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# RIVER PARK & NORTH BRANCH POTOMAC INDUSTRIAL DAM REMOVAL

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#### **1. INTRODUCTION**

#### A. Project Background

The River Park at Canal Place embodies a long-held vision for transforming Cumberland and Allegany County into a hub for outdoor enthusiasts. This initiative aims to unlock the recreational potential of the Potomac River, drawing inspiration from the success of Cumberland's Great Allegheny Passage and the C&O Canal Towpath Trail (Towpath). At its core, the project seeks to create a family-friendly whitewater park, converting the previously perceived obstacle of what is known locally as the "Blue Bridge Dam" into an opportunity. The removal of part of the dam allows for innovative whitewater features catering to various skill levels and to promote fish passage upstream of the dam for the first time since its construction in the 1950s. Complementing the in-water features are streamside amenities, including boat access points, spectator seating, and paved trails connecting key areas. The whitewater park of the project is strategically positioned near the Interstate 68 exit ramp. This strategic location not only promotes accessibility but also fosters greater integration with nearby businesses and local accommodations. The trails play a crucial role, weaving into the Greater Cumberland trail network along both Maryland and West Virginia riverbanks. With connections to the Towpath, a river trestle, and a tunnel, these trails offer diverse recreational opportunities. Building upon existing assets like Canal Place, Cumberland's infrastructure, and local businesses, the river park extends services, creating a dynamic space for recreation and supporting related businesses. This report delves into the detailed analysis and feasibility aspects, envisioning a future where the River Park at Canal Place is a thriving symbol of community vibrancy and natural beauty.

#### **B.** Project Scope

To further completion of the project, Recreation, Engineering, and Planning (REP) and Civil and Environmental Consultants, Inc. (CEC) were tasked with creating a 30% Preliminary Engineering Report and revised masterplan that will be necessary to determine and redefine the locations of the feature water drops and related land-based trails connections. To generate the 30% report and design, the following items are necessary:

- Existing site topographic base mapping, bathymetry upstream of dam, 3D modeling of dam and other in-water man-made features.
- Hydrology Analysis
- Hydraulic Model Review

- Floodplain Feasibility Analysis
- Pertinent project site and surround area connections data
- Meetings/Coordination with United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), City of Cumberland, Canal Place, and Allegany County

#### 2. SITE ANALYSIS

#### A. Existing Site Photographs



Existing Aviertt Street floodwall and Levee. Proposed whitewater launch point.



View of Ridgely Flood control wall and Bridge Street Crossing. Proposed trail intersection with Bridge Street.



Existing floodwall and dam on river left (Maryland). Proposed location of trail underpass adjacent to feature whitewater drop.



Existing Interstate 68 Bridge parking lots on Greene Street. Proposed area of shared use parking for the river park.



Existing Riverside Park includes National Road 0-mile marker, George Washington's Headquarters. Proposed location of parking lot access for take-out location for whitewater park and the relocation of George Washington's Headquarters to the point of the Riverside Park.



Existing Pedestrian Bridge with stairs and ADA access from Station to Riverside Park. Proposed connection point to Western Scenic Railroad Parking lot and Chesapeake & Ohio Bike Trail.



Existing flood wall River Left (Maryland side) downstream of railroad trestle. Proposed area for overlook and stair access to river trails.



Existing overlook connected to the C&O Bike Trail. Proposed ADA access ramp to riverside trails.



Existing gravel access to overhead electric lines on WV-28 Veteran's Memorial Highway. Proposed asphalt turnaround with parking for downstream of whitewater park boat launch points and access to the trail network from the Ridgeley, WV side of the North Branch of the Potomac River.



Existing shared use gravel parking area adjacent to WV-28. Proposed shared use parking for use for downstream of whitewater park boat launch points and access to the trail network from the Ridgeley, WV side of the North Branch of the Potomac River.

#### **B.** Site Opportunities & Constraints

#### 1. **Opportunities**

#### **1. Economic Development:**

The incorporation of new biking and hiking trails, fishing habitats, whitewater features, and observation areas within the project area is a significant expansion of recreational opportunities, reunifying both cities (Cumberland, Maryland and Ridgeley, West Virginia) through their use of the river, providing an easy escape to the natural environment within the confines of an up-and-coming city built upon the rich history of its past and is a one-of-a-kind opportunity for the region that will produce continued economic growth and development.

#### 2. Historic Features and Tourism:

Building on the existing success of the C&O Canal Towpath, National Historic Park, the National Road, and the Downtown Cumberland Historic district, the River Park at Canal Place is strategically positioned to draw from the rich historical tapestry of the region, offering visitors a distinctive and educational experience. The project's adjacency to key attractions, including the Great Allegheny Passage Trail, Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Trail, Knobley Tunnel, Western Maryland Scenic Railroad, Canal Place businesses and event space, and the historic canal, creates a compelling foundation for recreational and tourism development.

#### **3. Innovative Whitewater Features:**

The proposed whitewater park which includes concrete and boulder features to create a unique manmade whitewater rapid structure that offers a distinctive recreational experience, attracting a broad spectrum of users, from novices to advanced enthusiasts. Intertwining riverside trails that bring spectators right next to the whitewater action and provide access to passive seating areas on nearby hillsides providing multiple interaction points.

#### 4. Trail Network Integration:

The comprehensive trail network provides opportunities for exploration, connecting to existing trails like the Towpath and GAP Trail and introducing users to unique features such as the whitewater area, Knobley Tunnel, and railroad trestle. The trail networks will create a series of loops of varying length for users to create their own trail network that best fits their timeframe for a quick or longer ride, while enjoying different views for the extent of their ride back to their starting point.

#### 5. Adaptive Reuse of the Dam:

Turning the once-perceived dam obstruction into a recreational opportunity exemplifies adaptive reuse. Although removed, the whitewater feature drops will continue to play a crucial role in the success of the Canal Re-watering Project. Additionally, the integration of fish passage routes through the dam will grant various fish species access upstream for the first time since its construction in the 1950s.

#### 2. Constraints

#### **1. Sediment Contamination:**

Historical studies indicate sediment contamination, specifically dioxins, behind the dam, necessitating careful consideration and involvement of regulatory authorities like Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE).

#### 2. Historical Building Relocation:

The relocation of George Washington's Headquarters is suggested due to its lack of significant historical value in the current location, introducing potential challenges in finding a suitable and historically appropriate site.

#### 3. Infrastructure Adaptation:

The proposed changes to the dam and adjacent areas necessitate careful planning to ensure the integration of new and existing infrastructure, including existing Combined Sewer Overflows (CSO), proposed extension and capacity of CSO to the North Branch of the Potomac River, and other potential interactions that may come from project construction.

#### 4. Site Morphology:

The elevation changes and natural morphology of the site need to be considered in the design process to ensure the safety and accessibility of the proposed features including the connection to upland and riverside ADA accessibility options and trail designs.

#### **5. Regulatory Approvals:**

The project requires compliance with various regulatory requirements, including permits, zoning regulations, and legal considerations, which may pose challenges in terms of timelines and a lengthy approval process for construction.

#### 6. Historic Preservation:

Balancing the need for progress with the preservation of historic sites and structures requires a nuanced approach to ensure the cultural integrity of the region is maintained or accentuated.

