

# Paddling Opportunities in the Middle and Lower Genesee River

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# Paddling Safety

## FLOAT PLANS

### 1. THE 4 W'S OF YOUR PLAN

Follow these guidelines to create a proper float plan.



- WHO:
- WHERE:
- WHEN:
- WHAT TO DO:

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# PADDLER'S SAFETY CHECKLIST

- BE A SWIMMER
- FILE A FLOAT PLAN
- WEAR YOUR LIFEJACKET
- KNOW THE WEATHER FORECAST
- KNOW THE WATER VENUE
- CARRY A COMPASS, CHART, OR MAP
- WEAR APPROPRIATE CLOTHING
- WEAR A HAT OR HELMET
- WEAR PROPER FOOTWEAR
- FIRST AID KIT & GPS LOCATOR
- CARRY A WHISTLE
- RESCUE GEAR
- BILGE PUMP
- SUN PROTECTION
- DAYBAG WITH EXTRA CLOTHING

# Middle and Lower River Segments



Lower River

Middle River

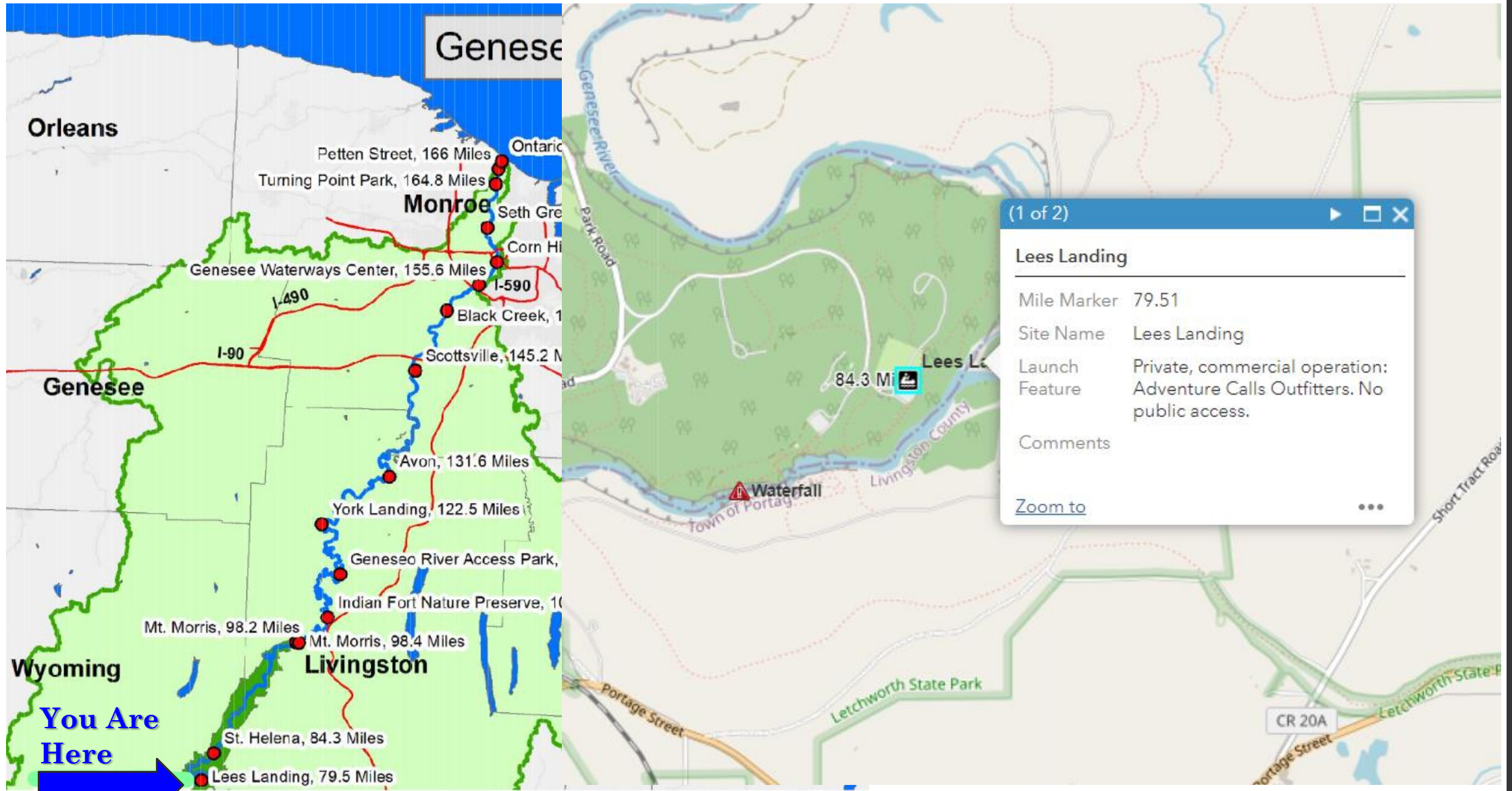
# Genesee River Blueway Map

The screenshot displays the Genesee River Blueway Map interface. At the top left, there is a title bar with the text "Genesee River Blueway Map" and a share icon. To the right is a search bar with the placeholder text "Find address or place" and a magnifying glass icon. The map shows the Genesee River in blue, flowing from the bottom left towards the top right. A prominent orange road, Caledonia Avon Road, runs diagonally across the river. A label "US 20 NY 5" is placed on this road. Other roads shown include Farmers Road and Caledonia. A red dashed line indicates a specific route along the riverbank. A popup window titled "Avon" is open, displaying the following information:

