



# Intersection of Communities and Public Lands

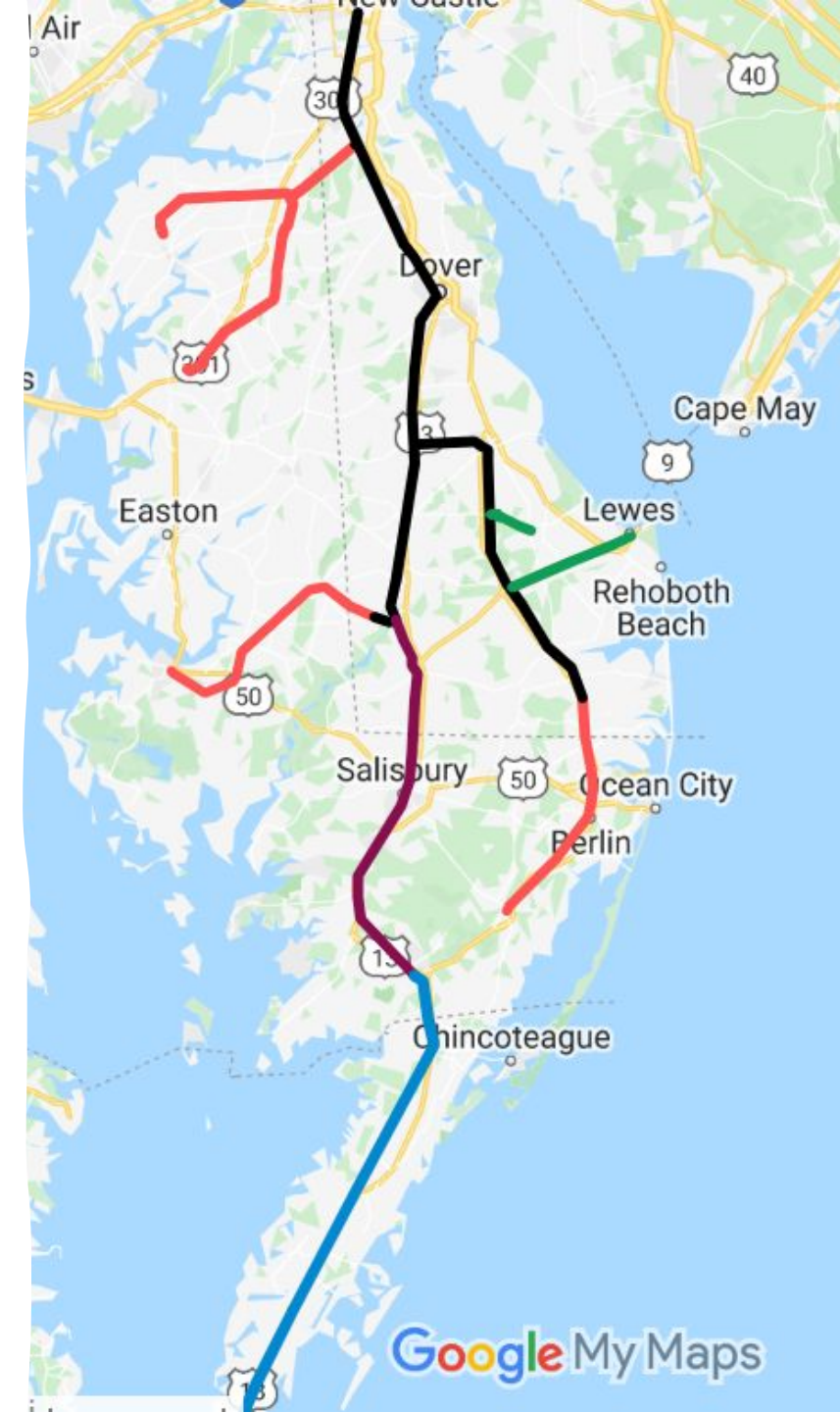
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**Maryland Outdoor Recreation  
Summit**

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# Connections Vary by Conditions







## Berlin to Assateague Island Corridor

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|  Corridor               |  Ocean City Owned Lands |
|  Waterway             |  CELCP Properties     |
|  Berlin Town Boundary |  Protected Lands      |
|  Berlin Owned Lands   |  LSLT Easements       |

### Points of Interest

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|  Illia Fehrer Nature Preserve   |
|  Lewis Road Kayak Launch      |
|  Ayres Creek Kayak Adventures |
|  Rackliffe House & Trail Loop |
|  Assateague Island            |

Map prepared by the Lower Shore Land Trust, October 2012; April 2013.  
For planning and stewardship purposes only; not to be used as a survey.

Planning for this Connection has been underway since 2010!

# MD Eastern Shore Trails Network Opportunities & Challenges

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- Counties and towns are convinced (mostly) of the the economic, equity, health, and social benefits of trails
- 100 miles of abandoned or inactive rail lines that could become trails to connect communities.
- Federal Infrastructure funds are available and some state funds to create trails, bikeways.
- Barriers –
  - Lack of staff, resources to apply for and manage federal grants.
  - Facilitating consensus, MOA working across jurisdictions



# Success Story: Pocomoke Forest Wildlands Trails

