

CHAMPLAIN CANAL

The lowlands between Lake Champlain and the Hudson River have been a corridor for travel, trade, and warfare for centuries. This route linked the St. Lawrence River and Canada to the north and the Hudson River and Atlantic Ocean to the south. Generations of travelers carried their boats and cargo from the southern end of the lake at Whitehall to the head of small boat navigation on the Hudson at Fort Edward. The Champlain Canal, completed in 1823, opened an all-water passage.

The Champlain Canal enters the head of Lake Champlain at Whitehall. This is also the northern terminus of the Hudson River Greenway Water Trail. For more information on this water trail, see hudsonrivergreenwaywatertrail.org. For more information on paddling Lake Champlain, see lakechamplaincommittee.com.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Information about things to do in the Champlain Canal region, including dining and lodging, is available from capital-saratoga.com.

Map Symbol Key

	Water Trail Site
	Lock
	Navigation Hazard!
	Hand Launch
	Ramp Launch
	Dock Launch
	Interstate or Limited Access Highway
	US Highway
	State Highway
	County Road
	Major Local Road
	Minor Local Road
	Railroad
	County Boundary
	Stream
	River or Canal
	Park or Recreation/ Wilderness Area

WHITEHALL

Originally called Skenesborough, Whitehall is located at the southern tip of Lake Champlain and at the northern end of a historic overland route to the Hudson River. This strategic location made Whitehall a center of early American transportation and defense. Although it is well inland, Whitehall calls itself the “Birthplace of the American Navy.” Benedict Arnold supervised construction of ships and gunboats here during the American Revolution and used them to fight the British fleet on Lake Champlain. Additional warships were built here during the War of 1812.

Whitehall solidified its position as a transportation hub between New York and Canada when the Champlain Canal opened in 1823. Merchants took advantage of faster, cheaper trade, and industries thrived.

Stop by the Whitehall Heritage Area Visitor Center next to the community park to learn more. A ramp and low dock at the southern end of the park are the best place to launch here.

PLACE OF INTEREST OFF THE WATER

43.55231 -73.39045

Skene Manor

8 Potters Terrace
Whitehall, NY 12887
(518) 499-1906
skenemanor.org

This Victorian Gothic-style mansion is set on a mountainside overlooking the town.

C Mile 60.86, west side 43.55937 -73.40081

Whitehall Marina

7 North Main Street
Whitehall, NY 12887
(518) 499-9700
newwhitehallmarina.com

FACILITIES: Electric, wi-fi, water, restrooms, showers, restaurant. Floating docks, cement ramp.

Large private marina.

C Mile 60.72 43.55727 -73.40100

Lock C12, Whitehall

21 Main Street
Whitehall, NY 12887
(518) 499-1700

LIFT: 15.5 feet.

FACILITIES: Facilities are difficult for paddlers to access at this location due to vertical canal walls. Use the dock at the end of the wall just past the Saunders Street Bridge on the west side.

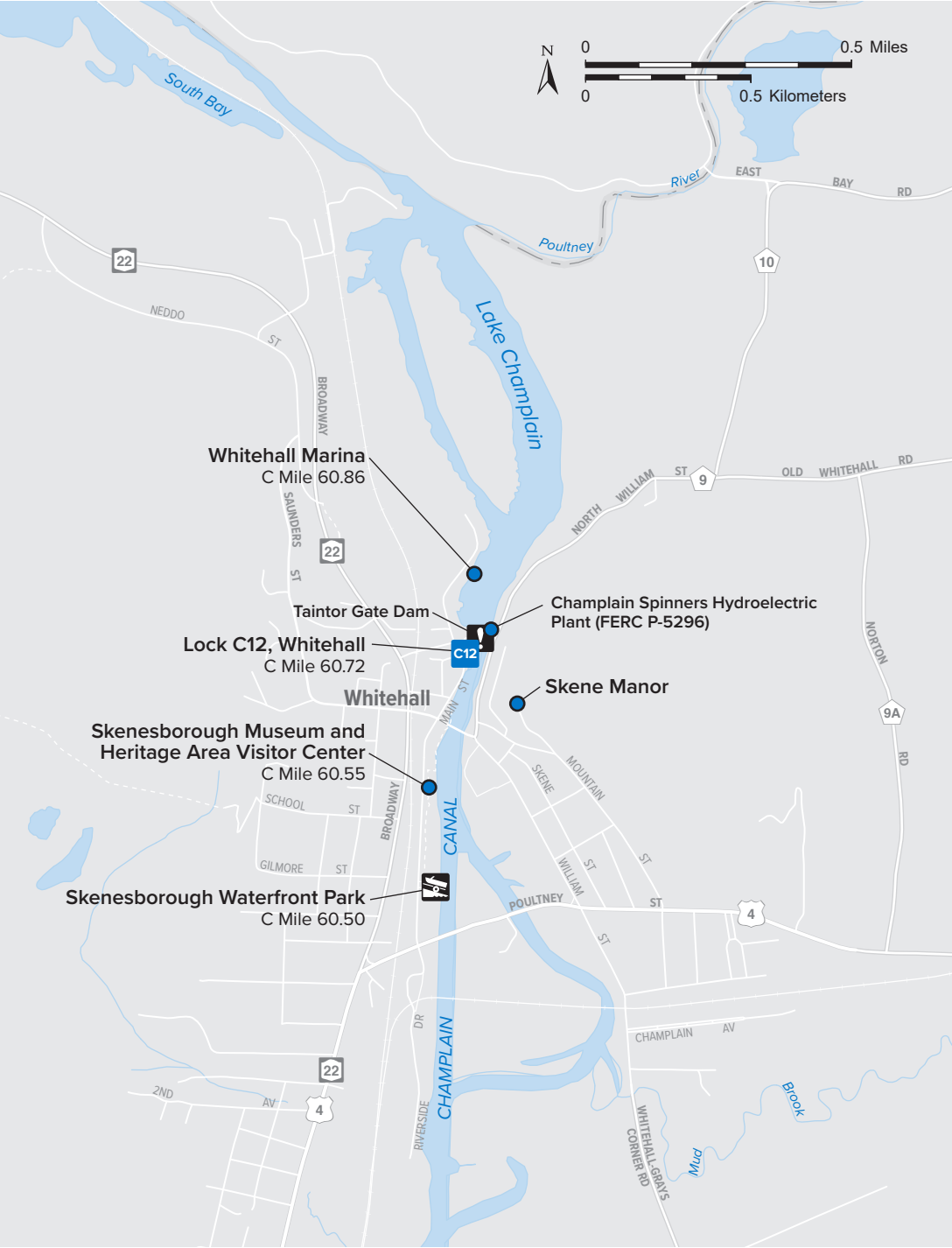
PADDLING NOTE: Stay to the west side of the channel to enter the lock. Buoys support a safety cable above the dam. Do not paddle into this area.

Lock C12 marks the northern end of the Champlain Canal. Navigational aids north of the lock reverse here, with the red markers on the west side of the lake. Southbound paddlers will be going upstream from here to Lock C9 at C Mile 45.04. Lock C12 is the most turbulent lock when filling (southbound) because it's the only lock where the water fills from one side (west).

C Mile 60.58 43.55520 -73.40156

Bridge C30, Saunders Street

Champlain Canal–Whitehall



C Mile 60.55 west side 43.55525 -73.40263

Skenesborough Museum and Heritage Area Visitor Center

Skenesborough Waterfront Community Park
37 Skenesborough Drive
Whitehall, NY 12887
(518) 499-0716 x1155

The museum is in a 1917 concrete canal terminal building with a distinctive tile roof. Exhibits include a 16-foot diorama describing the settlement of Skenesborough and the events of 1776, along with canal memorabilia and numerous other artifacts that reflect the area's history as an important north-south transportation center.

C Mile 60.50, west side 43.55675 -73.40172

Skenesborough Waterfront Park

58 Main Street
Whitehall, NY 12887
(518) 499-4071

FACILITIES: Water, restrooms, picnic tables, grills, pavilion, gazebo. Concrete ramp and low dock at southern end. Visitors Center with restrooms and showers. Parking for 10 cars; overnight parking permitted. Distance from parking about 50 feet. Shops, restaurants, and attractions are a short walk from the park.

C Mile 60.19 43.54959 -73.40210

Bridge C29, Poultney Street (US 4)

C Mile 60.07 43.54788 -73.40216

Bridge C28, Delaware & Hudson Railroad

C Mile 59.11, east side 43.54546 -73.40228

The Mettawee River enters the canal.

C Mile 55.51 43.48420 -73.42474

Bridge C27, Ryder Road

C Mile 55.25, west side 43.39618 -76.47150

North Old NY Route 4 Launch

North end of North Old NY 4
Whitehall, NY 12887

Informal bank launch, parking for 10 cars.