#### 7. Public Safety:

The inclusion of in-water features, particularly whitewater features, necessitates careful design to ensure public safety, especially for users with varying skill levels.

#### C. Hydrology

The availability and timing of flow is one of the most important factors in the performance and function of a river park, and a key factor in design. The North Branch of the Potomac River in Cumberland is a relatively large river with discharges that vary dramatically throughout the year. The character of the park will change with various flows, but generally there is enough flow to provide for quality river recreation features throughout the year. Many popular river parks have similar flow regimes, designed to function down to 300 cubic feet per second (cfs) or even less. These same features can be designed to also function well at higher flows with increased performance for advanced paddlers and surfers.

River discharge data was downloaded from the publicly available USGS gage station 01603000, North Branch Potomac River Near Cumberland MD, located near the Canal Parkway bridge a little over 2 miles downstream of the project site. At the downstream end of the project area is the confluence with Wills Creek, which contributes significant flow to the river. Discharge data from Wills Creek was downloaded from USGS gage station 01601500. In order to estimate the flow in the North Branch Potomac upstream of the confluence, flow data from Wills Creek was subtracted from the North Branch Potomac gage data to create a time series of flow data for the North Branch Potomac upstream of Wills Creek.

For the purposes of this study, REP analyzed the average daily discharge for 30 full calendar years, 1993 through 2022. This provides a relatively large sample of data from the modern watershed. Older discharge data may not accurately reflect current watershed dynamics due to development, increase in impervious surface area, and other factors.



Time Series of Mean Daily Flow 1993-2022 (N Branch Potomac upstream of Wills Creek)

Mean daily flow time series for the 30 calendar years analyzed (1993-2022) for the North Branch Potomac upstream of Wills Creek. The river typically flows between 300 and 3,000 cfs, though high flow events have occurred ranging from over 10,000 cfs to over 20,000 cfs.

The complete time series of the daily flow data for the last 30 full calendar years is shown above. Flows in the river can vary dramatically from year to year, depending on precipitation and snowmelt. Generally, flows are higher in the winter and spring months (January – May) and lower in the summer and fall (July – October). However, high flows can occur at any time of the year as evidenced by the highest flow recorded on September 7, 1996. On that date, the flow peaked at 21,230 cfs, the highest flow calculated for the North Branch of the Potomac upstream of the confluence with Wills Creek.

Exceedance probabilities offer a valuable method for determining typical flows and were computed for every calendar month. The 75% exceedance probability (lower quartile flow) represents the flow that surpasses 75% of the recorded daily flows in that month. Similarly, the 50% exceedance probability (median flow) is the flow eclipsed by 50% of the recorded daily flows, while the 25% exceedance probability (upper quartile flow) denotes the flow exceeded by 25% of the recorded daily flows in that month.

The accompanying plot illustrates these flows for each month, connecting the median flow with a blue line and shading the area between the upper and lower quartile flows in light blue. This shaded region encapsulates the middle 50% of recorded flows for each month, offering a reliable indicator of the typical flow range anticipated throughout the year.





Monthly median, upper quartile, and lower quartile daily flows calculated for each month of the year based on mean daily flow data from 1993-2022, based on the calculated flows in the North Branch Potomac River upstream of the confluence with Wills Creek.

The median flows for February through May are all above 1,000 cfs, while the median flows for July through November are all below 400 cfs. A table summarizing the monthly statistics developed is shown on the following page. The month where the minimum daily flow was recorded is January (20 cfs), although this month has also recorded high flows

up to 10,200 cfs. This demonstrates the annual variability in flows depending on the storm cycles that move through the watershed.

Month	50% (Median)	25% (Upper Quartile)	75% (Lower Quartile)	Minimum	Maximum
January	951	1768	560	20	10200
February	1016	1755	668	187	7510
March	1378	2440	789	283	11610
April	1245	2025	749	383	11750
May	1012	1851	691	324	14190
June	565	884	424	237	6850
July	398	507	329	173	8377
August	350	475	295	175	9464
September	345	485	279	161	21230
October	331	428	278	172	5740
November	376	723	279	50	5810
December	746	1278	390	140	9260

 Table 1. Monthly statistics calculated from mean daily flow data from 1993-2022

 for the North Branch Potomac River upstream of the confluence with Wills Creek

Numerous established river parks with comparable flow patterns have achieved success. Leveraging the expected flow conditions, the proposed enhancements for river recreation can be tailored to perform effectively throughout a significant portion of the average year. In the winter and spring, characterized by higher flows, the project can be configured to offer accessible whitewater suitable for everyone from beginners to advanced paddlers. As the flow decreases in the summer and early fall, the river features may be less enticing for advanced users, but the same structures can be designed to accommodate tubing, boat passage, and novice whitewater activities. Riverside recreation, encompassing activities such as fishing, strolling, picnicking, biking, splashing, and wading, will be available year-round. The project is intended to facilitate fish passage at all expected flows while creating a habitat for aquatic species.

#### **D.** Floodplain Feasibility Analysis

The floodplain feasibility study work has not been performed, as the necessary existing hydraulic models of record have not yet been received from the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE). The necessary information has been requested through a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request.

Floodplain and flood flow conveyance are important considerations for this location on the North Branch Potomac River (and Wills Creek) in Cumberland. Levees, floodwalls and other flood flow conveyance infrastructure exist at the site and trails have been constructed atop areas of flood protection infrastructure. The floodplain feasibility analysis will ensure the proposed project can be built without causing adverse impacts to the regulatory floodplain. A preliminary level proposed conditions hydraulic model will be created to represent the Industrial Dam modification and river recreation park concept, and water surface elevation results will be compared to the effective model for the reach. Model results will determine if the proposed project can be implemented without adverse impacts to the floodplain. To conduct the formal floodplain analysis necessary for permitting, further topographic / bathymetric survey will be required, and the design will need to be progressed to at least the 60% design level.

#### E. Dam Structural Analysis

Based on a review of the available record drawings (See appendix section for drawings and figures), it appears that the bridge pier and abutments were not designed to have connection to the dam. The construction drawings do not indicate a positive connection between the two structures (e.g., steel dowels or other reinforcing steel configurations). Instead, the two structures were to be separated by an expansion joint (filled with  $\frac{3}{4}$ " premolded expansion joint material). A 9" wide, vertically oriented waterstop was also included at the joint to minimize water infiltration through the joint.

Although it is not possible to verify that the design of the piers and abutments accounted for the location of the dam "infill" for any lateral stability without reviewing the original calculations (which are not available), given the construction means and the intentional expansion joint between the structures, it is unlikely that it was considered. In order to construct the abutments and pier as designed, it would have been necessary to have constructed these structures prior to placement of the dam concrete. As such, the design would have been considered a period of time prior to and during the construction of the dam that those structures would have been without the lateral support of the dam or the bridge superstructure.

Therefore, it is our opinion that the removal of portions of the dam will not adversely affect the performance of the bridge piers and abutments. Removal of the concrete near the interface between the structures to remain should be demolished with means that will ensure that incidental impacts will not occur (e.g., cutting rather than hammering). Given that the concrete in the dam appears to have been designed with some reinforcing steel, cutting of the concrete is the recommended approach.

Since the available record drawings are labeled to be "as built", the discovery of connection between the dam and the pier or abutments is not anticipated. Nondestructive test methods (e.g., x-ray or ground penetrating radar) can be used prior to demolition to ensure such connections were not included. However, it is unlikely that such undocumented changes would have occurred in this case.

