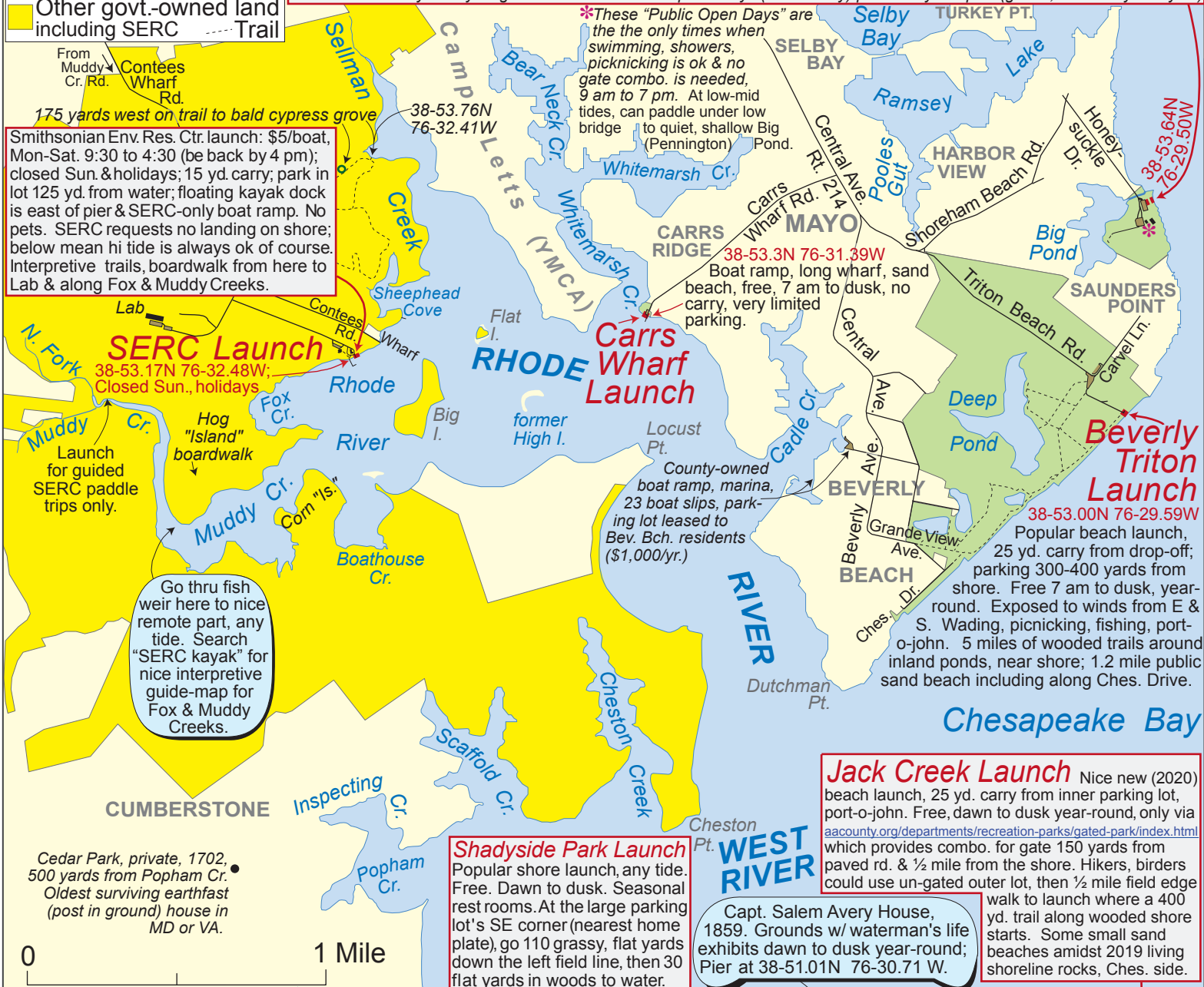


# Anne Arundel County Water Trail (AACWT.org): MAP 11 West - Rhode Rivers & Mayo

**Legend:**

- ◆ Paddling launch
- Park land
- Other govt.-owned land including SERC
- ◆ Parking
- Trail

**Mayo Beach Park Launch.** Beach launch, free, dawn-dusk year-round (closed before 3 pm weekdays mid-June to mid-Aug.) via [aacounty.org/departments/recreation-parks/gated-park/index.html](http://aacounty.org/departments/recreation-parks/gated-park/index.html) which provides combo. for entrance gate (then in 25 yds., grassy lot on left; 45 yd. carry, sandy beach, port-o-john.) Exposed to winds from E. & N. \*Mem. Day & July-Aug. weekends & Jun. & Sep. Sundays (or if muddy) park 150 yds. uphill (gravel; then carry 100 yds.)



