Natural Resources Inventory

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New Jersey's Endangered and Threatened Wildlife

BIRDS			
Endangered		Thr	reatened
Bittern, American	Botaurus lentiginosos BR	Bobolink	Dolichonyx oryzivorus BR
Eagle, bald	Haliaeetus leucocephalus BR **	Eagle, bald	Haliaeetus leucocephalus
Falcon, peregrine	Falco peregrinus	Hawk, Cooper's	Accipiter cooperii
Goshawk, northern	Accipiter gentilis BR	Hawk, red-shouldered	Buteo lineatus NB
Grebe, pied-billed	Podilymbus podiceps*	Night-heron, black- crowned	Nycticorax nycticorax BR
Harrier, northern	Circus cyaneus BR	Night-heron, yellow- crowned	Nyctanassa violaceus
Hawk, red- shouldered	Buteo lineatus BR	Knot, red	Calidris canutus BR
Owl, short-eared	Asio flammeus BR	<u>Osprey</u>	Pandion haliaetus BR
Plover, piping	Charadrius melodus**	<u>Owl, barred</u>	Strix varia
Sandpiper, upland	Batramia longicauda	Owl, long-eared	Asio otus
Shrike, loggerhead	Lanius Iudovicianus	Rail, black	Laterallus jamaicensis
Skimmer, black	Rynchops niger BR	Skimmer, black	Rynchops niger NB
Sparrow, Henslow's	Ammodramus henslowii	Sparrow, grasshopper	Ammodramus savannarum BR
Sparrow, vesper	Pooecetes gramineus BR	Sparrow, Savannah	Passerculus sandwichensis BR
Tern, least	Sterna antillarum	Sparrow, vesper	Pooecetes gramineus NB
Tern, roseate	Sterna dougallii**	Woodpecker, red- headed	Melanerpes erythrocephalus
Wren, sedge	Cistothorus platensis		
	**Federally end	angered or threatened	
В	R - Breeding population only	; NB - non-breeding popul	ation only

REPTILES				
Endangered Threatened				
Rattlesnake, timber	Crotalus h. horridus	Snake, northern pine Pituophis m. melanoleud		
<u>Snake, corn</u>	Elaphe g. guttata	Turtle, Atlantic green	Chelonia mydas**	
<u>Snake, queen</u>	Regina septemvittata	Turtle, wood	Clemmys insculpta	
Turtle, bog	Clemmys muhlenbergii**			
Atlantic hawksbill	Eretmochelys imbricata**			
Atlantic leatherback	Dermochelys coriacea**			
Atlantic loggerhead	Caretta caretta**			
Atlantic Ridley	Lepidochelys kempi**			
**Federally endangered or threatened				

AMPHIBIANS				
Endangered Threatened				
Salamander, blue-spotted	Ambystoma laterale	Salamander, eastern mud	Pseudotriton montanus	
Salamander, eastern tiger	Ambystoma tigrinum	Salamander, long-tailed	Eurycea longicauda	
Treefrog, southern gray	Hyla chrysocelis	Treefrog, pine barrens	Hyla andersonii	

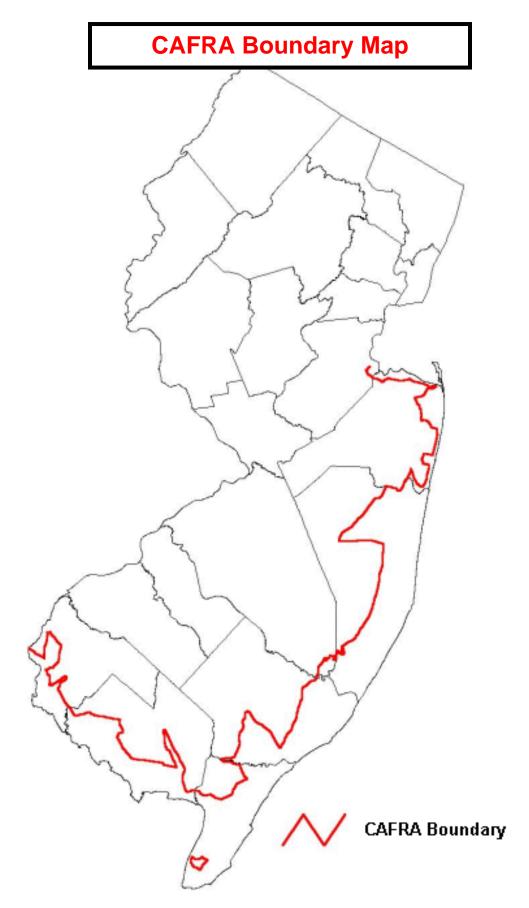
INVERTEBRATES				
Endangere	d	Threatened		
Beetle, American burying	Nicrophorus mericanus**	Elfin, frosted (butterfly) Callophrys		
Beetle, northeastern beach tiger	Cincindela d. dorsalis**	Floater, triangle (mussel)	Alasmidonta undulata	
Copper, bronze	Lycaena hyllus	Fritillary, silver-bordered (butterfly)	Bolaria selene myrina	
Floater, brook (mussel)	Alasmidonta varicosa	Lampmussel, eastern (mussel)	Lampsilis radiata	
Floater, green (mussel)	Lasmigona subviridis	Lampmussel, yellow (mussel)	Lampsilis cariosa	
Satyr, Mitchell's (butterfly)	Neonympha m.	Mucket, tidewater (mussel)	Leptodea	