C Mile 54.28, west side 43.46822 -73.43494

Lock C11, Comstock

1678 North Old NY 4
Whitehall, NY 12887
(518) 639-8964

LIFT: 12.0 feet.

PADDLING NOTE: An overflow dam crosses the channel on the east side of the artificial island. Do not paddle into the dam channel. Turbulence from the dam can be strong on the downstream end of the lock.

C Mile 53.39, west side 43.45943 -73.44110

Comstock Boat Ramp

524 North Old NY 4
Whitehall, NY 12887

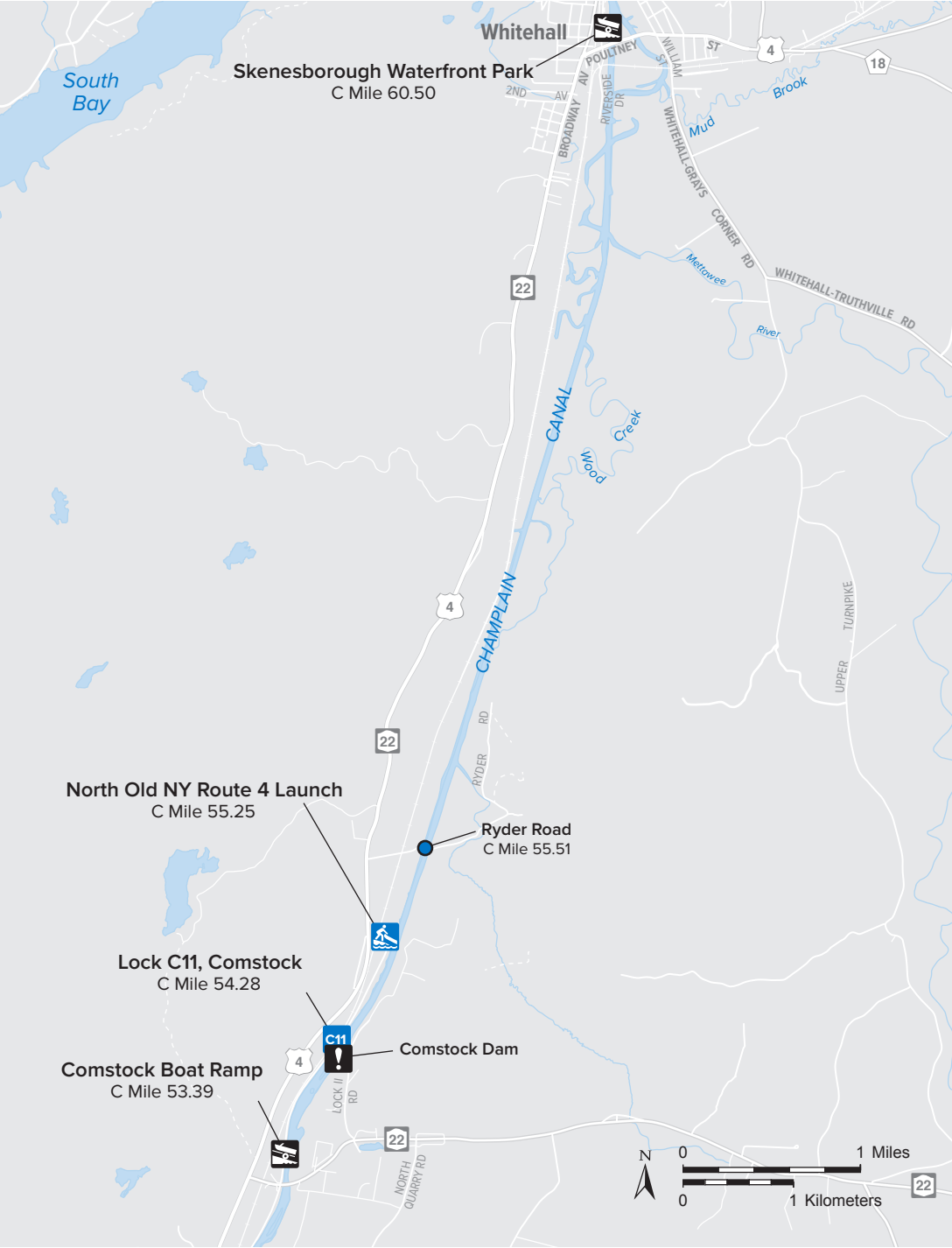
FACILITIES: Dirt ramp. Parking for five cars. Distance from parking about 20 feet.

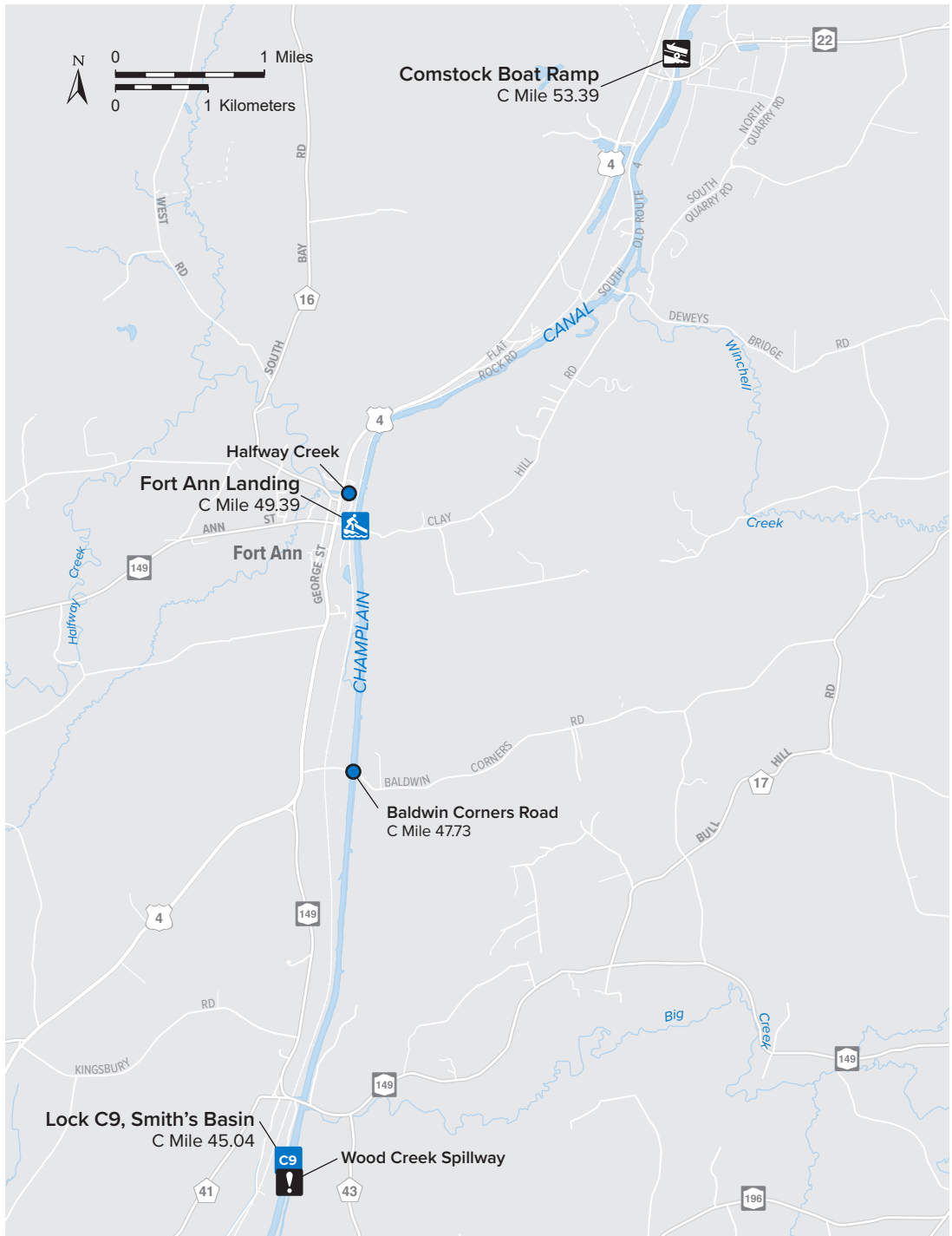
C Mile 53.42 43.45692 -73.44101

Bridge C25, NY 22

C Mile 52.00 43.43684 -73.45012

Dewey's Bridge





Champlain Canal–Fort Ann

C Mile 49.57, west side 43.41647 -73.48455

Halfway Creek, so named because it was halfway between Whitehall and Fort Edward on the old overland carry, joins the canal. It is possible to paddle nearly 1.4 miles up Halfway Creek from the canal to the base of Kanes Falls.

