



HEART OF HERITAGE

News Letter 4 Rancocas Creek National Water Trail Steering Committee

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National Water Trail Program

The National Water Trails System is an interagency collaborative effort administered by the National Park Service through the Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance Program and the National Trails System. The National Water Trails System *is a distinctive national network of exemplary water trails that are cooperatively supported and sustained.*

Criteria for nominating a National Water Trail

As a subset of the national recreation trail designation, trails in the National Water Trails System must meet the four criteria for National Recreation Trail designation as follows:

1. The trail (and its access points) must be open to public use and be designed, constructed, and maintained according to best management practices, in keeping with the anticipated use. Water trail access points that demonstrate state-of-the-art design and management are especially encouraged to apply for national water trail designation.
2. The trail is in compliance with applicable land use plans and environmental laws.
3. The trail will be open for public use for at least 10 consecutive years after designation.

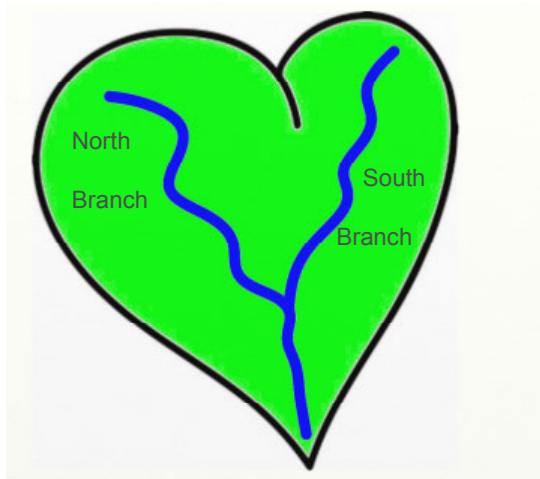
The trail designation must be supported by the landowner(s), (public or private), on which access points exists

Rancocas Water Trail Logo Explanation

Rancocas Creek Watershed and her capillary tributary's encompass 638 square miles in South Jersey. The creek flows westerly from the National Pine-lands Preserve to the Tidewaters of the Delaware River.

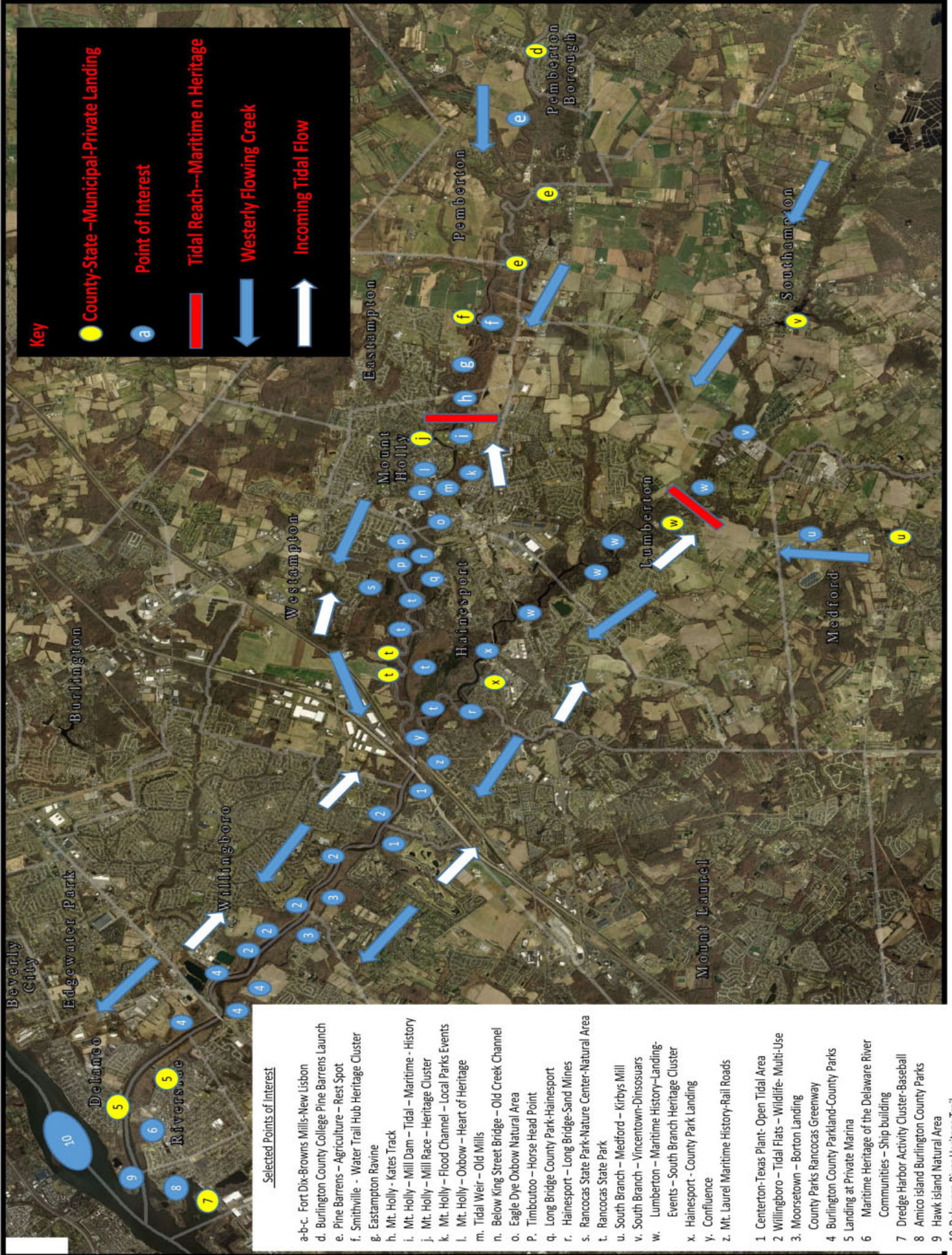
Her apex the confluence of the North and South Branch sits inside Rancocas State Park.

