

WASHINGTON COUNTY PENNSYLVANIA WATERSHED ROAD MAP



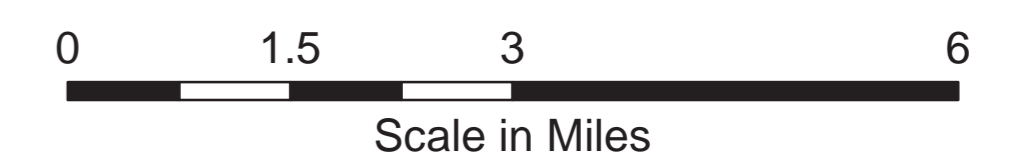
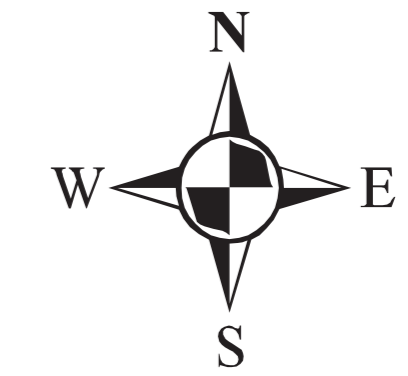
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Legend

- City Boundary
- Township Boundary
- Borough Boundary
- Monongahela River
- Watershed Boundary within the County
- Major Streams



Contact Information
If you are interested in joining an active watershed association or starting a new one or just obtaining more information, contact the Alliance at:

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Washington County Watershed Associations

There are many active watershed associations in Washington County. Below is a list of their names. **If you live in an area that currently does not have a watershed association, consider starting one!**

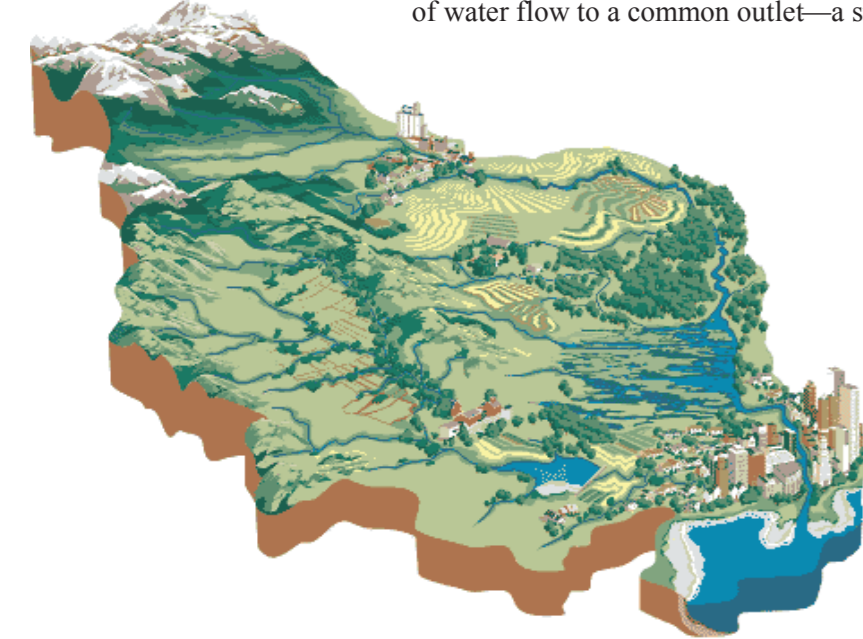
- Buffalo Creek Watershed Association
- Charters Creek Watershed Association
- Cross Creek Watershed Association
- Peters Creek Watershed Association
- Pike Run/Pigeon Creek/Maple Creek Watershed Association
- Raccoon Creek Watershed Association
- Ten Mile Creek Watershed Conservancy
- Wheeling Creek Watershed Conservancy
- Washington County Watershed Alliance: A 501(c)(3) nonprofit, conservation organization for the whole county, designed to enhance and coordinate the activities of individual watershed associations.

Watershed

A watershed is a geographical area of land in which all sources of water flow to a common outlet—a stream, lake or river.

Washington County Watersheds

In Pennsylvania, 95% of the land drains into three major basins - The Ohio, The Susquehanna, and The Delaware, and parts of three others - Lake Erie, The Potomac, and The Genesee. The watersheds in Washington County either drain to the Monongahela or Ohio Rivers, but all are part of the larger Ohio River Basin.



Areas of Interest

* **(Buffalo Creek Watershed) Lower Buffalo Creek Watershed Important Bird Area (IBA) #89:** This IBA contains two separate Great-blue Heron rookeries, exceptional concentrations of Acadian Flycatchers, Cerulean Warblers, Louisiana Waterthrushes and Yellow-throated Warblers, a large diversity of habitats and high quality riparian forests and water.

Directions: Take I-70 to PA 221/Taylorstown exit 11. At bottom of ramp turn left, go 0.1 mi to stop sign then turn right onto Rt. 221 North (Buffalo Creek Road). Follow 221 N to Township Rt. 611 (6.6-5 miles). There is a covered bridge to the left at this intersection. Turn left onto 611 immediately cross covered bridge and park vehicle along the side of the dirt road.

