



PULASKI VILLAGE ACCESS POINT:

This access point was previously planned before the onset of the greenways plan. The proposed boat launch will be located on State Game Lands #150 property, just south of the existing pond on the eastern bank of the Shenango River. The boat launch will utilize an existing gravel access drive extending south from State Route 208 in Pulaski Village, just east of the Route 208 bridge over the Shenango River.

It is important to note that this access point will provide not only a starting point for the water trail in Lawrence County, but also a water trail exit point for watercraft travelling downstream from Sharon and other points in Mercer County.

NASHUA ROAD ACCESS POINT:

Although this proposed boat launch will be accessible from Nashua Road in Pulaski Township near the bridge over the Shenango River, the exact location of this proposed access point has not been determined. The Greenways Plan recommends that a detailed site analysis and conversation with adjacent landowners be undertaken by the Lawrence County Conservation District to determine the most feasible boat launch site. Two of the properties surrounding the bridge are enrolled in the Clean & Green program and landowners may be amenable to allowing public access through their property for a water trail access point.

HARBOR ACCESS POINT:

This proposed access will be near the intersection of Kings Chapel Road and Pulaski Road in the western reaches of Neshannock Township, near the small community of Harbor (the area is known locally as "the Harbor").

The Greenways Plan recommends that the County approach the Lawrence County Corporation for Economic Development to inquire about constructing the public boat launch and river access on their Millennium Park property.

THINKING LONG-TERM:

The proposed long-term connection of Water Trail, the Downtown New Castle revitalization area, and the Neshannock Creek Rail-Trail will allow residents throughout the county to take advantage of amenities in the County's largest population center. This trail connection may potentially spur businesses such as canoe / kayak rentals, bike shops, cafes, etc. to serve trail users passing through Downtown New Castle.

AN ACCESS POINT AT "THE POINT":

This proposed access is located at the confluence of the Neshannock Creek and Shenango River, which the Greenways Plan will refer to as "the Point" (after the similarly-named confluence of the Allegheny and Monongahela Rivers in Pittsburgh).

This boat launch could be developed on property owned by the City of New Castle, and as a long-term goal could provide connection to restaurants and other commercial areas in New Castle's revitalized downtown and to the proposed Rail-Trail along the Neshannock Creek (another of the pilot projects proposed in the Greenways Plan).

MAHONING CONFLUENCE ACCESS POINT:

The development of this proposed boat launch is important for future expansion of the water trail system onto the Mahoning River. Several properties around the confluence of the Mahoning and Beaver Shenango Rivers are listed as vacant on Lawrence County Tax Assessor files.

The Greenways Plan recommends that the County approach adjacent landowners to discuss the possibility of property acquisition for public boat launch development.

WAMPUM ACCESS POINT:

This access point was previously planned before the onset of the Greenways Plan. It will be made possible by the generous donation of land by a private landowner, and by a partnership between the Lawrence County Conservation District and the Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission.

The planned boat launch is located on the eastern shore of the Beaver River, just north of the State Route 288 bridge. The launch will be accessible from River Road in Wayne Township.

ROCK POINT RIVER ACCESS:

The Wild Waterways Conservancy (WWC) recently purchased the Rock Point property with intention to preserve its natural communities. The Greenways Plan recommends that the County approach the WWC to discuss rehabilitation of the *existing* boat launch and provision of public parking areas to serve the launch. Providing public access to the launch will maintain an important recreation connection to residents of southern Lawrence County and northern Beaver County, and will not detriment the Rock Point property's natural habitats.

NOTE:

Mapping derived from the following 7.5-minute USGS Topographic Quadrangles:

- New Castle North, PA
- Edinburg, PA
- New Galilee, PA
- New Castle South, PA
- Bessemer, PA
- Beaver Falls, PA

SHENANGO / BEAVER RIVERS WATER TRAIL
 LAWRENCE COUNTY GREENWAYS PLAN
 Pilot Project Map



Not to Scale
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