

Welcome to Our River Towns



Nestled on the shores of Pennsylvania's majestic Susquehanna River, the historic river towns of Columbia, Marietta and Wrightsville once prospered as industrial and transportation centers. Today these towns are thriving gateways to the great outdoors of the Susquehanna Riverlands—the ribbon of scenic and historic river landscapes shared by Lancaster and York Counties.

The Susquehanna River Towns and near-by areas offer a variety of parks, preserves and trails for all ages, interests and skill levels. We invite you to explore our River Towns and Riverlands to find your special place for outdoor adventure!



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Great Places to Start Your Outdoor Adventure



Columbia Crossing River Trails Center

Columbia Crossing River Trails Center is a convenient place to start your visit to the Susquehanna Riverlands. Located in Columbia River Park at the southern trailhead for the Northwest Lancaster County River Trail, this beautiful riverfront visitor education center is managed by Susquehanna Heritage for the Borough of Columbia.

Columbia Crossing features visitor information, maps, guides, special exhibits and programs about the Susquehanna River and Columbia. The facility also offers visitors year-round public restrooms and a large covered front porch for picnics and watching the river—especially the beautiful sunsets!

Columbia Crossing is on the former site of a lumber yard once owned by William Whipper, a founder of the Underground Railroad. Columbia Borough is rich in history and culture, with museums, galleries, antique stores, and restaurants only a short walk from the river.



Columbia Crossing River Trails Center

Managed by Susquehanna Heritage for Columbia Borough
41 Walnut Street, Columbia, PA 17512
info@columbiacrossing.org 717-449-5607

Regular Hours (October—April):

Wed—Sat: 10:00 AM—4:00 PM
Sun: 12:00 PM—4:00 PM

Summer Hours (May—September):

Tues—Thurs: 10:00 AM—5:00 PM
Fri—Sun: 9:00 AM—6:00 PM



Zimmerman Center for Heritage

Visit the Zimmerman Center to hike, paddle, view river art, and learn about river history. This site on the York County riverfront offers an historic house, heritage walkway, waterfront pavilion, boardwalk, paddlecrafft launch, floating dock, and trailhead for exploring the adjacent 180-acre Native Lands County Park.

The 18th century home was restored by John and Kathryn Zimmerman, who donated the property to Susquehanna Heritage in 2007. The house hosts a display of Susquehannock Indian artifacts, along with historic items found on-site during the restoration.

The Zimmerman Center has been designated by the National Park Service as Pennsylvania's official visitor contact and passport station for the Captain John Smith Chesapeake National Historic Trail. This one-of-a-kind water heritage trail traces 3000 miles of waterways that flow into and through the Chesapeake Bay, including the Susquehanna River. Visit the center for your National Park Passport stamp!



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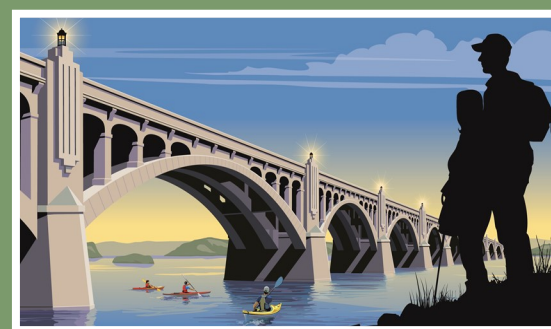
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Regular Hours (March—October):

Wed—Sat: 10:00 AM—4:00 PM
Grounds & Waterfront: Dawn-Dusk Every Day/All Year

Winter Hours (November—February):

