

Protecting Rivers in the Upper Potomac



POTOMAC RIVERKEEPER NETWORK

UPPER POTOMAC RIVERKEEPER
 POTOMAC RIVERKEEPER
 LOWER POTOMAC RIVERKEEPER

Protect the watershed through a network of local groups and agencies. We work together to protect and improve water quality from the headwaters to the Chesapeake Bay and beyond.




Protecting High Quality Streams

- Anti-degradation
- Tier I - Meets designated use
- Tier II - High Quality
- Tier III - C/NW
- Designated or Category Use
- Fishery, Drinking Water, Recreation, etc
- MD - Cold water trout

North Branch Potomac

Extend the Category Use Class IV-P
 Recreational Trout Waters and Public Water Supply



Tom's Creek Exceptional Value Designation Campaign



Federal Wild and Scenic Designation

WAS designation safeguards a river by:

- Keeping them free-flowing and unimpaired
- Protecting their outstanding cultural and natural values - C/NW
- Allowing existing uses of rivers to continue where they do not conflict with their protection.

Why? To offset the growing number of dams being constructed.

Current W&S

National



Preservation



Recreation



Wildlife



Process for Designation

Flagships

Classificative

Supportive

Savage River



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SEVERE POLLUTION PROHIBITION
FEDERAL WILDLIFE DESIGNATION
DESIGNATED USE PROHIBITION

Protect the public's right to clean water of our rivers and streams. We are dedicated to protecting and restoring water quality in the Potomac River and its tributaries and streams.



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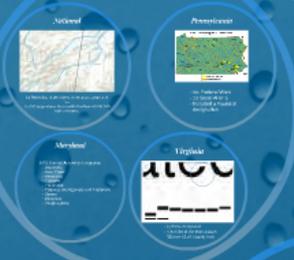


Wild designation safeguards a river by:

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Current W&S



Process for Designation

FlagWaters

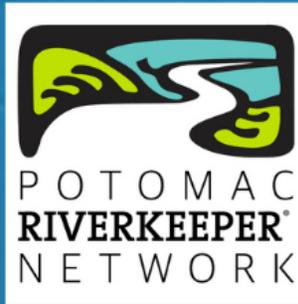
Classification

StudyWaters



Savage River



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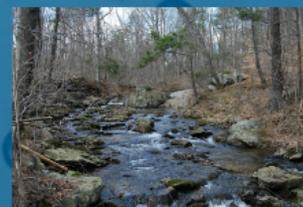
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17,000 miles of 75,000 large streams