* **(Charters Creek Watershed) Canonsburg Lake:** Canonsburg Lake was built in 1943 by the Aluminum Co. of America (Alcoa). The PA Fish and Boat Commission currently maintains and stocks the lake. Boating is limited to boats powered by electric motors and unpowered boats; however, boating is severely limited due to the shallowness of lake caused by siltation accumulation.

Directions: Take I-70 to US 19 N/Murtland Avenue exit 19B. Merge onto 19 N and follow (6-7 miles). Turn left onto McDowell Lane (The turn is not at a light, but left turning lane exists.) Turn right into the parking lot immediately before crossing the bridge.

* **(Cross Creek Watershed) Meadowcroft Rockshelter and Museum of Rural Life:** The Rockshelter, a massive rock overhang, provides glimpses of how the earliest people in North America lived. Visitors can also experience how their ancestors lived at the carefully recreated nineteenth century village. Take advantage of this national treasure from May to October.

Directions: Take I-70 to PA 18/Jefferison Avenue exit 17. At the bottom of the ramp turn right. At the second light turn right onto Jefferison Ave. At the next light bear left onto 844. Follow 844 for 1 1/2 miles to the junction of 844 and 231. Turn right onto 231 N. Go 1 1/2 miles to junction of 231 and 50. Turn left onto 50 W. Proceed 1/9/10 miles and turn right onto Fallen Timber Road. Go 1 3/10 miles and turn left onto Meadowcroft Road. Proceed 9/10 of a mile to Meadowcroft entrance on right.

* **(Peters Creek Watershed) Wright's House & Woods Biodiversity Area:** A historical home built in 1815 and operated as a museum. Wright's House is adjacent to the Wright's Woods Biodiversity Area and part of the original 800 acres that Enoch Wright acquired in 1772. Wright's Woods contains one of the last remaining sections of old growth oak forest in Washington County and is a natural community of high significance. Peters Creek marks the northern border of the area.

Directions: Take I-70 to US 19 N/Murtland Avenue exit 19B. Merge onto 19 N and follow (7 miles). Turn right onto East McMurray Road. In approx. 3 miles, turn right onto Valley Brook Road. In 0.6 miles, turn right onto Behout Road. After traveling 2.8 miles, turn left onto Veneta Road. Wright's House is on the left before Church Hill Road.

* **(Pike Run Watershed) California University of Pennsylvania:** A member of the PA State System of Higher Education, Cal U dedicated to excellence in the liberal arts, science and technology, and professional studies that is devoted to building character and careers, broadly defined. Cal U hosts the Washington County Annual Children's Groundwater Festival, a project of the Washington County Watershed Alliance, in May. Cal U is also situated close to the Monongahela River.

Directions: Take I-70 to PA 43 S/California exit 37A. Merge onto PA 43 Turnpike South (portions toll). Take the California Exit (bear right at end of exit). Stay straight toward Wood Street. Follow Wood Street down to the intersection at Third Street (at stop light). At the stop light, turn right onto Third Street and follow straight onto campus.

* **(Raccoon Creek Watershed) Langloeth Borehole Abandoned Mine Treatment System:** Abandoned Mine Drainage (AMD) plagues most of the Raccoon Creek Watershed in Washington County. AMD results in poor water quality and little or no stream life. The Langloeth Borehole was constructed in 1998 and the first AMD treatment facility in the county and treats the mine drainage through passive treatment.

Directions: Take I-70 to PA 18/Jefferison Avenue exit 17. Follow PA 18 N for approx. 10 miles until it turns into PA 18 N/PA 50E. Turn left onto Bargetstown Road to stay on PA 18 N. Continue to follow PA 18 N to Sloan. Turn left onto Bologna Industrial Road. The AMD facility is on the left.

* **(Ten Mile Creek Watershed) Ten Mile Creek Park:** Owned and maintained by Washington County, Ten Mile Creek Park offers two hiking trails, restrooms, picnic shelters and a boat launch. Ten Mile Creek empties into the Monongahela River in Millsboro, Greene County. Come and relax at this great family park.

Directions: Take I-70 to PA 43 S/California exit 37A. Merge onto PA 43 Turnpike South (portions toll). At exit 30A, road changes to Rt. 88 South. Drive through Fredericktown and before crossing the green bridge over Ten Mile Creek turn right onto Clarksville Road. Turn Left onto County Park Road and arrive Ten Mile Creek County Park.

* **(Wheeling Creek Watershed) Enlow Fork:** The Enlow Fork of Wheeling Creek creates part of the border between Washington and Greene Counties. This beautiful, remote natural area offers bird watching year round and wildflower hikes in the spring. See if you can spot trilliums, jack-in-the-pulpit, Solomon seal, Virginia blue bells, wild geranium, fire pinks and blue-eyed Marys.

Directions: Take I-70 to US 40 Chestnut Street exit 15. Turn right at the bottom of ramp onto US 40 East. At the second light, turn right onto Franklin Farms Road. Turn right onto PA 18 S. Follow PA 18 S almost to the Greene County Line. Turn right onto East Finley Road. Enlow Fork is parallels East Finley and Enon Church Roads on the left.