#### F. Aquatic Species

The Potomac Industrial Dam has a profound impact on historic migration corridors and spawning habitat. Dams and other manmade barriers have resulted in stream fragmentation limiting movement of resident fish and migrations of catadromous (migrate down rivers to the sea to spawn) and anadromous (migrate upstream of a river to spawn) species, including the American eel, to their historical spawning and nursery habitat. In turn, the dam likely limits the abundance and diversity of mussel species in the impounded zone behind the dam due to a lack of fish host and habitat impairments.

The Maryland Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) indicated that it has been assumed that mussels have long been extirpated or, if extant, few species remain, and they persist in very low numbers in the North Branch Potomac River (McCann, 2021).

The Potomac Industrial Dam has been identified as a high priority blockage for resident fish species and a moderate priority blockage for catadromous and anadromous species. Though there are six downstream barriers from the Potomac Industrial Dam, with one having a fish ladder and another being notched, the American eel has been documented downstream of the Potomac Industrial Dam but not upstream. According to the MDNR, the section of the North Branch Potomac River from Westernport downstream to Pinto remains cold and suitable for trout management (MDNR, n.d.). The impounded zone behind the Potomac Industrial Dam is likely impeding the trout population in this reach.

#### G. Construction Feasibility

In-river construction presents a set of unique challenges. Based on extensive experience designing and overseeing many similar river projects throughout the country, the design team believes the proposed project is constructable in a manner that can minimize the impact to the river. Detailed phasing and water control plans will be developed in future project phases and will change as the design progresses, but the overall approach will include:

- Placement of temporary cofferdams to isolate work areas. The existing dam may be used temporarily as a cofferdam. Pump water to dewater the work area.
- Allow space for river flow to pass around the isolated construction areas. Working in a single channel river such as this, the drop structures will need to be constructed in phases, with a portion constructed in the dry and then the river "flipped" with flow passing over the recently constructed portion while the rest of the structure work area is dewatered.
- Turbidity curtains, care of water area, and other best management practices (BMPs) designed to limit excess turbidity in the river.

#### **H. Sedimentation Analysis**

The Potomac Industrial Dam has interrupted the North Branch Potomac River's natural sediment transport process resulting in sediment accumulation in the impounded zone behind the dam. Princeton Hydro estimated the impoundment to be approximately 1.9 miles long with an estimated accumulated sediment volume of 142,000 cubic yards (Wildman, 2010, reported in Van Ryswick and Sylvia 2015). The dam was constructed to supply water to local industry; however, this past industrial activity created concerns regarding the chemical and physical properties of the accumulated sediment, leading stakeholders to sample and analyze the sediment for contaminants.

As part of a feasibility study for removal of the Potomac Industrial Dam, Princeton Hydro collected three surficial sediment samples within the impounded zone behind the dam in 2009. The results of these sediment samples showed the presence of low levels of dioxin and dioxin-like compounds in surficial sediments in the impoundment. Due to the results of this study, American Rivers contracted the Maryland Geological Survey (MGS) to perform a more detailed sediment study within the impounded zone of the dam to determine the physical and chemical properties of the sediment and the areal extent and depth of dioxins and metals in the sediment (Van Ryswick and Sylvia 2015). MGS collected 10 sediment core samples, ranging from 1 to 3.4 meters deep, from the upstream impoundment area. Various depth intervals were analyzed for grain size, elemental concentration, extractable metals, and dioxins.

The following summarizes the findings of the study:

1. Upper sediments that accumulated after construction of the dam predominantly consist of gravelly sands. Fine muddy sand and mud sediments have accumulated in low energy areas close to the shore and along river left just above the dam. Gravel and cobbles increase in the deeper sediments, indicative of the pre-dam high energy streambed.

2. Total elemental concentrations in the sediments are within the ranges of other dam impoundment sediments from similar settings.

3. Toxicity characteristic leaching procedure (TCLP) analyses for extractable hazardous metals were run on the finer sediments at various intervals in the cores indicative of post-dam deposition. MGS found that the TCLP metals concentrations were either below the detection limit or well below hazardous metal threshold concentrations; therefore, MGS concluded that there were no concerns associated with TCLP metals in the sediments within the impounded zone.

4. The sediments were analyzed for a suite of dioxin compounds. Since the toxicity of individual dioxins varies by orders of magnitude but have a similar mode of action, the concentration and toxicity of individual dioxins were standardized to the most toxic dioxin, 2,3,7,8-Tetrachlorodibenzo-p-dioxin (TCDD) and presented as the Toxicity Equivalent (TEQ) dioxin concentration. Dioxins were found in all the sediment samples, with lower concentrations in coarser sand and gravelly sand sediments and higher concentrations in finer grained mud and organic sediments. Dioxin levels generally decreased in the pre-dam sediments dominated by gravelly sands and cobbles. Dioxins concentrations were generally lower farther upriver from the dam except in Core 8, which was taken in a finer sediment accumulated near the river right bank edge.

5. The TEQ dioxin concentrations in the sand and gravelly sand samples were below or just above the level of low risk to sensitive mammalian wildlife. The TEQ dioxin concentrations were highest in the very muddy sediments of Core 2 along the left bank just above the dam, where two samples contained TEQ values above the EPA level of high risk for sensitive avian wildlife.

#### I. Canal Water Intake Analysis

The existing canal water intake system is a necessary component of the Canal Rewatering Project. Currently, the first 0.25 miles of the proposed 1.20-mile canal reconstruction has been completed. The water intake system as constructed was designed to meet the rewatering requirements of the 1.20 miles of canal reconstruction. As the project stands as of this report, the required water for rewatering the canal is only needed as makeup water for water lost out of the canal. The capacity required for the total 1.20 miles is 8 cubic feet per second or approximately 3,600 gallons per minute.

There is an intake screen structure located in the reservoir formed by the Corps Dam at an elevation of 606.25 feet mean sea level (MSL). The water flows via gravity through a 24-inch water line into a sluice gate to the wet well of the pumping station. Two 75 HP submersible pumps move water through two 10-inch discharge pipes, below the pedestrian bridge to the can turning basin. A float switch cluster is located near the canal in a stilling structure that controls the pumps by allowing them to come on and off at various water levels.

When the dam is removed, the water level at the existing intake location may fall below required levels. Modifications/relocations will need to be made to the intake to ensure proper water levels if/when the Canal Project extends to the proposed 1.20 miles. The design options are shown in the preliminary design section of this document.

#### J. Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) Outlet Structure

The proposed future construction of an upgraded larger CSO structure (a part of the Canal Re-watering Project) downstream of the proposed whitewater park has been coordinated with the design and intent of this 30% Preliminary Engineering Report, however continued coordination may be necessary as both projects mature towards construction.

