Points to Remember

- Pack out your trash.
- The Scenic Waterway traverses a unique and varied natural environment.
- Observe safe boating practices.
- Be alert for wakes from large boats at some points along the trail.
- Abide by trespassing signs and rules and regulations.
- Much of the land adjacent to the waterways is private property, and city and state ordinances will be enforced.
- Be aware of tidal changes. Many areas along the trail are strongly affected by them.
- Snakes and other wildlife are especially prevalent along the trail during Spring.
- Learn to identify poison ivy, oak, and sumac. These plants are common along some banks.
- Take insect repellant. Insect populations can be prevalent near water.
- The City of Virginia Beach assumes no liability for injury or property damage due to your use of our Scenic Waterway.
- Water safety life vests should be worn at all times.

Get Involved

The City of Virginia Beach Clean Community Commission sponsors a variety of environmental programs that engage citizens in helping to keep Virginia Beach waterways clean and scenic. If interested in any of the following programs contact:

Ruby Arrendondo, Clean Community Programs
3141 Dam Neck Rd
Virginia Beach, VA 23456
_phone: (757) 385-4104
_email: vbclean@VBgov.com

Adopt-A-Waterway Program
New groups are needed to adopt a needy area in Virginia Beach. Get your family or group together and pick a location. This program is for a two-year adoption period, with a minimum of six cleanups required per year. Supplies and signs provided.

Clean the Bay Day
Clean the Bay Day is an annual event held the second Saturday in June sponsored by the City of Virginia Beach Clean Community Program in conjunction with the Chesapeake Bay Foundation. It is a great opportunity for individuals, families, and groups to help clean up debris from waterways across Hampton Roads.

Storm Drain Marker Program
This program is designed to improve public awareness of the environmental effects of dumping in storm drains and resulting water quality problems. Volunteers are needed to affix a four-inch round urethane marker which conveys “Only Rain Down the Storm Drain” on storm drains throughout the City. Groups of two or more are needed for this project. All materials are provided.
Back Bay
1. Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge (C/K)
   U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
   4005 Sandpiper Road • 757-721-2412
   N 36°40.366' W 075°54.982'
   Refuge entry fee. Annual passes are available. Restroom facilities. Open year round from dawn to dusk.

2. Back Bay Landing (M/C/K)
   Virginia Department of Game & Inland Fisheries
   Mill Landing Road • 804-367-9587
   N 36°40.366' W 075°54.982'
   Parking fee during the summer. Restroom facilities. Open year round from dawn to dusk.

3-5. False Cape State Park (M/C/K)
   Barbour Hill, False Cape Landing & Wash Woods
   Virginia Department of Conservation & Recreation
   757-426-7128
   Parking fee during the summer. Restroom facilities. Open year round from dawn to dusk.

6. Little Island District Park (C/K)
   Virginia Beach Parks & Recreation
   3820 Sandpiper Rd • 757-426-0013
   N 36°41.588' W 075°55.554'
   Parking fee during the summer. Restroom facilities. Open year round from dawn to dusk.

7. Princess Anne Wildlife Management Area (M/C/K)
   Virginia Department of Game & Inland Fisheries
   Back Bay Landing Road • 804-367-9587
   N 36°35.414' W 075°59.524'
   Open year round, 24 hours a day. Please abide by posted management area rules and regulations.

Broad Bay
8. 64th Street: First Landing State Park (M/C/K)
   Virginia Department of Conservation & Recreation
   757-412-2300
   N 36°53.250' W 076°01.100'
   Park entry fee and launch fee; use of the ramp is free for non-motorized craft. Restroom facilities. Open year round from dawn to dusk.

Elizabeth River
9. Elizabeth River at Carolanne Farm Park (C/K)
   Virginia Beach Parks & Recreation
   375 Challedon Drive • 757-385-1100
   N 36°49.536' W 076°10.952'
   Parking available along the street. You will need to transport your canoe/kayak to the launch facility approximately 300 yds. Open year round from dawn to dusk.

Lynnhaven River
10. Lynnhaven Boat & Beach Facility (M/C/K)
    Virginia Beach Parks & Recreation
    3576 Piedmont Circle • 757-460-7590
    N 36°54.419' W 076°05.677'
    There is a fee for parking and launching. Restroom facilities. The ramp is open year round from dawn to dusk.

North Bay
11. Hutton Circle Launch (C/K)
    Virginia Beach Parks & Recreation
    Hutton Circle • 757-385-1100
    Open year round from dawn to dusk.

North Landing River
12. Virginia Beach Waterway Access Sites
    The North Landing River is a part of the Intracoastal Waterway System and covers 22 miles from the North Carolina line to the locks at Great Bridge in Chesapeake, Virginia. The river south of North Landing Road is from 300 feet to a mile wide. The water depth of the headwaters and tributaries is 2-5 feet and it is as deep as 12 feet in the Intracoastal Waterway channel. Canoes and kayaks must safely travel this widest section of the river by hugging the shoreline.

13. Horn Point (C/K)
    Horn Point Road • 757-385-1100
    N 36°42.482' W 075°58.213'
    Open year round from dawn to dusk.

14. Munden Point Park (M/C/K)
    Virginia Beach Parks & Recreation
    2001 Pefley Road • 757-426-5296
    N 36°35.156' W 076°02.283'
    Restroom facilities. Open year round from dawn to dusk. Canoe rentals are available from April through October.

15. Blackwater Trading Post (M/C/K)
    5605 Blackwater Road • 757-421-2803
    N 36°36.447' W 076°05.098'
    Restroom facilities. Open 7 AM to 9 PM; Sunday 7 AM to 8 PM.

West Neck Creek
16. Launch at Dozier’s Bridge (C/K)
    Virginia Beach Parks & Recreation
    Princess Anne Road • 757-385-1100
    N 36°45.347' W 076°02.381'
    Open year round from dawn to dusk.

17. West Neck Marina (M/C/K)
    3985 West Neck Road • 757-426-6735
    N 36°41.539' W 076°02.295'
    There is a fee for parking and launching. Restroom facilities. Open 6 am to 6 pm.

Other Virginia Beach Waterway Access Sites
18. Rudee Inlet (M/C/K)
    Virginia Beach Parks & Recreation
    717 General Booth Blvd • 757-385-1100
    N 36°49.359' W 076°09.884'
    Restroom facilities. Open 6 am to 6 pm.

19. Lake Smith (M/C/K)
    Lake Smith Fishing Station (M/C/K)
    Virginia Beach Parks & Recreation
    Shell Road • 757-385-1100
    N 36°49.359' W 076°09.884'
    Motorized boats up to 12 hp permitted. Restroom facilities. Open year round from dawn to dusk.