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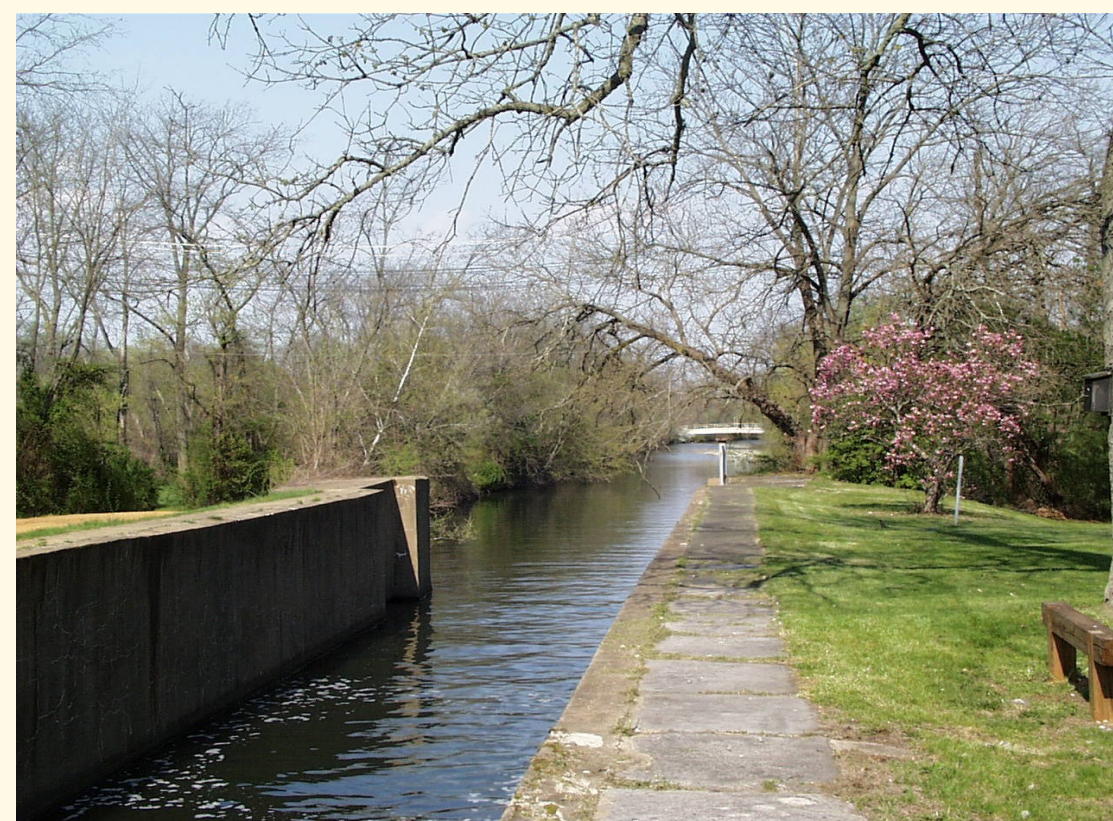
The Delaware and Raritan Canal is more than a State Park...

It also serves as a **source of drinking water** for millions of central New Jersey residents.



Caring for the Canal

The New Jersey Water Supply Authority is responsible for maintaining the D&R Canal as a source of drinking water. Water in the Canal comes from the Delaware River and numerous smaller streams and runoff sources along its 66-mile length. Along with rainwater, sediment from road and land runoff is carried into the Canal from these sources. This sediment builds up in the Canal and decreases the amount of water it can carry. The sediment must be removed periodically to restore the Canal's capacity. The sediment removal process, known as dredging, will ensure that the Canal can continue to provide a reliable source of drinking water.