C Mile 49.39, west side 43.41398 -73.48524

Fort Ann Landing

Just north of Clay Hill Road bridge
Fort Ann, NY 12827
(518) 639-8929

FACILITIES: Picnic tables and pavilion. Gravel beach and floating dock. Parking for 20 cars. Distance from parking about 40 feet.

This is the only place to launch in Fort Ann. Shops and restaurants are a short walk away—look carefully before crossing the railroad tracks. The remains of old Locks 16, 17, and 18 can be seen to the north and south of Ann Street, paralleling Canal Street.

C Mile 49.37 43.41365 -73.48495

Bridge C23, Clay Hill Road

C Mile 47.73 43.39003 -73.48611

Bridge C22, Baldwin Corners Road
An informal, unmaintained launch from a vegetated embankment is below this bridge.

C Mile 45.47 43.35782 -73.49355

Bridge C21, NY 149

C Mile 45.28, west side 43.35531 -73.49505

Lock C9 Kayak Launch

Lock C9 Access Road off NY 149
Kingsbury, NY 12839

FACILITIES: Car top launch, beach landing. Parking for five cars. Distance from parking about 100 feet.

C Mile 45.04 43.35180 -73.49574

Lock C9, Smith's Basin

2450 NY 149
Fort Ann, NY 12827
(518) 747-6021

LIFT: 16.0 feet.

FACILITIES: Portable toilets, picnic tables, camping. Informal gravel launch before C9.

PADDLING NOTE: Stay clear of the spillway on the east bank above the lock.

Lock C9 marks the high point of the Champlain Canal. The “Summit Level” between C9 and C8 crosses the drainage divide between the Champlain and Hudson basins. Lock 10 was never built. As they developed designs in 1906, Barge Canal engineers found that they could eliminate a chamber by increasing the lifts of locks C9 and C11.

Designated Biker-Hiker-Boater site.

C Mile 43.45, west side 43.33189 -73.51078

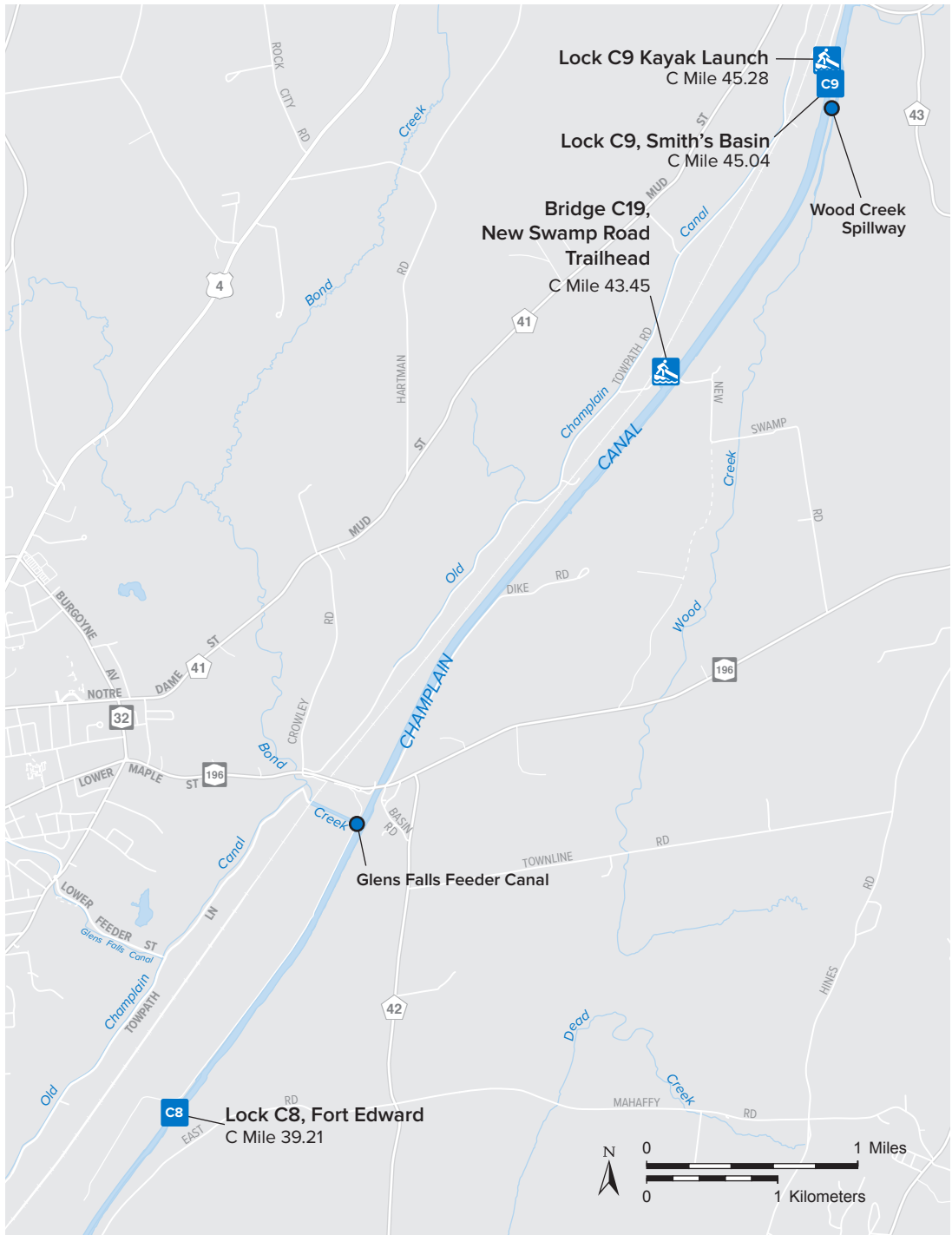
Bridge C19, New Swamp Road Trailhead

New Swamp Road
Fort Ann, NY 12827

An informal, launch from the Champlain Canalway trailhead parking lot. Parking for 10 cars.

C Mile 41.04 43.30417 -73.53920

Bridge C18, Dunham Basin Road (NY 196)



Champlain Canal–Glens Fall Feeder Canal

C Mile 40.83, west side 43.30160 -73.54147

Glens Falls Feeder Canal

The Glens Falls Feeder Canal enters here, supplying water to the summit level of the Champlain Canal as it crosses the drainage divide between the Hudson and Champlain/St. Lawrence basins. A dam on the Hudson above Glens Falls diverts water into a seven-mile channel. First built during the 1820s, the feeder canal was enlarged in 1832 to accommodate boat traffic. Thirteen masonry locks lifted and lowered boats past the 130-foot drop at Hudson Falls. One set, called the Five Combines, raised and lowered boats 55 feet in about 0.25 mile. The lock chambers are still visible along the Glens Falls Feeder Canal Trail near Burgoyne Avenue in Hudson Falls. The feeder canal stopped passing boats during the 1930s, but it remains



Glens Falls Feeder Canal

essential for delivering water to the Champlain Canal. A seven-mile stretch of Towpath Trail along the feeder is a popular outdoor destination for cycling and walking. Five miles of the feeder canal, from the dam in Queensbury to the takeout at Hudson Falls, can be paddled. For details, see the Feeder Canal Alliance at feedercanal.org.

C Mile 39.21 43.28200 -73.55912

Lock C8, Fort Edward

367 Lock 8 Way
Hudson Falls, NY 12839
(518) 747-5520

LIFT: 11.0 feet.

FACILITIES: Tie up at the walls to the north and south. Facilities are difficult for paddlers to access at this location due to vertical canal walls.

From here south, water in the canal flows toward the Hudson River.

C Mile 38.37 43.27219 -73.56877

Bridge C17, East Street

C Mile 37.70 43.26413 -73.57614

Bridge C16, Argyle Street (NY 197)

FORT EDWARD

Located at the head of navigation on the Hudson River, Fort Edward has been a transportation hub for centuries. The British built a fort here in 1709 on a vital route between New York and Montreal.

The Champlain Canal opened here in 1823, creating a navigable link to the Adirondack Mountains, Vermont, and Quebec. Fort Edward residents built mills, foundries, and factories to manufacture goods from the vast quantities of timber, iron, and granite that flowed south on canal boats.

The Rogers Island Visitor Center is a good place to get information. Rogers Island and Bradley Beach are two good places to launch a paddling trip in Fort Edward.