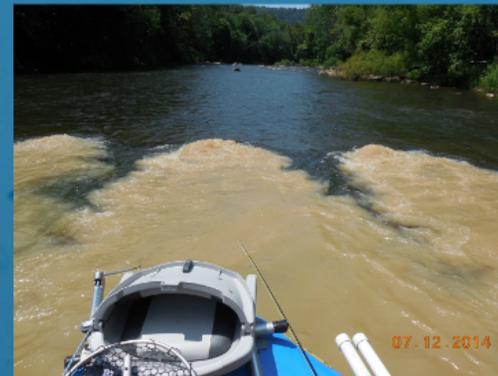
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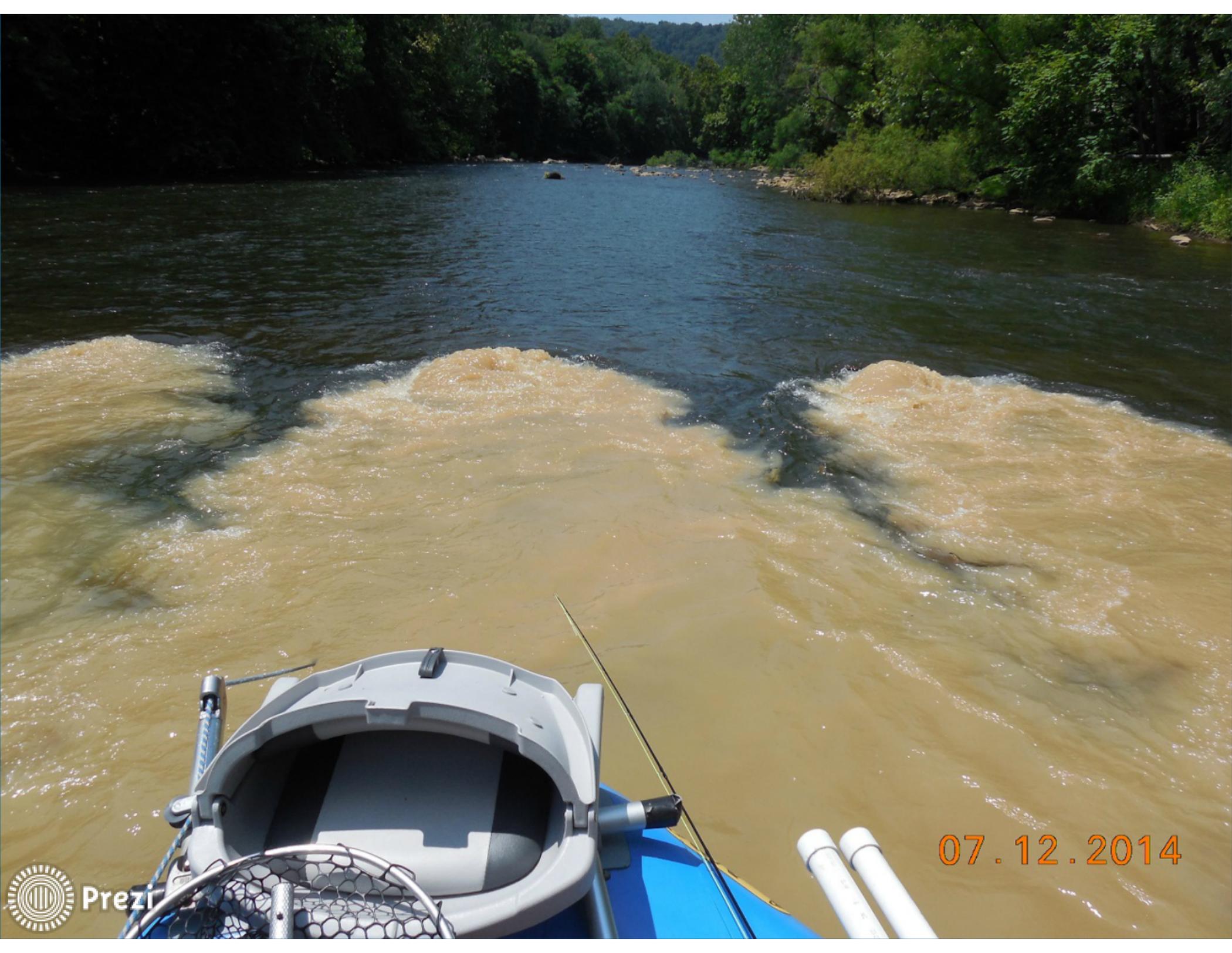
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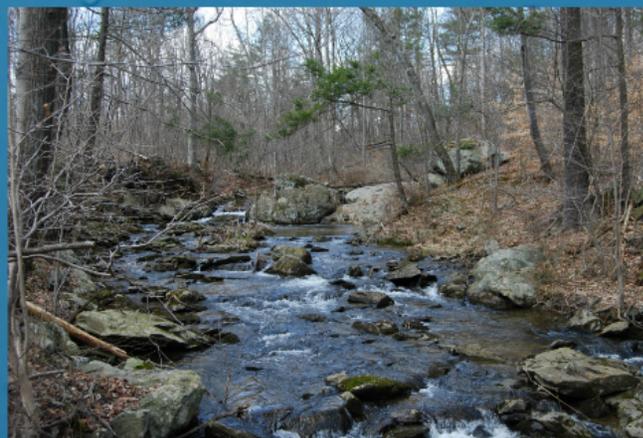