**Smithsonian Env. Res. Ctr. launch:** \$5/boat, Mon-Sat. 9:30 to 4:30 (be back by 4 pm); closed Sun. & holidays; 15 yd. carry; park in lot 125 yd. from water; floating kayak dock is east of pier & SERC-only boat ramp. No pets. SERC requests no landing on shore; below mean hi tide is always ok of course. Interpretive trails, boardwalk from here to Lab & along Fox & Muddy Creeks.

**SERC Launch**  
38-53.17N 76-32.48W;  
Closed Sun., holidays

Go thru fish weir here to nice remote part, any tide. Search "SERC kayak" for nice interpretive guide-map for Fox & Muddy Creeks.

\*These "Public Open Days" are the the only times when swimming, showers, picknicking is ok & no gate combo. is needed, 9 am to 7 pm. At low-mid tides, can paddle under low bridge to quiet, shallow Big (Pennington) Pond.

**CARRS Wharf Launch**  
38-53.3N 76-31.39W  
Boat ramp, long wharf, sand beach, free, 7 am to dusk, no carry, very limited parking.

**Beverly Triton Launch**  
38-53.00N 76-29.59W  
Popular beach launch, 25 yd. carry from drop-off; parking 300-400 yards from shore. Free 7 am to dusk, year-round. Exposed to winds from E & S. Wading, picnicking, fishing, port-o-john. 5 miles of wooded trails around inland ponds, near shore; 1.2 mile public sand beach including along Ches. Drive.

**Jack Creek Launch** Nice new (2020) beach launch, 25 yd. carry from inner parking lot, port-o-john. Free, dawn to dusk year-round, only via [aacounty.org/departments/recreation-parks/gated-park/index.html](http://aacounty.org/departments/recreation-parks/gated-park/index.html) which provides combo. for gate 150 yards from paved rd. & ½ mile from the shore. Hikers, birders could use un-gated outer lot, then ½ mile field edge walk to launch where a 400 yd. trail along wooded shore starts. Some small sand beaches amidst 2019 living shoreline rocks, Ches. side.

**Shadyside Park Launch**  
Popular shore launch, any tide. Free. Dawn to dusk. Seasonal rest rooms. At the large parking lot's SE corner (nearest home plate), go 110 grassy, flat yards down the left field line, then 30 flat yards in woods to water.

- 1 West Shady Side Rd.
- 2 East West Shady Side Rd.
- 3 Ford Rd.
- 4 Atwell Rd.

Capt. Salem Avery House, 1859. Grounds w/ waterman's life exhibits dawn to dusk year-round; Pier at 38-51.01N 76-30.71 W.

Tenthouse Cr. name is from large annual Quaker West River Friends meetings starting in 1672. Woodfield's, built 1917, is last of 16 Galesville oyster houses.

Popular, protected beach/pier launch, 7 am-dusk; 30 yd. carry; free; small parking lot; historic town; restaurants; deli-market.

**Galesville Launch**  
38-50.56N 76-32.38W

Galesville Heritage Museum, Sun. 1-4 pm April thru Nov., 250 yds. from the launch.

Woods Wharf (Shady Side Wharf) 38-50.67N 76-30.61W High sea wall precludes easy launches at this A.A. Co. park.

Nice sand beach lunch spot, narrow wooded trails  
38-50.9N 76-30.1W  
**Shady Cove Natural Area**

**Discovery Village Launch**  
Free. 1 hr. before dawn to dusk. 38-50.69N 76-30.47W (East side), 10 yd. carry, any tide. New (2018) public power boat ramp (west side.)

In a pinch, a shoulder launch here is possible at mid-high tide but largely pointless just 1.6 mi. from Galesville. Parking 45 yds. away across the road at the A.A. Co. govt. Lulu Scott Community Center.

Map not intended for navigational use. 4/2020