C. Field
evaluation**

**D. 13 eligibility
criteria**



Field Evaluation Criteria

- **Stream Corridor Vegetation**
- **Streambed and/or stream flow modifications**
- **Human Development of Visual Corridor**
- **Historic Features**
- **Landscape**
- **Quality of Fishery**
- **Rare, Threatened, or Endangered Species**
- **Water Quality**
- **Parallel Roads**
- **Crossings**
- **Special Features Affecting the Aesthetics**
- **Recreation**
- **Land Conservation**

Designation Process

(For Qualifying Segments)

- 2. Report preparation for the Va Scenic River Board for advisory review**
- 3. Copies provided to citizen/governing bodies with “boiler plate” legislation to local governing body**
- 4. Legislation introduced by local member of the General Assembly**
- 5. Passage of legislation & Governor’s signature**

Extension Process

- **Request** from interested parties for study for extension
- **Field study** to be done with full leaf cover; using same evaluation criteria as full designation
- **Memo** to the local jurisdiction & other interested parties indicating qualification of the extension

Extension Process [2]

- The locality will then go through their **legislative representatives** to ask for *an amendment* to the current legislation
- **Same advantages and restrictions** as full designation



Once Designated



- **Post designation management/ protection**
- **Periodic survey of the river corridor**

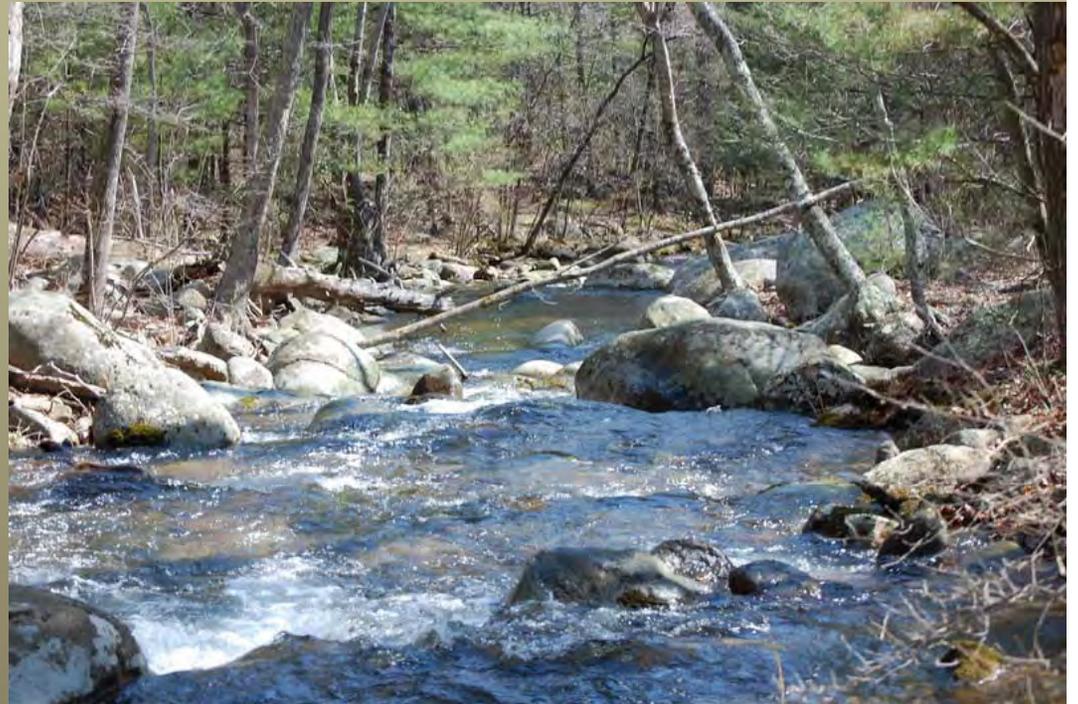
Powers of local governments

- with the Director, can appoint a local scenic river advisory committee
- Manage the zoning and land use along the river



The Department may:

- **Enter into contracts** as necessary
- **Accept gifts** of real & personal property, endowments, funds, & grants.
- **Conduct fund-raising** activities related to river issues.



The Act – Section 10.1-402; Development of water and related resources and evaluation as scenic resource

- Department **may** review & make recommendations to all federal, state and local agencies regarding planning for use and development of water and related resources

Virginia Scenic River Board

- **A 15-member board** appointed by the Governor with statewide representation
- **Role to:**
 - **Advise on appointees** to committees
 - **Make recommendations** on designations
 - **Comment** on proposed plans & corridor use
 - **Assist in preserving** the river values & natural resources
 - **Advise & assist localities** on river corridors
 - **Promote & Educate** about the program



Additional Pending designations:

- Appomattox (awaiting community support)
- Nottoway (going before the General Assembly)
- New (awaiting community support)

Future (to be evaluated):

- Mattaponi
- Pamunkey
- Bannister

40th Anniversary Goals

- Designated 4 river sections in 2010
- New studies focused on qualified rivers
- Hosted commemoration event, April 2010, James R.
- General Assembly Photo Exhibit
- Got media attention
- Scenic Va photo contest



40TH Anniversary 1970-2010

KEEP AN EYE OUT for the 40th anniversary celebratory events starting in 2010. Plans include river floats and a photo contest.

Virginia's Scenic Rivers Program

Program Successes: 24 river sections totaling 529 miles, in 12 of Virginia's 14 major watersheds, in approximately 35 counties and cities.

This program identifies, recognizes and provides a level of protection to rivers or streams that have outstanding scenic beauty, historic importance, recreation significance and natural characteristics that make them stand out amongst Virginia's many rivers.

As a result of recognition received through Scenic River status, localities and adjacent landowners have supported their designated rivers by:

- Developing local river-based management plans and ordinances
- Community involvement, including organized river clean-ups
- Maintaining forest buffers that exceed state recommendations
- Facilitating easements to conserve river lands
- Protecting recreational interests during dam recertification
- Working for the removal of several dams

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Virginia Department of Conservation & Recreation

RECREATION PLANNING

Scenic Rivers Program

Virginia Outdoors Plan | Legislation | SR Board | Benefits of Designation | Designation Process | Criteria | List of Designated Rivers (PDF) | Map of Designated Rivers (PDF) | Mechanisms for Conservation of River Corridors | John Smith Water Trail (offsite) | Program Brochure (PDF) | Reference Material | Contact



VIRGINIA'S SCENIC RIVERS PROGRAM

Happy Anniversary!

Virginia's Scenic Rivers Program turns 40 in 2010 so we've worked up a few publications and other content to mark the occasion. Check out the following to learn more.

- [FAQ](#)
- [Scenic Rivers background](#)
- [Feature article for your newsletter](#)
- [A letter from Scenic River Board Chair Richard Gibbons and DCR Director Joseph H. Maroon](#)

The Program

Virginia Scenic Rivers Program's intent is to identify, designate, and help

PROGRAM DETAILS

- [FAQ](#)
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Chesapeake Bay TMDL Summary Crater Planning District Commission

May 26, 2011 – Chesapeake Bay Restoration Seminar for Local Officials

Crater PDC staff attended this seminar in Hanover County. The purpose was to inform local government elected officials about the Chesapeake Bay TMDL program and its upcoming timeline. Presentations were made by representatives from VCU, VIMS, the Virginia Secretary of Natural Resources, Malcolm Pirnie-Arcadis, Virginia DEQ, Rappahannock River Commission, Sands Anderson PC, AquaLaw, the Chesapeake Bay Foundation, Virginia Agribusiness Council, the Thomas Jefferson PDC, and the EPA.

June 7, 2011 – Richmond Regional PDC Data Delivery Meeting

Crater PDC staff attended the TMDL Data Delivery Meeting for localities within the Richmond Regional PDC. The purpose of the meeting was to share EPA Watershed Model Data with local government representatives. Crater PDC attended so it could better prepare itself for its own data delivery meeting.

June 7, 2011 – James River Association Meeting with Crater PDC

Representatives from the James River Association (JRA) met with the Crater PDC Executive Director to discuss the TMDL process and how JRA could assist going forward.

June 13, 2011 – Crater PDC Meeting with Virginia DCR

Crater PDC staff met with Virginia DCR staff to discuss TMDL data delivery in the Crater Region. It was decided DCR would give a general overview of the data at the upcoming Quarterly Planning Directors meeting on June 17. It was also agreed DCR would make a more detailed presentation at a subsequent meeting involving environmental staff from Crater Region localities.

June 17, 2011 – TMDL Presentation by Virginia DCR at Quarterly Planning Directors Meeting

Joan Salvati of DCR gave a power point presentation on the Chesapeake Bay TMDL Program to the group. The purpose was to inform representatives on how local governments would be involved in the process. The presentation included a review of EPA model data for each locality. This data showed each locality's share of the total amount of nutrients flowing into and affecting the health of the Chesapeake Bay. The data also showed target reductions in nutrient amounts for each locality in the coming years. Discussion then focused on having another meeting in the Crater region to deliver model data to all interested parties including planning departments, public works & utilities departments, state agencies, and soil and water conservation districts. That meeting was planned and ultimately held on June 29, 2011. It would provide greater detail than what was discussed at this meeting. The PDC stated it would continue to facilitate meetings and organize information for all regional entities. It would also review model data to the best of its ability.

June 29, 2011 – Crater PDC Data Delivery Meeting

The more detailed presentation on EPA Watershed Model Data was made on this date. DCR explained the data and upcoming timeline, as well as what was being requested of local governments. To summarize, local governments were being asked to collect, organize, and submit information on existing land use and BMPs within their borders. Representatives from the following entities were present:

Local Governments – City of Colonial Heights, Dinwiddie County, City of Hopewell, City of Petersburg, Prince George County

State Agencies – DCR, Department of Forestry, VDOT

Soil & Water Conservation Districts – Appomattox River, James River

Other – Fort Lee, Crater Health District, Crater PDC

August 31, 2011 – WIP II Workshop at VIMS

This workshop was sponsored by the Middle Peninsula and Northern Neck PDCs and held at VIMS in Gloucester, VA. The purpose was to train local government representatives on how to organize and submit their respective data sets. The online VAST system was presented. Crater PDC attended so it could better prepare itself for its own training session.

September 9, 2011 – WIP II Meeting at Richmond Regional PDC

The Richmond Regional PDC hosted a meeting of all Virginia PDCs involved in the TMDL process. The purpose was to update each other on progress with the Phase II WIP process. The possibility of RFP funding for PDC activities was also discussed. It was decided that all PDCs would submit a single joint RFP application seeking funding for TMDL-related activities. Work on the joint application commenced in the following days and weeks.

September 23, 2011 – TMDL Presentation by Virginia DCR at Quarterly Planning Directors Meeting

Crater PDC staff gave a brief update on the TMDL process and timeline. In addition to general monitoring of the process, the PDC had begun examining the EPA model's land use data in detail. Staff presented a map (attached) showing the Crater PDC-portion of the Chesapeake Bay Watershed superimposed over the National Land Cover Dataset. This dataset forms the basis of EPA's model land use data for localities. Staff stated it would continue to review this information and verify it to the best of its abilities. The PDC also said it would continue to facilitate meetings and organize information for all regional entities.