#### K. Upland Analysis

#### <u>Parking</u>

<u>Greene Street Interstate 68 Bridge Underpass</u> – Below the Interstate 68 Bridge (Clarysville Bridge), includes three distinct asphalt paved parking lots between S Johnson Street and Bridge Street Intersections. Parking areas nearest to the S Johnson Street intersection and Bridge Street intersection are shared use parking for businesses on both sides of Greene Street. The middle parking lot is a metered public parking lot (Parking Lot #3) and is the designated parking lot for the National Road Monument and George Washington Headquarters. <u>South Mechanic Street</u> – Two asphalt public parking lots with striping serve the public. One adjacent to the Western Maryland Scenic Railroad Station/ and Canal Place Heritage Area and one below the Interstate 68 bridge at the intersection of Howard Street and South Mechanic Street. Both parking lots serve as overnight/long-term parking for users of the GAP and C&O Trail systems as well as parking for the Shops at Canal Place and stage great lawn area. It also serves as additional parking for the Cumberland Pedestrian Mall and greater downtown area.

<u>Route 28 (Veterans Memorial Highway), WV- Blocker Street Utility Road – At the end</u> of Blocker Street located near the railroad trestle serves as an existing access point for u

<u>Route 28 (Veterans Memorial Highway), WV</u> – A gravel overflow area serves as additional overflow parking directly across from a small business plaza currently housing Chef Paul's Kitchen & Catering, My Place, and J&B's Quick Stop Drive Thru. Adjacent to the overflow parking area is a car dealership, Nelson Auto Sales. The gravel lot can hold approximately 20-25 vehicles.

#### **River Access**

There are multiple launch ramps for boating along the North Branch of the Potomac River upstream and downstream from the industrial dam. Unfortunately, the inability to pass through Cumberland's industrial dam has been a stumbling block for long distance river trails. With the removal of the industrial dam, a user could now paddle from Jennings Randolph Lake near Westernport, Maryland 147 miles to Sharpsburg, Maryland. Providing an expanded user group to lodge and board in Cumberland as they make their excursion down the Potomac River Water Trail.

Local area launch ramps docks and ramps are located below:

Alleghany County Fairgrounds Boat Ramp Location: Lat: 39.607549 Long: -78.803939 Miles to downstream launch/take-out point: 2.70 miles Ţ Upper Potomac Industrial Park Boat Launch Location: Lat: 39.634237 Long; -78.797227 Miles to downstream launch/take-out point: 2.15 miles Whitewater Park Launch Location: Lat: 39.647570 Long: -78.768506 Miles to downstream launch/take-out point: 0.30 miles Ţ Whitewater Park Take-out Location: Lat: 39.648074 Long: -78.764786 Miles to downstream launch/take-out point: 0.20 miles Canal Place Stage Launch

Location: Lat: 39.645972 Long: -78.764318 Miles to downstream launch/take-out point: 2.72 miles ↓ <u>Mason recreation Boat Ramp</u> Location: Lat: 39.619571 Long: -78.762443

#### **ADA Accessibility**

ADA accessibility from the Western Scenic Railroad Station to Howard Street is carefully planned for seamless inclusivity. Originating at the ADA parking lots near the GAP/C&O Trailhead Junction, a wide ADA ramp encircles the Canal Park Stage, extending to a pedestrian bridge over the canal and an overlook along the Chesapeake and Ohio Bike Trail. Access to Riverside Park is facilitated by an ADA ramp from the south side of the Railroad Station building, connecting to the train station platform. The platform features an ADA crosswalk for safe passage over train tracks, leading to an additional ADA ramp connected to the pedestrian bridge. This strategic design ensures uninterrupted and barrier-free access, prioritizing the diverse mobility needs of individuals from Howard Street to the Western Scenic Railroad Station and to future planning endeavors along the North Branch of the Potomac.

#### **Trail Connections**

The junction of the Great Allegheny Passage (GAP) Trail and Chesapeake and Ohio Canal (C&O) Towpath Trail in Cumberland, Maryland, serves as a pivotal point for economic development. This convergence transforms Cumberland into a thriving tourist hub, attracting outdoor enthusiasts and bikers. The city strategically provides amenities such as bike rentals, accommodations, and restaurants to cater to trail users, fostering business growth. Cumberland's historical significance is heightened as it marks the transition from the industrial C&O Canal to the scenic GAP Trail. The economic impact is evident in increased patronage for local businesses, job creation, community engagement, and infrastructure investment. Overall, the trail junction enhances Cumberland's appeal, showcasing a successful model of economic development driven by outdoor recreation and cultural exploration.

#### 3. PRELIMINARY DESIGN IMPLEMENTATION

#### A. Whitewater Park Design



A whitewater park on the Arkansas River in Salida, CO. The park is utilized by a wide range of people and abilities and has been credited with driving significant economic growth.

**IN-WATER DESIGN:** In the proposed river recreation park's water design, the intricacies of each instream recreational drop structure are meticulously planned to offer a dynamic and engaging experience for a broad spectrum of users. The natural stone boulders, with a minimum diameter of 3 feet, are strategically arranged and anchored to the riverbed where necessary, ensuring stability during varying flow rates. The variability in dry drop (1.5 to 3 feet) caters to users of different skill levels, making the park accessible to both beginners and advanced enthusiasts. The upstream-most drop structure, designed to mirror the water surface elevation of



A beginner kayaker descends a recreational drop structure in San Marcos, Texas designed by REP. These structures perform together with, and are anchored to a defunct mill dam, a common site scenario and opportunity for river recreation.

the existing dam, serves as a key element in maintaining consistency and preserving the impoundment created by the Industrial Dam.



A casual river surf scene at a dam modification project in Dayton, Ohio. This surf structure shown is anchored directly to a defunct low-head dam.

The incorporation of fish passage channels at each drop structure demonstrates a commitment to ecological considerations. The un-grouted natural stone channels, specifically designed for low-flow conditions, aim to facilitate the movement of target fish species across the park. The pools between the drop structures not only provide a visually appealing cascade effect but also ensure a well-thought-out recovery time, contributing to the safety and enjoyment of users. The stone bank terracing further enhances the aesthetics of the water design, creating areas of focus for spectators and users alike.



Stone terracing and river access at a dam modification project in Calgary, Alberta.

**<u>Riverside Design</u>**: The riverside design of the park intricately weaves together accessibility, safety, and environmental sensitivity. The ADA accessible trails, constructed with durable riverside concrete, offer users the opportunity to traverse the length of the project seamlessly. The deliberate positioning of the trails close to the river's edge provides not only scenic views but also enhances user experience, allowing them to feel connected to the water throughout their journey. Trail underpasses at the existing "Blue Bridge" roadway bridge ensure a continuous and uninterrupted path for users.

The flood-resistant design of the trails acknowledges the dynamic nature of the river, accommodating potential inundation during high flows. Multiple ADA accessible river access points, strategically placed upstream and downstream, serve as pivotal entry and exit points for various water activities, fostering a sense of convenience and inclusivity. Stone river access steps, seamlessly integrated into the stone bank terracing, add an aesthetic touch while providing functional access to the water's edge. The emphasis on preserving existing infrastructure not only ensures continuity with the surrounding environment but also minimizes the project's ecological footprint. This comprehensive riverside design is a testament to the project's commitment to creating a harmonious and sustainable river recreation park.

#### **B.** Upland Design

All the site areas outside of the immediate water course are included in the upland design. Proposed structure and design elements including parking facilities, trail heads, trails, seating areas, viewing areas, historical features, fishing access and connections to existing infrastructure are a part of this section.