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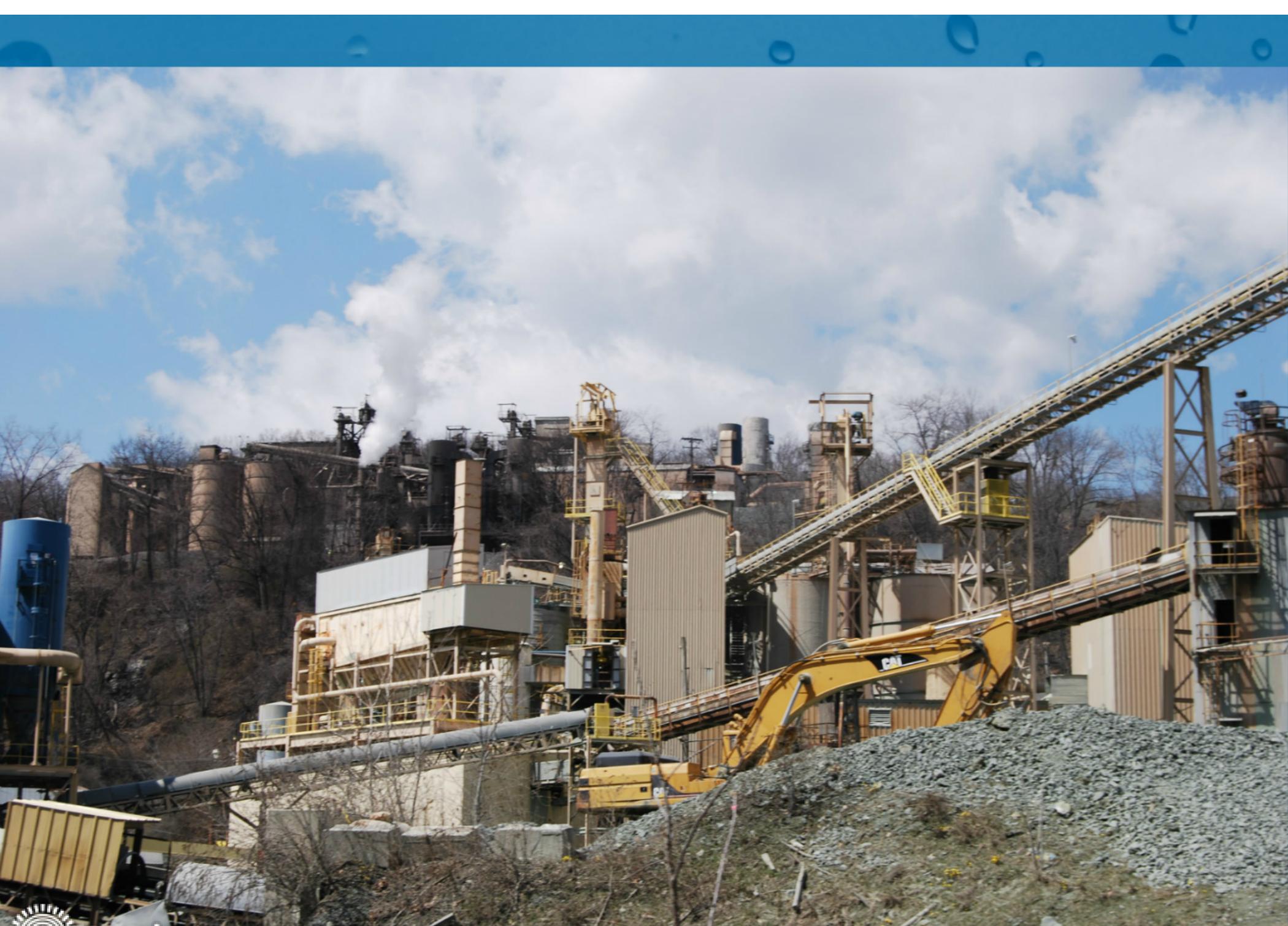
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Federal Wild and Scenic Designation



W&S designation safeguards a river by:

- Keeping them free-flowing and unpolluted.
- Protecting their outstanding cultural and natural values - ORV's.
- Allowing existing uses of rivers to continue where they do not conflict with river protection.

Why? To off set the growing number of dams being constructed.

Current W&S

National



12,888 miles of 700 rivers in 33 states preserved or 75,000 large dams that restrict the flow of 600,000 miles of rivers.

Pennsylvania

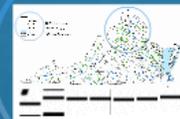


- Six Federal W&S
- 13 State W or S
- Included a Pleistocene designation

Maryland

- 1972 General Assembly designation
- Annapolis
- Deer Creek
- Monocacy
- Patuxent
- Potomac
- Patuxent (Monocacy and Potomac)
- Severn
- Whorleson
- Hooploghony

Virginia



- Systems designated
- in a number of the Shenandoah (Bureau of Land Management)

Process for Designation

Eligibility

- Is the river free flowing?
- Does the river possess Outstanding Remarkable Values (ORVs)?
 - Historical
 - Fish and Wildlife
 - Aesthetic Quality
- Does the flow sustain the ORVs?
- Professional team of experts with organizational input.