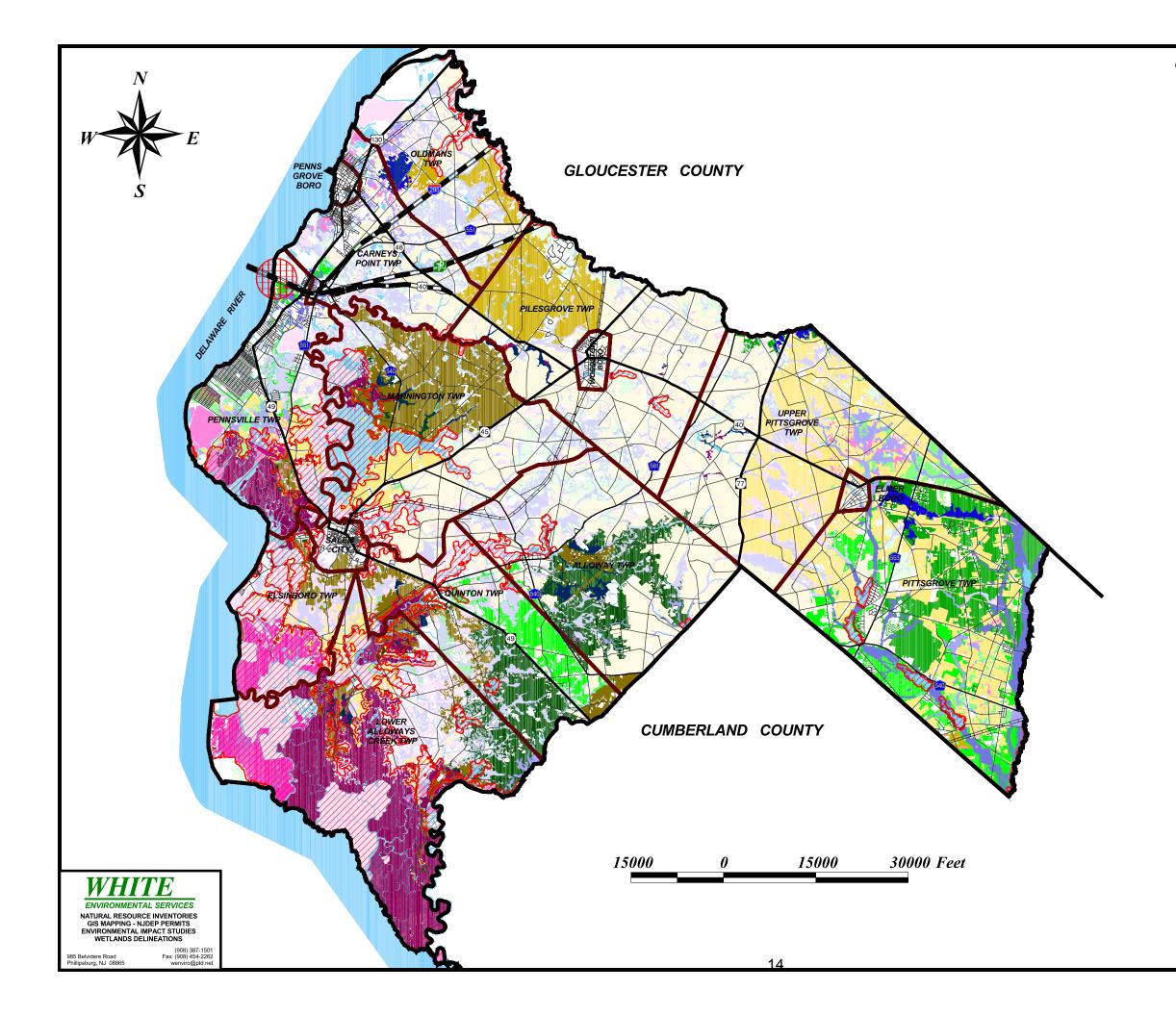
	mitchellii**		ochracea	
Skipper, arogos (butterfly)	Atrytone arogos arogos	Pondmussel, eastern (mussel)	Ligumia nasuta	
Skipper, Appalachian grizzled (butterfly)	Pyrgus wyandot	White, checkered (butterfly)	Pontia protodice	
Wedgemussel, dwarf	Alasmidonta heterodon**			
**Federally endangered or threatened				

MAMMALS		
Endangered		
Bat, Indiana Myotis sodalis**		
Bobcat	Lynx rufus	
Whale, black right	Balaena glacialis**	
Whale, blue	Balaenoptera musculus**	
Whale, fin Balaenoptera physalus**		
Whale, humpback	Megaptera novaeangliae**	
Whale, sei	Balaenoptera borealis**	
Whale,sperm	Physeter macrocephalus**	
Woodrat, AlleghenyNeotoma floridana magister		
**Fede	erally Endangered	

FISH			
Endangered			
Sturgeon, shortnose Acipenser brevirostrum**			
**Federally Endangered			

Source: NJ Division of Fish & Wildlife (List updated 3/11/04)





REFERENCES & NOTES:

Threatened and Endangered Speceis Habitat based upon the NJDEP GIS database of "The Landscape Project", 2004.

Rivers and Lakes taken from NJDEP GIS database, 1986.

This map has been prepared as a guide for the Salem County Natural and Cultural Resources Inventory. Data on this map should not be relied upon for individual lot planning.

This map was developed using NJDEP & NJGS Geographic Information System digital data, but this secondary product has not been verified by the NJDEP or NJGS and is not State - authorized.

MAP LEGEND:

Threatened and Endangered **Species Habitat**

Forested Wetland Habitat



Suitable Habitat Special Concern State Threatened State Endangered Federal T & E

Emergent Wetlands Habitat



Suitable Habitat Special Concern State Threatened State Endangered Federal T & E

Grassland Habitat Suitable Habitat



Special Concern State Threatened State Endangered Federal T & E

Forest Habitat

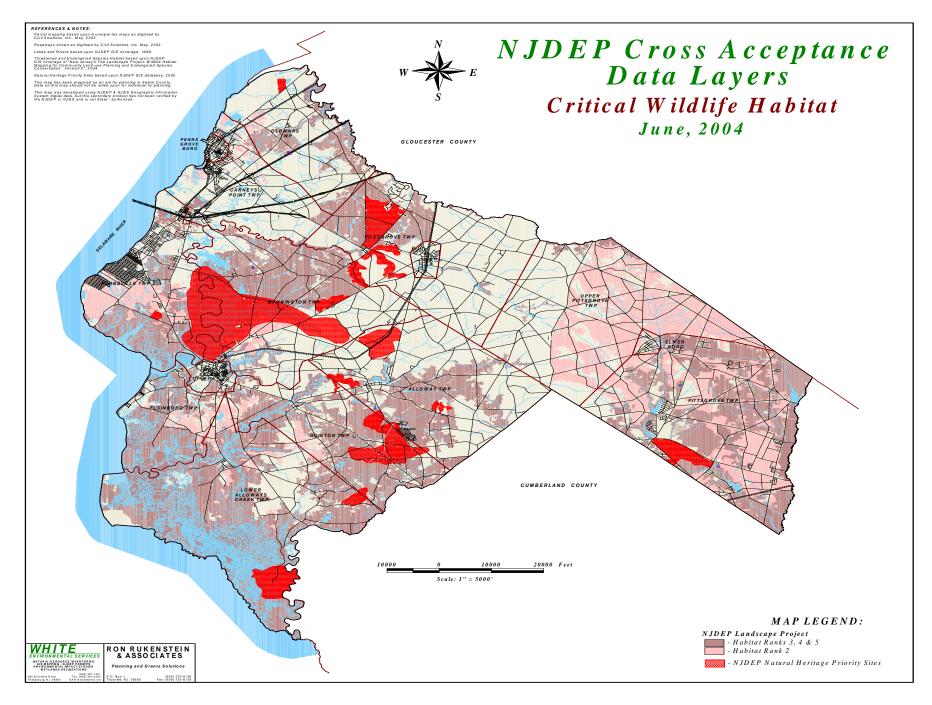


Suitable Habitat Special Concern State Threatened State Endangered Federal T & E

- Peregrine Falcon Habitat

- Eagle Foraging Habitat





Salem County Natural Resources Inventory

OPEN SPACE

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Introduction

Open space lands offer a respite from everyday life, an oasis of nature and fresh air, and an opportunity to experience and learn about the diverse natural environment that contributes to our quality of life in Salem County. Salem County is committed to preserving open space and maintaining the County's rural character and the community character of rural towns and Villages.

