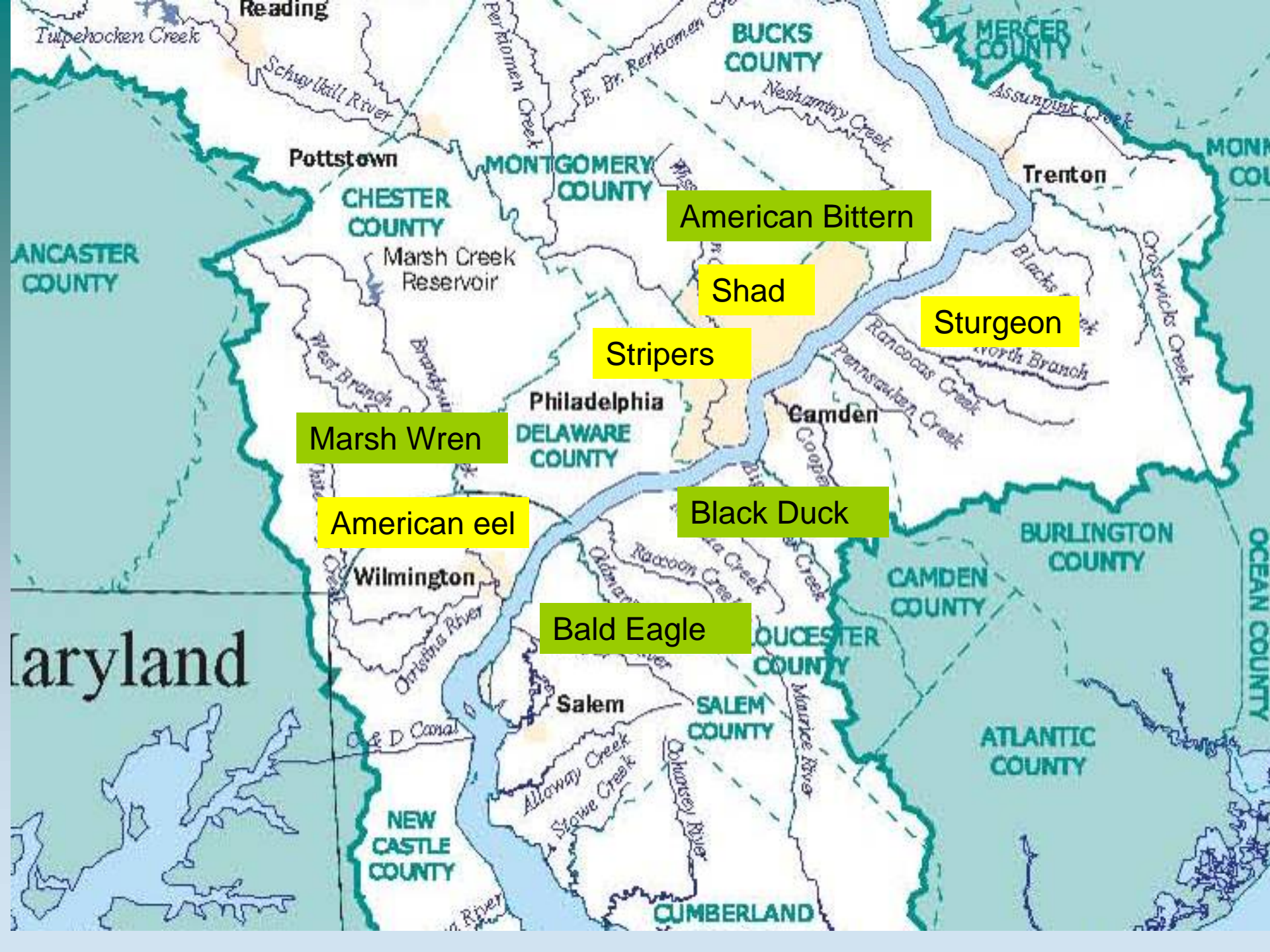


Delaware Direct Watershed Partnership Meeting

- **Theme: Ecological Restoration and the Urban Waterfront**
- **9:00 Welcome and Introductions**
- Paul Racette, Pennsylvania Environmental Council (PEC)
- **9:10-9:30 Report on Monitoring Along the River Front; Ecological Communities Focusing on Fish Findings**
- Lance Butler, Philadelphia Water Department
- **9:30-10:05 Ecological Restoration Opportunities along the North Delaware River Greenway**
- Paul Racette, PEC
- Paul Lonie, Delaware River City Corporation
- **10:05-10:35 Update on Assessment of Ecological Restoration Opportunities and Other Public Realm Spaces along the Central Delaware River**
- Sarah Thorp, Delaware River Waterfront Corporation
- **10:35-11:05 Discussion on Setting Ecological Restoration Priorities Within Overall Plans for Waterfront Development, Trails, Parks, Recreation, and other Public/Private Spaces.**
- All
- **11:05-11:30 Updates from Other Partnership Stakeholders**

Ecological Restoration Topics

- Brief Regional Perspective
- Philadelphia North Delaware Riverfront
- Ecosystem Services
- Bridesburg Preliminary Design
- Next Steps



American Bittern

Shad

Sturgeon

Stripers

Marsh Wren

Black Duck

American eel

Bald Eagle

Maryland

Partnerships and Resources



Urban eco-restoration
Brownfield redevelopment
Database and mapping project
\$\$ support through DNREC



DuPont:
\$\$ support
Partner network
Ecosystem services



Brownfield's and land revitalization
Eco-restoration
\$\$ support (GIS maps)



Natural heritage inventory
Delaware shoreline



Greenway Trail



USFWS
Habitat maps



Estuary restoration
Technical support
\$\$ support



DNREC
Benthic-Bathymetric Survey

\$-PA CZM Program
\$-William Penn Foundation
\$-National Fish and Wildlife Foundation