Wed—Fri: 10:00 AM—4:00 PM
1st Saturday of Month: 10:00 AM—4:00 PM



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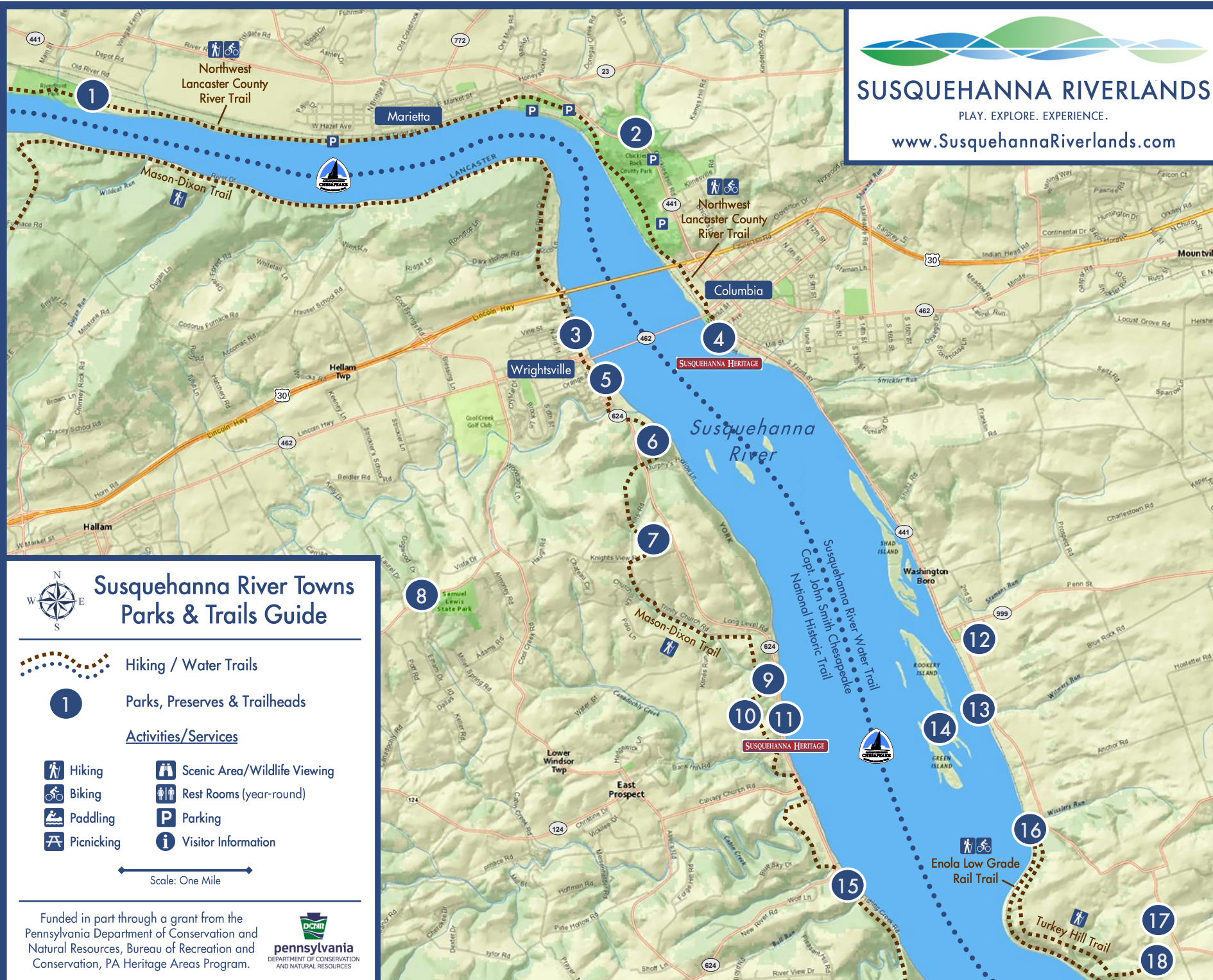
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Parks, Preserves & Trailheads

1. East Donegal Riverfront Park
NW Lancaster County River Trailhead
East Donegal Township
2. Chickies Rock County Park
Lancaster County Dept. of Parks & Recreation
3. Wrightsville Commons Park
Wrightsville Borough
4. Columbia Crossing River Trails Center
/Columbia River Park
NW Lancaster County River Trailhead
Susquehanna Heritage/Columbia Borough
5. Wrightsville Riverfront Park
*Wrightsville Borough/PA Fish & Boat Commission
/Safe Harbor Water Power Corporation*
6. Wilton Meadows Nature Preserve
Lancaster County Conservancy
7. Highpoint Scenic Vista & Recreation Area
York County Dept. of Parks & Recreation
8. Samuel S. Lewis State Park
PA Bureau of State Parks
9. Klines Run Park
*Native Lands County Park Trailhead
Safe Harbor Water Power Corporation*
10. Native Lands County Park
York County Dept. of Parks & Recreation
11. Zimmerman Center for Heritage
John Smith Trail Visitor Contact Station/
Native Lands County Park Trailhead
Susquehanna Heritage
12. Washington Boro Park
Manor Township/Safe Harbor Water Power Corporation
13. Blue Rock Heritage Center
*Manor Township/Washington Boro Society for
Susquehanna River Heritage*
14. Conejohela Flats Important Birding Area
Safe Harbor Water Power Corporation
15. Lock 2 Recreation Area
Safe Harbor Water Power Corporation
16. Enola Low Grade Rail Trail/Turkey Hill Trail
Manor Township/Lancaster County Conservancy
17. Creswell Park
Manor Township
18. Chestnut Grove Natural Area
Lancaster County Solid Waste Mgt. Authority