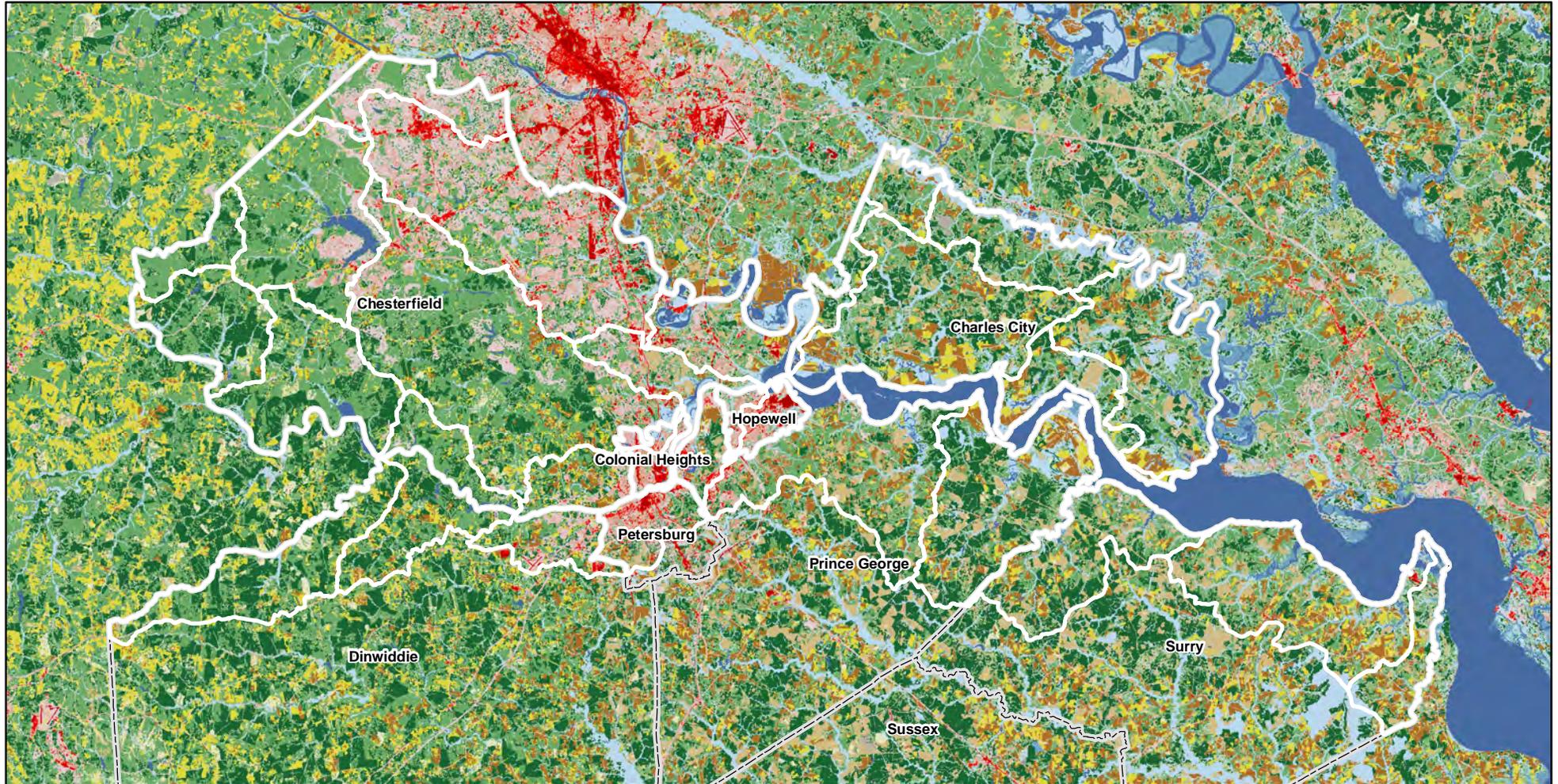
September 27, 2011 – CAST Webinar

Crater PDC staff attended a training webinar for the Chesapeake Assessment and Scenario Tool (CAST). This system is the basis for VAST and other state systems around the Chesapeake Bay. CAST is a web-based tool designed to help states, municipalities, federal agencies, and others quickly and easily assess various strategies for reducing pollution in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed.

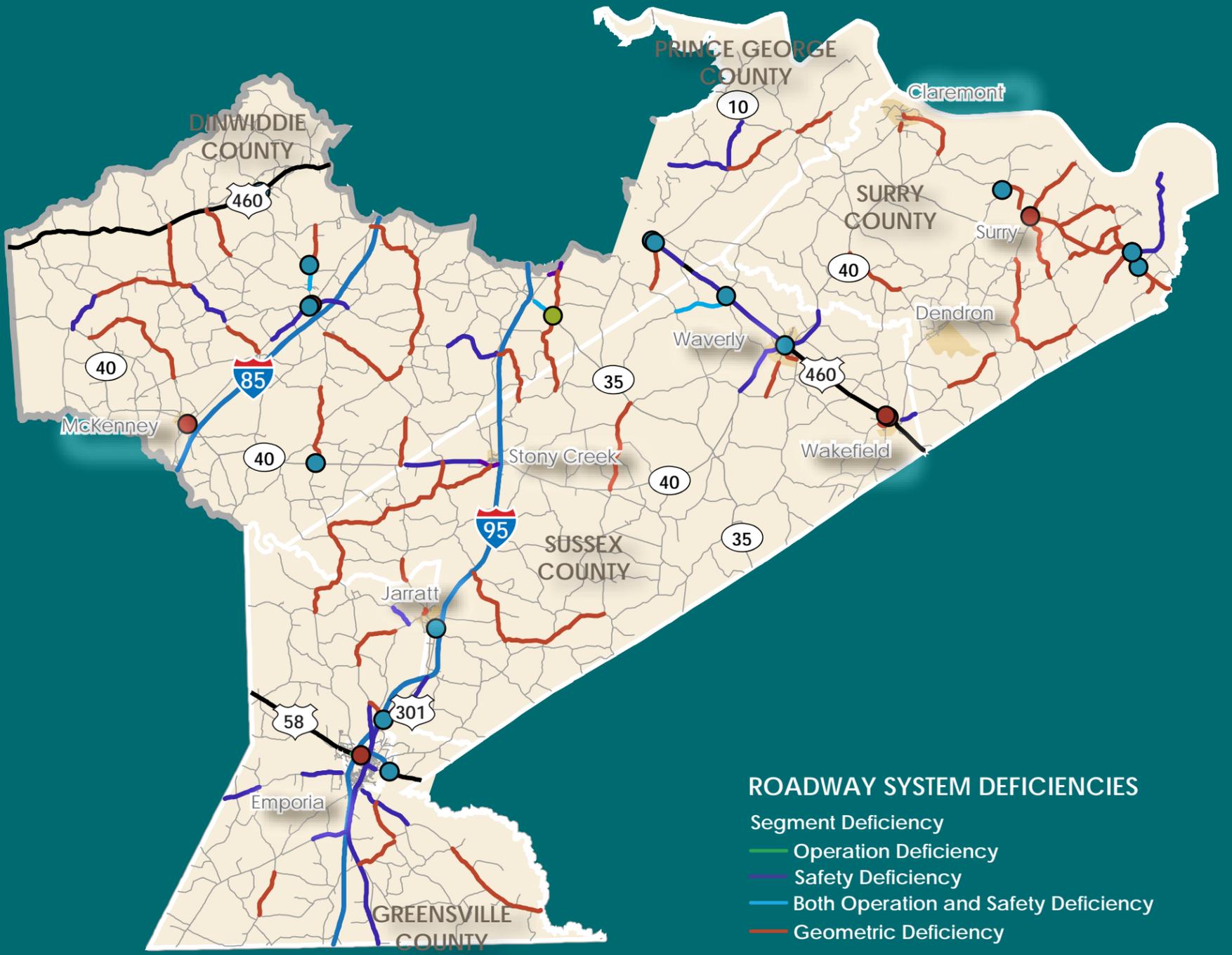
September 28, 2011 – PDC-Joint RFP Application

Crater PDC staff completed its portion of the Joint RFP Application for funding. The final application was submitted by the Middle Peninsula PDC. It is still under review by DCR.

Crater PDC Coastal Region Chesapeake Bay Watershed National Land Cover Dataset

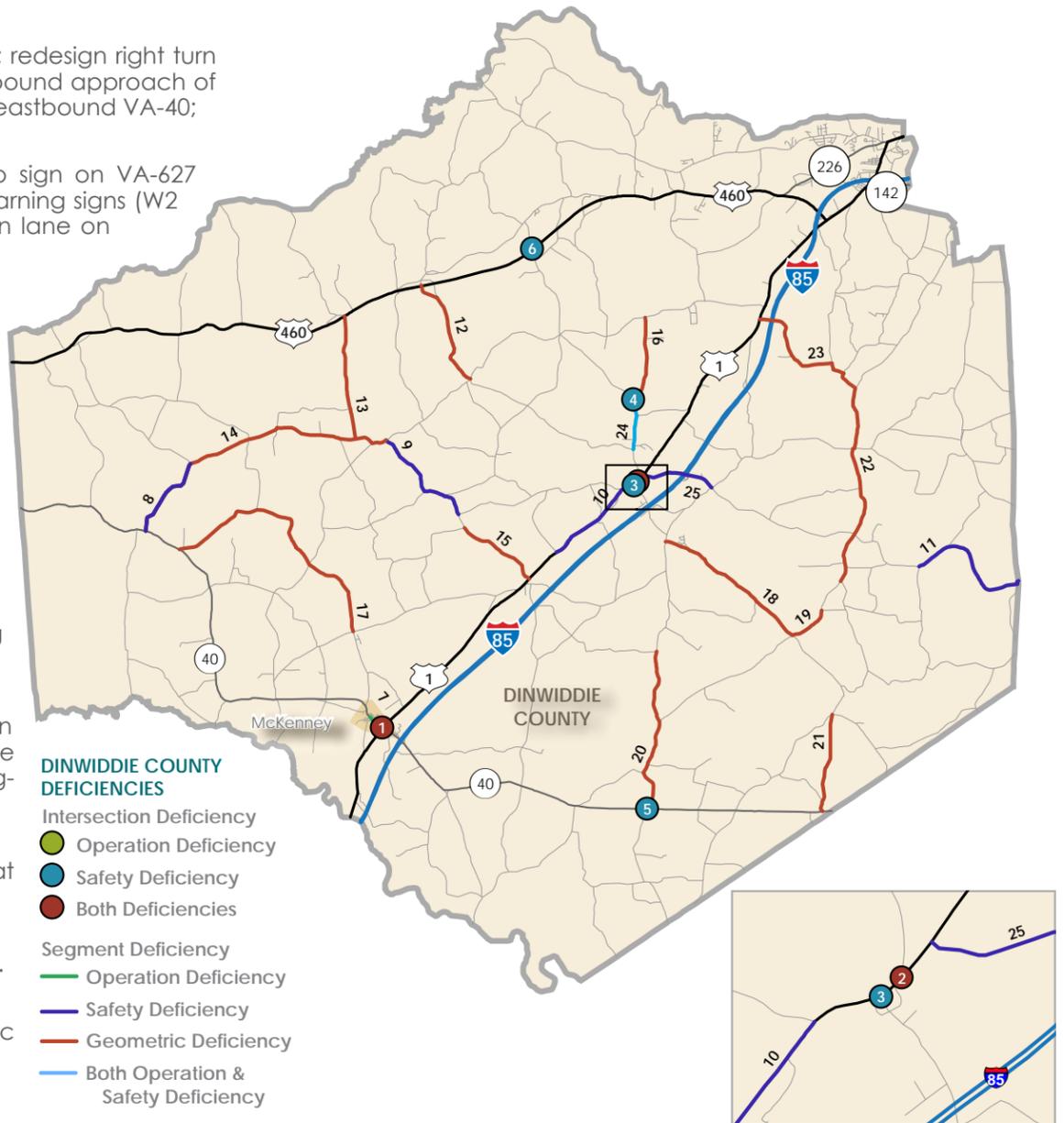


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DINWIDDIE COUNTY RECOMMENDATIONS