Technical support
GIS Layers
Wetland assessment
Boat for survey

PA Fish and Boat Commission



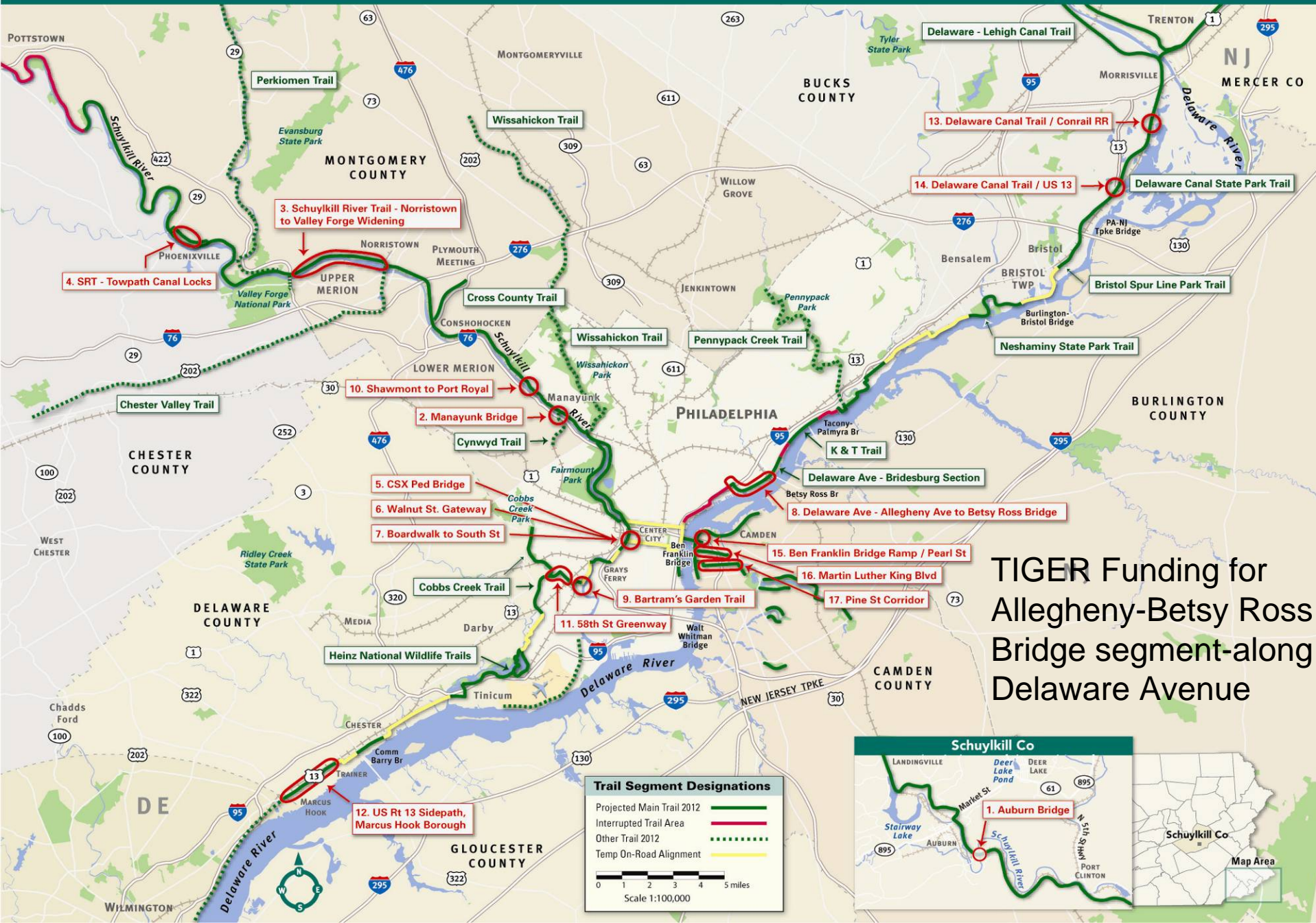
Delaware Estuary Regional Restoration Blueprint

- Cross-sector coordination
- Best scientific principals
- Develop decision tools - bank of high value projects
- Comprehensive, ecosystem-based approaches
- Science Track
 - Case studies: Urban waterfront. Tidal wetlands. Shellfish. Headwaters.
- Policy and Investment Track