PLACE OF INTEREST OFF THE WATER

43.26171 -73.58078

Old Fort House Museum

29 Broadway
Fort Edward, NY 12828
(518) 747-9600
oldforthousemuseum.com

C Mile 37.40, west side 43.26085 -73.58009

Fort Edward Dock

Off Broadway (US 4)
Fort Edward, NY 12828

FACILITIES: Picnic tables. Car top launch, low dock. Parking for 12 cars. Distance from parking about 150 feet.

C Mile 37.31 43.25953 -73.58074

Bridge C14, Broadway (US 4)

C Mile 37.25, west side 43.25858 -73.58184

NYS Canal Maintenance Shops, Fort Edward
This is a repair and maintenance area with a stone-loading dock. It is not open to the public.

PADDLING NOTE: Watch out for barges and workboats in this area.

C Mile 37.03 43.25650 -73.58444

Lock C7, Fort Edward

2579 US 4
Fort Edward, NY 12828
(518) 747-4614

LIFT: 10.0 feet.

FACILITIES: Difficult for paddlers to access due to vertical canal walls.

Lock C7 is where the Champlain Canal joins the Hudson River. North of Lock C7, the canal is a dug channel. South of Lock C7, the canal is the canalized Hudson River. Buoys mark the channel from this point south.

C Mile 36.79, west side 43.25411 -73.58805

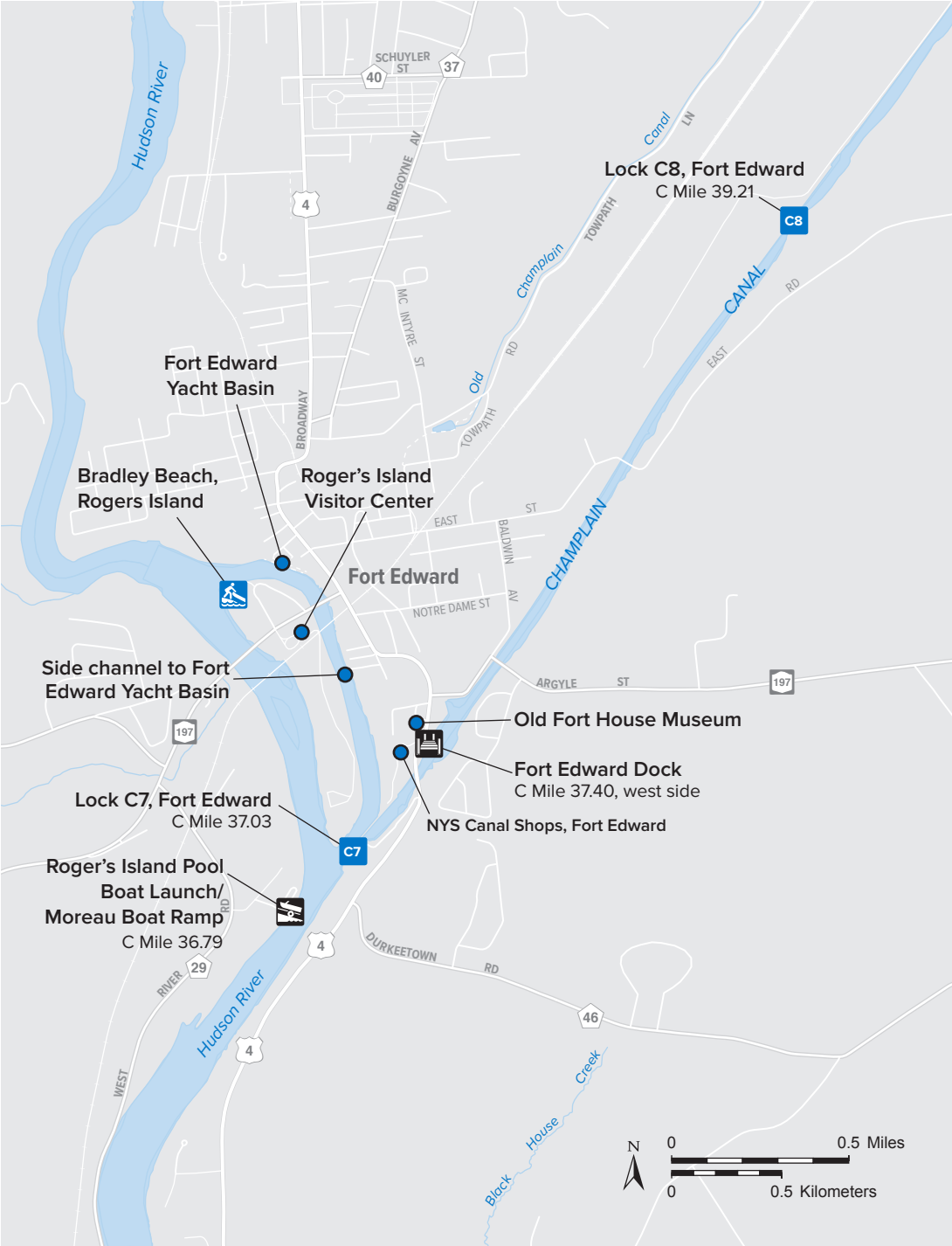
Roger's Island Pool Boat Launch/ Moreau Boat Ramp

1580 West River Road (CR 29)
Fort Edward, NY 12828

FACILITIES: Concrete ramp and low dock. Parking for 20 cars. Overnight parking permitted; 24-hour limit. Distance from parking about 20 feet.

DEC fishing access site.

Champlain Canal–Fort Edward



ROGER'S ISLAND INLET

Rogers Island and the Fort Edward Yacht Basin are on a 0.1 mile-long branch of the Hudson River below Lock C7. To reach them, turn west (river right) immediately below the lock and head upstream between buoys G225 and R226.

43.26823 -73.58790

Fort Edward Yacht Basin

118 Broadway
Fort Edward, NY 12828
(518) 747-4023
villageoffortedward.com

FACILITIES: Electric, water, restrooms, showers, picnic tables. Shops and restaurants are nearby. Facilities are difficult for paddlers to access at this location due to vertical canal walls.

43.26708 -73.59090

 Bradley Beach, Rogers Island

Bradley Avenue
Fort Edward, NY 12828
(518) 747-4023
villageoffortedward.com

FACILITIES: Picnic tables, grills. Restrooms at nearby ball field. Car top launch, beach landing. Parking for 10 cars. Distance from parking about 50 feet.

43.26708 -73.59090

Rogers Island Visitor Center

11 Rogers Island Drive
Fort Edward, NY 12828
(518) 747-3693
rogersisland.org

C Mile 32.33 43.19617 -73.58426

Crocker's Reef dam and breakwater.

PADDLING NOTE: Stay to the east of the river as the current will take you toward the buoys when entering the canal channel. Buoys support a safety cable that crosses the river and blocks access to the Crocker's Reef dam. Do not paddle into this area.

C Mile 31.84 43.18955 -73.58102

Crocker Reef Guard Gate

This 55-foot-wide guard gate is suspended from lattice steel towers and is normally open throughout the navigation season. It was built in 1914 to protect the 2.25-mile land-cut section from here to Lock C6, allowing it to be drained in winter and for maintenance. It is the only guard gate on the Champlain Canal.

C Mile 31.01 43.17771 -73.57923

Bridge C13, North River Road (Payne's Bridge)

C Mile 30.47, east 43.16994 -73.57937

 Route 4 Rest Stop Launch

US 4
Fort Edward, NY 12828

FACILITIES: Picnic tables. Car top launch, steep bank landing. Parking for 10 cars.

C Mile 30.26 43.16674 -73.57976

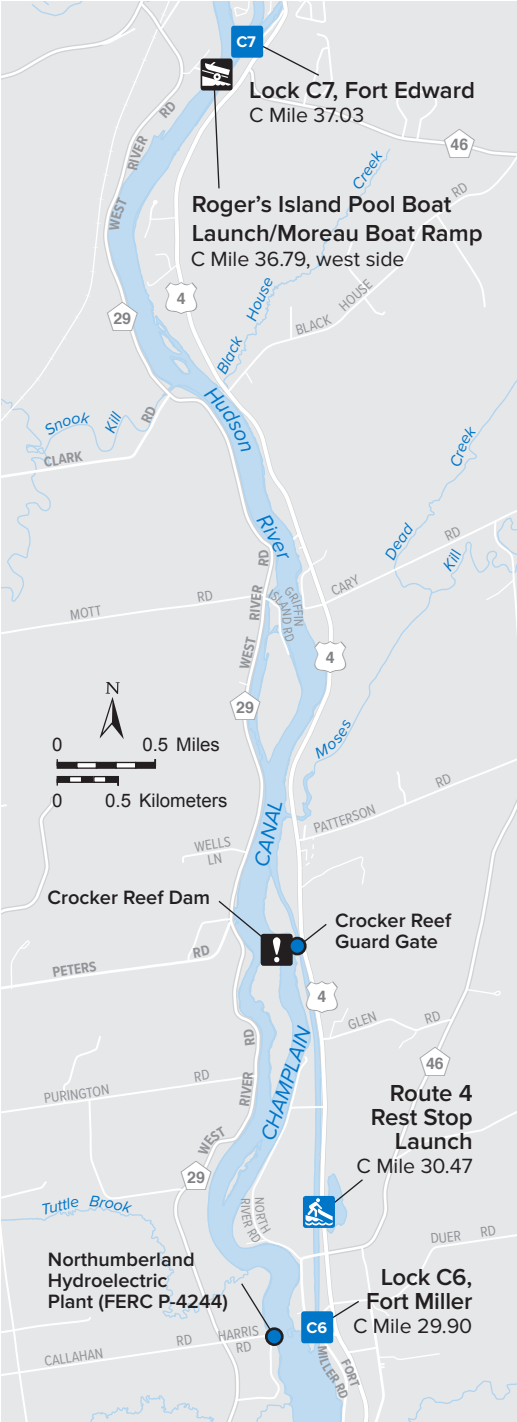
Bridge C12, Fort Miller Road (CR 46)