**Trail System:** Expanding on the achievements of the C&O Canal and the Great Allegheny Passage Trail Systems, the proposed upland trail network aims to establish connections with national, regional, and local trail systems. Nationally, it integrates with the C&O and Great Allegheny Passage trail systems, while regionally, it connects to Carpendale, WV, the presently closed Knobley Tunnel, and potential future rails to trails connections. At the local level, the 1.9-mile Maryland loop trail offers wetland paths and fishing access points along the river. The system includes larger loop trails with smaller loops, providing diverse experiences and scenic views. This integrated trail system is

designed to facilitate the reconnection of cities with their waterfronts, a prospect not realized for generations.

**<u>Parking</u>**: There are four proposed parking facilities providing river and trail access. They are integrated into the city's fabric and are multi-use facilities.

<u>Greene Street Interstate 68 Bridge Underpass</u> – Below the Interstate 68 Bridge (Clarysville Bridge), includes three distinct asphalt paved parking lots between S Johnson Street and Bridge Street Intersections. Parking areas nearest to the S Johnson Street intersection and Bridge Street intersection are shared use parking for businesses on both sides of Greene Street. The middle parking lot is a metered public parking lot (Parking Lot #3) and is the designated parking lot for the National Road Monument and George Washington Headquarters. It is anticipated that this will be additional parking for guests and users of the whitewater park and trails.

<u>South Mechanic Street</u> – Two asphalt public parking lots with striping serve the public. One adjacent to the Western Maryland Scenic Railroad Station/ and Canal Place Heritage Area and one below the Interstate 68 bridge at the intersection of Howard Street and South Mechanic Street. Both parking lots serve as overnight/long-term parking for users of the GAP and C&O Trail systems as well as parking for the Shops at Canal Place and stage great lawn area. It also serves as additional parking for the Cumberland Pedestrian Mall and greater downtown area. It is anticipated that users of the whitewater park and trail system will utilized this areas for parking.

<u>Blocker Street parking facility and emergency access-</u>. Located on the Ridgely, WV side of the river, this existing access point could be expanded and developed into a 7-space trail head providing parking, emergency access, and ADA accessibility to the river.

<u>WV-28 Shared use river access point.</u> This existing gravel lot off WV-28 along the levee in Ridgely, WV can provide river access to boaters and ADA access to hikers and fishermen.

#### **River Left North Branch of Potomac River**

Whitewater Launch Trailhead: Includes the Avirett Avenue trail linkages and boater access to the whitewater park launch area. This trail head provides access to the top of the levee trail, the river side trail, and the boat launch area.

**Top of the Levee Trail**- This trail follows the existing levee creating a strong connection along the entire length of the whitewater park linking the launch area and the takeout area with multiple access points into the city and down to the riverfront. The trail offers outstanding views of the river, city, and surrounding countryside. In addition, the trail is almost entirely ADA compliant.

**Riverside Trail:** The riverside trail system provides direct access to the waterfront linking the beach, viewing, and seating areas along the riverfront. There are three access

points down to the riverfront, however the middle access point allows for ADA accessibility to the riverfront.

**Connections to Existing Pedestrian Systems:** Where the top of the levee trail crosses the blue bridge, there is a proposed crosswalk providing a strong sidewalk connection into the city.

**Blue Bridge Underpass:** As the riverside trail passes under the blue bridge, an outstanding environment is created. Focused on the largest drop in the water park and bringing the trail close to the rushing water, letting bystanders experience the sound and feel the rushing water in close connection to whitewater enthusiasts.

**Terraced Rock Seating Area:** Located in a natural bowl focused on the last two feature water drops in the water park, this feature provides the ideal viewing area of the park.

Whitewater Park Take Out Area: The takeout is located at the end of the whitewater park, providing a calm area to take out. It also provides access along the levee wall to the top of the levee trail, providing direct access to the launch area, relocated Washington's headquarters and connections into town via the pedestrian bridge to canal place or road connections via Greene Street.

**Proposed Observation Platform and Stairway:** The proposed viewing platform will be located on an existing foundation structure and will provide panoramic views of the river, city and, countryside while the stairway will also provide access to the riverfront.

**Proposed ADA Ramp for River Access:** Located adjacent to the existing observation platform this ramp will provide water access.

**Waterfront Trail:** The waterfront trail provides ADA access to beaches, hiking, and fishing opportunities along the calmer portion of the river.

**Creating Fishing Opportunities Around River Deflectors:** Along the waterfront trail access, fishing areas are created in and around the diversion structures, providing great eddies and low current for fish to congregate as they move up and downstream.

**Connection to the Maryland Loop Trail:** This 1.9-mile trail explores wetlands and river environments down river and be able to loop back to the beginning of the trail.

#### **River Right North Branch of Potomac River**

Proposed expansion of the waterfront trail upriver to Carpendale, WV, includes a trail connection in Ridgely, WV, at the blue bridge. This involves establishing a crosswalk and sidewalk connections to link the town with the riverfront. Specific features of the plan include:

**Blue Bridge Underpass on WV Side:** Details regarding the underpass at the Blue Bridge on the West Virginia side.

**Trestle Bridge Underpass:** The walkway provides trail users to access upstream and downstream of the whitewater park without the interaction of pedestrians and the active railroad line. Occasionally, a user may be fortunate enough to be below the trestle when a train rumbles across overhead.

**Emergency Access ADA Parking and Access:** A secondary location for users to park and access the riverfront trails from WV-28 and used for emergency access as needed. **Boat Launch Access on WV-28:** The inclusion of a boat launch access point from WV-28 will provide water enthusiasts to access the calmer portions of the river and allow a gentle <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> day float trip to the Mason boat Launch take out. **Waterfront Trail:** The main waterfront trail facilitating activities such as viewing, hiking, fishing, and access to beaches along the waterfront.

**Connection to Trestle Loop Trail Downriver:** Establishing a connection to the Trestle Loop Trail downstream.

#### C. Water Intake Design Options

The following options to be examined prior to the dam's removal:

- A slip stream constructed on the side of the river below trail surface to provide necessary depth to cover intake screen.
- Intake screen to be relocated upstream before the first feature drop, anchored into the designs of the feature's wingwalls.
- Water intake location to remain in place, but installation of a smaller pipeline within the 24-inch pipeline to be pumped rather than gravity fed.

#### **D.** Sediment Dredging/Passive Release Design Options

**Sediment Dredging Option:** Following permit approvals, the first step of project implementation will be to mobilize equipment for the installation of MDE-approved erosion and sediment control measures and best management practices. Existing high value natural resources located in the work area will be demarcated to avoid unanticipated disturbances. Given the setting of the Bank, multiple ingress and egress locations exist that could be utilized to mobilize equipment. A mobile dredger will be brought in to begin the process of excavating deposited sediment from the reservoir behind the dam to prevent the release of contaminated sediment to the downstream channel. The removal of accumulated sediment will be planned and executed with approaches that will mitigate deleterious effects on aquatic life. The dredging program including the type of dredge, rating of pumps, location, and depth from which the sediment is to be removed, will need to be determined. It is anticipated that the dredging activity will generate approximately 142,000 cubic yards of waste requiring disposal. The disposal of the dredged material will be conducted in compliance with federal, state, and local government laws and regulations.

**Passive Sediment Release Option:** To avoid undue harm during dam removal, deconstruction will be undertaken in careful steps to not only avoid downstream degradation but also to maintain public safety and the structural integrity of the Blue Bridge, which is co-located with the dam. Though it has been determined that the bridge and dam are not structurally connected, the decommissioning will be completed in coordination with the State Highways Administration.