Classification

- Determination of W&S, Science or Recreation
- Based on development/public lands
- Stream
- Access
- Water Resources
- Water Quality
- Provide for natural beauty
- Current ORVs
- Development of a Comprehensive Plan



Suitability

- Should the ORVs be protected?
- Is W&S and Science the best method to protect ORVs?
- Are non-federal entities committed to the protections?
- Public input is required

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National



12,598 miles of 203 rivers in 39 states protected
VS
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Buffalo

Detroit

Lake Erie

Erie

Cleveland

Toledo

Youngstown

Little Beaver Creek

Pittsburgh

Delaware (Upper) River

Allegheny River

Clarion River

Delaware (Middle) River

Musconetcong River

Delaware (Lower) River

Philadelphia

New York

New Haven

Columbus

White Clay Creek

Baltimore

Great Egg Harbor River

Maurice River

Little Darby Creeks

Cincinnati

Washington

Bluestone River

Charleston

Richmond

Red River

Norfolk

Lexington

New River

Winston Salem

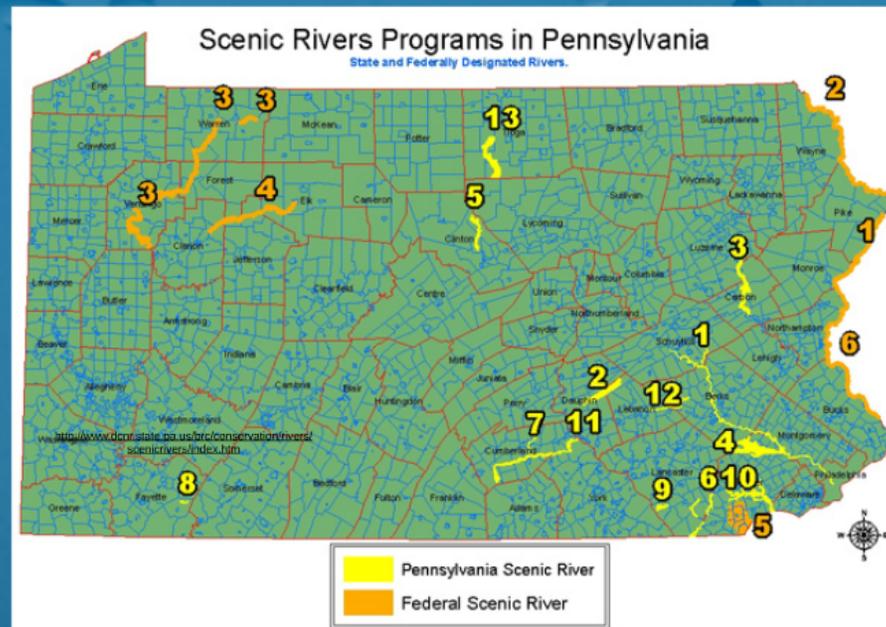
Greensboro

Raleigh

Wilson Creek



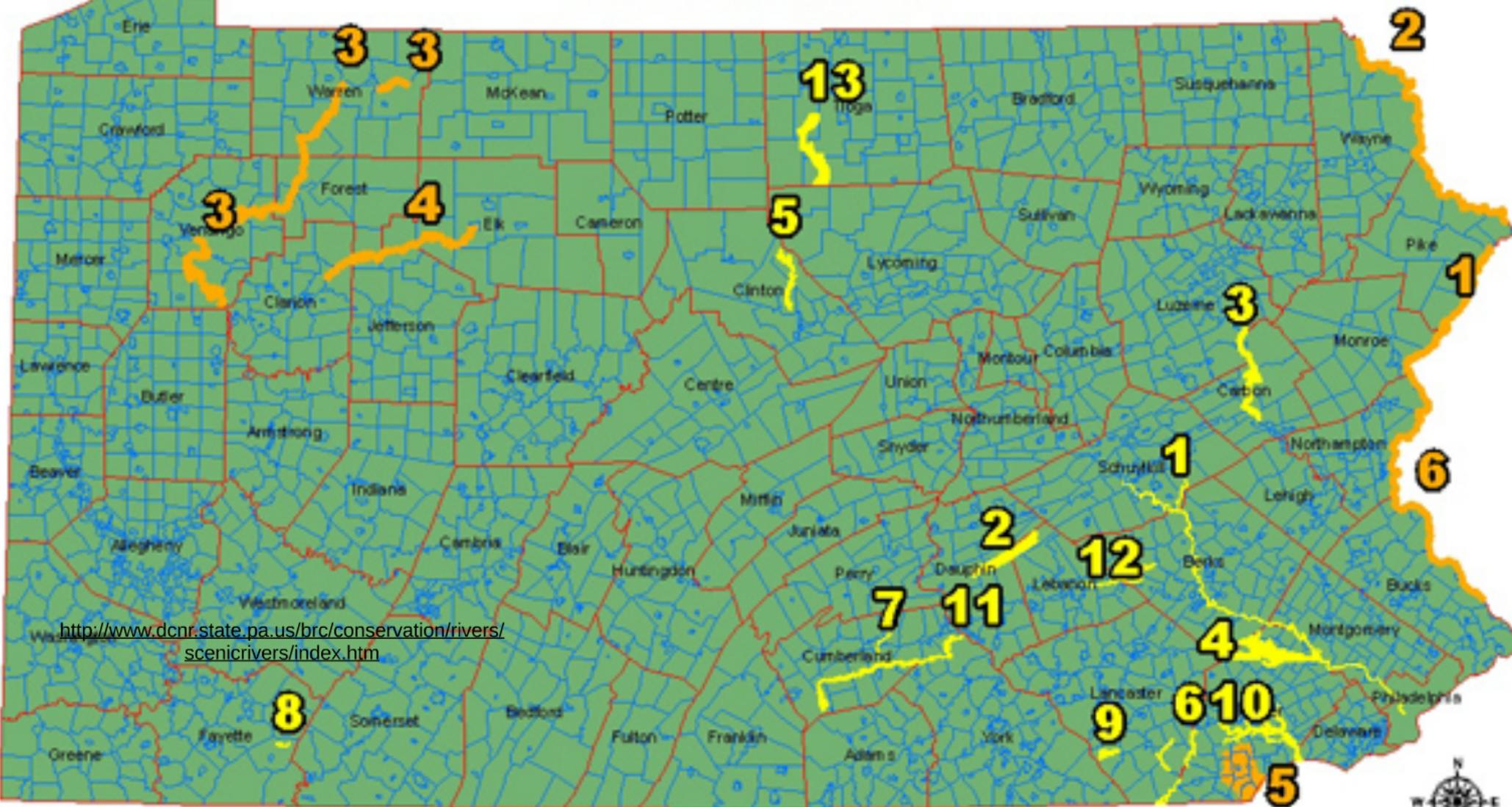
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Scenic Rivers Programs in Pennsylvania

State and Federally Designated Rivers.