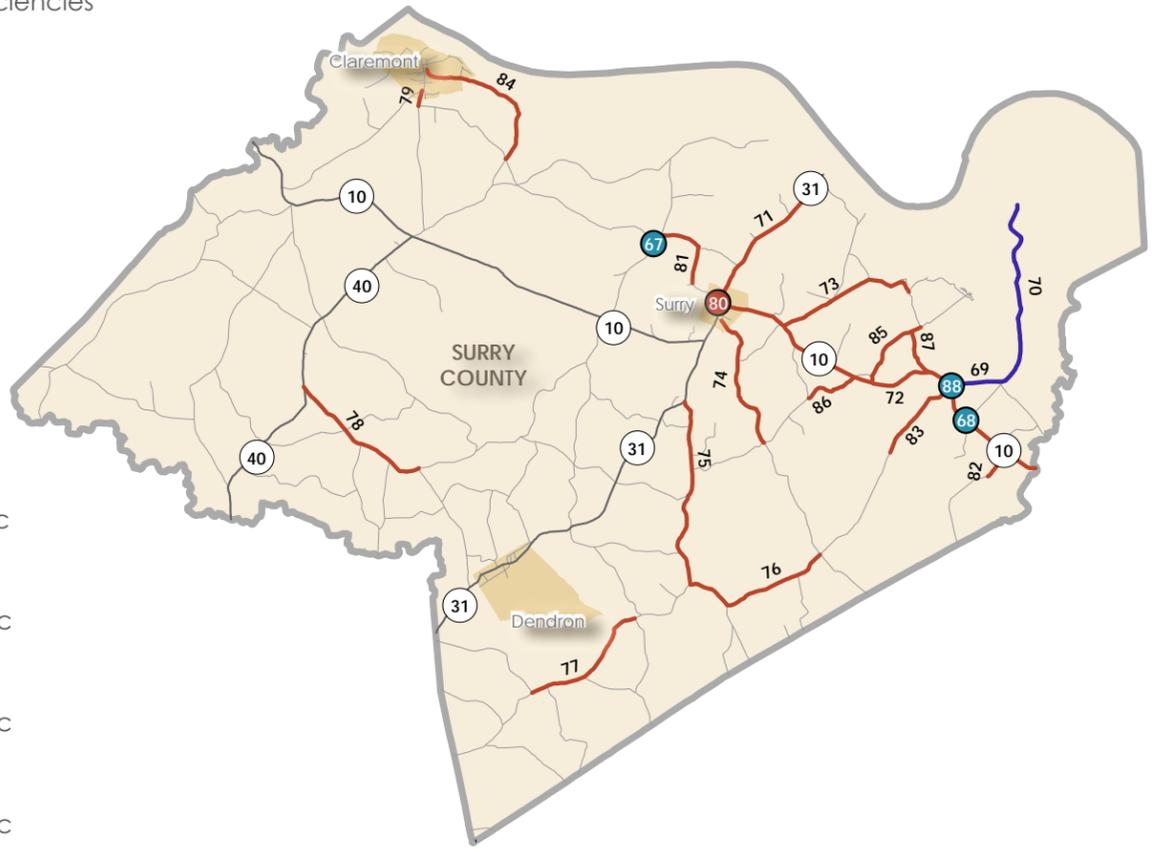
- 1 US 1 (Boydton Plank Rd.)/VA-40 (Doyle Blvd.)**
Short-term: Stripe lane use arrows on US 1 approaches; redesign right turn channelization and install additional stop sign on eastbound approach of VA-40; Mid-term: Study installation of right turn lane on eastbound VA-40;
- 2 US 1 (Boydton Plank Rd.)/VA-627 (Courthouse Rd.)**
Short-term: Construct concrete central island for stop sign on VA-627 southbound approach; install Advance Intersection Warning signs (W2 series) on US 1; Mid-term: Study installation of right turn lane on Courthouse Rd.
- 3 US 1 (Boydton Plank Rd.)/VA-619 (Courthouse Rd.)**
Short-term: Trim vegetation on north side on US 1 to improve sight distance; paint stop bar on VA-619 approach.
- 4 VA-661 (Boisseau Rd.)/VA-627 (Courthouse Rd.)**
Short-term: Additional stop sign on centerline for southbound Boisseau Rd.; raised pedestrian warning for mid-block pedestrian crossing.
- 5 VA-40 (Doyle Blvd.)/VA-619 (Courthouse Rd.)**
Short-term: Install concrete islands on VA-619 centerline; install stop bar on northbound VA-619; trim vegetation on NW. corner to improve sight distance; Mid-term: Enhance speed reduction measures on VA-40 including flashers.
- 6 460 (New Cox Rd.)/VA-627 (Courthouse Rd.)**
Short-term: Install one-way and do not enter signs on median and VA-627 approaches per MUTCD; stripe centerline and stop bars on US 460 storage space; Long-term: Study safety issues on U.S. Route 460 crossovers.
- 7 VA-40 from VA-1009 to US 1**
Short-term: Install right turn bay on eastbound VA-40 at US 1; Mid-term: Widen to 4 lanes.
- 8 VA-613 from VA-40 to VA-639**
Long-term: Develop Class III bike route. Replace bridge.
- 9 VA-646 from VA-613 to VA-647**
Long-term: reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (10-foot lanes) and replace bridge.



- 10 US 1 from VA-657 to VA-647**
Short-term: Install horizontal alignment (W1) signs at curves; Long-term: Replace bridge over Stoney Creek and bridge over Little Cattail Creek.
- 11 VA-703 from VA-667 to I-95 Ramps**
Long-term: Replace bridge.
- 12 VA-611/627 from US 460 to VA-627**
Long-term: reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (10-foot lanes).
- 13 VA-622 from VA-613 E to US 460**
Long-term: reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (12-foot lanes).
- 14 VA-613 from VA-40 E to VA-646**
Long-term: reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (11-foot lanes).
- 15 VA-646 from VA-647 to US 1**
Long-term: reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (10-foot lanes).
- 16 VA-661 from VA-627 to VA-613**
Long-term: reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (12-foot lanes).
- 17 VA-644 from VA-40 to VA-650**
Long-term: reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (12-foot lanes).
- 18 VA-626 from VA-619 to VA-609**
Long-term: reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (12-foot lanes).
- 19 VA-609 from VA-626 to VA-682**
Long-term: reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (10-foot lanes).
- 20 VA-619 from VA-658 to VA-40**
Long-term: reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (12-foot lanes).
- 21 VA-626 from VA-665 to VA-40**
Long-term: reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (10-foot lanes).
- 22 VA-670 from VA-613 S to VA-609**
Long-term: reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (11-foot lanes).
- 23 VA-613 from VA-1 S to VA-670 W**
Long-term: reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (12-foot lanes).
- 24 VA-627 from VA-611 to VA-661**
Short-term: Install horizontal alignment (W1) signs, chevrons and shoulder rumble strips at appropriate locations; Long-term: Widen to 4 lanes.
- 25 VA-703 from US 1 to VA-660**
Short-term: Install chevrons at horizontal curves; install stop ahead signs on I-85 off-ramps; Long-term: Rural 2-lane 24 feet from I-85 to VA-660.

SUSSEX COUNTY RECOMMENDATIONS (continued)

- 53 VA-619 from VA-681 to Greenville Co. Line**
Long-term: Reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (10-foot lanes).
- 54 VA-681 from VA-619 to VA-40**
Long-term: Reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (11-foot lanes).
- 55 VA-657 from VA-681 to VA T-1213**
Long-term: Reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (12-foot lanes).
- 56 VA-630 from VA-656 to Greenville County Line**
Long-term: Reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (11-foot lanes).
- 57 VA-626 from VA-40 to VA-35**
Long-term: Reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (10-foot lanes).
- 58 VA-654 from VA-655 to Waverly City Limits S.**
Long-term: Reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (11-foot lanes).
- 59 T-653 from T-606 to VA T-654**
Long-term: Reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (11-foot lanes).
- 60 VA-638 from VA-602 to Prince George Co. Line**
Long-term: Reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (10-foot lanes).
- 61 VA-623 from VA-602 to Prince George Co. Line**
Long-term: Reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (10-foot lanes).
- 62 VA-645 from VA-631 S to I-95**
Long-term: Reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (10-foot lanes).
- 63 VA-631 from VA-645 N to VA-735 W.**
Long-term: Reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (10-foot lanes).
- 64 T-620 from T-628 to Wakefield WCL**
Long-term: Reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (11-foot lanes).



SURRY COUNTY DEFICIENCIES

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| ● Intersection Deficiency | ● Segment Deficiency |
| ● Operation Deficiency | ● Operation Deficiency |
| ● Safety Deficiency | ● Safety Deficiency |
| ● Both Deficiencies | ● Geometric Deficiency |
| | ● Both Operation & Safety Deficiency |

- 65 US 460 (General Mahone Hwy.)/VA-602 (Cabin Point Rd.)**
Short-term: Install new pavement markings on VA-602; Long-term: Assess intersection for signal warrants
- 66 VA-40 from Dinwiddie Co. Line to VA-40 Business**
Short-term: Install deer warning signs; Long-term: Widen to 4 lanes.