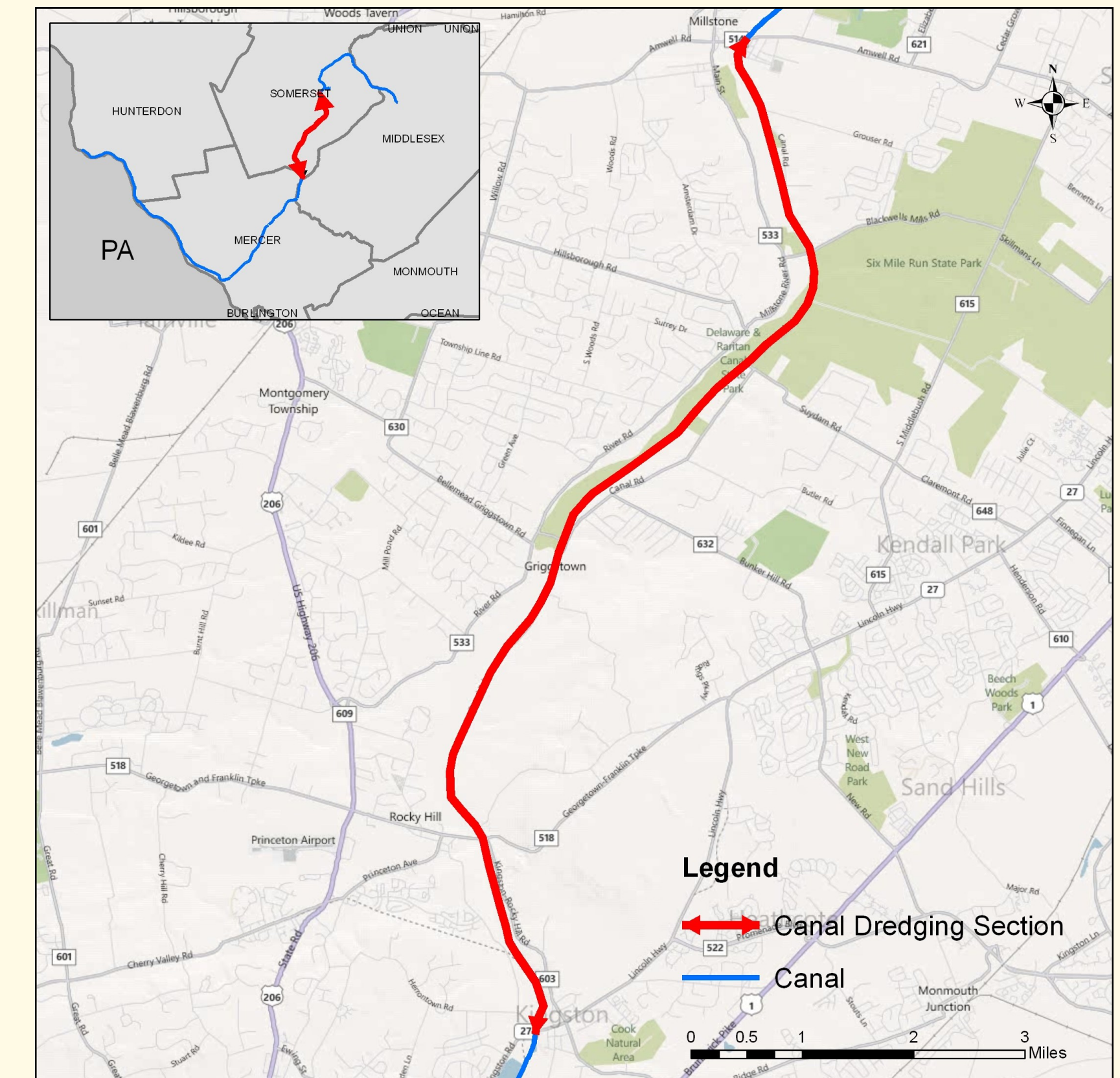
Structures like these help regulate the level of water in different parts of the Canal. The Canal begins in Kingwood Township (Hunterdon County) and ends in the City of New Brunswick (Middlesex County).

Current Dredging Project

The section of the Canal that will be dredged during this project is between Route 27 in Kingston and Amwell Road in Franklin Township (see map). This dredging project is scheduled to begin in the summer of 2018 and is expected to take three construction years. The anticipated amount of sediment to be removed is approximately 240,000 cubic yards, or the equivalent of about 75 Olympic-size swimming pools.

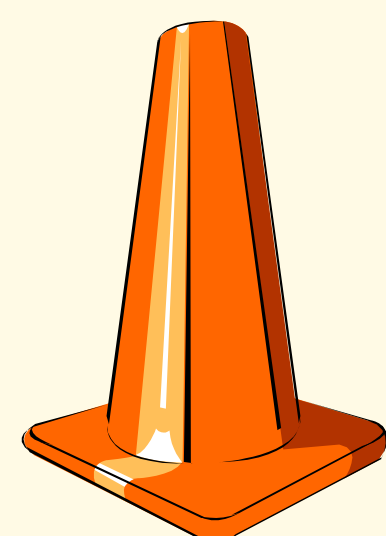
Natural and Cultural Resources

Throughout this project, care will be taken to protect the natural and cultural resources in and around the Canal. Public hearings were held to discuss this project. A number of state, county, and local stakeholders have been, and will continue to be, consulted for the duration of this project.



For more information:

www.njwsa.org



**Occasional towpath closures may be necessary.
We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.**