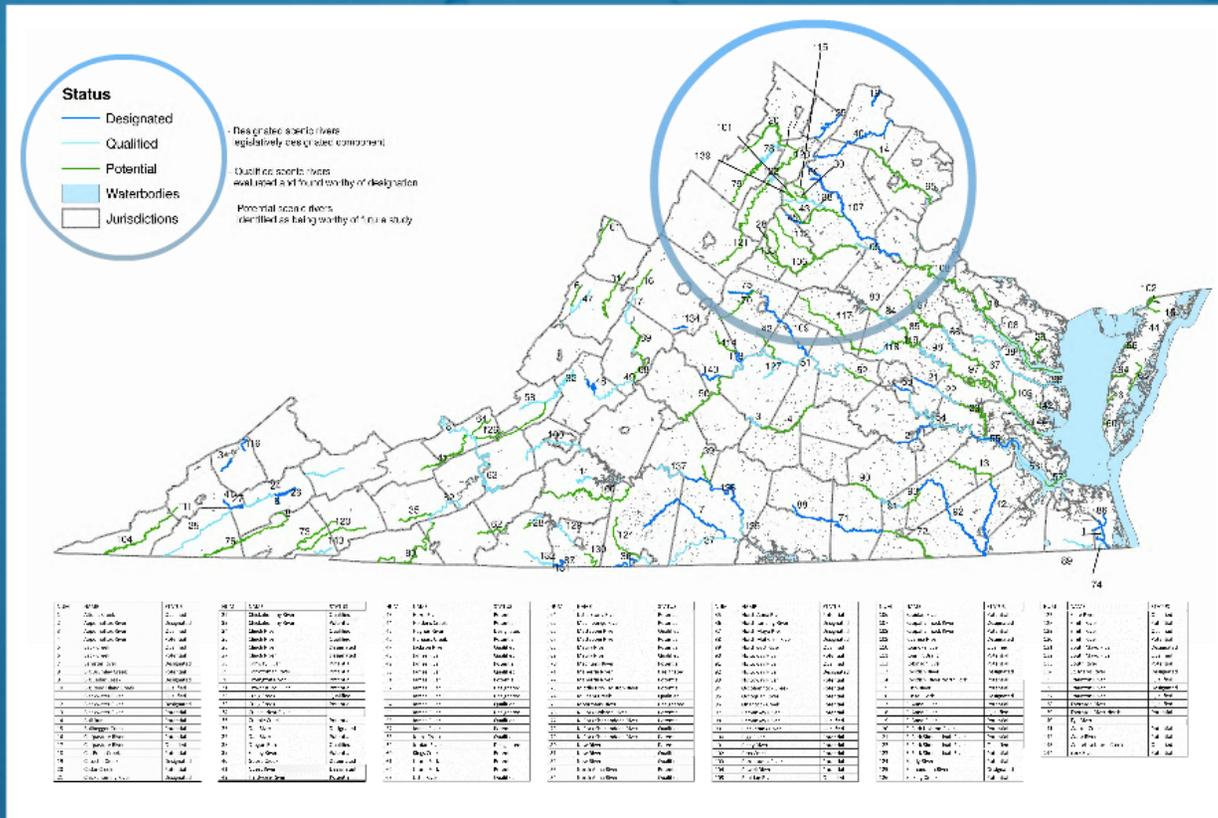


<http://www.dcnr.state.pa.us/brc/conservation/rivers/scenicrivers/index.htm>

	Pennsylvania Scenic River
	Federal Scenic River



Virginia



- 33 rivers designated
- 21.6 miles of the Shenandoah (Warren-Clark County line)