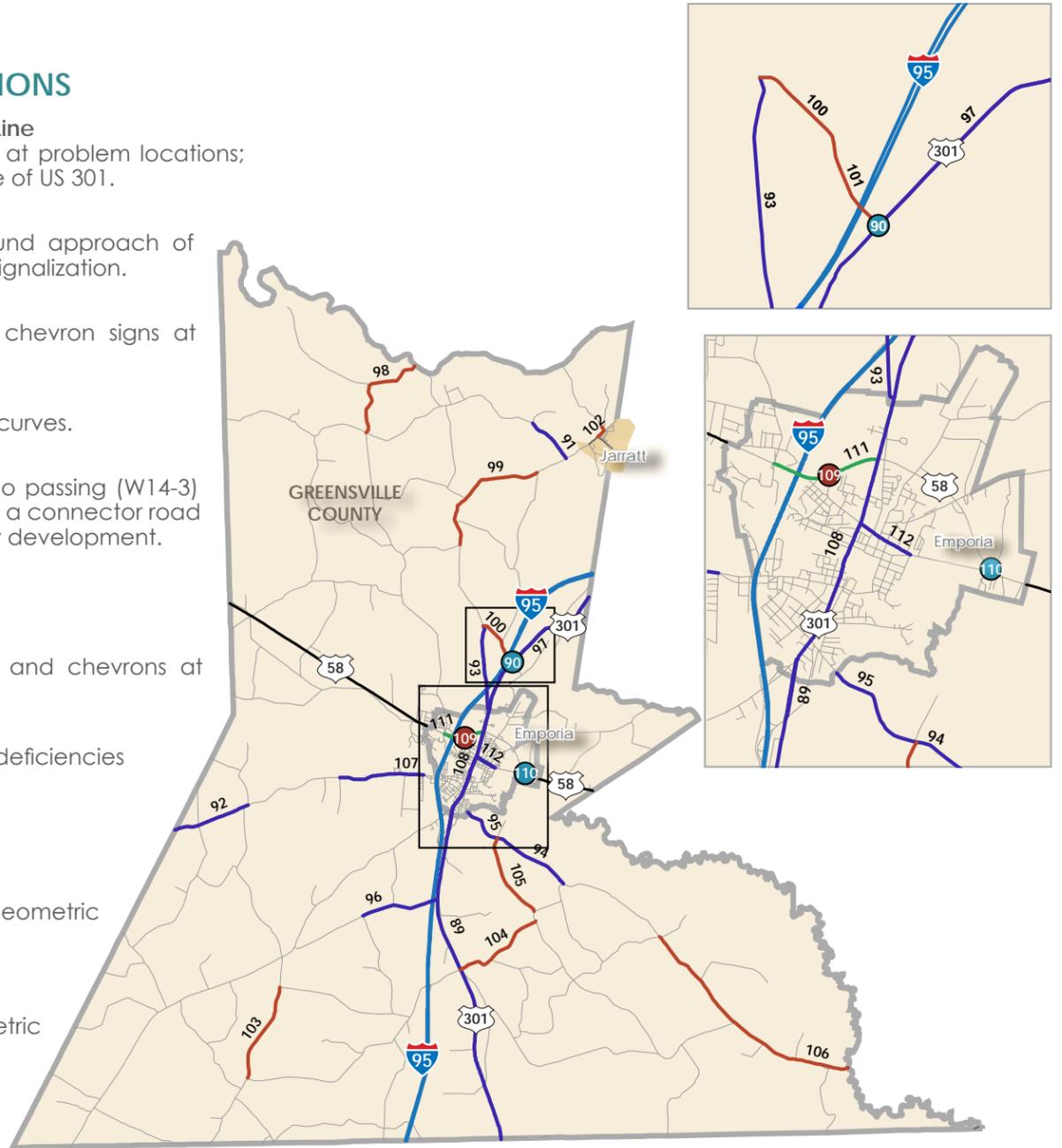
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- 67 VA-626 (Beaverdam Rd.)/VA-618 (Hollybush Rd.)**
Short-term: Install pavement markings including edge lines, centerline and stop bar. Repave the depression on the NE corner.
- 68 VA-10 (Colonial Trail E.)/VA-650 (Mount Ray Dr.)/Hog Island Rd.**
Short-term: Install advance intersection warning signs (W2 series) on VA-10; install pavement marking on northbound Mount Ray Dr.
- 69 VA-617 from VA-10 to VA-650**
Mid-term: Explore the feasibility of bike/trail system; Long-term: Reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (12-foot lanes).
- 70 VA-650 from VA-617 to James River**
Short-term: Install no passing (W14-3) and horizontal alignment (W2) signs at appropriate locations.
- 71 VA-31 from VA-10 N to VA-637**
Long-term: Reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (12-foot lanes).
- 72 VA-10 from VA T-1001 to Isle of Wight Co. Line**
Long-term: Reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (12-foot lanes).
- 73 VA-634 from VA-665 to VA-10 E.**
Long-term: Reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (12-foot lanes).
- 74 VA-626 from VA T-1001 to VA-616 S.**
Long-term: Reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (10-foot lanes).
- 75 VA-622 from VA-31 to VA-617 W.**
Long-term: Reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (11-foot lanes).

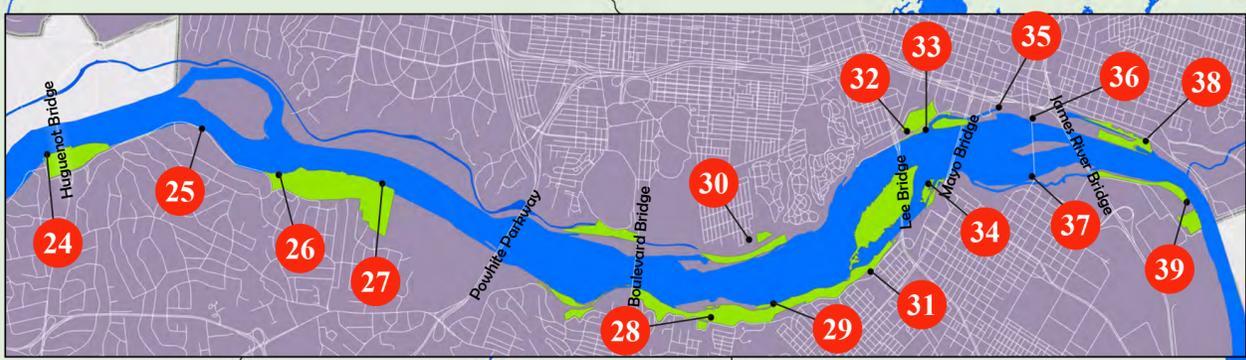
- 76 VA-617 from VA-622 E to VA-626**
Long-term: Reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (10-foot lanes).
- 77 VA-617 from VA-604 W to VA-618 E.**
Long-term: Reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (11-foot lanes).
- 78 VA-615 from VA-40 to VA-31**
Long-term: Reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (11-foot lanes).
- 79 VA-646 from VA-626 to VA-613**
Long-term: Reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (12-foot lanes).
- 80 VA-10 (Colonial Trail E.)/N. VA-31 (Rolfe Hwy.)**
Short-term: Improve signal timings at the intersection; Long-term: Develop bikeways.
- 81 VA-626 (Lebanon Rd.)/VA-618 (Southwark Rd.)**
Short-term: Reconstruct roadway to straighten curves, widen, and grade (improve horizontal and vertical alignment) and remove dips.
- 82 VA-627 (Moonlight Rd.) from VA-10 E. to 0.5 Mi. S. of VA-10**
Short-term: Widen road, improve ditches, straighten curve.
- 83 VA-617 (White Marsh Rd.) from VA-10 E. to 2.8 Mi. S. of VA-10**
Short-term: Reconstruct and widen the roadway, straighten curve.
- 84 VA-609 (Sunken Meadow Rd./River Rd.) from VA-626 to T11209**
Short-term: Rework road and improve curves.
- 85 VA-633 (Chippokes Farm Rd.) from VA-10 E. to VA-634**
Short-term: Reconstruct and widen roadway.
- 86 VA-616 (Golden Hill Rd.) from VA-10 E. to VA-632**
Short-term: Reconstruct roadway and straighten curve.
- 87 VA-634 (Highgate Rd.) from VA-10 E. to VA-633**
Short-term: Reconstruct and widen roadway.
- 88 VA-10 E. (Bacon Castle Trail) at VA-617 (Colonial E.)**
Short-term: Install a left-turn lane for eastbound VA-10.