Salem County leads the State in preserved farmland and open space. Approximately 300 square miles or 88 percent of the County falls in the environs outside the regional planning area and the proposed or designated centers in Salem City, Alloway, Woodstown, and Elmer. More than 10 percent of the State's farmland is located in Salem County, and 15 percent of the statewide total of development rights purchased by the State Agriculture Development Committee is located in Salem County. The County recently adopted dedicated an open space and farmland preservation tax (\$.03 per \$100 assessment). County and State grant monies will be used to leverage local farmland preservation funding.

Federal and State Open Space

There are several protected areas within Salem County, including Fort Mott State Park, Killcohook National Wildlife Refuge, and Supawna Meadows National Wildlife Refuge.

Owner	Location	Site	Acres
FEDERAL	PENNSVILLE	KILLCOHOOK NWR	35
TEDERAL	PENNSVILLE	SUPAWNA MEADOWS NWR	1,718
STATE	CARNEYS PT./OLDMANS	DOD PONDS WMA	320
	LAC	MAD HORSE CREEK WMA	5,826
	LAC	MASKELL'S MILL POND	
	LAC	WMA	57
	LAC	HANCOCK HOUSE PARK	1
	MANNINGTON	MANN.MEADOWS WMA	202
	PILESGROVE	HARRISONVILLE LAKE	
	FILESGROVE	WMA	22
	PITTSGROVE	UNION LAKE WMA	1,058
	PITTSGROVE	GREENWOOD PONDS WMA	57

Salem County Conservation and Open Space Areas	Salem County	Conservation	and Open S	Space Areas
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NWR = National Wildlife Refuge

WMA = Wildlife Management Area

Rail Corridors

There are three active rail lines providing freight service through Salem County. None of these rail lines provide passenger service. The closest passenger rail station is in Wilmington requiring an approximately 15 minute or more drive or bus ride.

The Deepwater Line, owned and operated by Conrail (a subsidiary of CSX Transportation and Norfolk Southern), runs southward through the Corridor from Woodbury through Oldmans and Carneys Point Townships and Penns Grove Borough to the DuPont Chambers Works Plant in Pennsville Township.

Existing Recreation Facilities in Salem County

To the west, Salem County shares 35 miles along the Delaware River and Bay with New Castle, Delaware. Large areas of tidal and freshwater marshlands, with only a few beaches, characterize this shoreline (in a historic anomaly, the mean high water mark rather than the river centerline of the Delaware River marks the Delaware-New Jersey state border for 24 of these shoreline miles). The type of recreational and economic activity that results from this environment is different than what occurs in other coastal communities. Seasonal tourism is not an important part of the County's shore area economy. Popular shore-related recreation activities include fishing, boating, nature walks, and camping.

Salem County has pursued opportunities to increase tourism on the basis of the County's natural and historic resources. Projects that contribute to the County's tourist potential include the Coastal Heritage Trail by the National Park Service, the Fort Mott State Park visitor center, and the Three-Forts ferry boat service operated by the Delaware River & Bay Authority, which links Fort Mott with Fort Delaware and Fort DuPont in Delaware. Bird watchers are drawn to large wetlands areas, which provide nesting and feeding ground for migrating waterfowl. Mannington Meadows, in particular, is recognized as the most important bird habitat in the State for King Rail and Wilson's Snipe, as well as its extraordinary role in international and national waterfowl migration patterns.

Salem County is home to the Cowtown Rodeo, the only professional rodeo in New Jersey and the weekly Cowtown Livestock Auction, one of two surviving livestock auctions in the State. The County contains several golf courses, boat basins, boat launching sites, swim clubs, campgrounds, and bridle trails, as well as the Killcohook National Wildlife Refuge, and Supawna Meadows National Wildlife Refuge.

Within the Corridor, Fort Mott State Park is a 57 acre tract adjacent to the Delaware River in Pennsville Township providing access to the river for fishing, crabbing, picnic facilities, and the historic sites of Fort Mott Civil War Cemetery and Finns Point Lighthouse. Parvin State Park in Pittsgrove Township provides two lakes for swimming, fishing and boating, 15 miles of natural trails, as well as camping, picnicking, and playground facilities. A summary of municipal parks and recreation facilities is attached (from the Salem County Services and Facilities Report). Some of the highlights include Riverview Beach Park, overlooking the Delaware River and the site of Septemberfest in Pennsville Township, and the ball fields and picnic facilities maintained by Salem County in Oldmans Township. Two federal wildlife areas are located within Pennsville Township, including Killcohook National Wildlife Refuge (35 acres) and Supawna Meadows National Wildlife Refuge (1,718 acres).

In the summer of 2002, the County's first fully accessible playground was erected in the Carneys Point Recreation Facility. "A Place for Sami" is named for 6-year-old Sami Cox who spent her toddler years in a wheelchair. Through their outreach efforts, 9 playgrounds throughout Salem County now contain accessible equipment for children with disabilities.

INTRODUCTION

The Salem County Planning Department is pleased to present the <u>Natural Resources</u> <u>Inventory of Salem County</u>. The purpose of this inventory is to identify and describe the natural resources and environmental features within the County. The NRI provides both visual depictions of natural resources, in the form of mapping information and text that describes these resources. The text has been gathered from existing resources such as the Salem County Smart Growth Plan prepared for the Salem County Board of Chosen Freeholders, the County's Third Round Cross-Acceptance Report prepared for the State Office of Smart Growth and reports and studies provided by County, State and Federal Agencies. The data provided in this NRI is intended to be used as a planning tool for protecting and preserving the County's environmentally sensitive resources and maintaining its rural character.

Salem County is the 10th largest county in New Jersey covering over 338 square miles and remains by far the least populated and lease densely developed county in the State. The goals of the County include:

- Preserving and protecting the County's valued resources, including agricultural lands, historic structures and areas, and air and water quality
- Promoting the growth and revitalization of urban areas and maintain the community character of rural towns and villages
- Maintaining the County's rural character
- Preserving open space
- Providing public services and infrastructure in a cost-efficient manner

Limited natural resources, fragile ecosystems, and the physical characteristics of the land all impose restrictions on where development and growth should occur. Many times, in building cities and clearing the land, man has both knowingly and unknowingly disregarded environmental constraints, resulting in the permanent loss of plants and animals, the pollution of his air and drinking water and the destructions of fertile lands which provide his food. As populations continue to increase and development continues to sprawl into dwindling vacant land, the careful evaluation of limiting environmental factors becomes even more important in planning for future orderly growth and management of our natural resources. More specifically, we need to develop a plan which addresses:

- the preservation of various ecological habitats and natural features, endangered wildlife and vegetation, and open space areas
- the protection of natural "buffers" which filter and recycle our drinking water and air
- the preservation of irreplaceable productive agricultural soils, and
- the physical ability of the land to support structures (and if necessary, private septic and water systems) in areas which are not restricted by the types of constraints previously mentioned

