Water trails are recreational waterways on a lake, river, or ocean between specific points, containing access points and day-use and/or camping sites for the boating public. Water trails emphasize low-impact use and promote stewardship of the resources. Explore this unique Pennsylvania water trail.

For your safety and enjoyment:
- Always wear a life jacket
- Obtain proper instruction in boating skills and safety
- Be prepared for river hazards
- Carry proper equipment

The valley of the Conewango Creek was formed during the last ice age, 10,000 to 15,000 years ago, when the drainage pattern for the region was a north-south direction toward the present basin of Lake Erie. Water then flowed to the Atlantic Ocean through the St. Lawrence River. The valley of the Conewango Creek consists of alternating layers of sand, gravel, and boulder-deposited deposits. Early settlers found the valley to be an attractive place to settle and farm. Over time, the valley was used for agriculture and industry.

The valley of the Conewango Creek is now a popular destination for outdoor enthusiasts. Paddling, fishing, hunting, and wildlife viewing are popular activities. The valley has a rich history, and it is home to many Native American artifacts and historical landmarks.

Watch for paddlesport! The fish in the Conewango Creek are still abundant and provide a unique opportunity for paddlers to experience the natural beauty of this area.

Conewango Creek is an important wetland area and provides habitat for numerous species of plants and animals. The meandering creek and wetlands provide important stopover and breeding areas for many species of migratory birds. Paddlers can expect to see a variety of wildlife, including beavers, muskrats, and waterfowl.

The Conewango Creek is a designated Wild and Scenic River and is protected under the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act. This designation ensures that the river will be protected from development and disturbance, allowing it to continue to provide a valuable resource for future generations.

The Conewango Creek is also an important tributary of the Allegheny River and provides water for drinking and recreational purposes. The river is used for fishing, boating, and other water-related activities.

The Conewango Creek is a popular destination for paddlers, hikers, and nature enthusiasts. Visitors can enjoy the beautiful scenery, the abundant wildlife, and the rich history of the area.

Along the way:

- Clune Island: Located on the New York side of the river, this island is a camping spot with an open deck. The island is accessible from the main road via a footbridge.
- Otters: You may be able to spot otters in the area, especially during the warmer months.
- Paddlefish: You may spot paddlefish while on the water. They are a large species of fish that feed on aquatic insects.
- Sugar Shack: A small roadside stand that sells handmade maple syrup and other sweets.
- Paddling the Conewango: The Conewango Creek is a clear and cold river, perfect for paddling. The river offers a variety of skill levels, from beginner to advanced. Paddling the Conewango is a unique experience that allows you to explore the natural beauty of the area.

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PLACES OF INTEREST

Walbridge Ferry: Over 13 miles in length, this ferry has four restaurants, an ice cream shop, and a lake. It is a great place to relax and enjoy the scenery.

Cassadaga Island: A national historic landmark, this island is home to several historic buildings and structures.

Hernan de Soto: A Spanish explorer who led an expedition through the area in the 1540s.

William Penn: The founder of Pennsylvania is remembered with many landmarks throughout the state.

The Conewango Creek is a valuable resource for the community and provides numerous benefits to the local economy. The river is used for recreation, fishing, and drinking water.

Although the area has been impacted by human activities, it remains a beautiful and valuable resource. The Conewango Creek is an important part of the local economy and provides a unique opportunity for visitors to experience the natural beauty of the area.

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- The Conewango Creek Watershed Association
- The Allegheny River Valley Planning Commission
- The Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
- The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection
- The Conewango Creek Watershed Association

Through the collective efforts of these partners, the Conewango Creek Water Trail has been created to provide a valuable resource for the community and visitors alike.

Thank you to all who have contributed to the success of the Conewango Creek Water Trail.