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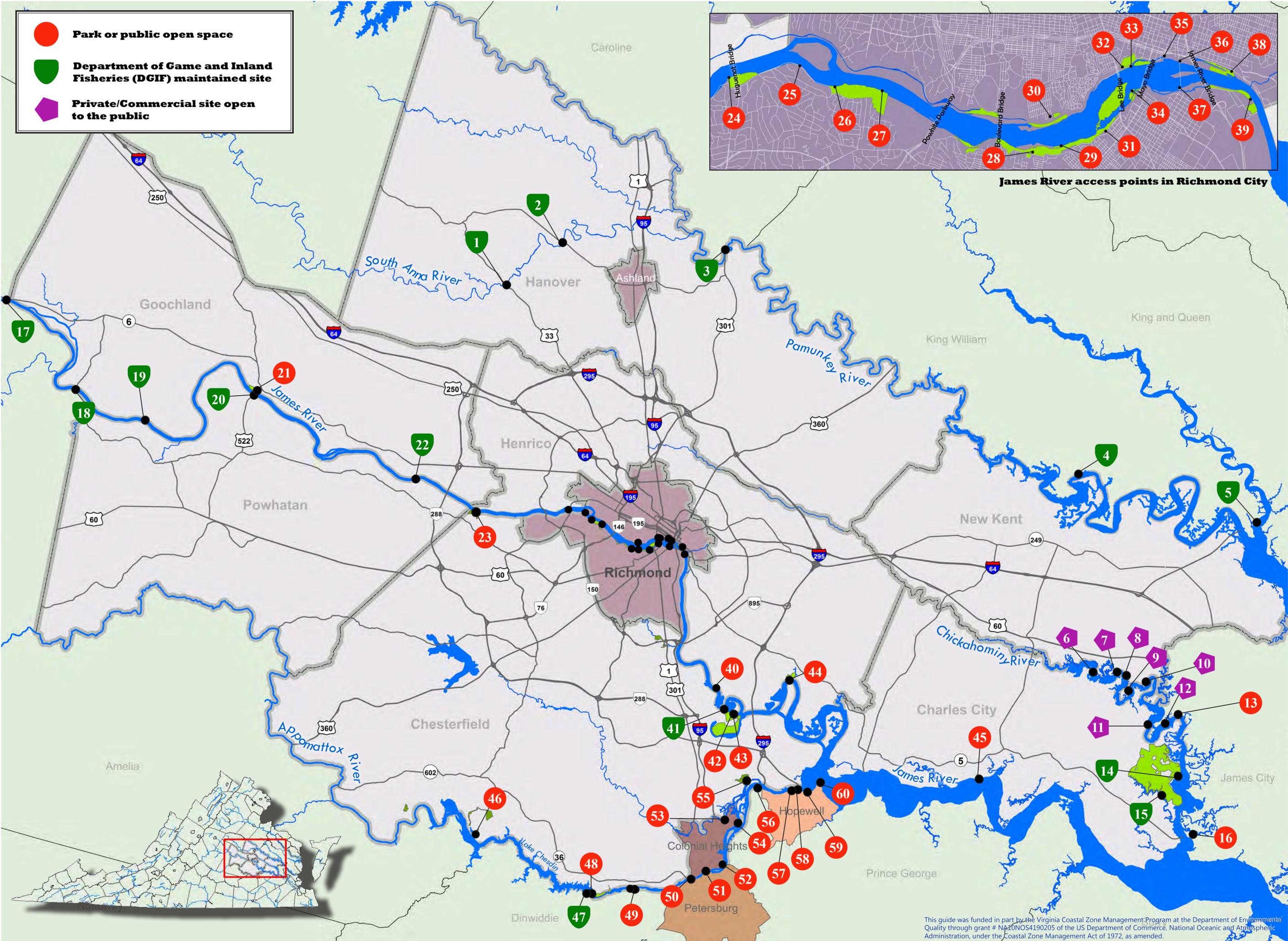
- 89 US 301 from North Carolina State Line to Sussex Co. Line**
Short-term: Install intersection safety improvements at problem locations; Mid-term: Construction of a sidewalk along east side of US 301.
- 90 US-301 (Sussex Dr.)/VA-614 (Otterdam Rd.)**
Short-term: Paint pavement markings on westbound approach of Otterdam Rd.; Mid-term: Assess the intersection for signalization.
- 91 VA-608 from VA-610 to VA-680**
Short-term: Install horizontal alignment (W1) and chevron signs at curves; stripe edge lines.
- 92 VA-611 from Brunswick Co. Line to VA-633**
Short-term: Install horizontal alignment (W1) signs at curves.
- 93 VA-610 from US 301 to VA-614**
Short-term: Install speed limit, curve warning and no passing (W14-3) signs at appropriate locations; Long-term: Construct a connector road from Slagles Lake Rd. to Purdy Rd. for access to new development.
- 94 VA-730 from VA-622 to VA-676**
Long-term: Replace bridge.
- 95 VA-730 from VA-622 to Emporia SCL.**
Short-term: Install horizontal alignment (W2) signs and chevrons at appropriate locations.
- 96 VA-639 from VA-650 to US 301**
Long-term: Reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (11-foot lanes). Repair bridge over Fountain Creek.
- 97 US 301 from VA-614 to VA-665**
Long-term: Replace bridge over CSX railroad.
- 98 VA-619 from Sussex Co. Line to VA-608**
Long-term: Reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (11-foot lanes).
- 99 VA-610 from VA-613 to VA-614**
Long-term: Reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (11-foot lanes).
- 100 VA-617 from VA-613 to VA-614**
Long-term: reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (11-foot lanes).
- 101 VA-614 from VA-617 to US 301**
Long-term: Reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (12-foot lanes).
- 102 VA-630 from VA-139 to VA-648**
Long-term: Reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (11-foot lanes).
- 103 VA-633 from VA-632 to VA-621**
Long-term: Reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (12-foot lanes).
- 104 VA-629 from VA-622 S to US 301**
Long-term: Reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (12-foot lanes).
- 105 VA-622 from VA-629 N to VA-730 W.**
Long-term: Reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (11-foot lanes).
- 106 VA-730 from VA-660 to Southampton Co. Line**
Long-term: Reconstruct road to address geometric deficiencies (11-foot lanes).
- 107 VA-611 from VA-658 to VA-643**
Short-term: Install raised pavement markers and rumble strips at appropriate locations.
- 108 US 301 from Brunswick Ave. to US 58 Bus.**
Short-term: Restripe pavement markings on Meherrin River bridge; Mid-term: Construction of a sidewalk along east side of US 301 (6 yr.); construction of signal at hospital entrance. (Emporia)
- 109 US 58 (W. Atlantic St.)/Market Dr. (US 58 Bus.)**
Short-term: Investigate possibility of installing crosswalks and pedestrian signals; Improve signal timings at the intersection; Mid-term: Provide second dedicated right turn lane on eastbound US 58 Bypass. (Emporia)
- 110 US 58 (W. Atlantic St.)/E. Atlantic St. (US 58 Bus.)**
Short-term: Enhance horizontal alignment, truck warning and stop ahead signs on VA-602; restripe pavement markings on VA-602. (Emporia)
- 111 US 58 (W. Atlantic St.) from VA-619 (Purdy Rd.) to US 301 Ramps**
Short-term: Extend right turn lanes at Market Dr. and Purdy Rd.; Long-term: Widen US 58 to six-lanes. (Emporia)
- 112 US 58 Bus. (E. Atlantic St.) from US 301 to Southampton Rd.**
Short-term: Intersection improvements at US 301; Mid-term: Reconstruction without added capacity. (Emporia)



- **Park or public open space**
- **Department of Game and Inland Fisheries (DGIF) maintained site**
- ◆ **Private/Commercial site open to the public**



James River access points in Richmond City



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Chickahominy

6 Eagle's Landing
(New Kent) A privately-owned fishing and boating facility on Chickahominy Lake in Providence Forge, Eagle's Landing offers fishing, boating and canoeing opportunities. The facility provides river and lake access and boat rentals.

Less than 1 mile south of US Rte 60 on Landing Rd / SR 650

7 Ed Allen's Campground
(New Kent) Privately-owned facility on Chickahominy Lake in Lanexa with fishing docks, boat rentals, restaurant and tackle shop. Separate campground offers cottage rentals, campsites for RVs and tents with utility hookups. The campground also offers a game room, convenience store, swimming pool and playground. (edallens.com)
Appx. 1 mile south of US Rte 60 on Railway Ln / Campground Rd

8 Rockahock Campground
(New Kent) Privately-owned RV park in Lanexa, offering fishing, boating, canoeing and swimming opportunities on the Chickahominy River. Marina with full-service slips, river and lake access and boat rentals. Walkers Dam Grill, Rocks River Roadhouse Tavern, a convenience store and a bait and tackle shop are among the amenities on-site. (rockahock.com)
Appx. 1.2 miles south of US Rte 60 on Outpost Rd

9 Riverside Campground
(New Kent) Privately-owned camping, fishing and boating facility on the Chickahominy River in Lanexa. RV and tent camping, cottages and picnic areas. The facility provides swimming, fishing, boating and canoeing access to the river. Boat rentals and docking also available. Camp store and bait and tackle shop on site. (riversidecamp2.com)
Appx. 3 miles south of US Rte 60 on Riverside Dr

10 Colonial Harbor Marina
(New Kent) Private, family-owned marina with boat ramp and docking, marine store with boating and fishing supplies and the Colonial Harbor Restaurant. The marina offers both short and long hauling of a wide variety of boats, a travel lift for vessels up to 8 tons, wet and dry storage and boat servicing. (colonialharbor.com)
Appx. 2 miles south of US Rte 60 on Marina Rd

11 River's Rest Motel and Marina
(Charles City) Formerly Hideaway Boat Landing, River's Rest is located on the banks of the Chickahominy River. This commercial facility offers fishing, birding, boating and hunting. On-site are motel accommodations, a restaurant, pool, picnic area and a store for fishing tackle, gas, drinks, and boating supplies. (riversrest.com)
From Rte 5 East travel northeast on Rte 615 / The Glebe Ln to Wilcox Neck Rd

12 Chickahominy Haven
(James City) A privately-owned and operated fishing and boating facility on the banks of the Chickahominy River. This location offers fishing, boating and canoeing opportunities on the river. The site includes a dock, slips and a convenience store.
Appx. 6 miles south of US Rte 60 on Otey Dr

13 Brickyard Landing
(James City) This public access site is located in James City County. The facility provides a location for launching motorized boats as well as canoes and kayaks. The facility has a scenic area for fishing and wildlife viewing. Located on-site are a public boat ramp and parking facilities. (jcegov.com)
Appx. 5.5 miles south of US Rte 60 on Brickyard Rd / SR 610

14 River Landing CWMA
(Charles City) This public access site is located within the Chickahominy Wildlife Management Area and managed by DGIF. This public landing provides direct access to the Chickahominy River. The public boat landing is not paved, giving it the nickname of "Mud Landing". Hiking, hunting and wildlife viewing opportunities are available in the area.
Appx. 6 miles north of VA Rte 5 on Eagles Nest Rd / SR 621

15 Morris Creek Landing
(Charles City) This public landing provides access to the Chickahominy River from Morris Creek. It is situated in the Chickahominy Wildlife Management Area and managed by DGIF. The public boat ramp and dock gives boating and fishing access to the creek and river. Hiking, hunting and wildlife viewing opportunities are available in the area.
Appx. 1 mile north of VA Rte 5 on Morris Creek Landing Rd

16 Chickahominy Riverfront Park
(James City) This 140-acre county park is located on the Chickahominy River near its confluence with the James River. The park has two outdoor swimming pools, a boat ramp, a fishing pier, camp sites and a small store. It is on the Virginia Capital Trail and close to the Chickahominy Wildlife Management Area. Kayaks, canoes and motor boats are available to rent. (jcegov.com/recreation/parks)
1350 John Tyler Hwy, James City

James

17 Columbia Landing
(Cumberland) This DGIF maintained site at the Old Columbia Road bridge is strictly for launching and landing motorized and non-motorized boats. Parking is only for vehicles associated with boaters. Concrete ramp.
Appx. a quarter mile south of River Road West / VA 6 on the south bank

18 Cartersville
(Cumberland) This DGIF maintained site at the Cartersville Road bridge is strictly for launching and landing motorized and non-motorized boats. Parking is only for vehicles associated with boaters. Concrete ramp.
From River Road West / VA 6 go south on Cartersville Rd / Rte 45 to the south bank

19 Westview
(Goochland) DGIF owns and maintains this site (surrounded by Westview on the James property), which is strictly for launching and landing motorized and non-motorized boats. Parking is only for vehicles associated with boaters. Concrete ramp.
Appx. 5 miles south of River Road West / VA 6 on Westview Rd / SR 643

20 Beaumont / Maidens Landing
(Powhatan) This DGIF maintained site at the Maidens Rd / Rte 522 bridge is strictly for launching and landing motorized and non-motorized boats. Parking is only for vehicles associated with boaters. Concrete ramp.
Appx. half a mile south of River Road West / VA 6 on Maidens Rd



21 Tucker Park
(Goochland) Formerly "Tucker Park at Maiden's Crossing", this park has a trail loop and a river access ramp is planned. It is a great place to get out and enjoy the river and the outdoors. (www.maidenscrossingpark.com)
Appx. 1/4 mile south of River Road West / VA 6 on Maidens Rd / SR 522

22 Watkins Landing
(Powhatan) This DGIF maintained site is strictly for launching and landing motorized and non-motorized boats. Parking is only for vehicles associated with boaters. Concrete ramp.
Appx. 1 mile north of Huguenot Trail / SR 711 on Watkins Landing Rd / SR 652

23 Robious Landing Park
(Chesterfield) An expansive and well-maintained, family-friendly park that has non-motorized boat access (jointly maintained by Chesterfield County and DGIF) and a fishing pier as well as hiking trails and volleyball courts. Picnic area includes tables, grill and restrooms. (chesterfield.gov)
Appx. 1/2 mile north of Robious Rd / VA 711 on James River Rd