The project will involve dam removal to allow certain structures to remain in place, without reservoir impoundment or hazards to the Blue Bridge or recreational boaters. The dam will be removed as stated in the design section of this document, while leaving the center pier for the bridge in place. The pier will be stabilized, along with the streambed within the footprint of the former dam, to provide a suitable hydraulic section for velocity control and fish passage.

Removing the dam will generate short-term, temporary geomorphic disturbances during the passive release of the remaining sediments from the impoundment. Shifts in patterns of sediment movement can be a prominent ecological response to dam removal and these changes in transport control the process of channel evolution, which can also have important consequences for biogeochemical cycling. Additional modeling will need to be completed to determine the channel evolution and associated rates of sediment delivery.

Per the following case study. the Bloede Dam Biogeochemical Impacts Analysis Report (Boynton, et. al., 2014), which assessed phosphorus inputs to the ecosystem associated with sediment release from removal of the Bloede Dam. This analysis assessed how particulate phosphorus would interact with the estuarine segments of the Patapsco River, with the most basic distinction being between inputs of total particulate phosphorus and inputs of particulate phosphorus forms that could be converted into forms that could grow algae. The analysis concluded that there would be a reasonable expectation that release of sediment from the Bloede Dam could result in 1) the deposition of inorganic phosphorus in sediments of the tidal Patapsco River and that 2) under saline, and especially low oxygen conditions, a portion of that phosphorus could become bio-available for the growth of algae (Boynton, et. al., 2014). However, it is important to note that these release rates were related to the area of deposition; if the area of deposition of fine-grained material were spread out over the whole tidal Patapsco, then the releases would be aerially moderate. Ultimately the study concluded that a significant phosphorus release was not anticipated. Based on this study and the anticipated removal of sediment from the impounded zone behind the dam, it is anticipated that the same discountable phosphorus release will be associated with the Potomac Industrial Dam.

Low-head dams not only affect the downstream sediment supply and biogeochemical cycling processes, but they also have potential implications associated with flooding. These effects associated with the removal of a low-head dam can include both direct effects associated with changes in riverine hydrology and indirect effects related to potential changes in river morphology. The Potomac Industrial Dam does not provide a flood control function and the deleterious effects of its removal on flooding will likely be minimal. The accumulated sediment in the impounded zone decreases the reservoirs' ability to store floodwater and its removal is anticipated to result in reduced flood elevations upstream due to the loss of backwater effects. Indirect effects of low-head dam removal are generally associated with changes in river morphology, which could result in increased flood elevations associated with a sediment release that exceeds the channel's conveyance capacity.

#### 4. CONCLUSION & NEXT PHASES

Based on the assessment described in this report, a river recreation park at the site of the Industrial Dam is feasible from a technical perspective (pending the floodplain feasibility analysis), as shown in the preliminary design developed.

To progress into the detailed design phase, additional data will need to be collected including additional topographic and bathymetric survey, water level logger install and

data analysis, and a sediment assessment. It is recommended that this additional data collection is scheduled in late summer / fall 2024 while flows in the river are low.

Below is a summary of the next technical steps required to bring the design through 60% design and regulatory permit application submittals:

**Topographical Survey:** Additional surveying including a detailed bathymetric survey will be necessary beyond what has been collected to date.

**Water Level Loggers:** Installation of water level loggers at multiple locations in the project vicinity to record water surface elevations. It is important this task occurs during low flows prior to the next high flow season, as the water surface elevation data collected is needed for the full range of flows from low to high. This data is used for calibration of the design hydraulic model and needs to be collected prior to detailed design hydraulic modeling.

**Sediment Assessment:** An assessment of the impounded sediment upstream of the dam will be necessary to advance the design. The sediment assessment would entail rod probing to refusal throughout the sediment assessment area to estimate sediment depths, sediment type, and underlying material characteristics. Sediment sampling for contaminants can occur during the same investigation.

**60% Design Plans:** Advance the preliminary design plans to 60%. The 60% plans will include sufficient detail to be used for permit applications. The plans will include detailed cross sections and profiles, materials, construction access / dewatering details, etc. Development of the 60% design plans will run concurrently with hydraulic modeling tasks, stakeholder meetings, etc.

**Floodplain Impact Hydraulic Modeling:** Floodplain hydraulic analysis of project elements in the 60% design, building upon the floodplain feasibility analysis. Develop a floodplain impact report detailing the hydraulic analysis performed, and any floodplain impacts as a result of the proposed project. If the proposed design meets the requirements for no-rise certification, one will be provided. It will be necessary to develop a proposed conditions hydraulic model and analyze the 1% annual exceedance probability discharge (100-yr flood) water surface elevations for existing and proposed conditions, and associated change. The design team will make grading changes or geometry modifications if there are adverse impacts to the floodplain due to the proposed improvements. The goal is to design the project to meet no-rise requirements, and it is anticipated that several design iterations will be required.

**Flood Control Impact Hydraulic Modeling:** The HEC-RAS model will be used to determine if there will be any effects on the adjacent USACE Flood Control Project. The design team will make grading changes or geometry modifications if there are adverse flood control impacts due to the proposed improvements. Close coordination with USACE will be necessary. The model results will be used for USACE Section 408 permitting.

**Design Hydraulic Modeling:** Advance the hydraulic model to be used for design support purposes. Analyze hydraulics and various design geometries to optimize the design for design flows. The design process will include iterations using the hydraulic model and the developed design surfaces to optimize the recreational channel features at all anticipated flows, inform material selection and embedment depths, etc. Water surface elevation data for a range of flows from low to high will need to be collected from the installed water level loggers prior to this task.

**Permitting Agency Engagement, Coordination, and Meetings:** The client and design team will need to engage with the various required regulatory agencies and meet with representatives throughout the 60% design process in order to work toward completing permit applications and supporting information. Anticipated required regulatory agencies include but are not limited to:

- City of Cumberland, MD
- City of Ridgeley, WV
- United States Army Corps of Engineers
- National Park Service
- Maryland Departments of Environment
- United States Wildlife and Fisheries
- Maryland Department of Transportation
- Maryland Historical Trust

**Permit Applications:** Preparation and submittal of necessary major permit applications to the various regulatory entities governing the work involved in this project. Necessary information includes quantities, areas of impact, design plans, required hydraulic modeling reports, etc.

Additional Work Items: Further phases of work include additional regulatory permitting effort required after initial application submittals, final design, bid documents development, the bid phase, and the construction phase.

**Preliminary Project Schedule:** The schedule shown in the chart below is for planning purposes only, it is always anticipated that timeframes may change based on new information, permitting and data processes, and other potential situations that may delay the project.

Draft PER Delivery	1/24
Final PER Delivery	2/24
Draft Engineering Solicitation	3/24
River Sampling NTP (90 Days)	3/24
Bid Engineering Services	5/24
River Sampling Report	5/24
Engineering Proposals Received	6/24
Design/Permitting	12/25
Project Bidding	2/26
Contract Award	3/26
Construction Start	6/26
Construction Complete	11/27
Anticipated Opening to the Public	Spring 2028

**Future Adjacent Work:** The future projects described below will propel the region into a larger economically diverse area, providing a greater sense of community that is bound by its rich history while providing additional new attractions for visitors of the region, adding another cycle of rich history of growth to the region.