COUNTY OPEN SPACE TAX PROGRAMS (August 2005)

County	Year Approved/Increased	Rate Cents Per \$100	Annual Tax Collected
Atlantic	1990/1998	2 cts.	\$6,000,000
Bergen	1998/2003	1 ct.	\$13,600,000
Burlington	1996/1998	4 cts.	\$13,000,000
Camden	1998	1 ct.	\$2,870,000
Саре Мау	1989	1 ct.	\$3,440,000
Cumberland	1994	1 ct.	\$550,000
Essex	1998	1 ct.	\$6,100,000
Cloucester	1993/2000/2004	2 cts.	\$5,000,000
Hudson	2003	1 ct.	\$4,000,000
Hunterdon	1999	1-3 cts.	\$6,315,000
Mercer	1989/1998/2004	2 cts.	\$5,600,000
Middlesex	1995/2001	3 cts.	\$25,100,000
Monmouth	1987/1996/2002	2.7 cts.	\$16,000,000
Morris	1992/1998/2001	up to 5.25 cts.	\$30,000,000
Ocean	1997	1.2 cts.	\$8,900,000
Passaic	1996	1 ct.	\$3,000,000
Salem	2002	2 cts.	\$600,000
Somerset	1989/1997	3 cts.	\$15,000,000
Sussex	2000	up to 2 cts.	\$3,000,000
Union	2000	1.5 cts.	\$8,900,000
Warren	1993/1999/2002	6 cts.	\$6,100,000
			\$183,075,000

NJDEP/Green Acres Program, August, 2005 SOURCE: 2004 Open Space Tax Data, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services Steve/coostaxprog

Historic Sites



NJ DEP - Historic Preservation Office New Jersey and National Registers of Historic Places

Last Update: 2/9/2005 Salem County

Alloway Township

SHPO Opinion: 3/11/2004 Village of Alloway Historic District (ID#4308) Brickyard Road SR: 8/10/1973 NR: 2/20/1975 (NR Reference #: 75001156) Dickinson House (ID#2428) Cohansey-Daretown Road SR: 8/10/1990 NR: 9/28/1990 (NR Reference #: 90001451) Philip Fries House (ID#2429)

Elmer Borough

55 Chestnut Street SHPO Opinion: 8/1/2003 Dodges Market (ID#4220) 25 South Main Street SHPO Opinion: 8/1/2003 Elmer Trust Company (ID#4219) 104 South Main Street SR: 11/20/1975 NR: 5/17/1976 (NR Reference #: 76001182) David Smith House (ID#2430)

Elsinboro Township

Fort Elfsborg-Hancock's Bridge Road SR: 12/19/1977 NR: 8/31/1978 (NR Reference #: 78001794) Holmeland (Benjamin Holme's House) (ID#2431) Hancocks Bridge-Fort Elfsborg Road COE: 6/19/1995 SR: 4/10/1996 NR: 1/16/1997 (NR Reference #: 96001548) (National Historic Landmark, 2/16/2000) Abel and Mary Nicholson House (NHL, ID#3437) Amwellbury Road near Featherbed Lane SR: 11/21/1974 NR: 2/24/1975 (NR Reference #: 75001158) Samuel and Sarah Nicholson House (ID#2432)

Lower Alloways Creek Township

74 Buttonwood Avenue SR: 10/28/2003 NR: 12/18/2003 (NR Reference #: 03001306) Alloways Creek Friends Meetinghouse (ID#4208) Alloway Creek Neck Road COE: 10/28/1985 Nathaniel Chambless House (ID#3857) Hancock's Bridge, Locust Island Road SR: 9/11/1970 NR: 12/18/1970 (NR Reference #: 70000393) Hancock House (ID#2433) Salem-Hancocks Road (County Route 658) over Alloway Creek

SHPO Opinion: 10/15/2002

Hancock's Bridge (SI&A #1701300) (ID#4084) New Bridge Road (County Route 623) over Alloways Creek SHPO Opinion: 11/3/1997 New Bridge Road (CR623) Bridge (SI&A #1701399) (ID#3439) Also located in: Salem County, Quinton Township 134 Poplar Street SR: 12/15/1989 NR: 1/26/1990 (NR Reference #: 89002418) Ware-Shourds House (ID#2434)

Mannington Township

Compromise Road SR: 11/12/1975 NR: 5/13/1976 (NR Reference #: 76001183) Richard Brick House (ID#2435) 119 Hackett Road COE: 3/13/2001 Hackett House (ID#4168) Intersection of NJ Route 45 and Acton Station Road SHPO Opinion: 7/19/1994 Mannington Blacksmith Shop Site (28-Sa-127) (ID#2436) NJ Route 45 / Salem-Woodstown Road at Welchville-Alloway Road SHPO Opinion: 9/19/1995 Mannington Township Hall (ID#2900) 900 NJ Route 45 SHPO Opinion: 9/3/2002 Salem County Alms House and Insane Asylum (ID#4343) 185 NJ Route 45 SHPO Opinion: 6/9/1998 Salem Motor Vehicle Inspection Station (ID#2576) NJ Route 45 and Bassett Road SR: 12/14/1993 NR: 2/24/1994 (NR Reference #: 94000008) William Smith House (ID#2437) SHPO Opinion: 7/19/1994 Woodnut Pottery Site (28-Sa-79) (ID#2438)

Oldmans Township

Delaware Road, Camp Pedricktown SHPO Opinion: 6/22/1998 Nike Missile Master Complex (ID#3720) US Route 130 over Oldmans Creek SHPO Opinion: 10/29/1992 US Route 130 (2) Bridge (SI&A #1710152) (ID#2439) Also located in: Gloucester County, Logan Township

Penns Grove Borough

193 West Main Street SHPO Opinion: 9/9/2004 Leap House (ID#4319) Corner of Main and State streets SHPO Opinion: 1/27/1978 Penns Grove Municipal Building (ID#2440)

Pennsville Township

Intersection of Fort Mott and Lighthouse roads SR: 12/19/1977 NR: 8/30/1978 (NR Reference #: 78001792) Finn's Point Rear Range Light (ID#2441) On the Delaware River at Finn's Point SR: 9/6/1973 NR: 8/31/1978 (NR Reference #: 78001793) Fort Mott and Finn's Point National Cemetery Historic District (ID#2442) Delaware Bay SR: 4/26/1996 (Fort Mott Pier) Fort Mott and Finns Point National Cemetery Historic District Boundary Increase (ID#20) 698 South Broadway COE: 3/29/2000 Redstrake House (ID#55) NJ Route 49 over Salem River SHPO Opinion: 2/18/1993 Penns Neck [NJ Route 49 (2)] Bridge (SI&A #1708150) (ID#2443) See Main Entry / Filed Location: Salem County, Salem City Lighthouse Road, Supawna National Wildlife Refuge SHPO Opinion: 2/9/1994 Samuel Urion / Yerkes Farmstead (ID#3611)