24 Huguenot Flatwater
(Richmond, James River Park System) The western-most park in the James River Park System is a popular canoe and kayak launching site, jointly maintained by Richmond and DGIF. Water is flat and deep. (jamesriverpark.org)
Riverside Drive just west of the Huguenot Bridge

25 Riverside Meadows
(Richmond, James River Park System) A small section of the park, good for observing the river. Parking and other amenities can be found at Pony Pasture just to the east. No boat access. (jamesriverpark.org)
Riverside Drive between Huguenot Flatwater and Pony Pasture

26 Pony Pasture
(Richmond, James River Park System) One of the most popular access points in the James River Park System. Pony Pasture has access for canoes and kayaks, walking trails and space for picnicking and swimming. Large parking lot often becomes full on summer weekends. (jamesriverpark.org)
Riverside Drive (access from Forest Hill Ave at Hathaway or at Huguenot Bridge)

27 The Wetlands
(Richmond, James River Park System) Just downstream from Pony Pasture but much quieter, the Wetlands offer an opportunity to walk through the woods to reach a nice spot on the river. Excellent spot for bird watching. Parking on cul-de-sac is approximately 1/3 of a mile from the river. Just downstream from Pony Pasture at the end of Landria Dr

28 43rd Street
(Richmond, James River Park System) A well-known site for relaxing and exploring the James River. Swimming, fishing and picnicking are the predominant activities, as well as walking along the access road that stretches from the Boulevard Bridge to Belle Isle. Accessing the river requires climbing and jumping from rock to rock. Wear shoes with good traction. Parking lot is often closed; street parking available. (jamesriverpark.org)
Riverside Drive north of Forest Hill Park

29 Reedy Creek
(Richmond, James River Park System) A popular site in the James River Park System, Reedy Creek offers a non-motorized boat put-in/put-out that is the beginning or end of many an inner-city boating or tubing trip. This is also the location of the park system headquarters and nature center. (jamesriverpark.org)
Just off Riverside Dr. across from Hillcrest Rd

30 North Bank Park
(Richmond, James River Park System) A popular summertime hangout, often called "Texas Beach" for the small sandy beach. The trail that leads to multiple small openings in the trees for more river access leads all along the north section of the park. Requires a short hike down to the river from the parking lot. (jamesriverpark.org)
Parking lot at the end of Texas Ave, not far from Maymont

31 22nd Street
(Richmond, James River Park System) This spot offers foot/bike access to the south side of Belle Isle via a service bridge. Parking lot is often closed, but street parking is available. (jamesriverpark.org)
Just off Riverside Dr. across from 22nd St

32 Belle Isle
(Richmond, James River Park System) Arguably the best known access point to the James River in Richmond, Belle Isle is accessible from the north side via a graceful suspension bridge under the Lee Bridge. Walking and biking trails circulate around the island, passing crumbling building structures from times past as well as many rocky areas where one can sunbathe or wade in the river. (jamesriverpark.org)
Parking lot on Tredegar St downtown

33 Tredegar St / Brown's Island
(Richmond) Between the American Civil War Center at the former Tredegar Iron Works and the popular event venue at Brown's Island there is a small sandy beach with a great view of the river. Crowded on the weekends but calmer on the week days. (jamesriverpark.org)
Tredegar St downtown, park in Belle Isle lot on north side of street

34 Manchester Park
(Richmond, James River Park System) A great opportunity for rock climbing in the city, on the pilings of the former Richmond and Petersburg Railroad Bridge.
Parking on Semmes Ave at the floodwall parking lot (jamesriverpark.org)

35 Pipeline / Trestle Trail
(Richmond, James River Park System) This access point is best known for its views of the Great Blue Heron rookery in the spring. Reaching the island requires climbing down a metal ladder and walking across a grated catwalk on the pipeline. (jamesriverpark.org)
At the southern end of 12th St downtown

36 14th St / Mayo Takeout
(Richmond, James River Park System) This site is solely for launching and landing non-motorized boats. Limited parking, changing room, and portable toilet. (jamesriverpark.org)
Access on the northern end of the 14th St / Mayo Bridge

37 Floodwalk Park
(Richmond, James River Park System) This site offers access to Richmond's floodwall, which was built to keep rising river waters from flooding the lowest parts of the City. On the south side of the wall, stairs lead to the top with beautiful views of the river. On the north side of the wall there is informal river access. From this park the walk connects along the top of the floodwall to the west and along the riverbank to the east. (jamesriverpark.org)
Hull St. just south of the 14th St / Mayo Bridge

38 Great Shiplock Park
(Richmond, James River Park System) What is now the Great Shiplock Park was once a maritime industrial center. Torpedo boats were built at the Trigg Shipyard on Chapel Island, and the locks mark the beginning of Richmond's once-thriving canal system. Cross the locks to access a sandy river beach next to the ruins of the shipyard. This is also Richmond's first segment of the Virginia Capital Trail, an off-road greenway which will eventually stretch all the way to Williamsburg. (jamesriverpark.org)
Dock and Pear Sts, Richmond

Warning!

Fish caught in Virginia's waters, especially east of I-95 in Richmond, may have high levels of toxins known to cause cancer when eaten. Large fish, such as catfish, are most susceptible.

For more information call 804-864-8192 or review the Virginia Department of Health's fish consumption advisories online. (www.vdh.virginia.gov)

39 Ancarrow's Landing
(Richmond, James River Park System) A popular fishing spot, especially when the shad run. Concrete ramp for motorized and non-motorized boats is jointly maintained by JRPS and DGIF. This is also the beginning of the Richmond Slave Trail. (jamesriverpark.org)
Located at the end of Brander St. off Maury St, beyond the floodwall

40 Osborne Park and Boat Landing
(Henrico) This 26-acre park provides something for everyone. There are multiple boat ramps and docks, as well as a fishing pier maintained by DGIF. There is also a covered gathering pavillion, as well as restrooms, benches, swings, and almost a mile of paved walking trails through the woods.
Intersection of Kingsland Rd and Osborne Tpk

41 Dutch Gap Boat Landing
(Chesterfield) This site is jointly maintained by DGIF and Chesterfield County, and is adjacent to the Dutch Gap Conservation Area. Located near Henricus Historical Park, it provides access to the James River for motorized and non-motorized boats, as well as a pier for fishing.
From Jeff Davis Hwy take Osborne Rd to Coxendale Rd

42 Dutch Gap Conservation Area
(Chesterfield) The Dutch Gap Conservation Area surrounds Henricus Historical Park and provides 810 acres of diverse woods, wetlands and wildlife. Bordered by the James River, the area includes a blue heron rookery in the marsh as well as a 4.5-mile multi-use trail that circumnavigates the tidal lagoon as well as a water trail accessible to canoes and kayaks. The lagoon water trail map can be downloaded from the Chesterfield County website. Dutch Gap provides a boat landing to the James River. The Conservation Area shares a parking lot with Henricus Historical Park. (chesterfield.gov)
From Jefferson Davis Hwy take Osborne Rd to Coxendale Rd

43 Henricus Historical Park
(Chesterfield) This 32-acre park boasts a replicated village from circa 1611, when the City of Henricus, the second permanent English settlement in the New World, thrived on the site. In addition to opportunities to explore the village, the bluff offers spectacular views of the river and an observation deck, though there is no direct river access at this site. (henricus.org)
From Jeff Davis Hwy take Osborne Rd to Coxendale Rd

44 Deep Bottom Park
(Henrico) This site is maintained by both DGIF and the County of Henrico, and includes a concrete ramp for launching and landing motorized and non-motorized boats and a short pier for fishing, as well as picnic tables and restrooms.
From Rte 5 take Kingsland Rd south to Deep Bottom Rd

45 Lewis Park / Wilcox Wharf
(Charles City) This 24-acre park provides the only north side public access to the James River for approximately 36 miles between Henrico and James City Counties. Park amenities include picnic area, restrooms, fishing pier and a short swamp boardwalk leading to a wooded trail. Great place for fishing, bird watching and picnicking. The park has separate entrances for the upper and lower levels - don't miss half the park!
Just south of VA Rte 5 on Wilcox Wharf Rd

Leaves of three, leave them be!!

Know how to identify and avoid Poison Ivy.

Appomattox

46 Chesdin Landing Park
(Chesterfield) Public, non-motorized boat access area with access to Lake Chesdin. (chesterfield.gov)
21900 Lake Chesdin Parkway

47 Lake Chesdin
(Dinwiddie) This DGIF maintained site has a large fishing pier in addition to concrete boat ramp for launching and landing motorized and non-motorized boats. Parking is for boaters and fishermen only. Note: Lake Chesdin is a dammed portion of the Appomattox River with no connection to the free-flowing river.
Located at the end of Chesdin Lake Rd / SR 776

48 Appomattox River Canoe Launch
(Chesterfield) Located in the Radcliffe Appomattox River Conservation Area, this site is good for launching canoes and kayaks, as well as fishing, picnicking and hiking on the 1.5 miles of trails. Just below the dam, across from the Lake Chesdin boat launch site. Plenty of parking. Road closed dusk to dawn. (chesterfield.gov)
Located at the end of Chesdin Rd / SR 699

49 Appomattox Riverside Park
(Dinwiddie) This park, also called Fendale Park, offers access to both the river and a system of historic canals. Cross the canal and reach the natural riverbank after a short hike, or walk a mile and a half west along the canal. Paddlers can paddle up the canal and back down the river to the takeout, forming a circuit. (folar-va.org)
Just off Fendale Rd / SR 600

50 Squaw Alley
(Petersburg) Within walking distance of Old Towne Petersburg and VSU campus, this pleasant, well-kept park has ample room to relax by the river, as well as access to the Appomattox River Heritage Trail. (folar-va.org)
Off Grove Ave, near Old Town Petersburg

51 Pocahontas Island
(Petersburg) Public, non-motorized boat access area with access to the Appomattox River Heritage Trail. (folar-va.org)
Off Rolfe St, near Old Town Petersburg

52 Roslyn Landing Park
(Colonial Heights) This park has a ramp for launching small boats and a pier for fishing, as well as the first phase of the Colonial Heights Appomattox River Trail system. (folar-va.org)
From Temple Lake Dr to E Roslyn Rd

53 White Bank Park
(Colonial Heights) 22 acres of park overlook Swift Creek with a DGIF maintained concrete ramp for motorized and non-motorized boats and a pier for fishing. (colonial-heights.com)
Across from Tussing School on White Bank Park Rd

54 Berberich / Fort Clifton Park
(Colonial Heights) 24 acres overlooking the Appomattox; a short hike leads to a fishing area and a pier with benches. Great place for birding, hiking, fishing, or just being in the woods. (colonial-heights.com)
Behind Tussing School on Brockwell Ln

55 Point of Rocks Park
(Chesterfield) 188-acre park features a variety of activities, including access to the Appomattox River via a system of trails through the woods, with a boardwalk over a tidal marsh. (chesterfield.gov)
201 Enon Church Rd, Chester