Status

 Designated

 Qualified

 Potential

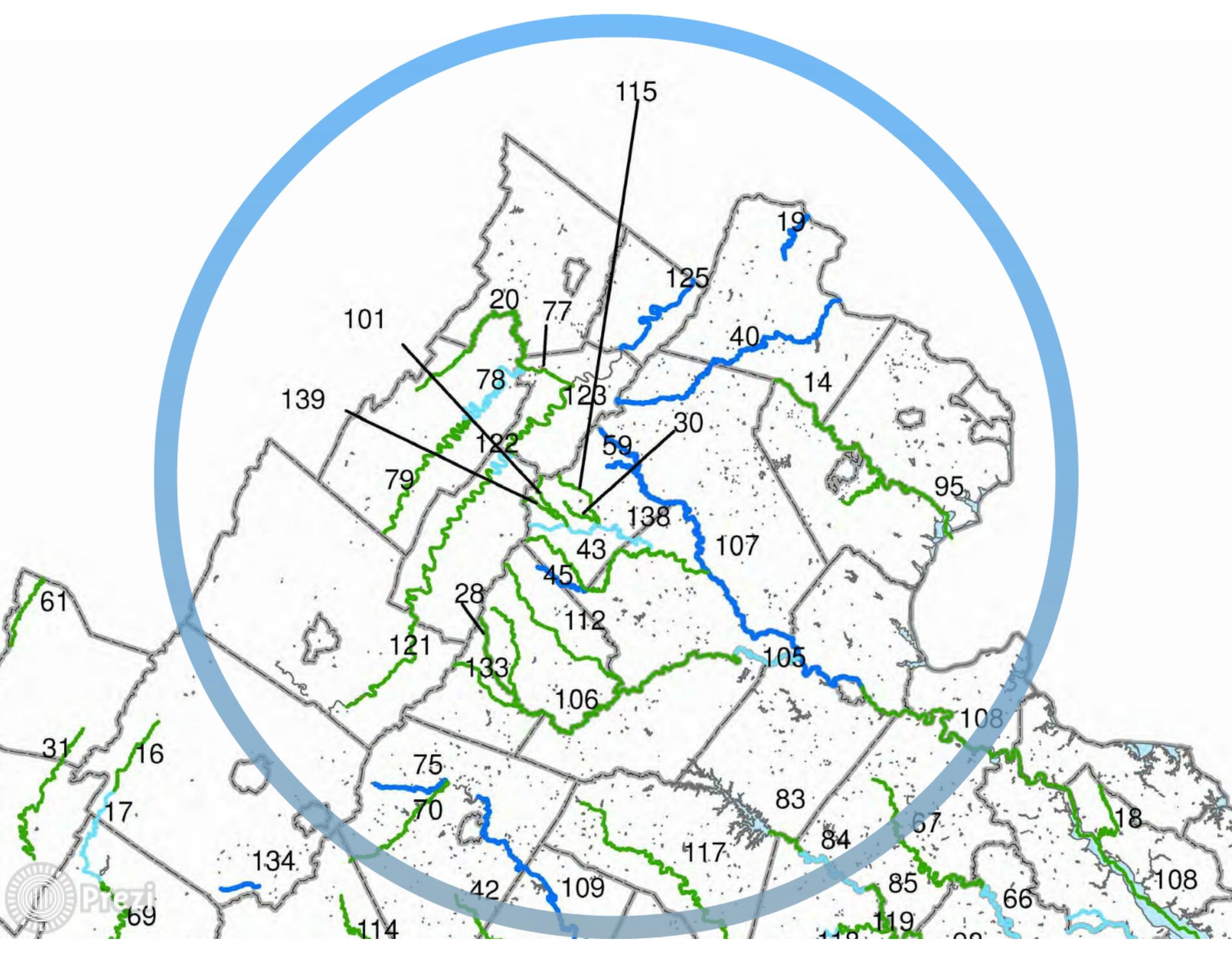
 Waterbodies

 Jurisdictions

- Designated
legislation

- Qualified
evaluation

- Potential
Identification



Maryland

1972 General Assembly designation

- Anacostia
- Deer Creek
- Monocacy
- Patuxent
- Pocomoke
- Potomac (Montgomery and Frederick)
- Severn
- Wicomico
- Youghiogheny

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- Based on development/public lands
 - Shoreline
 - Access
 - Water resources
 - Water Quality
- Review 1/4 mi lateral boundry
 - Contain ORVs
- Development of a Comprehensive Plan

Congressional Approval

- Decision is made through NCPA or reauthorization of RCE
- 90 day hearing period for public comments
- Hearings are held in Congress
- Many may not see it

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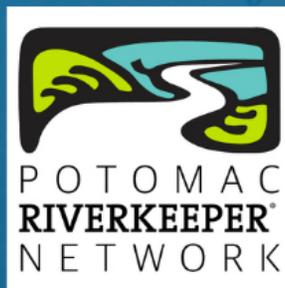
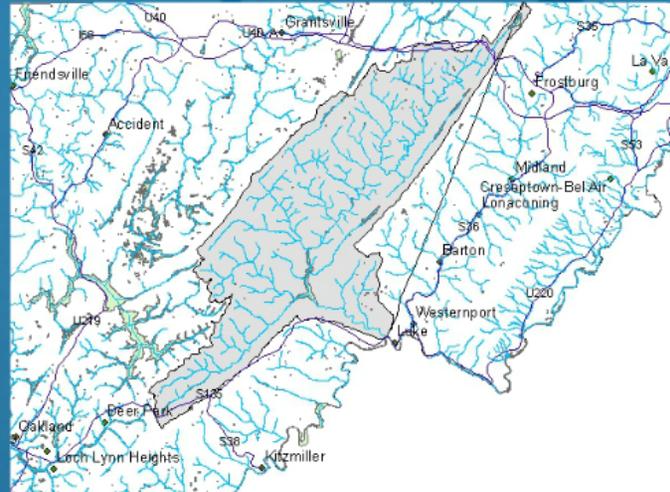
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Protect the public's right to clean water
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protecting and enjoying them. Contact us today
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Alcove



Pennsacott



Meredon



Virginal



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FlagWaters

1. The State identifies Flag Waters based on outstanding cultural and natural values.

2. The State notifies the Federal Government of the Flag Waters.

3. The Federal Government reviews the Flag Waters and determines if they meet the criteria for Wild and Scenic Designation.

4. The Federal Government designates the Flag Waters as Wild and Scenic Rivers.

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