Pilesgrove Township

947 US Highway 40 COE: 4/7/1999 Charles Engel Allen House (ID#288) 29 Fox Road COE: 3/30/2000 Samuel and Anne Bassett House (ID#47) Old Salem Road SHPO Opinion: 8/9/1991 Champneys-Reed House (ID#2444) East Lake Road near Woodstown-Alloway Road SR: 11/10/1975 NR: 8/10/1977 (NR Reference #: 77000905) Zaccheus Dunn House (ID#2453) Sharptown-Swedesboro Road and Woodstown-Auburn Road SR: 11/5/1975 NR: 5/17/1976 (NR Reference #: 76001184) Seven Stars Tavern (ID#3440)

Pittsgrove Township

Parvin State Park COE: 8/16/1988 CCC Cabins Historic District (ID#3435)

Quinton Township

New Bridge Road (County Route 623) over Alloways Creek SHPO Opinion: 11/3/1997

New Bridge Road (CR623) Bridge (SI&A #1701399) (ID#3439)

See Main Entry / Filed Location: Salem County, Lower Alloways Creek Township NJ Route 49 over Alloways Creek SHPO Opinion: 2/18/1993 NJ Route 49 Bridge (SI&A #1708151) (ID#2445)

Salem City

West Broadway, East Broadway, and small portions of Johnson, New Market, and Yorke streets SR: 12/9/1991 NR: 3/5/1992 (NR Reference #: 92000098) (Local Certified District: 3/11/83 [reduced boundaries]) Broadway Historic District (ID#2448) Chestnut Street SHPO Opinion: 7/8/1991 Chestnut Street Streetscape (ID#2446) Bounded by Hedge, Thompson, South Third streets and Oak Street Alley SR: 1/25/2001 NR: 3/26/2001 (NR Reference #: 01000236) Hedge-Carpenter-Thompson Historic District (ID#3752) Market Street from East Broadway to Fenwick Creek SR: 12/9/1974 NR: 4/10/1975 (NR Reference #: 75001157) Market Street Historic District (ID#2449) SHPO Opinion: 7/8/1991 Oak Street Streetscape (ID#2447) NJ Route 49 over Salem River SHPO Opinion: 2/18/1993 Penns Neck [NJ Route 49 (2)] Bridge (SI&A #1708150) (ID#2443) Also located in: Salem County, Pennsville Township Salem County 4A New Market Street SHPO Opinion: 7/19/1994 Salem Armory (YMCA) (ID#2450) Portions of Elm, Olive, Church, Sinnickson, Eakin, Linden streets SHPO Opinion: 9/8/1999 Salem Working Class Historic District (ID#3543) 185 Grant Street COE: 1/10/1996 Telegraph Building (ID#21) Walnut Street SHPO Opinion: 7/8/1991 Walnut Street Streetscape (ID#2451)

Upper Pittsgrove Township

26 Daretown - Alloway Road SHPO Opinion: 8/28/1999 26 Daretown - Alloway Road (ID#333) US Route 40 and Woolman Road SHPO Opinion: 8/1/2003 Greenberg Farm Complex (ID#4221) 20 Newkirk - Station SHPO Opinion: 8/1/2003 Mayhew - Johnson - Lippincott House (ID#4222) Daretown Road At Alloway-Daretown Road and Alloway-BridgetonRoads SR: 6/15/1973 NR: 9/19/1977 (NR Reference #: 77000904) Pittsgrove Presbyterian Church (ID#2452)

Woodstown Borough

209 North Main Street SR: 12/1/2000 NR: 2/16/2001 (NR Reference #: 01000042) James and Mary Lawson House (ID#3794) 68 North Main Street SR: 8/2/1978 NR: 3/7/1979 (NR Reference #: 79001518) Joseph Shinn House (ID#2454) SHPO Opinion: 8/9/1991 South Woodstown Historic District (ID#2455) South Main Street / North Main Street at East Avenue / West Avenue SHPO Opinion: 4/8/1998 Woodstown Town Center Commercial Historic District (ID#366)

Salem County Open Space Data Base

Facility Name: If followed by - DIV = parcel was entirely diverted; if followed by - P/DIV = parcel was partially diverted; and if followed by - COMP = parcel was a compensation piece for previous diversion.

Interest: ET/FE - Entire Taking/Fee Simple; PT/FE - Partial Taking/Fee Simple; LEASE - Leased Land; ET/CE - Entire Taking/Conservation Easement; PT/CE - Partial Taking/Conservation Easement

Type: M - Municipal; C - County; N - Non Profit

Funded?: Y - Park received Green Acres funding; N - Park did not receive Green Acres funding

County: S	ALEM	Municipality: MANNINGTON TWP			
Block	Lot	Facility Name	Interest	Туре	Funded?
19	15	FENWICK REC AREA	ET/FE	Μ	Υ
59	1	FENWICK GROVE PARK	ET/FE	С	Ν

County: S/	ALEM	Municipality: OLDMANS TWP			
Block	Lot	Facility Name	Interest	Туре	Funded?
12	5	ALLAN JONES PARK (EXP 1/31/03)	LEASE	Μ	Υ
41	1	SALEM CO REC SITE	ET/FE	С	Ν

County: SA	ALEM	Municipality: PENNS GROVE BORO			
Block	Lot	Facility Name	Interest	Туре	Funded?
40	4	BARBER AVE PARK	ET/FE	М	Υ

County: SAI	_EM	Municipality: PENNS GROVE			
Block	Lot	Facility Name	Interest	Туре	Funded?
40	4	BARBAR AVE PARK	ET/FE	Μ	Υ

County: SALE	Μ	Municipality: PENNS GROVE BORO			
Block	Lot	Facility Name	Interest	Туре	Funded?
40	5	PENNS GROVE REC AREA	ET/FE	М	N

County:	SALEM	Municipality: PENNS GROVE			
Block	Lot	Facility Name	Interest	Туре	Funded?
40	5	BARBAR AVE PARK	ET/FE	Μ	Υ
43	19	TOT LOT	ET/FE	Μ	Ν

ALEM	Municipality: PENNS GROVE BORO			
Lot	Facility Name	Interest	Туре	Funded?
19	MAIN STREET TOT LOT	ET/FE	Μ	Ν
1	RIVERWALK	PT/FE	Μ	Ν
17	RIVERWALK	PT/FE	Μ	Ν
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County: SALEM