<u>Canal Re-watering Project-</u> The continued construction of the additional 1 mile of the canal near the event lawn and Canal Place Shops, will only add to the historic important significance of the canal for the city of Cumberland.

<u>Knobley Tunnel –</u> The reconstruction of the collapsed areas of the tunnel is prudent to the economic success of Carpendale, West Virginia. With the Tunnel repaired and opened to the public, users of the trail systems could then access Carpendale from a C&O Bike Trail trailhead that continues through the tunnel and North through the town of Carpendale and connecting with a future extension of the whitewater riverfront park trail downstream towards the town of Ridgeley. This trail holds significant importance to the town of Carpendale as the town could expand its tourism business outreach to users of trail systems looking for different trails and small-town experiences throughout the region.

## 5. COST ESTIMATE

Concept	Conceptual Level					
Preliminary Estima	te of Pr	obabl	e Costs			
12-Ja	an-24					
On-Grade Trail -	Concre	ete Sui	rface			
DESCRIPTION	QTY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	COST		
Trail A - 0.6 Miles (MD Side)	2800	SY	\$150 \$/ SY	\$420,000		
Ramp 1 (Near Overlook)	400	SY	\$150 \$/ SY	\$60,000		
Ramp 1 Landscape Wall	2100	SF	\$125 \$/ SF	\$262,500		
Ramp 2 (Near Dam)	260	SY	\$150 \$/ SY	\$39,000		
Ramp 2 Landscape Wall	1330	SF	\$125 \$/ SF	\$166,250		
Railing	160	LF	\$125 \$/ LF	\$20,000		
Steps	20	SY	\$200 \$/ SY	\$4,000		
Path From Pedestrian Bridge to Overlook	110	SY	\$150 \$/ SY	\$16,500		
Small Pedestrian Bridge	1	LS	\$65,000 \$/ LS	\$65,000		
		)	SUBTOTAL	\$1,053,250		
Event Ter	race A	rea				
DESCRIPTION	QTY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	COST		
Concrete Sidewalk	3100	SY	\$150 \$/ SY	\$465,000		
Unclassified Excavation	1	LS	\$150,000 \$/ LS	\$150,000		
			SUBTOTAL	\$615,000		
Parki	ng Lot					
DESCRIPTION	QTY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	COST		
Asphalt Surface	3900	SY	\$60 \$/ SY	\$234,000		
Concrete Sidewalk	320	SY	\$150 \$/ SY	\$48,000		
Concrete Curbing	500	LF	\$75 \$/ LF	\$37,500		
Storm System	1	LS	\$180,000 \$/ LS	\$180,000		
			SUBTOTAL	\$319,500		
Dam Modification, River	Structu	res &	<b>River Access</b>			
DESCRIPTION	ΟΤΥ	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	COST		
Water Control & Dewatering	1	LS	\$800.000 \$/ LS	\$800,000		
Dam Structure Demo & Removal	1800	CY	\$200 \$/ CY	\$360,000		
Embankment (Fill) for River Structures and Pools	42000	CY	\$30 \$/ CY	\$1.260.000		
Steel Sheet Pile	32000	SF	\$90 \$/ SF	\$2,880,000		
Structural Concrete Slabs at River Structures	400	CY	\$380 \$/ CY	\$152,000		
Structural Concrete Walls at River Structures	150	CY	\$380 \$/ CY	\$57,000		
Grouted Boulders at River Structures	6500	CY	\$320 \$/ CY	\$2,080,000		
Grouted Boulder Bank Terracing & Toe Boulders	5900	CY	\$320 \$/ CY	\$1,888,000		
Grouted Boulder Current Deflectors				¢144.000		
	450	CY	\$320  \$/  CY	\$144,000		
Ungrouted Riprap (6") Bedding Under Structures	450 6700	CY CY	\$320 \$/ CY \$120 \$/ CY	\$144,000 \$804,000		
Ungrouted Riprap (6") Bedding Under Structures Ungrouted Riprap (18") Scour Protection	450 6700 6300	CY CY CY	\$320 \$/ CY \$120 \$/ CY \$150 \$/ CY	\$144,000 \$804,000 \$945,000		

Access Steps	80	SY	\$1,000	\$/	SY	\$80,000
Miscellaneous Equipment Hours	300	HR	\$300	\$/	HR	\$90,000
Mobilization/Demobilization	1	LS	\$400,000	\$/	LS	\$400,000
			SUB	TO	TAL	\$12,007,200

<b>Riverside Trails &amp; ADA Access Paths</b>						
DESCRIPTION	QTY	UNIT	UNIT PR	ICI	£	COST
Riprap Removal	2100	CY	\$80	\$/	CY	\$168,000
Trail Grading	2200	CY	\$30	\$/	CY	\$66,000
6" Reinforced Concrete Paths	4500	SY	\$150	\$/	SY	\$675,000
Trail Subgrade	1500	CY	\$120	\$/	CY	\$180,000
Ungrouted Boulder Terracing (Upland)	1200	CY	\$250	\$/	CY	\$300,000
			SUB	TO	TAL	\$1,389,000

On-Grade Trail - (West Virginia Side)						
DESCRIPTION	QTY	UNIT	UNIT PR	ICE	E	COST
Trail B - 0.6 Miles (WV Side Lower, Conc.)	2000	SY	\$150	\$/	SY	\$300,000
Trail C - 1.4 Miles (WV Side Upper, Asphalt)	6700	SY	\$60	\$/	SY	\$402,000
			SUB	TO	TAL	\$702,000

Miscellaneous Items						
DESCRIPTION	QTY	UNIT	UNIT PR	ICE		COST
Beach Put Ins / Take Outs	4	EA	\$35,000	\$/ 1	EA	\$140,000
Overlooks C&O Trail	300	SY	\$150	\$/ \$	SY	\$45,000
Signal Adjustment	1	LS	\$300,000	\$/ ]	LS	\$300,000
Relocation of George Washington's Headquarters	1	LS	\$100,000	\$/ ]	LS	\$100,000
Sidewalk Demolition	350	SY	\$40	\$/ \$	SY	\$14,000
Grading (Overexcavation of On-Grade Trails)	12000	CY	\$30	\$/ (	CY	\$360,000
Box Culvert (10' x 4')	300	LF	\$2,000	\$/ ]	LF	\$600,000
Water Intake Modification	1	EA	\$1,000,000	\$/ I	EA	\$1,000,000
Contaminated Sediment Removal/Disposal		EA	\$1,250,000	\$/ 1	EA	\$1,250,000
			SUB	TOT	ΆL	\$3,809,000
			TOTAL			\$19,894,950
CONTINGENCY 25% \$4,					\$4,973,738	
Engineering Design, Permitting & Construction Inspection \$3,58					\$3,581,091	
PRELIMINARY GRAND TOTAL					\$28,449,779	
			SAY			\$28,500,000
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1. Estimates are for planning/budgetary purposes only. Budgets must be updated during the design phases of the project.