C Mile 29.90 43.16151 -73.57991

Lock C6, Fort Miller

11 Fort Miller Road
Fort Edward, NY 12828
(518) 695-3751

LIFT: 16.5 feet.



FACILITIES: Tie up at east side approach wall.

This was one of the first Barge Canal locks built. Construction started in 1905. The overgrown remains of Old Champlain Lock 13 from the Enlarged Canal can be seen near the upper wall on the east side.

C Mile 29.85	43.16087	-73.57993
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Bridge C11, Lock Road

C Mile 29.77	43.15952	-73.57998
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The land-cut section of the canal rejoins the Hudson River below the Fort Miller Dam.

PADDLING NOTE: River currents sweep from right to left as you exit the channel below the lock. Exercise caution. Hug the east bank until you pass the currents. Once you cross the river and hug the west bank from here until you enter the land-cut channel above Lock C5.

C Mile 27.42	43.12877	-73.58702
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Bridge C10, Northumberland Road (US 4)

PADDLING NOTE: Continue hugging the west (right) bank.

C Mile 27.07, east side	43.12369	-73.58701
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Thompson Dam has a “V” shaped fixed crest. Portions of this dam and the land cut to the south date to the original Champlain Canal. The land cut is 0.9 mile long.

PADDLING NOTE: Stay to the west side of the channel as you approach the dam to enter the cut. Currents in this area are strong. A row of submerged cribs were built to keep barges away from the dam and guide them into the land cut, but they are spaced too far apart to provide protection to paddlers.

C Mile 26.28, east side 43.11420 -73.57848

Lock C5/Upper Launch

Upper end of Lock C5.

FACILITIES: Floating dock. Ample parking. Distance from parking about 200 feet. Other facilities at adjacent Hudson Crossing Park and Lock C5.

C Mile 26.17 43.11255 -73.57796

Lock C5, Northumberland

121 US 4 North
Schuylerville, NY 12871
(518) 695-3919

LIFT: 19.0 feet.

FACILITIES: See Hudson Crossing Park. The lock has its own picnic pavilion, a small building with exhibits on Champlain Canal history, and a 1927 buoy boat on display near the parking lot. The original hydroelectric plant for Lock C5 is still operational with direct current generators in the powerhouse by the lower gates.

A concrete junction lock next to the powerhouse provided a connection between the old towpath-era canal and new Barge Canal. It allowed boats to reach businesses in Schuylerville and remained in operation into the 1930s. Water still flows in the old channel as far as the Fish Creek Aqueduct, but culverts interrupt the route and are too low for canoes and kayaks to pass.

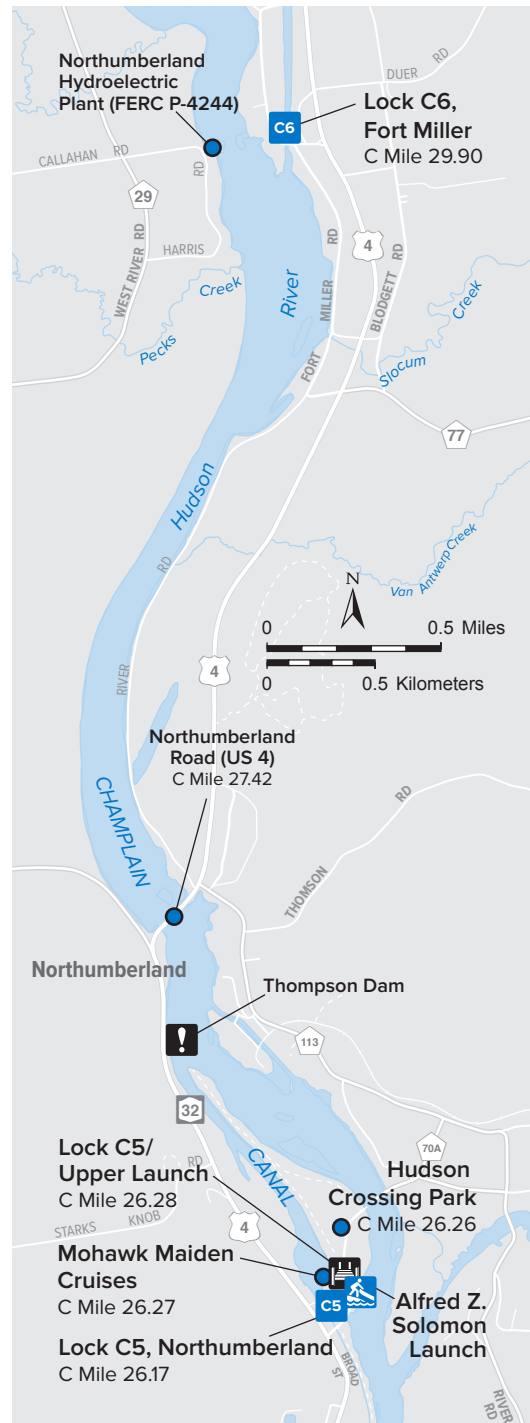
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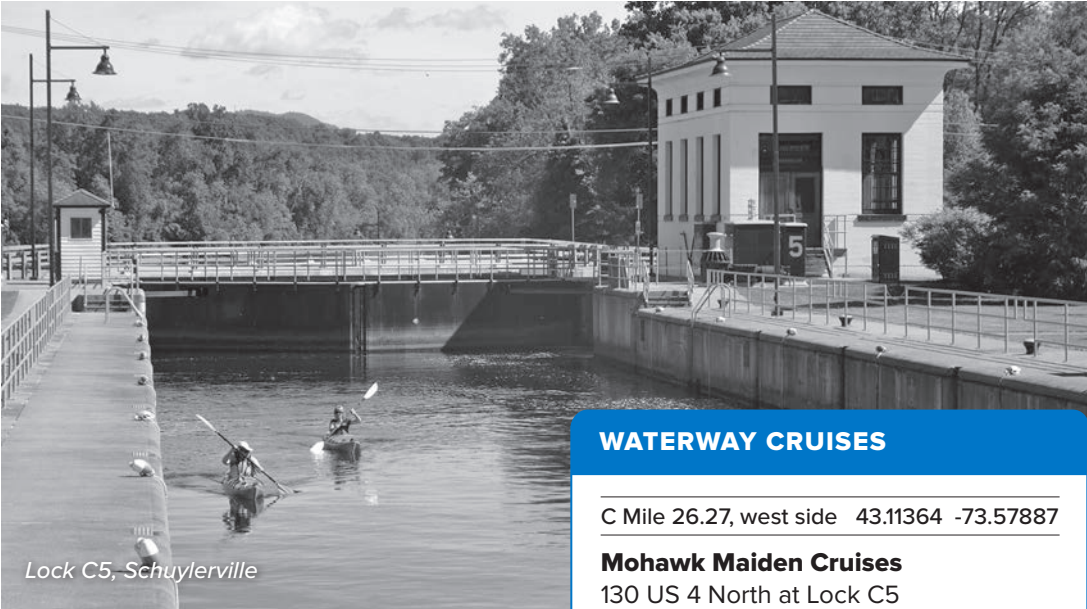
C Mile 26.26, east side 43.11500 -73.57776

Hudson Crossing Park

Lock Road (CR 42)
Schuylerville, NY 12871
(518) 350-7275
hudsoncrossingpark.org

FACILITIES: The park features two hand-launch sites—a floating dock above Lock C5 (see





above) and the beach landing at the Alfred Z. Solomon Launch on the Hudson River below the lock. Each is within a few hundred feet of the visitor parking lot at the lock. Upstate Kayak Rentals has a self service rental kiosk. Additional facilities include restrooms, water, a picnic pavilion, play garden, sculpture walk, an extensive network of trails, and the historic Dix Bridge over the Hudson.