Heritage, Dinosaurs, Indians, Sailing Shallops, Revolutionary War, Maritime Commerce, Civil War, Mills, Pirates, 19th Century Industrialization, Semi-Wild,...Recreation



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Key

- County-State –Municipal-Private Landing
- a Point of Interest
- ▬ Tidal Reach ---Maritime n Heritage
- ▬ Westerly Flowing Creek
- ▬ Incoming Tidal Flow

Selected Points of Interest

- a-b-c. Fort Dix-Browns Mills-New Lisbon
- d. Burlington County College Pine Barrens Launch
- e. Pine Barrens – Agriculture – Rest Spot
- f. Smithville - Water Trail Hub Heritage Cluster
- g. Eastampton Ravine
- h. Mt. Holly - Kates Track
- i. Mt. Holly – Mill Dam – Tidal – Maritime - History
- j. Mt. Holly – Mill Race – Heritage Cluster
- k. Mt. Holly – Flood Channel – Local Parks Events
- l. Mt. Holly – Oxbow – Heart of Heritage
- m. Tidal Weir – Old Mills
- n. Below King Street Bridge – Old Creek Channel
- o. Eagle Dye Oxbow Natural Area
- p. Timbuctoo – Horse Head Point
- q. Long Bridge County Park-Hainesport
- r. Hainesport – Long Bridge-Sand Mines
- s. Rancocas State Park-Nature Center-Natural Area
- t. Rancocas State Park
- u. South Branch – Medford – Kirby's Mill
- v. South Branch – Vincentown-Dinosuars
- w. Lumberton – Maritime History-Landing-Events – South Branch Heritage Cluster
- x. Hainesport - County Park Landing
- y. Confluence
- z. Mt. Laurel Maritime History-Rail Roads
- 1 Centerton-Texas Plant- Open Tidal Area
- 2 Willingboro – Tidal Flats – Wildlife- Multi-Use
- 3. Moorsstown – Borton Landing
- 4 Burlington County Parkland-County Parks
- 5 Landing at Private Marina
- 6 Maritime Heritage of the Delaware River Communities – Ship building
- 7 Dredge Harbor Activity Cluster-Baseball
- 8 Amico Island Burlington County Parks
- 9 Hawk Island Natural Area
- 10 Delaware River Heritage Trail



Mill Race meets the Oxbow North Branch Channel

Mt. Holly

When paddling Visit Local Stores for meals and Ice Cream

End of Tidal Reach

Mt. Holly

Drone from AJH Design



Paddle Safe

Year Round Paddling

N. Branch Flood Channel

Why Nominate the Rancocas Creek as a National Water Trail ?

Simple reason is why not nominate the Rancocas Creek. Her heritage and history plays a central role in the transformation of the region into a vibrant commercial hub and a critical part of the 17th and 18th century Philadelphia Trading Area; flanked by numerous established park, open access, an Oxbow, flood channel, tidewaters, a hamlet of escaped slaves, fishing, recreation, wildlife, semi-wild marsh-lands, one paddles where the Mosasaur's and sisters swam...

Water Trail Application is Due 01 November 2015



Timbuctoo

North Branch

Contact Us

Give us a call for more information about and getting involved in the nomination of the Rancocas Creek National Water Trail

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Visit the Creek and parcels of the Creek web at

Burlington County Park System
Rancocas Creek Canoe Trail

<http://co.burlington.nj.us/985/Rancocas-Creek-Canoe-Trail>

Mt. Holly and North Branch

Tidewater Paddling

www.nbranchwatersafety.com