2. This is a planning-level construction cost estimate based on conceptual plan dated 12/18/2023. No detailed design

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### 6. APPENDIX



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JANUARY 2024



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# THE RIVER PARK AT CANAL PLACE CONCEPTUAL MASTERPLAN









# Plan Key

- 1 FEATURE 1 (2' DROP)
- 2 FEATURE 2 (2' DROP)
- (3) FEATURE 3 (2' DROP)
- 4 FEATURE 4 (1.5' DROP)
- 5 FEATURE 5 (2.5' DROP)
- 6 FEATURE 6 (1.5' DROP)
- (7) FEATURE 7 (1.5' DROP)
- 8 CANAL PLACE AND WESTERN MD SCENIC RAILROAD
- 9 GREAT ALLEGHENY PASSAGE MILE MARKER ZERO
- (10) NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
- (11) FESTIVAL GROUNDS / CANAL PLACE SHOPS
- (12) CANAL BASIN
- (13) C&O CANAL TOWPATH NATIONAL PARK
- (14) FUTURE CARPENDALE, WV LOOP
- (15) YMCA CONNECTOR TRAIL
- (16) BOATER ACCESS
- (17) FISH PASSAGE (CONTINUOUS PASSAGE)
- (18) RIVERFRONT WALKWAY
- (19) UPPER RIVER PARK TRAIL ACCESS
- (20) PUBLIC SHARED PARKING
- (21) PUBLIC METERED PARKING
- (22) BEACH AND VIEWING AREA
- 23 TOP OF LEVEE TRAIL
- (24) EXISTING CANAL WATER INTAKE
- (25) PROPOSED CANAL WATER INTAKE
- 26 RIVERFRONT WALKWAY ACCESS
- (27) WALKWAY UNDERPASS
- 28 NATURAL ROCK SEATING
- PROPOSED GEORGE WASHINGTON'S HEADQUARTERS RELOCATION
- (30) PROPOSED PARKING LOT
- (31) BOATER ACCESS
- (32) RIVER PARK TRAILHEAD AND PARKING
- (33) EXISTING PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE OVER WILLS CREEK
- (34) PROPOSED BRIDGE CONNECTOR
- (35) VIEWING PLATFORM
- 36 DEFLECTOR
- (37) LOWER RIVER PARK WATER ACCESS
- (38) FISH HABITAT
- (39) FUTURE CSO OUTLET MODIFICATION
- (40) EMERGENCY AND ADA RIVER PARK ACCESS
- (41) ADA RIVERFRONT ACCESS
- (42) RIVERFRONT WALKWAY WITH FISHING ACCESS
- (43) MD LOOP TRAIL (1.3 MILES)
- (44) TRESTLE LOOP TRAIL (3.5 MILES IN MD AND WV)





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## PLAN-TOP LATERAL SYSTEM Scale - 1" = 10'-0"



### ELEVATION Scale - 1"=10-0"



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PLAN OF FLOOR SYSTEM Scale - 1" = 10-0"



ROADWAY	STRING	ER_
LOAD	6HEAR	MOMENT
Dead	8.14	45.40
Live (swk.)		
Live (Rdwy.)	17.48	101.15
Impact 30%	5.24	30.35
TOTAL	30.86 <sup>K</sup>	176.90 K
176.90 x 12 - 18	= 118.0	in 3 (S.M.Regid.)
Use 21 WF GZ	= 126,4	103 (5.M. Furn.)
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LOAD	SHEAR.	MOMENT
Dead	57.20	585.00
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LOAD	TENSION
Dead	84,50
Live (swk.	7.00
Live (Rdwy.)	62.50
Impact 30%	19.00
Wind $(Mc \neq r^2)$	163.00
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Diaphrams at A, B and C ('z" Web Pl., 8<sup>15</sup>4 x3'zx36) shall be Normal to Arch Rib.
Diaphrams " 1, 2 and 3 (58" Web Pl., 6<sup>15</sup>4 x3'zx36) " " in Plane of Hanger.
Diaphrams " D ('z" Web Pl., 8<sup>15</sup>4 x3'zx36) " " Normal to Arch Rib.
For all Arch Rib Sections - 2 Stiff. Ls 5x3'zx36" between Diaphrams and Splices.
All Hangers and Floor Beam Webs are to be placed in Vertical Plane.
Webs of Top Struts (in plane of hanger) shall be bent at top to place Top Flange Т 613 847 239 612 D 478 A Reg'd. ..... -----------\_\_\_\_\_ L (Swk) \_\_\_\_\_ 36 1506/ 1) L(Rdwy) 139 /14.9 -----<del>\_\_\_\_</del> 25 ----------Т  $678 = 101.1 \text{ in}^2$ STATE OF MARYLAND REVISIONS STATE ROADS COMMISSION Angles tangent to Arch Rib. BALTIMORE, MD. RELOCATION OF BLUE BRIDGE Tabulated Values preceded by (+) or (-) represent 70% of actual Dead Load Moment to be combined with Live Load Moments of opposite sign. \* Design Values are computed on basis of Future 36'± Clear Roadway with 5'0"± Sidewalk supported on outside of each Arch Rib. (JOHNSON ST. BRIDGE) OVER POTOMAC RIVER AT CUMBERLAND, MD. STRESS SHEET SCALE AS NOTED DATE AUG. 1953 CONTRACT A 440-1-615 MADE BY WROE APPROVED TRACED BY DEPUTY CHEF ENGINEER CHECKED By Comber

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POTOMAC RIVER BASIN

PLANS FOR

TO ACCOMPANY SPECIFICATION SERIAL NO. CIVENG 49-080-53-25

DATED 16 FEBRUARY 1953

# NORTH BRANCH POTOMAC RIVER INDUSTRIAL DAM

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CORPS OF ENGINEERS, U.S ARMY OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ENGINEER WASHINGTON DISTRICT WASHINGTON 25, D.C.

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	NEW
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GAS LINE	
POWER LINE	
TELEPHONE LINE	
FENCE	
EASEMENT LINE	
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FUTURE WORK	(with designation)
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Class "D" finish to be used on concrete surfaces against which backfill will be placed. 11 For location of Exploratory Core Borings, see Sheet No. 9 "Plan of Industrial Dam." 12 Drilling holes in concrete and / or rock shall be at the location shown on the drawings or as directed by the contracting officer, and the number of drill holes may be increased or decreased as required. 13 For location of Borrow and Spoil Areas see Sheet No. I.

14 Rock elevations and /or surfaces shown on the profiles and sections are approximate only, having been derived from rock elevations in the borings shown on other drawings. In consequence, rock surfaces and elevations between borings as shown on the drawings cannot be guaranteed.

# GENERAL NOTES

All cross sections are shown looking upstream.

2 Right or left banks and/or walls refer to banks or walls when looking downstream. 3 The relocation of water, gas, telephone power lines and services, where required, will be performed by others.

4 Payment lines for excavation and concrete will be as shown on the drawings or as directed by the contracting officer.

5 Circled numbers on sheets I thru 12 refer to item numbers under which payment will be made.

6 All work designated by light dashed lines not included in this contract. 7 All concrete work shall be constructed in alternate monoliths unless otherwise approved. 8 Horizontal construction joints in the spillway section to be as shawn on the drawings.

9 Tolerances; Concrete\_spillway\_crest ± .005' in 20' horizontal.

Top of walls ± 1/4" in 20' horizontal. Spillway apron ± <sup>1</sup>/4" in 20' horizontal.

Bridge seat and top of pier  $\pm \frac{1}{4}$  in 20' horizontal.

10 Concrete Finish; Class "B" finish to be used on all exposed concrete surfaces

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