Just north of Schuylerville, Hudson Crossing Park is on the island formed by the Champlain Canal and the Hudson River at Lock C5.

The park has excellent fishing and birding sites and more than two miles of nature trails with panoramic Hudson River vistas and Champlain Canal overlooks.

Hudson Crossing Park holds a triathlon every June, a cardboard boat race in August, and many events throughout the year.

WATERWAY CRUISES

C Mile 26.27, west side 43.11364 -73.57887

Mohawk Maiden Cruises

130 US 4 North at Lock C5

Schuylerville, NY 12871

(518) 636-6146

mohawkmaidencruises.com

Terminal for *Caldwell Belle*, a 45-passenger sternwheel riverboat offering tour cruises on the upper Hudson River and Champlain Canal waterways. Check ahead for schedule, fares, and cruise itineraries.

C Mile 26.18

43.11306 -73.57694



Alfred Z. Solomon Launch

Hudson Crossing Park's Riverwalk Sensory Trail leads from the visitor parking lot at Lock C5 to a gravel beach hand-launch on the Hudson River below the lock. The launch features boat racks and gear lockers (bring your own padlock).

C Mile 26.14

43.11201 -73.57759

Bridge C8, Lock C5 Road (CR 42)

Schuylerville



Schuyler House, Schuylerville

Situated on the west bank of the Hudson River about 10 miles east of Saratoga Springs, Schuylerville, also known as Old Saratoga, was the site of the surrender of General John Burgoyne and the British Army following the Battles of Saratoga, the turning point of the American Revolution. Schuylerville contains several historic buildings that are listed on the National Register of Historic Places, including the General Philip Schuyler House.

From here to Albany, the towpath-era Champlain Canal ran parallel to the Hudson River in a separate artificial channel at the edge of the valley wall. Today's Barge Canal, opened in 1916, runs in the riverbed. The Barge Canal bypassed established boatyards, drydocks, and other businesses in Schuylerville that depended on waterfront access. The well-maintained Towpath Trail provides a great way to see the old next to the new.

Fort Hardy Park is a good place to launch in Schuylerville.

PLACE OF INTEREST OFF THE WATER

43.09575 -73.58176

General Philip Schuyler House

4 Broad Street (US 4)
Schuylerville, NY 12871
(518) 670-2985
nps.gov/sara

The house is 0.50 mile inland.

FACILITIES: Restrooms and water are located in the parking area for the Schuyler House along US 4.

To access the site from the water trail, take out at the Fort Hardy Park, cross over Ferry Street/NY 29, and follow the foot trail south. More direct access to the site may be gained by paddling up Fish Creek about 0.20 miles and landing along the shoreline just downstream of the pedestrian bridge. The bridge carries the foot trail south to the Schuyler House.



C Mile 25.36, west side 43.10197 -73.57533

Village of Schuylerville Boat Launch

Old Champlain Towpath Road and Reds Street
Schuylerville, NY 12871

FACILITIES: Concrete ramp, ample parking.

C Mile 25.16, west side 43.09912 -73.57588

Fort Hardy Park

Towpath Lane
Schuylerville, NY 12871

FACILITIES: Water, restrooms, picnic tables, grills, pavilion. Car top launch, beach landing, floating dock. Parking for 15 cars; Distance from parking about 150 feet. Restaurants, shops, and visitor information are within walking distance.

C Mile 25.13 43.09815 -73.57348

Bridge C7, Ferry Street (NY 29)

C Mile 25.08, west side, 43.09842 -73.57599

Schuyler Yacht Basin

On the channel behind Schuyler Island
1 Ferry Street
Schuylerville, NY 12871
(518) 695-3193

FACILITIES: Electric, wi-fi, water, restrooms, showers, restaurant. Kayak, canoe and SUP rentals.

Private marina.

C Mile 25.02, west side 43.09700 -73.57634

Mouth of Fish Creek

Opposite the southern tip of Schuyler Island. Paddlers can push about 0.25 mile up the Fish Creek to the aqueduct that used to carry the old Champlain Canal across the creek.



C Mile 21.48, west side 43.05897 -73.59354

Alcove Marina

886 Route 4 South
Schuylerville, NY 12871
(518) 496-9780

FACILITIES: Ramp, restrooms, restaurant.
Private marina.

**SARATOGA NATIONAL
HISTORICAL PARK**

648 NY 32
Stillwater, NY 12170
(518) 670-2985
nps.gov

This is where Americans fought overwhelming odds to win a key Revolutionary War victory against the British in 1777. The British and their allies were attempting to move south on land and by boat, using the route that is a water trail today. They were blocked from proceeding forward by Americans on Bemis Heights. Known as one of the most pivotal battles in the war, the victory drew international allies to win America's War for Independence.

The battlefield unit of Saratoga National Historical Park occupies the high bluffs west of the river. Cannons at the Great Redoubt and Bemis Heights are visible in a few spots starting around mile 18 for the next 2 miles (between buoys G105 and G93).

C Mile 20.37, west side 43.03611 -73.59222

 Saratoga Boat Launch

Off US 4 at north end of River Road,
opposite CR 113
Schuylerville, NY 12871

FACILITIES: Informal gravel ramp, beach landing, low docks. Picnic tables, portable toilets. Parking for 25 cars.

C Mile 17.21, west side 42.99409 -73.60928

 Stillwater Riverfront Park

9 US 4
Stillwater, NY 12170
(518) 664-6148

FACILITIES: Portable toilet, picnic tables, grills, pavilion. Car top launch, beach landing. Parking for 10 cars. Distance from parking about 200 feet.

Short trails carry the visitor around this small, well-designed park. A great spot for paddlers to stop and stretch your legs.

C Mile 12.18 42.93706 -73.64945

Bridge C6, Stillwater Bridge Road (CR 125)

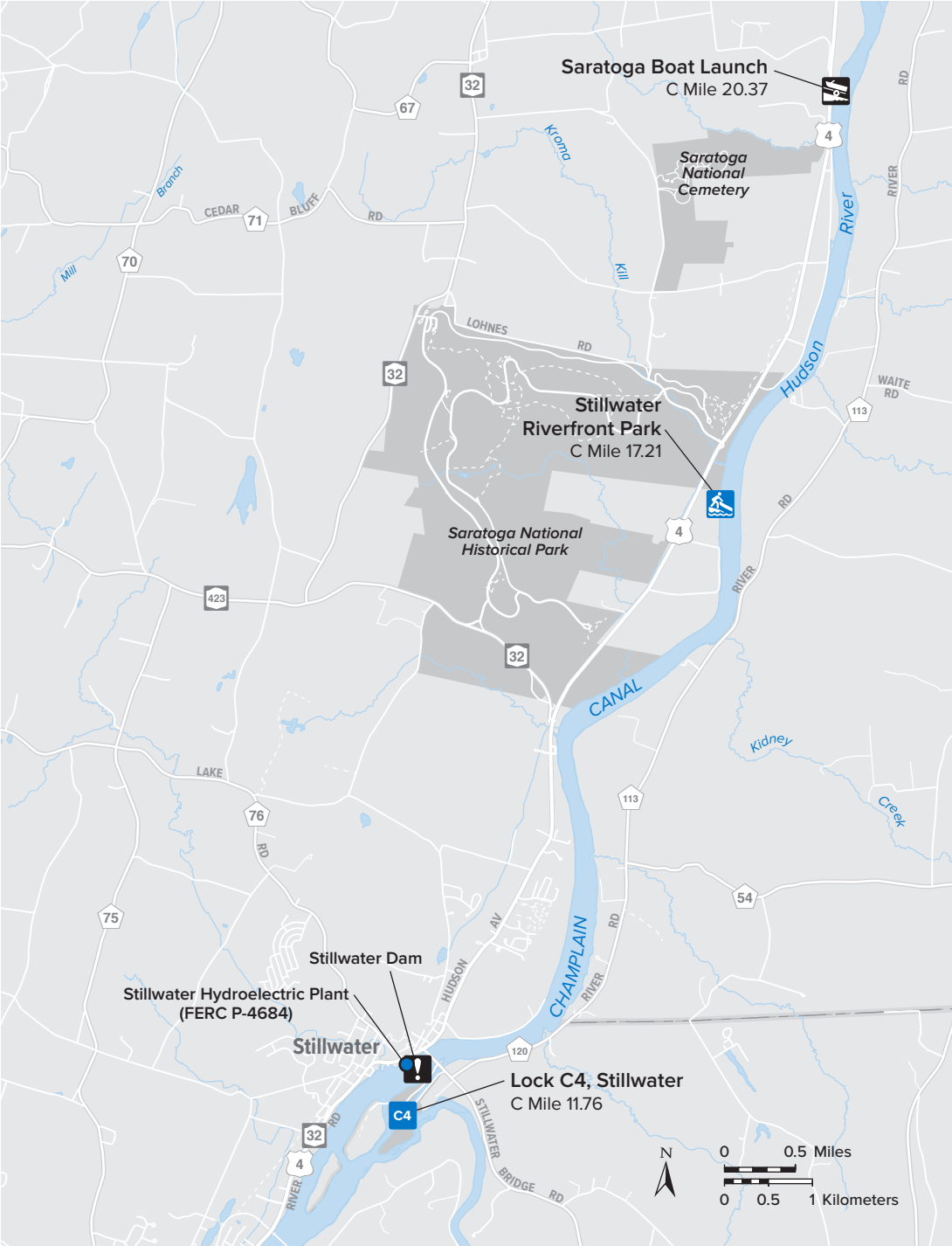
The Stillwater fixed-crest dam crosses the Hudson River 0.14 miles downstream. A hydroelectric plant built in the 1980s is at the west end of the dam.