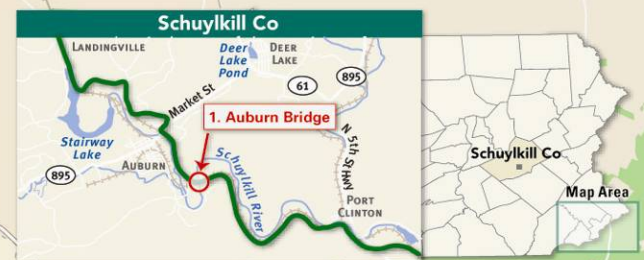


A Blueprint for a Regional Restoration Initiative in the Delaware Estuary

Grant Application Regional Trail Projects - GREAT - PA/NJ



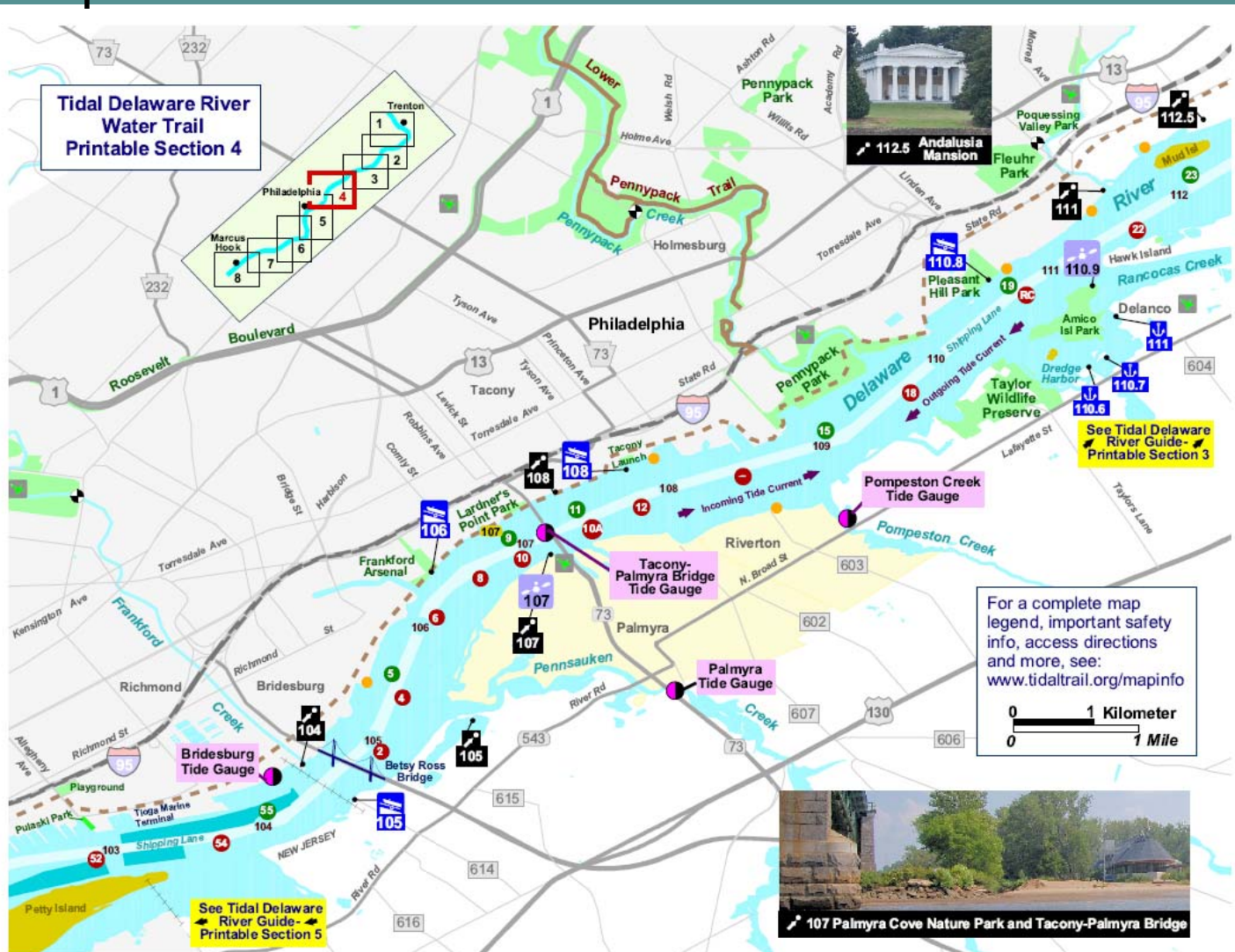
TIGER Funding for Allegheny-Betsy Ross Bridge segment-along Delaware Avenue





Tidal DELAWARE WATER TRAIL

Three-section map



How to access.

What to see.

How to stay safe.