Municipality: PENNSVILLE TWP

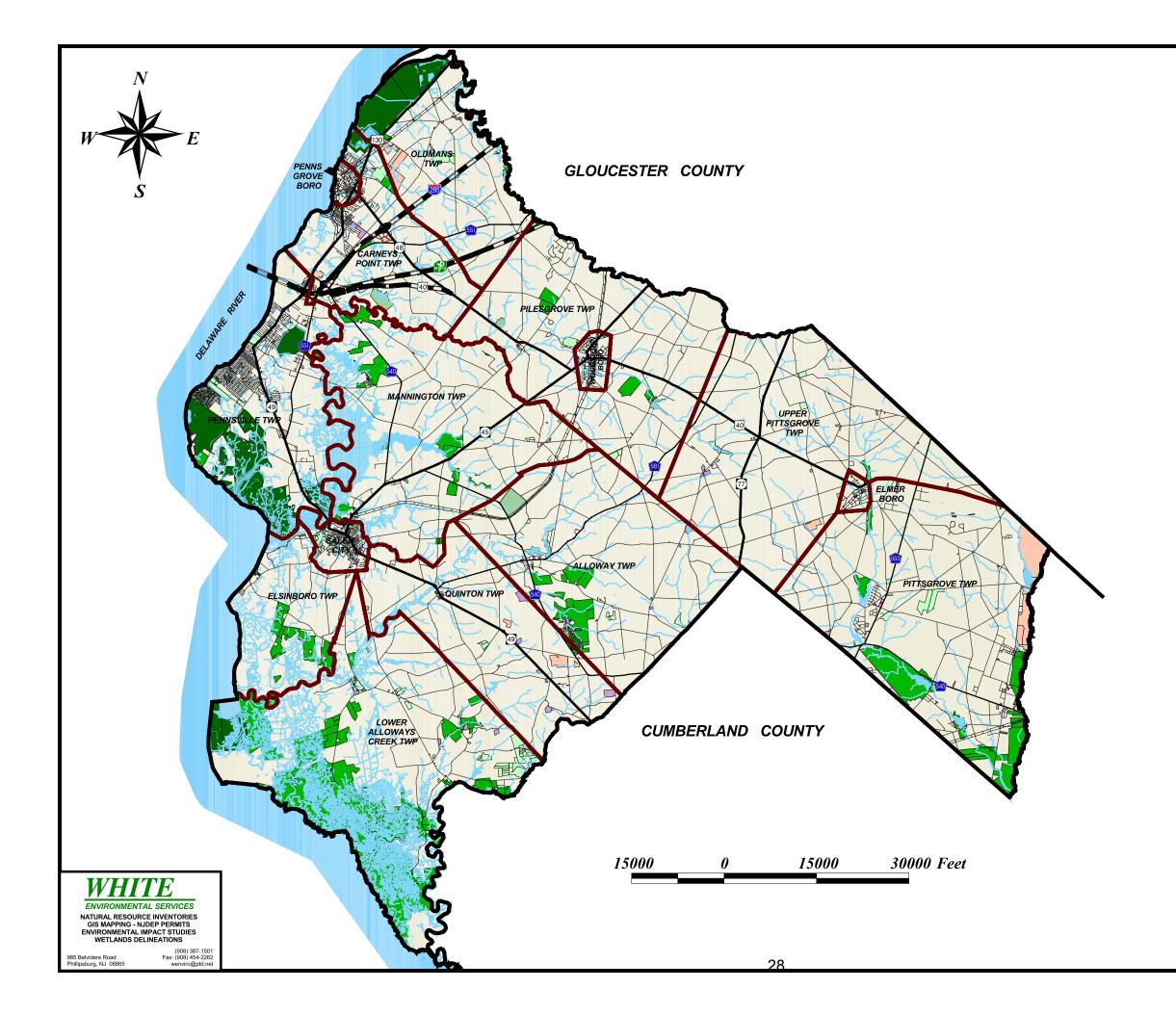
Block	Lot	Facility Name	Interest Type Funded?
202	1	RIVERVIEW BEACH PARK	ET/FE M Y
202	2	RIVERVIEW BEACH PARK	ET/FE M Y
202	3	RIVERVIEW BEACH PARK	ET/FE M Y
202.A	1	PARKS & REC DEPT	ET/FE M N
202.A	7	PARKS & REC DEPT	ET/FE M N
202.C	1	PARKS & REC DEPT	ET/FE M N
26	1	DEEPWATER PLAYGROUND	ET/FE M N
26	2	DEEPWATER PLAYGROUND	ET/FE M N
26	3	DEEPWATER PLAYGROUND	ET/FE M N
26	4	DEEPWATER PLAYGROUND	ET/FE M N
280	926.D	RIVIERA DR	ET/FE M N
317	2202	EATON RD PLAYGROUND	ET/FE M N
317	2203	EATON RD PLAYGROUND	ET/FE M N
317	2204	EATON RD PLAYGROUND	ET/FE M N
317	2205	EATON RD PLAYGROUND	ET/FE M N
317	2206	EATON RD PLAYGROUND	ET/FE M N
409.A	6448.A	RIVIERA DR	ET/FE M N
409.A	6448.B	RIVIERA DR	ET/FE M N
483.A	10771.B	RIVIERA DR	ET/FE M N

501.I	1	FORT SUMPTER PLAYGROUND	ET/FE	М	Ν
520	18	VALLEY PARK PLAYGROUND	ET/FE	Μ	Ν
538	15	LENAPE PLAYGROUND	ET/FE	М	Ν
548	3	TUFTS ROAD	ET/FE	Μ	Ν
548	3.A	TUFTS ROAD	ET/FE	Μ	Ν
548.I	8	SEAGULL STADIUM	ET/FE	Μ	Ν
549	15849.C	MILES CREEK	ET/FE	Μ	Ν
549.A	15849.D	MILES CREEK	ET/FE	Μ	Ν
550	13891.A	MILES CREEK	ET/FE	Μ	Ν
551	13891.B	MILES CREEK	ET/FE	Μ	Ν
580	15849.A	MILES CREEK	ET/FE	Μ	Ν
580	15849.B	MILES CREEK	ET/FE	Μ	Ν
625.A	15577.A	MILES CREEK	ET/FE	Μ	Ν
630	3.1	LIGHTHOUSE TRIANGLE	ET/FE	Μ	Ν
78	1	LITTLE LEAGUE	ET/FE	Μ	Ν
88	8.1	FRANKLIN PLAYGROUND	ET/FE	Μ	Ν
94	29	WINGATE DR	ET/FE	Μ	Ν
94.D	7.A	WOODSIDE PLAYGROUND	ET/FE	М	Ν

County: S	ALEM	Municipality: PILESGROVE TWP			
Block	Lot	Facility Name	Interest	Туре	Funded?
21	38A	GARRISON PARK	ET/FE	Μ	N
30	14	MARLTON REC AREA	ET/FE	Μ	Υ
57	9	MARLTON REC AREA	ET/FE	Μ	Υ
81	14	SALEM RIVER AREA ACQ	ET/FE	С	Υ
81	4	SALEM RIVER AREA ACQ	ET/CE	С	Υ

County: SA	ALEM	Municipality: PITTSGROVE TWP			
Block	Lot	Facility Name	Interest	Туре	Funded?
1101	21	DEER PEN PARK	ET/FE	М	Ν
701	10	GREEN BRANCH PARK	ET/FE	М	Y
701	12	GREEN BRANCH PARK	ET/FE	Μ	Υ
401	11	WILLOW GROVE LAKE	ET/FE	Ν	Υ
401	12	WILLOW GROVE LAKE	ET/FE	Ν	Υ
504	20	WILLOW GROVE LAKE	ET/FE	Ν	Υ

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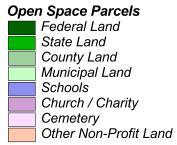
Public Lands based upon 2002 Municipal Tax Assessor Records supplied by Civil Solutions, Inc., May, 2002.