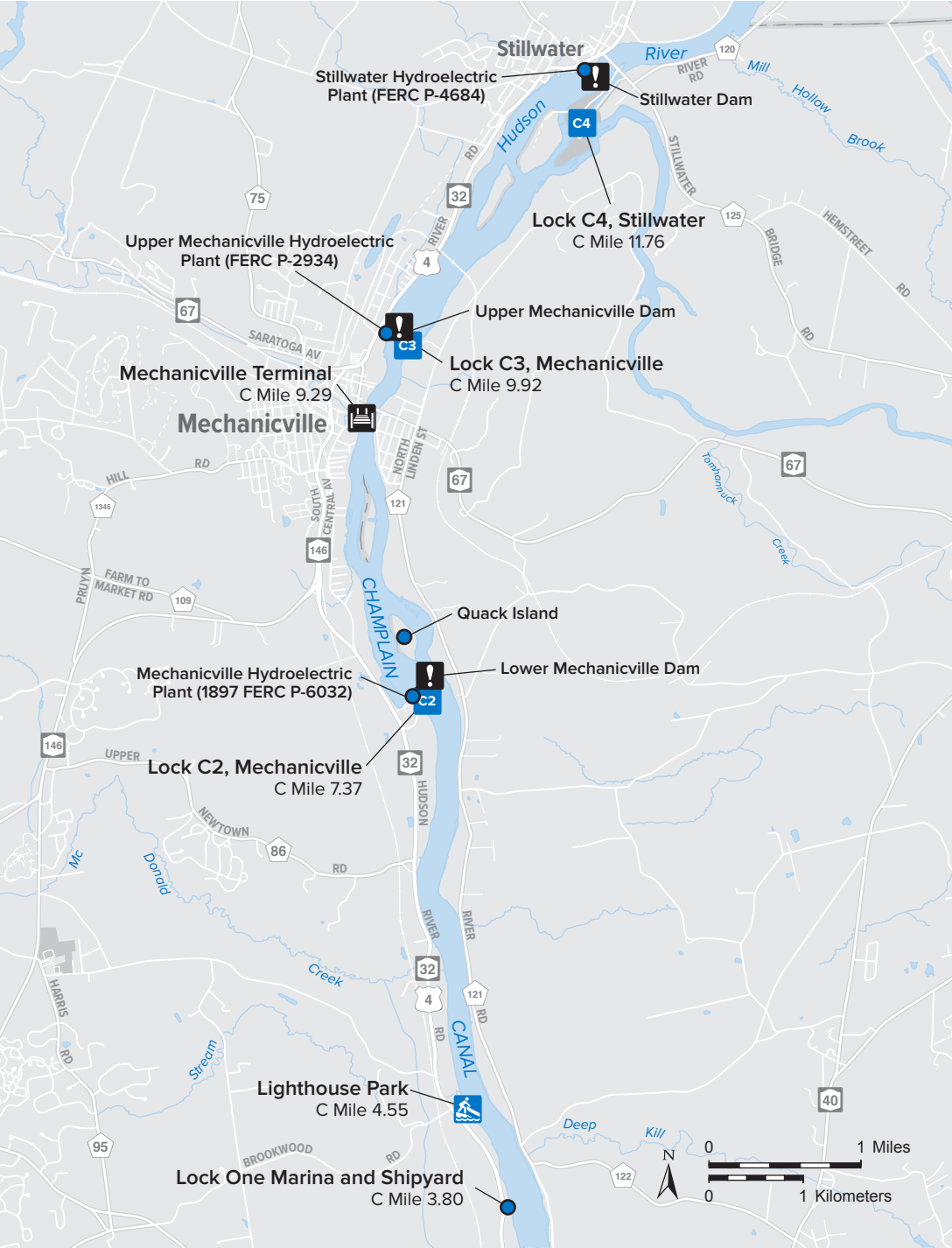
PADDLING NOTE: Hug the east (river left) bank and paddle under the bridge segment spanning the land-cut channel. Do not paddle under the multispan bridge to the west.

C Mile 11.76 42.93225 -73.65463

 Lock C4, Stillwater

947 Stillwater Bridge Road
Schaghticoke, NY 12154
(518) 664-5261





LIFT: 16.0 feet.

FACILITIES: Portable toilet, picnic tables.

Tie up on the upstream west side at Lock 4 State Canal Park. There is a parking lot on the east side of the lock. The kayak launch and beach landing is on the lower end of the lock on the west side. You need to carry your boat across the pedestrian bridge. It's a 500-foot portage to the launch. Parking for five cars.

The confluence of the Hoosic River and the Hudson River is about 0.30 mile below the lock on the east side.

Designated Biker-Hiker-Boater site.

C Mile 10.51	42.91934 -73.67183
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Bridge C5, Boston & Maine Railroad

C Mile 9.92	42.91182 -73.67765
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Lock C3, Mechanicville

880 Knickerbocker Road
Schaghticoke, NY 12154
(518) 664-5171

LIFT: 19.5 feet.

FACILITIES: Tie up at the Mechanicville terminal wall south of the lock.

PADDLING NOTE: Buoys support a safety cable in front of the dam at this lock. Do not paddle into this area. Piers and timbers above the lock were built to guide barges into the chamber. Water flows under these structures and it is possible for a small boat to get pinned. Stay to the east side (river left) of the channel as you enter the lock. The dam and powerplant can produce unpredictable cross currents immediately below the lock. Exercise caution until you are below the NY 67 bridge.

The lift on Lock C3 is the highest on the Champlain Canal. The dam was originally built to power paper mills on both sides of

the river. During the Barge Canal construction the crest was raised.

C Mile 9.42	42.90545 -73.6826
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Bridge C4A, Howland Avenue (NY 67)

C Mile 9.29, west side	42.90451 -73.68381
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Mechanicville Terminal

Terminal Street at the mouth of
Kayaderosseras Creek
Mechanicville, NY 12118
(518) 664-7791

FACILITIES: Electric, water, restrooms, showers, picnic tables. Low floating dock with car top launch is at the north end. Parking for 15 cars. Distance from parking about 20 feet. Shops and restaurants are a short walk away.

Mechanicville is the smallest city in New York, with an area of just eight-tenths of a square mile.

Mile 8.05	42.88577 -73.68088
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Quack Island

PADDLING NOTE: A large dam spans the Hudson River just below Quack Island. Follow the marked channel along the west side of Quack Island to avoid the dam spillway immediately downstream.

C Mile 7.37	42.87786 -73.67631
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Lock C2, Mechanicville

933A Hudson River Road
Mechanicville, NY 12118
(518) 664-4961

LIFT: 18.5 feet.

Steep trail to gravel beach launch at parking lot.

PADDLING NOTE: Lock C2 is located between a fixed crest dam on the east (river

right) and the Mechanicville Hydroelectric Plant to the west. Depending on river flows and electricity demands there can be strong cross currents both above and below the lock. Be aware and paddle directly into and out of the chamber.

Built in 1897, the Mechanicville powerplant is the oldest continuously operating hydroelectric facility in the country. It's original turbines and generators are still in service. The plant was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1989. Tours are available by appointment.

C Mile 7.32 42.87738 -73.67567

Bridge C-3, Lock C2 access road

C Mile 4.55, west side 42.83853 -73.67151

 Lighthouse Park

597 Hudson River Road
Halfmoon, NY 12065
(518) 371-7410 ext. 2530
townofhalfmoon-ny.gov

FACILITIES: Water, restrooms, picnic tables, grills, pavilion, kayak racks. Car top launch, dock. Parking for 20 cars. Distance from parking about 200 feet.