Tidal

DELAWARE WATER TRAIL



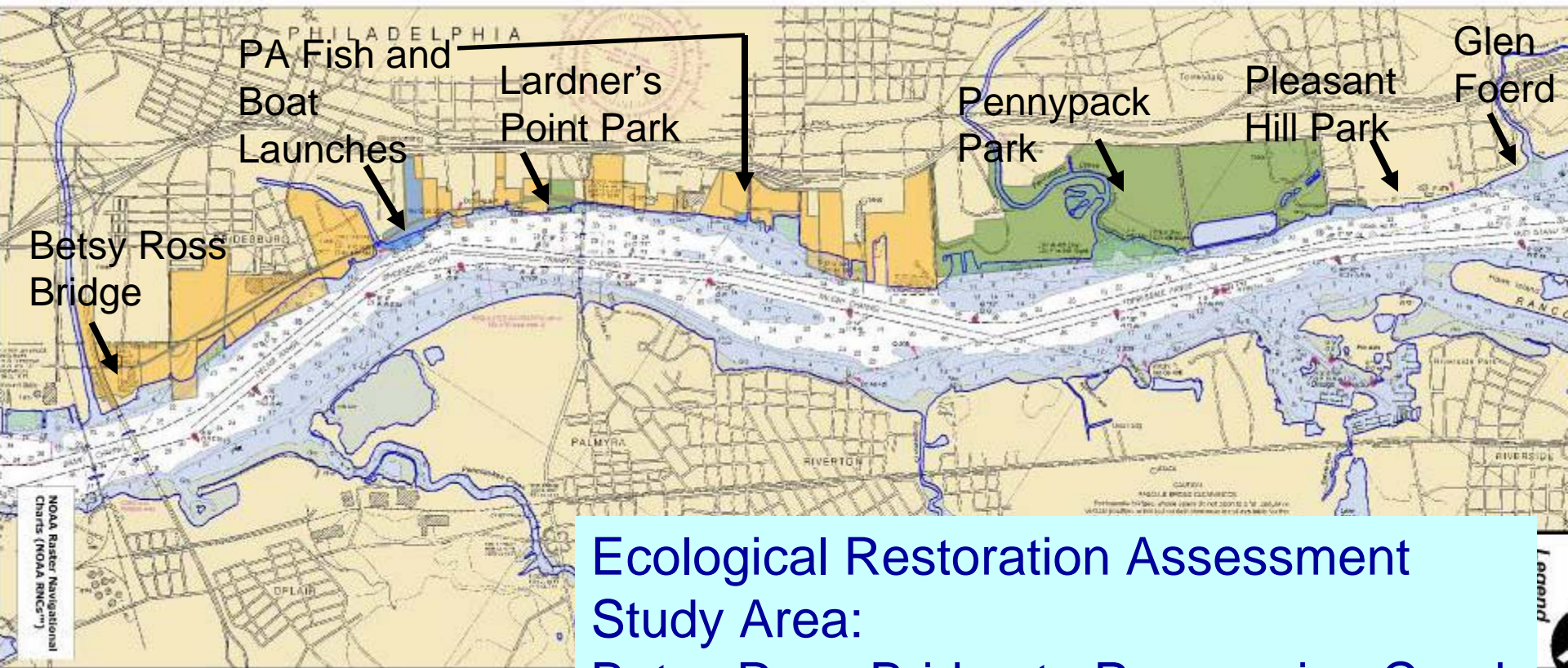
Philadelphia North Delaware River Greenway Ecological Assessment and Prioritization Report

November 2009



**Final Report for Pennsylvania Coastal Zone Management Program,
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**Includes Additional Assessment Work Underway for Partnership for
Delaware Estuary's *Blue Print for Delaware Estuary* Urban Water Front Case Study**



Ecological Restoration Assessment Study Area: Betsy Ross Bridge to Poquessing Creek

Urban waterfront with mixture of active commercial-industrial operations, vacant brown fields, public parks and access points, highway (I-95), and close-by neighborhoods

Delaware Avenue Extension



Bridesburg

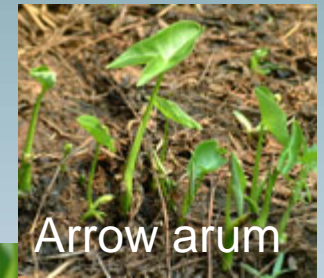
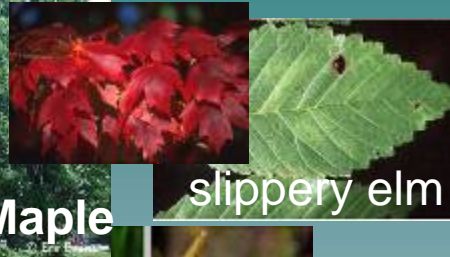
RECOMMENDED SCENARIO
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Habitat Restoration Types