Rivers and Lakes taken from NJDEP GIS database, 1986.

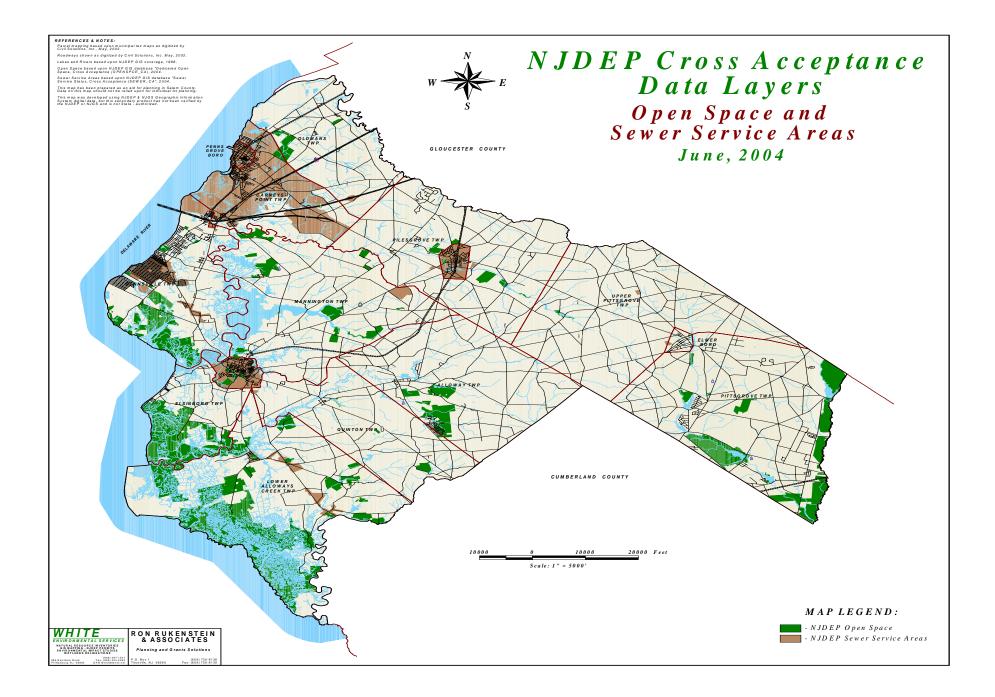
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MAP LEGEND:







By looking at several physical characteristics (such as geology, soil type, existing vegetation and ecosystems, hydrology of both surface and ground water systems, existing air quality, waste disposal sites and remaining open space/conservation areas) and their interrelationships, we can identify those areas most and least suited for accommodating future growth.

Of course, in those areas which are already built-up, very little can be done to reverse any negative effects of development which may have occurred, other than the regulation of waste disposal and water usage. In Salem County, the most urbanized area is the northwestern portion of the County along the Delaware riverfront from Penns Grove to Pennsville. Other development has taken place in small to medium nodes throughout the County, such as at the intersection of busy roads, or along navigable inland rivers. Conversely, large and small tracts of land have been set aside by all levels of government for protection and recreational purposes. These areas face little or no development pressure. It is the remaining portions of the County, particularly in the eastern and north-central portions, where development pressures are greatest, that must be most carefully analyzed for environmental constraints and development suitability.

Salem County Natural Resources Inventory

WILDLIFE AND VEGETATION

WILDLIFE AND VEGETATION

There is an abundance and great diversity of plant and animal wildlife found in Salem County. However, the species and distribution are not uniform throughout the County. The presence of particular flora and fauna is highly dependent upon one another, as well as the natural features of the environment. The wildlife found in a particular ecosystem is directly dependent upon the vegetation found there (for food and shelter) which is dependent upon the soil structure and moisture content, which are in turn, determined by geology, topography, and climate. A geographic area which supports a particular combination of plant and animal species, each of which performs a specific function within the community, is defined as an ecosystem. These ecosystems account for the variation in vegetation and wildlife throughout the County. Each system has undergone the processes of natural selection and evolution, such that a careful balance among the species is maintained. The introduction or removal of a species either by natural processes or as the result of human intervention destroys the equilibrium. Sometimes the changed are easily absorbed and the equilibrium is quickly re-established with little change to the system. Other time, the change is so great that the existing ecosystem evolves into an entirely new one, or may be totally destroyed.

There are four major ecosystems found in Salem County: woodland, open land, aquatic and wetland. A representative sample of the species found in each system is listed in Table 6. Initially, all of Salem County, with the exception of tidal marshes and some other wetland areas, was covered with dense forest growth. The vegetation within the forested area varies, based on soil types and moisture content. The eastern and south-central areas, general sandy and thus drier in nature, were covered with pine, oak, chestnut, and hickory, while mixed hardwood predominated in the western portions of the County. More water-tolerant species such as Atlantic white cedar, red maple. Blackgum and sweetbay magnolia could be found along streams and in swampy areas. Over time, repeated cutting, poor forest management techniques and fire destruction have resulted in the predominance of lower quality timber stands consisting of pitch and shortleaf pine and mixed oak species in the remaining wooded areas of the County. Small concentrations of conifers can be found in Quinton and Alloway Townships. One species in particular, the Atlantic white cedar, is an endangered and rare species nationwide. A significant stand is located near Maskell's Mill Pond in Lower Alloways Creek Township. Deciduous trees predominate in the remainder of the County. Shrubs such as blueberry, laurel, huckleberry, sweet pepperbush, arrowood, leatherleak honeysuckle and swamp azalea are abundant in woodland areas. Ferns, rushes, mosses and sedges can be found on the forest floor, as well as poison ivy and wild garlic. Woodland trees and the accompanying undergrowth not only provide food and shelter for a variety of wildlife species, but also provide erosion control, windbreaks, shade, recreational and aesthetic pleasure.

Open land was created by the clearing of forested land for agricultural and development purposes. This drastic removal of vegetation, and subsequent exposure to sun and wind created a habitat unsuitable for most woodland animal species. Open land is not, however, barren. Croplands and abandoned cleared areas which are now covered by grasses and shrubs, also support a great deal of wildlife, including game birds such as pheasant and quail, small mammals such as field mice, rabbits and foxes, and other species which can not survive in any other ecosystem. This "man-made" ecosystem should be a constant reminder of the potential of human activity to greatly alter or destroy the delicate balance of an environmental system.