This park connects to the Champlain Canalway Trail.

Mile 3.80, west side 42.82913 -73.66652

Lock One Marina and Shipyard

461 Hudson River Road
Waterford, NY 12188
(518) 238-1321
lockonemarinaandshipyard.com

FACILITIES: Electric, wi-fi, water, restrooms, showers. Concrete ramp, floating dock.

Private marina.

C Mile 3.55, west side 42.82550 -73.66519

 Lock C1 Boat Ramp

Waterford, NY 12188

FACILITIES: Portable toilet, picnic tables. Concrete ramp and floating dock. Parking for 30 cars. Overnight parking permitted; call (518) 237-8566.

C Mile 3.43 42.82399 -73.66427

Lock C1, Waterford

15 Lock One Road
Waterford, NY 12188
(518) 237-8566

LIFT: 14.3 feet.

FACILITIES: Tie up at the boat ramp at the northern end of the lock, west side.

PADDLING NOTE: Do not enter the area above the dam.

Lock C1 is located in an artificial cut on the western side of the Hudson River. A zig-zag dam spans the Hudson River. The eastern section of the dam is made up of six large Taintor gates, each 50 feet wide. They were said to be the largest in the world when they were installed in 1913.

C Mile 1.51, east side 42.79946 -73.66625

 Schaghticoke Boat Ramp

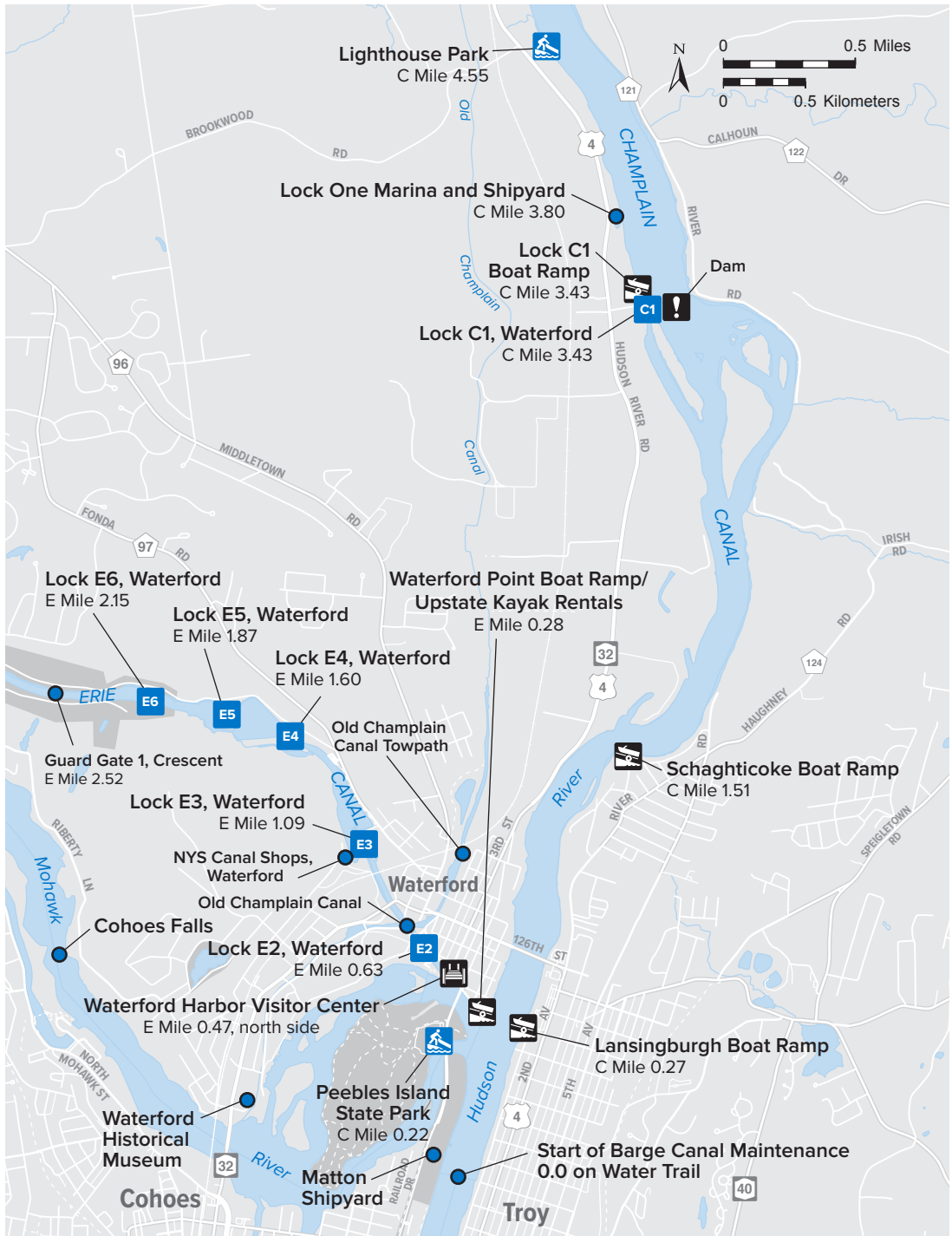
Off River Bend Road and Marion Avenue
Schaghticoke, NY 12154

FACILITIES: Beach launch. Parking for two cars. Distance from parking about 200 feet.

DEC fishing access site.

C Mile 0.56 42.78869 -73.67392

Bridge C2, 126th Street (US 4/Broad Street)



C Mile 0.28, west side 42.78554 -73.67745

 Waterford Point Boat Ramp

Confluence of Erie and Champlain Canals
First and Front Streets
Waterford, NY 12188

FACILITIES: Concrete ramp, low dock, beach landing. Parking for 15 cars; overnight parking permitted. Distance from parking about 20 feet. Walk to restrooms, showers, and information at the Waterford Harbor Visitor Center.

PADDLECRAFT RENTALS

C Mile 0.28, west side 42.78554 -73.67745

Upstate Kayak Rentals

(518) 209-1063
upstatekayakrentals.com

C Mile 0.27, east side 42.78463 -73.67440

 Lansingburgh Boat Ramp

Foot of 123rd Street
Troy, NY 12182
(518) 235-7761

FACILITIES: Concrete ramp. Parking for 10 cars. Distance from parking about 20 feet. Shops and restaurants in North Troy are within walking distance.

C Mile 0.22, west side 42.78603 -73.68072

 Peebles Island State Park

1 Delaware Avenue
Waterford, NY 12188
parks.ny.gov

FACILITIES: Water, restrooms, picnic tables, grills, pavilion, hiking trails. Car top launch, beach landing. Parking for 40 cars during daylight hours. Distance from parking about

535 feet. Shops and restaurants in Waterford are a short walk away over the Delaware Avenue Bridge.

The 90-acre Peebles Island State Park is located at the confluence of the Mohawk and Hudson Rivers. The park is accessible by a bridge over the Erie Canal or from the water using the launch on the east side of the island on the Hudson River near the Observation Deck or the dock at the northern end of the island on the Erie Canal. Hiking trails around the island with cliffs, water views, and mature oak woodland. Peebles Island is headquarters to the Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor.

Mile 0.00

Jurisdiction changes from NYS Canals to the US Army Corps of Engineers at the northern tip of Van Schaick Island.

Mile -0.40, west side

Matton Shipyard

Cohoes, NY 12183

John Matton moved his shipbuilding and repair business from the old Champlain Canal to this location in 1916. From then until 1983 the yard produced more than 340 canal boats, tugs, submarine chasers, and other vessels. It is on the National Register of Historic Places.

Mile -0.08

112th Street Bridge

Mile -2.23, east side 42.75139 -73.68543

Federal Lock & Dam

1 Bond Street, Troy, NY 12180
518-272-6442

PADDLING NOTE: Stay on the east (right) side of the river to avoid currents of water spilling over the dam. The Federal Lock may operate on a different schedule than those on the New York State Canal System. Call ahead for information.

Built and operated by the US Army Corps of Engineers since 1916 the Hudson River Lock & Dam stands at the head of tidal navigation

on the Hudson. The hydroelectric plant on the west bank, in the Village of Green Island, was built by Ford Motor Company to power an automobile plant that once stood nearby.

Mile -2.50, east side 42.74740 -73.68420

Ingalls Avenue Boat Launch

End of Ingalls Avenue
Troy, NY 12180

FACILITIES: Paved ramp, floating dock, with roller dock at downstream end. Parking for 20 cars.