- Upland and river bank
 - Planting
 - Regrade and plant
- Off channel aquatic
 - Wetlands in upland matrix
 - Backchannels, floodplains and wetlands
- Intertidal shoreline
 - Enhance/create wetlands
 - Soften, regrade, or excavate bank
 - Marsh sill or breakwater
- Subtidal
 - Enhance structure and diversity



Upland and river bank: forests and meadows



*PDE Key to the Delaware Estuary Ecological Systems & Natural Communities:
North Atlantic Coastal Plain Fresh and Oligohaline Tidal Marsh*

High marsh plants

Low marsh plants

Photos from:

Center for Coastal Resources Management (cerm.vims.edu/livingshorelines/photo_gallery.html), Virginia Institute of Marine Science.

USDA: <http://plants.usda.gov>

Ecological Restoration From Trail to River



Tidal fringe and back channel wetlands

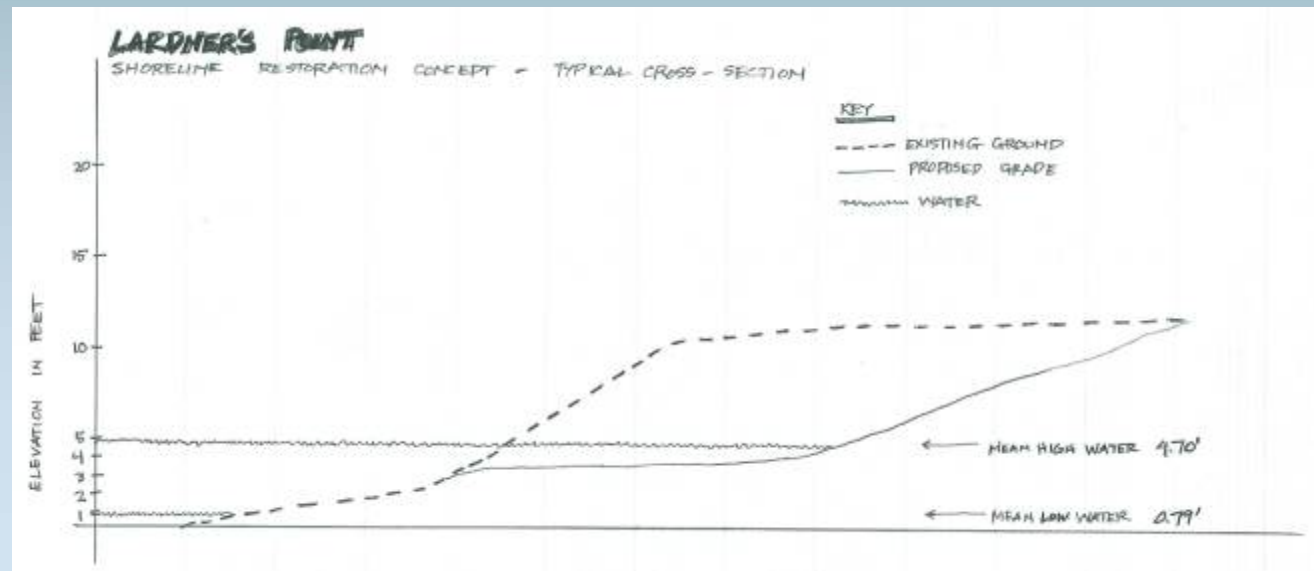
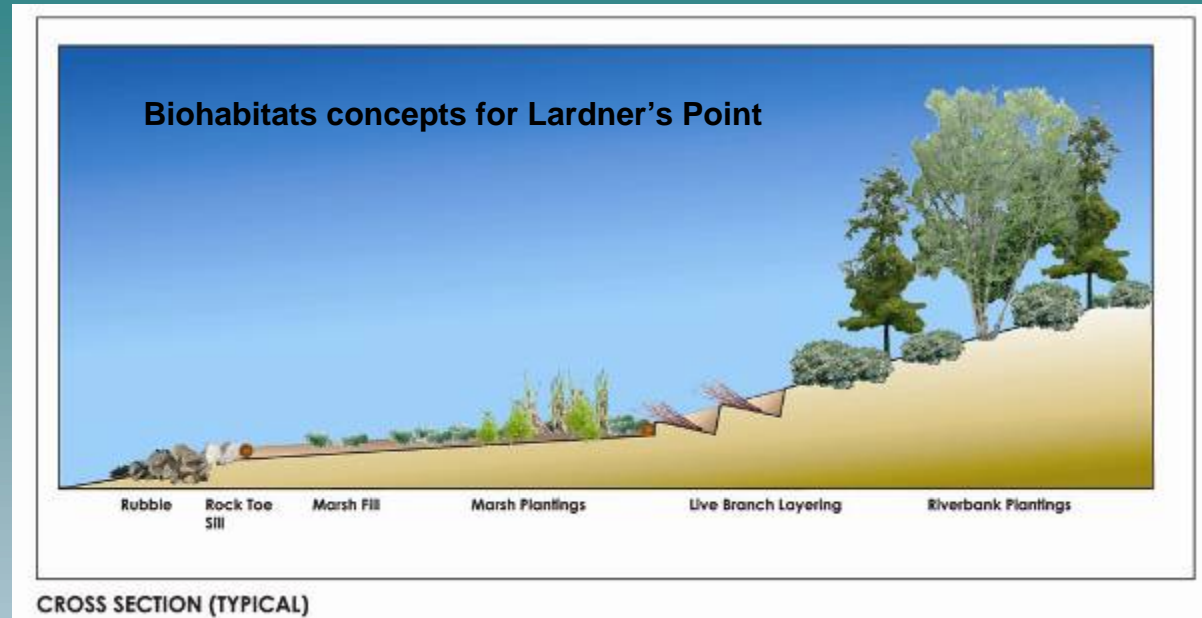