The two remaining ecosystems are both dominated by the presences of water, and are actually highly interconnected. The aquatic ecosystem consists of bodies of both fresh and salt water. They are the home to many varieties of fish and shellfish, water plants, algae and micro-organisms. This ecosystem is closely intertwined with the adjacent wetland areas which are highly fertile and support diverse life forms. (The functions and general nature of wetlands was discussed in the hydrologic section of this report.) Together, the tidal areas of these two ecosystems are often referred to as an estuarine ecosystem.

Wetland vegetation is dominated by two types of grasses, <u>Spartina alterniflora</u>, a coarse stiff grass known as Salt Marsh Cord Grass, and <u>Spartina patens</u>, or Salt Meadow Hay, a slender delicate plant. Along with Phragmites communis, common reed, these plants not only provide a dense cover for numerous ducks, shore and migrating birds, as well as mink, muskrat and beaver, but also act as windbreak and erosion control mechanisms. These animals feed directly on wetland plant and on the abundant fish and shellfish found in tidal pools and meadows. The rapid nutrient cycling which occurs in these fertile areas aids in their use as breeding, spawning and nesting grounds. Mannington Meadow is the most important habitat area in New Jersey for kingrail and Wilton's snipe. Along with other County meadows, these areas are used by thousands of migrating waterfowl every year.

In 1991, the NJDEP officially recognized the ecological importance of the Mannington Meadows by creating a plan, called the Salem River Meadows Project, to protect the unique wildlife habitat from development pressures. The designated area contains 17,000 acres proposed for creating a protected wildlife habitat buffer zone. The majority of the property will be acquired through purchase of easements, although 4,500 are slated for outright purchase. In addition, the restoration of 3,000 acres of saltmarsh, deteriorated by the presence of introduced European Phragmites species is planned. The phragmite plants have successfully out-competed native wetland vegetation which provided shelter and food for numerous birds and other animals. The removal of the phragmites should allow the marsh to return to its former, more highly ecologically diverse status. Funding for these projects is to be provided through a joint effort among the State and Federal governments and several private environmental agencies.



The Supawna Meadows National Wildlife Refuge

The 2,000-acre Supawna Meadows National Wildlife Refuge adjoins Mannington Meadows along its southwestern flank. The refuge provides wintering and migrating waterfowl with an important feeding and resting area.

Aquatic and wetland plant and animal species change as the salinity of the water decreases. Inland freshwater habitats support wild rice, cattails and reed grass, among other freshwater species of plants, as well as some saltwater species which have adapted to freshwater conditions. Excessive growth of water lilies and other plants may occur in areas which have undergone eutrophication.

Delaware Estuary / Coastal Area

The Delaware River Estuary, of which Salem County is part, is not only biologically diverse, but also socio-economically important to the region as well. Much industry and development have been located along the Delaware River and Bay since the area was first settled.

The Delaware Estuary stretches from Trenton, New Jersey and Morrisville, Pennsylvania, south to Cape May, New Jersey and Cape Henlopen, Delaware, including all of the Delaware Bay and the tidal reaches of the Delaware River. A majority of the Delaware Estuary's 5 million people live in one of the regions three largest cities, including Philadelphia, PA, Camden, NJ, and Wilmington, DE. This highly commercialized area hosts the largest freshwater port in the United States, accommodates the third largest petrochemical port, and five of the largest east coast refineries with over 42 million gallons of crude transported on the river daily. But the Delaware Estuary is also a vital ecosystem, home to over 130 species of finfish as well as clams, oysters, and crabs. The second largest concentration of migrating shorebirds in the western hemisphere is found in the Delaware Estuary, along with habitat for 15 different species of waterfowl, totaling half a million individuals who either migrate through or spend the winter here. Also found in the Delaware Estuary is the largest population of spawning horseshoe crabs in the world.

Nearly 200 years of misuse of the estuary as a dumping ground for industrial and toxic wastes, as well as for sewerage, have resulted in high toxin levels and low levels of dissolved oxygen for use by water dwelling organisms. The water becomes not only unfit for human usage (drinking, swimming) but also unable to support the many creatures which rely of the estuary directly or indirectly for food or shelter. Although stricter regulations for dumping and pollution have been enacted, and sewerage problems have been somewhat ameliorated by improved treatment facilities, the estuary is still not entirely swimmable or fishable. Toxic substances such as DDT, mercury, lead, zinc, chromium and polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons are still found in the water samples and sediments. The river continues to be polluted from both point and non-point sources and, as a result, dissolved oxygen levels in the river (although on the rise) are still inadequately low.

Because the estuary is greatly affected by development, care must be taken to manage and protect its natural resources. In 1988, The Delaware Estuary Program was established. (see <u>attached program area map</u>) The Delaware Estuary Program recognizes that growth and development are important to Estuary watershed communities and that they are not necessarily incompatible with a "greener vision" that conserves natural lands and special places. Accordingly, the Delaware Comprehensive and Conservation Management Plan recommends actions that promote a regional, watershed approach to land use by offering support for environmentally-sound land use practices. Through technical support and education for local governments, the Program will highlight practical planning alternatives and suggest opportunities for such approaches as promoting infill and redevelopment in previously developed areas; linking green spaces within and between communities; conserving important terrestrial habitat; reducing storm water loadings; and increasing flexibility for wastewater reclamation and reuse.

The State, through the Coastal Area Facility Review Act (CAFRA) (N.J.S.A. 13:19) has taken steps to protect the coastal resources along the Delaware River. CAFRA applies to projects near coastal waters in the southern part of the State. The CAFRA area begins where the Cheesequake Creek enters Raritan Bay in Old Bridge, Middlesex County. It extends south along the coast around Cape May, and then north along the Delaware Bay ending at the Kilcohook

National Wildlife Refuge in Salem County. The inland limit of the CAFRA area follows an irregular line drawn along public roads, railroad tracks, and other features. The CAFRA area varies in width from a few thousand feet to 24 miles, measured straight inland from the shoreline. <u>View the attached CAFRA Boundary Map</u> for a rough idea.

The law divides the CAFRA area into pieces or zones, and regulates different types of development in each zone. Generally, the closer you are to the water, the more likely it is that your development will be regulated.

The CAFRA law regulates almost all development activities involved in residential, commercial, or industrial development, including construction, relocation, and enlargement of buildings or structures; and all related work, such as excavation, grading, shore protection structures, and site preparation.

Endangered Species

Increased development of land for human usage usually results in decreased geographic habitat for plant or animal species. Sometimes the impact is minimal, and the ecosystem can adjust without significant damage. Other times the loss of habitat results in reduced numbers of a particular plant or animal. These environmentally sensitive organisms are frequently classified as "endangered" (facing extinction because its existence is jeopardized by habitat destruction or alteration, excessive exploitation, predation, disease or other natural or man-made factors) or "threatened" (likely to become endangered if present trends continue). As more species are permanently lost, the entire ecosystem breaks down. See attached list of New Jersey's Endangered and Threatened Wildlife.