56 Appomattox River Regional Park
(Prince George) Over 50 acres of pristine woods on the river featuring 1.5 miles of trail, this recently created park offers fishing, bird watching and hiking as well as picnic pavilions and restrooms. (folar-va.org)
1052 River Rd, Adjacent to Riverside Regional Jail

57 Weston Plantation
(Hopewell) Historic plantation on the river is open for tours year-round, with a fishing pier open to the public free of charge. (historichopewell.org/weston-plantation)
400 Weston Ln at 21st Ave

58 Hopewell Marina
(Hopewell) Public, city-maintained marina has slips and ramps for motorized boats and non-motorized boats, as well as a separate fishing pier, an overlook and picnic tables. Nominal daily launch fee or season passes available. (hopewellva.gov)
Riverside Ave under Rte 10 bridge

59 City Park
(Hopewell) A small park with a big view, this is a popular spot for launching canoes and kayaks into the tidal Appomattox. Shallow bay is great for day trips. (hopewellva.gov)
Appomattox St near the public library

60 Old City Point Park
(Hopewell) A beautiful park with expansive views of the confluence of the Appomattox and the James Rivers. Walking trail, boardwalk, benches, picnic tables, a gazebo and restrooms. This popular fishing spot sits adjacent to the Eppes Plantation, in the oldest part of Hopewell.
Located at the end of Cedar Rd

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SAFETY TIPS:

- Wear a life jacket while on the river (required by law when the river is over 5') and don't swim or boat alone.
- High waters can be very dangerous! Check the river levels before starting out (call 804-646-8228 ext 4).
- Protect yourself from the sun! Wear a hat and sunscreen and bring lots of water.
- Know where you are! Research your route beforehand and bring a map or GPS.
- In Richmond City, the river above Reedy Creek is safer for beginning boaters and tubers, while below Reedy Creek is just for expert boaters.
- If you are swept down river, keep your feet floating in front of you downstream to keep them from getting caught below water and to protect your head.
- In an emergency, call 911.

For further information, please visit these websites:

- [Friends of the Lower Appomattox River: www.folar-va.org](http://www.folar-va.org)
- [James River Association \(extensive James River Water Trail Maps\): www.jamesriverassociation.org](http://www.jamesriverassociation.org)
- [James River Outdoor Coalition: www.jroc.net](http://www.jroc.net)
- [James River Park System: www.jamesriverpark.org](http://www.jamesriverpark.org)
- [Mattaponi and Pamunkey Rivers Association: www.mpra.org](http://www.mpra.org)
- [Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation: www.dcr.virginia.gov](http://www.dcr.virginia.gov)
- [Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries: www.dgif.virginia.gov/boating/access/](http://www.dgif.virginia.gov/boating/access/)



NOTES:

- All parks and public access points are open sunrise to sunset, unless otherwise noted.
- Location notes are not meant to be driving directions! Find detailed directions before starting out.
- At DGIF sites, fishermen must yield to boaters.



South Anna

1 Ground Squirrel Bridge
(Hanover) This DGIF maintained site offers simple river access at the side of the bridge by which Rte 33 crosses the South Anna. Concrete hand-carry ramp. Parking only for vehicles associated with fishing or boating activities.
Mountain Rd / Rte 33 between Scotchtown and Farrington Rds

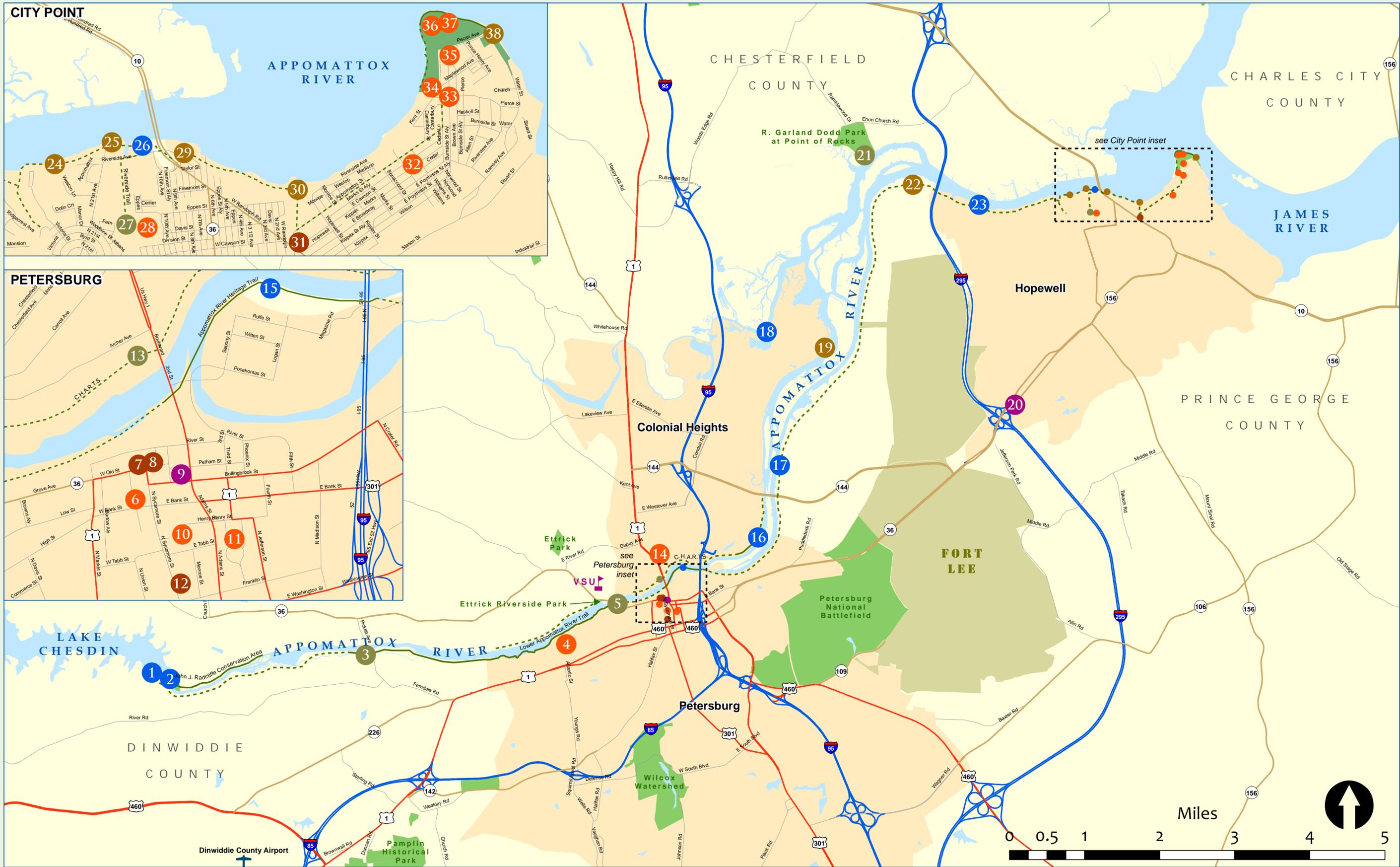
2 Patrick Henry
(Hanover) This DGIF maintained site offers simple river access at the side of the bridge by which Rte 54 crosses the South Anna. Concrete hand-carry ramp. Parking only for vehicles associated with fishing or boating activities.
4.5 miles west of Ashland on Patrick Henry Rd / Rte 54

Pamunkey

3 Little Page Bridge
(Hanover) This DGIF maintained site is strictly for launching and landing motorized and non-motorized boats. Parking is only for vehicles associated with boaters. Wooden ramp.
Hanover Courthouse Rd / Rte 301 bridge

4 Lestor Manor
(King William) Just downstream from the Pamunkey Indian reservation, this DGIF maintained site is strictly for launching and landing motorized and non-motorized boats. Parking is only for vehicles associated with boaters. Concrete ramp and short pier.
Off Powhatan Trail / SR 633 on White's Landing Rd

5 West Point
(King William) This DGIF maintained site provides access to the lower, tidal Pamunkey River via the Mattaponi. Large fishing pier and seasonal restrooms. This site, as other DGIF boat landings, restricts the use to fishing, boating and parking for these activities. Concrete ramp.
Town of West Point, off Rte 33



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| Water Feature | Cultural Site | Existing Trail | U.S. Route |
| Outdoor Recreation | Historic Site | Proposed Trail | State Route |
| Overlook | Visitor Center | Interstate | Local Roadway |

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1 LAKE CHESDIN BOAT RAMP

Lake Chesdin is a 3,100-acre water supply reservoir on the Chesterfield-Dinwiddie County line administered by the Appomattox River Water Authority. Chesdin is a very productive lake that offers excellent largemouth bass fishing, good crappie fishing (both black and white) in spring and fall, and a great channel catfish fishery. The public boat ramp and handicap-accessible fishing pier are open 24 hours a day.

Chesdin Lake Road (Dinwiddie County)

2 APPOMATTOX RIVER CANOE LAUNCH

Woodlands of maple, sycamore, sweetgum, oak, ash, and pine surround the launch site, which includes a paved parkway with picnic facilities. The woodlands serve as habitat for a variety of birds, as do the open fields just north of the park. From the boat launch, look for spotted sandpiper on the rocks and fish-eating birds such as belted kingfisher. A short trip to the road's end will allow you to scan the reservoir for osprey and wintering waterfowl.

21400 Chesdin Road (Chesterfield County)

3 APPOMATTOX RIVERSIDE PARK

The Appomattox River is a Virginia State Scenic River and deservedly so. Spectacular views of the river are obtainable from the trails that begin at the old visitor's center. The mosaic of habitats should be attractive to wildlife during any season. Look for mallards and other waterfowl, great blue heron, bald eagle and osprey all hunting and feeding along the river. American sycamore is the dominant tree species in the riparian zone. Shrubby vegetation along the banks provides both shelter and food for birds such as northern cardinal, Carolina wren, eastern towhee and yellow-rumped warbler. A maintained power line cut is heavily vegetated with warm season grasses, broad-leaf herbs and small shrubs. The sustained early successional habitat attracts many types of birds, such as sparrows feeding on seed heads, especially in the fall. Return to the parking lot and explore the mixed woodlands where pine warblers can be heard making their presence known to prospective mates. Woodpeckers, including pileated, downy, and red-bellied, work the woods in search of hidden insect larvae. Also look for tufted titmouse, Carolina chickadee, American crow, fish crow, and ruby-crowned kinglet.

Ferndale Road (Dinwiddie County)

4 BATTERSEA

Built in 1768 on the banks of the Appomattox River for Colonel John Banister, Petersburg's first mayor, Revolutionary War Patriot and framer of the Articles of Confederation, Battersea is an important colonial urban villa. It is built in the neo-Palladian style that was popularized in England in the eighteenth century and embraced in Colonial Virginia, and features a spectacular Chinese Chippendale staircase. Each year on the third weekend in April, Battersea is the setting of a commemorative reenactment of the Battle of Petersburg fought on April 25, 1781.

1289 Upper Appomattox Street (Petersburg)

5 PATTON PARK

A passive recreation area filled with walking and jogging trails. The park also features a picnic area, pavilion, barbecue pits, and a New England-style covered bridge.