Enhance fringe wetland by widening low/high marsh.

Excavate back channel wetland

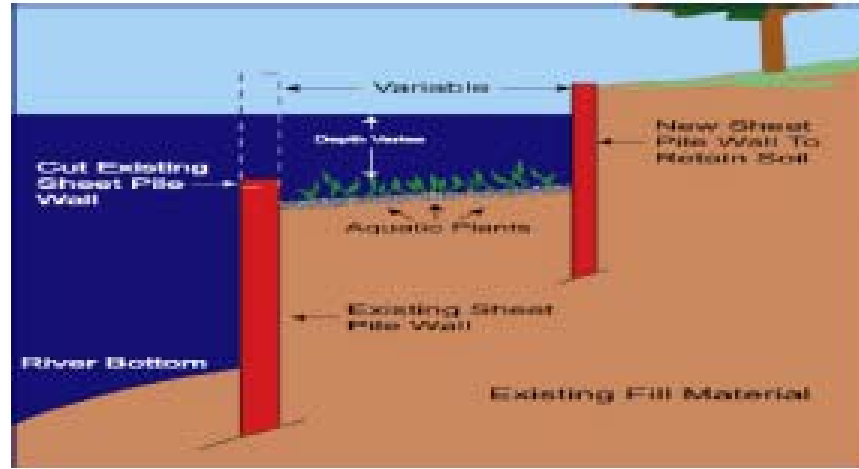
Enhance-restore fringe wetlands

Marsh sills,
breakwaters, or
other structures.





Shoreline and Bank Protection Options



Tiered Wall Configuration



Marsh Sill