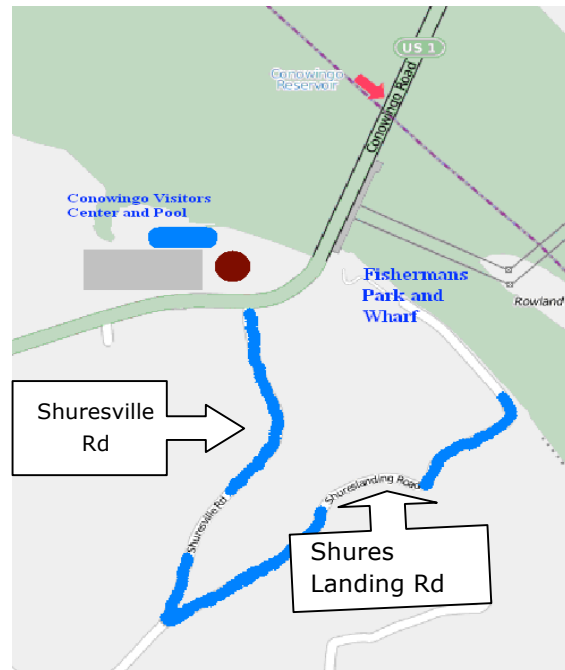


## THE BOAT LAUNCH

There is a boat launch that can be accessed from the downstream end of the parking lot.

Here are some distances:

- **Conowingo to Havre de Grace:** 9 miles to Jean Roberts Memorial Park: This park at the mouth of the river just before crossing under the Amtrak bridge in Havre de Grace. This park is located at the corner of Union Avenue and Otsego Street.
- **Fisherman's park to Lapidum Boat Ramp** in Susquehanna State Park is 5 miles.
- **Lapidum to Havre de Grace** is 4 miles.



### Award for outstanding conservation engineering

In September 2010 the **Conowingo Dam Fishing Enhancements Project** in Darlington, Md., received the **Award of Merit** from the Carl Anderson Conservation Project Engineering Awards recognize ACE members for outstanding projects in conservation engineering

## Conowingo Dam's Fisherman's Park



Fishing,  
Bird watching,  
Hiking and Boating

## THE FISHERMAN'S WHARF

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The Fishing wharf was built in 2009. The wharf is 160 feet long and allows access to the river for fisherman. The new wharf ramp leads to a gravel bar. Many **anglers** wade into the water to fish for **bass, shad, catfish, walleye**, and more. The park has picnic tables, ample parking, an accessible fishing pier, boat ramps, a viewing platform and **a hiking trail**.

Fishing licenses are available close to the Fisherman's Park area.

## SHURE'S LANDING WILDFLOWER TRAIL

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Hiking the Shure's Landing Wildflower Trail, (at the downstream end of the parking lot) offers 1.7 miles of easy hiking trail along the Susquehanna River with beautiful views of the river, flowers and woodland trails adjoining the Susquehanna State Park trails.

This trail follows the path of the Susquehanna and Tidewater Canal, an important link between central Pennsylvania and the Chesapeake Bay from 1840 until 1892. Portions of this canal are visible today. A railroad was along this route in the 1920's to bring materials to the Conowingo Dam construction site from 1926 to 1928. The railroad spur was damaged severely during Hurricane Agnes in 1972 and has since been abandoned. This trail is known for beautiful wildflowers, scenic river views and bird watching. This route forms a link in the Mason Dixon Hiking Trail

Wildflowers include Dutchman's breeches, wild ginger and trillium in the spring. In the summer and fall visitors can see goldenrod, asters and other wildflowers.

## PEAK VIEWING TIMES FOR EAGLES

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**Peak viewing** times for Eagles is from **November to February** At least 170 species of birds have been observed and recorded at the dam. Large groups of great blue heron and bald eagle, sometimes well over 100 of each species, have been observed at the dam. October through mid March is a popular time of year for viewing eagles but there are also eagle there year round.

The largest numbers of eagles are present in November, and the largest numbers of herons are present in the winter months. When the turbines are running water and fish exit through the tailrace providing excellent feeding for the birds. This makes Fisherman's Park a very popular place to view the eagles particularly at the base of the dam.



## PHOTOGRAPHERS

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Conowingo is considered to be one of the best places to watch Bald Eagles because of the favorable viewing conditions as the sun is nearly always behind the viewer and the large concentration of eagles. The generation schedule can be accessed by the following phone numbers.

## AMENITIES ETC.:

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**Hours:** open everyday of the year from an hour before sunrise to an hour after sunset.

**Public Restrooms** are located at the base of the dam at the Pavilion.

## Exelon Recreation Telephone Numbers

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**Generation Hotline:** 888- 457-4076

**Spill Hotline:** 877- 457-2525

**Conowingo Visitor's Center** 410- 457-2426

**Convenience stores:** Just north of the Dam on route 1 there is a store with gas, coffee and sandwiches, a little further north on Route 1 is a small inexpensive family restaurant on the left. There are also many restaurants located north of the dam in Port Deposit off of Route 222.

## DIRECTIONS

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2569 SHURES LANDING ROAD,  
DARLINGTON, MD 21034

### From the North:

- Go south on US-1 crossing into Maryland
- Turn LEFT onto SHURESVILLE ROAD (the first left immediately after crossing the dam) go .7 miles
- Turn sharp LEFT onto Shures Landing Rd.

### From the South:

- Go north on I-95 N
- Keep RIGHT at the fork to go on MD-24 N (13.2m)
- Turn RIGHT onto Shuresville Rd. (7 mi)
- Turn sharp LEFT onto Shures Landing Rd.