Squaw Alley (Petersburg)

6 SIEGE MUSEUM

Housed in the ca. 1839 Exchange Building, the Siege Museum interprets civilian life in Petersburg before, during, and immediately after the Civil War. Through artifacts, documents and photographs, emphasis is given to the ten-month siege of Petersburg (June 1864 - April 1865) - the longest period of time that an American city has been under a military siege. The exhibition illustrates how the siege impacted civilian life in Petersburg.

15 West Bank Street (Petersburg)

7 SYCAMORE ROUGE THEATRE

Sycamore Rouge is a performing arts organization located in the heart of Old Towne Petersburg that produces over 200 events annually, including show stopping jazz performances, Parisian-style cabaret, live theatre and classic films. Sycamore Rouge is dedicated to enriching the region by encouraging involvement in the arts. It includes a relaxed dining area and lounge with world-class gourmet creations inspired by European bistros and Parisian sidewalk cafes.

21 West Old Street (Petersburg)

8 PETERSBURG AREA ART LEAGUE

The Petersburg Area Art League showcases the works of local artists through exhibitions that change on the second Friday of each month to coincide with the "Friday For The Arts!" event in Old Towne Petersburg. The local artists create works in oils, watercolors, acrylics, pastels, jewelry, sculpture and mixed media. For over 70 years resident artists have conducted art lessons on-site for local students. Original works and prints are available for sale.

7 East Old Street (Petersburg)

9 PETERSBURG DOWNTOWN VISITOR CENTER

Located in the historic Farmers' Bank, ca. 1817, one of only a few bank museums in the U.S., the Visitors' Center offers one-stop shopping including statewide tourist literature, local real estate information, and maps.

19 Bollingbrook Street (Petersburg)

10 PETERSBURG COURTHOUSE

The Petersburg Courthouse, built between 1837 and 1839, was the official Confederate headquarters during the Siege of Petersburg. On April 20, 1861, local volunteers formed in its square to enlist. On June 9, 1864, its bell sounded the warning for the local militia to meet the advancing Union cavalry. During the Siege, soldiers from both sides could see the courthouse clock from the trenches and they set their timepieces by it. The clock tower was a favorite target of Union artillery, who poured an estimated 20,000 shells into the city. When Petersburg fell on April 3, 1865 a Union flag waved above it.

150 North Sycamore Street (Petersburg)

11 CENTRE HILL MANSION

Built in 1823 by Robert Bolling IV, Centre Hill Mansion remained an opulent Petersburg residence until 1936. The interior features outstanding examples of Greek revival architectural ornamentation as well as earlier Federal style and later Colonial Revival style architectural modifications. Through guided tours, visitors learn about the history of Centre Hill, including its role during the Civil War and the two Presidential visits to the house. Examples of eighteenth, nineteenth and twentieth century decorative arts, many from the Petersburg area, are also exhibited. Visitors can also view the tunnel, constructed in the 1840s that led from the back of the house to nearby Henry Street.

1 Centre Hill Avenue (Petersburg)

12 PETERSBURG REGIONAL ARTS CENTER

Housed in an historic structure built in 1858, the Art Center is a facility where local and regional artists create and showcase their work. The public is invited to view the ever changing exhibits, meet the artists and purchase their works.

132 North Sycamore Street (Petersburg)

13 APPAMATUCK PARK

This planned park will have a canoe and kayak launch, fishing pier, recreational facilities and a trailhead, as well as be part of the Colonial Heights Appomattox River Trail System (C.H.A.R.T.S.).

Archer Avenue (Colonial Heights)

14 VIOLET BANK MUSEUM

With an interpretive period spanning over half a century, from 1815 to 1873, the Museum maintains a wide array of artifacts: guns, furniture, glass & ceramics, textiles, accoutrements, books, swords, and other items. Owned and operated by the City of Colonial Heights, The Violet Bank Museum boasts some of the most sophisticated and beautiful Adam-style ceiling moldings in the country, as well as original woodwork, doors, fireplaces and floors. Violet Bank served as General Robert E. Lee's Headquarters from June 8, 1864 to November 1, 1864.

300 Virginia Avenue (Colonial Heights)

15 POCAHONTAS ISLAND

Named after the legendary Indian Princess, Pocahontas Island is Petersburg's earliest predominantly African-American neighborhood. Home to the largest populations of free African Americans during the 1800's. John Stewart, who was born on the 66-acre island in 1943, purchased an 18th century house there in 2002 and began collecting and amassing artifacts related to black history. By 2004, he had collected enough items to open the house as the Pocahontas Island Museum. It includes everything from a mysterious military trunk to photographs of the headstones of free slaves of Pocahontas Island. On the National Register of Historic Places. There is a public park and non-motorized boat access area.

Rolfe Street (Petersburg)

16 ROSLYN LANDING PARK

This park has a ramp for launching small boats and a pier for fishing, as well as the first phase of the Colonial Heights Appomattox River Trail system.

East Roslyn Road (Colonial Heights)

17 APPOMATTOX SMALL BOAT HARBOR

Privately-owned but publicly accessible. Slips and ramp available for a variety of boats.

1604 Fine Street (Prince George County)

18 WHITE BANK PARK

The park consists of 22 acres which overlook Swift Creek, and is located across from Tussing Elementary School on White Bank Park Road. The park includes two picnic pavilions which accommodate 200 - 300 people each, and 8 individual picnic shelters for smaller groups.

White Bank Park Road (Colonial Heights)

19 FORT CLIFTON PARK

Fort Clifton was a Confederate stronghold on the Appomattox River, serving as an important link in the line that defended Richmond and Petersburg in 1864 and 1865. Located on a high bluff at the junction of the Appomattox River and Swift Creek, the fort controlled navigation on the river north of Petersburg and was a formidable defensive bastion that wasn't taken by Union forces until the fall of Petersburg on April 3, 1865.

5501 Conduit Road (Colonial Heights)

20 HOPEWELL VISITOR CENTER

The Hopewell Visitor Center offers one-stop shopping including statewide tourist literature, local real estate information, maps, snacks, beverages and a gift shop.

4100 Oaklawn Boulevard (Hopewell)

21 POINT OF ROCKS PARK

Point of Rocks Park offers 3 miles of trails providing access to several habitats, including eastern deciduous forest, the banks of the Appomattox River, and tidal freshwater marsh. The forest edge may be entered from several parking lots behind the tennis courts where there are also picnic facilities. The trails through the forest offer viewing access for a variety of typical eastern birds. As the forest trails yield to the freshwaters of Ashton Creek Marsh, the trail continues as a floating boardwalk. The boardwalk provides an excellent place to study a number wetland birds and dragonflies. Watch the marsh for wetland songbirds such as swamp sparrows and common yellowthroat in addition to the waders and bald eagles.

201 Enon Church Road (Chesterfield County)

22 APPOMATTOX RIVER REGIONAL PARK

Over 50 acres of pristine woods on the river holding 1.5 miles of trail, this recently created park offers fishing, bird watching, hiking, picnic pavilions, a canoe/kayak launch, an observation pier, and restrooms.

River Road (Prince George County)

23 ANCHOR POINT MARINA

The Anchor Point Marina, a separate facility to serve both Anchor Point residents and the general public, provides wet/ dry slips, and small boats/ canoes are welcomed. Future plans include additional dry storage slips, two private lakes, a recreation center with tennis courts, swimming pool and walking trails.

303 Beacon Ridge Drive (Hopewell)

24 WESTON PLANTATION

Listed on the National Register of Historical Places, Weston Plantation is considered notable for preserving much of its original interior, especially its distinctive moldings, wainscoting and chair rails. The main house was built in 1789 and overlooks the Appomattox River. It has been described by one Virginia historian as a classic example of Virginia Georgian architecture and the very essence of the Tidewater plantation mansion. All three floors and the kitchen dependency are furnished with antiques and reproductions and open to the public through guided tours. It has a fishing pier open to the public free of charge.

21st Avenue and Weston Lane (Hopewell)

25 RIVERSIDE HARBOR

A picnic pavilion overlooking the Appomattox River with large swings, a picnic shelter, picnic tables, an open play area, and parking.

910 North 21st Street (Hopewell)

26 HOPEWELL MARINA

Public, city-maintained marina has slips and ramps for motorized boats and non-motorized boats, as well as a separate pier, an overlook and picnic tables.

1051 Riverside Avenue (Hopewell)

27 RIVERSIDE PARK

A Specialty Park with basketball courts, tennis courts, water fountain, baseball/softball, an open play area, restrooms and parking.

12th Avenue and Division Street (Hopewell)

28 CITY POINT NATIONAL CEMETERY

City Point (today's Hopewell) served as General Grant's headquarters during the Siege of Petersburg. Seven hospitals there administered most of the care for the injured and mortally wounded. Casualties were originally interred in burial grounds near the hospitals. Later they were re-interred at City Point National Cemetery. More than 5,200 Federals are buried there, including at least 1,000 African-Americans who died fighting for the Union. The cemetery was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1995.

10th Avenue at Davis Street (Hopewell)

29 EVERGREEN OVERLOOK

This river overlook provides opportunities to view wildlife including eagles, ospreys and great blue herons. The site is accessible from Riverside Drive off Randolph Road near the C. Hardaway Marks Bridge. The overlook has a view of the Appomattox River as it flows toward its confluence with the James River.

Riverside Drive and Randolph Road (Hopewell)

30 CITY PARK

Located off of Appomattox Street across from the new Appomattox Regional Library. Trails, benches, fishing, a walking bridge crossing and a wonderful view of the Appomattox River.

205 Appomattox Street (Hopewell)

31 BEACON THEATRE

One of Hopewell's most visible landmarks, the Beacon Theatre opened in 1928 and captured the hearts of film goers until its closing in 1981. An ambitious restoration effort begun in 1987 has made it a one-of-a-kind entertainment and meetings venue. The completely remodeled reception area, conference center and grand ballroom feature soaring cathedral ceilings, expansive picture windows, distinctive Brazilian cherry hardwood floors and Italian tile work. The facility hosts a year-round schedule of musical, artistic and performing arts events, as well as weddings, balls and corporate meetings. The final phase of the Beacon's transformation will be the restoration of the 637-seat, art deco theatre as a multipurpose performing arts center.

401 North Main Street (Hopewell)

32 UNION FORT

Specialty Park/historical area and gazebo, located at Appomattox Street, with picnic tables, horseshoes and an open play area.

Appomattox Street (Hopewell)





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[Friends of the Lower Appomattox River: www.folar-va.org](http://www.folar-va.org)

[Petersburg Area Regional Tourism: www.petersburgarea.org](http://www.petersburgarea.org)

[Colonial Heights Appomattox River Trail System: www.colonialheightstrails.org](http://www.colonialheightstrails.org)

[Crater Planning District Commission: www.craterpdc.org](http://www.craterpdc.org)

[Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation: www.dcr.virginia.gov](http://www.dcr.virginia.gov)

[Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries: www.dgif.virginia.gov](http://www.dgif.virginia.gov)