# 17 Parks Along the Lower Susquehanna River

### **FUNK'S POND**

Funk's Pond is located just north of the Conowingo Dam off of US Route 1. See beautiful views of the Conowingo Pond and Cecil County wildlife! This 0.45 mile trail leads to a picnic area with bank fishing and a sightseeing footpath.

#### **OCTORARO CREEK TRAIL**

Located on the eastern shore of the Susquehanna River and 0.9 miles below the Conowingo Dam, this area offers access to Octoraro Creek for fishing, bird-watching, and other informal trails as well as a kiosk with several panels and displays. A gravel parking area for 15 vehicles is available from US Route 1 via Route 222.

#### **CONOWINGO VISITOR CENTER**

Located next to the Conowingo Swimming Pool off of US Route 1, the visitor center provides informational displays and brochures, meeting/conference rooms, a small picnic area, and ADA access to the facilities. We are now showing the 2011 Eagle Photo Contest pictures and winners!

#### CONOWINGO FISHERMAN'S PARK

This park is located on the west shore of the Susquehanna River, immediately downstream from the Conowingo Dam with access from Shures Landing Road. The large park offers 1900 feet of bank fishing, fishing from the ADA wharf, carry-in boat launching, eleven picnic tables overlooking the river, bird watching, interpretive displays, trail access, portable restrooms, a covered pavilion with six tables, and a paved sidewalk.

#### **CONOWINGO CREEK BOAT LAUNCH**

Located on the eastern shore of the Conowingo Pond approximately 1.8 miles north of the Conowingo Dam, Conowingo Creek Boat Launch can be accessed over Mount Zoar Road and Conowingo Lake Road. This site offers an 80-foot wide hard surface boat ramp, boat tie-up area, paved on-site parking for nine rigs, and additional parking for six rigs just off-site. Boaters must pass under a railroad trestle to reach the Pond, so access may be limited depending on the water level.

#### WISSLER'S PARK

The park is located on the eastern shore of the Conowingo Pond, adjacent to and downstream from the Muddy Run powerhouse. This site offers bank fishing, a small picnic pavilion, benches, trails, and interpretive panels.

# **LOCK 15**

Lock 15 is located on the west shore of the Conowingo Pond approximately 11.8 miles north of the Conowingo Dam with access off of US Route 372 via River Road (south). This site features picnic facilities, bank fishing, historical and interpretive panels, a gravel parking lot for 25 vehicles, two restrooms (one ADA), and access to the Mason-Dixon Trail.

#### **PEACH BOTTOM MARINA**

This marina is located on the east shore of the Conowingo Pond on Peters Creek approximately 7.5 miles north of the Conowingo Dam with access off of Peach Bottom Road. This facility offers a 25-foot wide hard surface boat ramp, docking, portable restrooms, vendor-provided boat maintenance, fueling, and docking services. There is a \$10 launch fee here and access to the Pond is dependent on water levels and the size of the vessel which must pass under a trestle. A paved parking area provides room for 33 rigs and 17 vehicles.

#### **DEER CREEK ACCESS**

Deer Creek is on the western shore of the Susquehanna River off of Stafford Road approximately 3.6 miles downstream from the Conowingo Dam. The creek offers bank fishing, carry-in boat launching, and access to the Mason-Dixon Trail. Roadside parking is available on both sides for approximately 24 vehicles.

# **MUDDY CREEK BOAT LAUNCH**

The Muddy Creek Boat Launch is located on the west shore of the Susquehanna River approximately 11.7 miles north of the Conowingo Dam. Access to the site is from US Route 372 via River Road (south). The launch is a 20' wide concrete ramp with boat docks on both sides and plenty of parking. The site also includes interpretive panels and an ADA portable restroom. The boating channel from the ramp to the main river channel is marked with buoys. The site is connected to Lock 15 to the north by a short section of the Mason-Dixon Trail.

#### **LAPIDUM BOAT LAUNCH**

Lapidum Boat Launch is located on the western shore of the Susquehanna River, approximately 5 miles downstream from the Conowingo Dam, with access from Stafford Road and Lapidum Road. The site provides two hard surface boat ramps (\$10 launch fee for Maryland residents; \$11 for non-residents), a dock, restrooms, interpretive panels, a paved parking area for 19 vehicles, 34 rigs, and 7 ADA (1 ADA rig) spaces. Additional roadside parking for 11 vehicles is available on Stafford Road.

# **BROAD CREEK PUBLIC LANDING**

This facility is located on the west shore of the Susquehanna River in Broad Creek off Flintville Road. The facility consists of a 14-foot wide hard surface boat ramp, a small dock, and a day use area. On-site parking is limited to four vehicles; however, an off-site parking area for 33 vehicles with trailers 400 feet from the launch ramp is also available. Launching at this site is dependent on lake levels due to the shallow nature of the creek.

## **LINE BRIDGE ACCESS**

Line bridge is located on the west shore of the Susquehanna River approximately 4.2 miles north of the Conowingo Dam. Access to this site is from Line Bridge Road. The site is used as an informal gravel carry-in launch area and as a day use/lunch/fishing access site primarily by locals and adjacent cottage owners. A small informal parking area is provided.

#### **DORSEY PARK**

This boat launch is adjacent to and upstream of the Peach Bottom Nuclear Plant on the west shore of the Conowingo Pond with access off of Lay Road. Features of this site include two 32-foot wide hard surface boat ramps, two docks, three charcoal grills, six benches, an interpretive panel and kiosk, a large lawn area, two portable restrooms (one ADA), and a paved parking area for 25 rigs, 30 vehicles, and 2 ADA parking spaces.

# SUSQUEHANNOCK STATE PARK

The park is located on the eastern shore of the Susquehanna River south of Muddy Run. On the 224 acres of the park is The Landis House, a historical building from the 1050s as well as picnic areas, pavilions, a playground athletic fields, walking and equestrian trails, a group tent site, and an overlook area with views of the Conowingo Pond the Muddy Run's powerhouse.

#### **GLEN COVE MARINA**

Glen Cove Marina is located on the west shore of the Susquehanna River approximately 1.7 miles north of the Conowingo Dam. Access to the site is from Glen Cove Road. Boat slips for approximately 74 boats are available as well as a picnic area and sanitation facilities. The site is open to the public though a \$10 launch fee is charged. Services at the site include fuel, repair services, and a small store. The Glen Cove Marina also serves as a the upstream canoe portage take-out for Conowingo Dam.

# **SUSQUEHANNA STATE PARK**

The park is located on the west side of the Susquehanna River approximately 2.25 miles downstream from the Conowingo Dam with access from Stafford Road, Lapidum Road, Rock Run Road, and Wilkinson Road. Amenities within the 2660 acre park include campsites/cabins, picnic areas, playgrounds, pavilions, boat launches, trails (hiking, biking, and equestrian), historical structures and interpretations, and fishing and paddleboat access and opportunities.