Mile Marker	131.57
Site Name	Avon
Launch Feature	Large concrete steps to waters edge. Sit in boat from bank.
Comments	DEC fishing access site

Below the text is a photograph of a concrete path leading to the riverbank. The popup also includes a "Zoom to" link and a close button. In the bottom left corner of the map, the coordinates "-77.757 42.918 Degrees" are displayed. A "Current level = 17.51 Ft, Flow = cfs" label is visible near Farmers Road. A "131.6 Mi" marker is also present on the map.

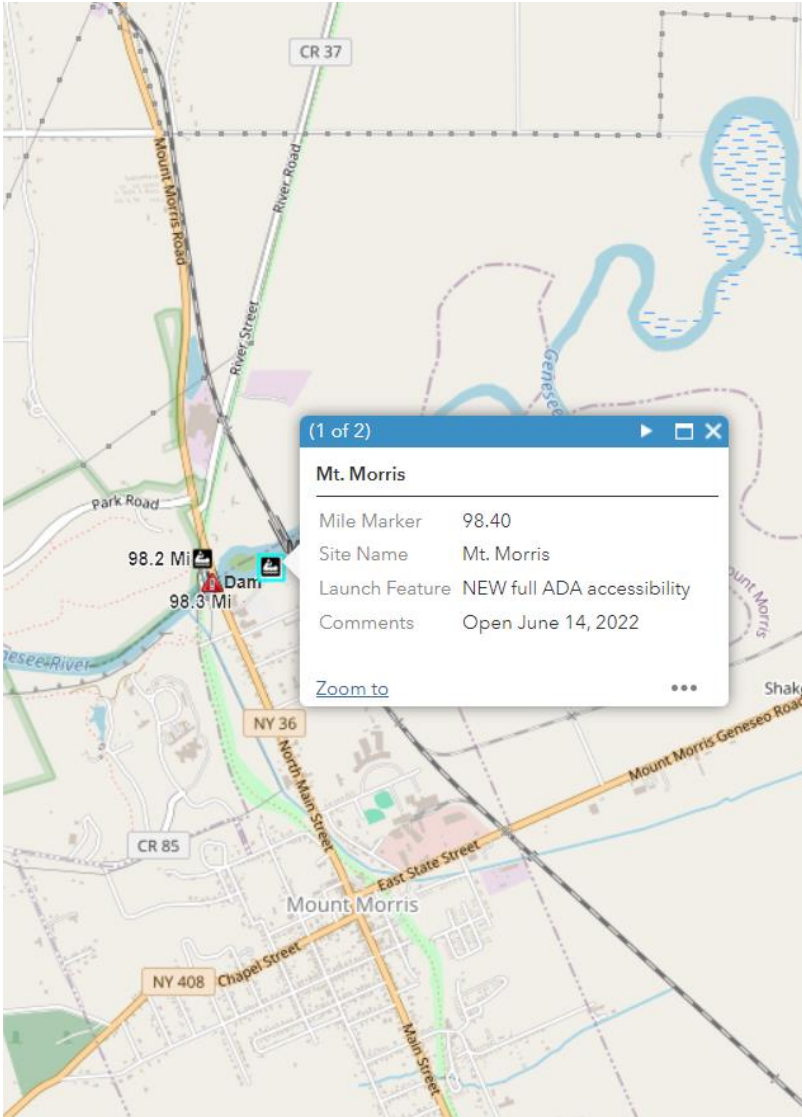
# Lees Landing



# Mt. Morris Dam



# Mt. Morris and Downstream

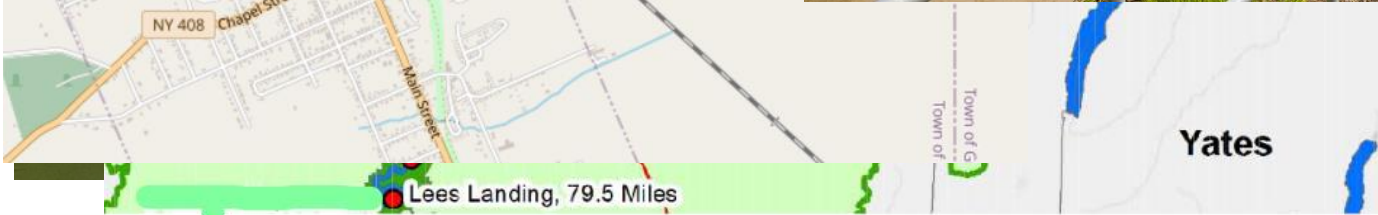


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**Mt. Morris**

Mile Marker	98.40
Site Name	Mt. Morris
Launch Feature	NEW full ADA accessibility
Comments	Open June 14, 2022

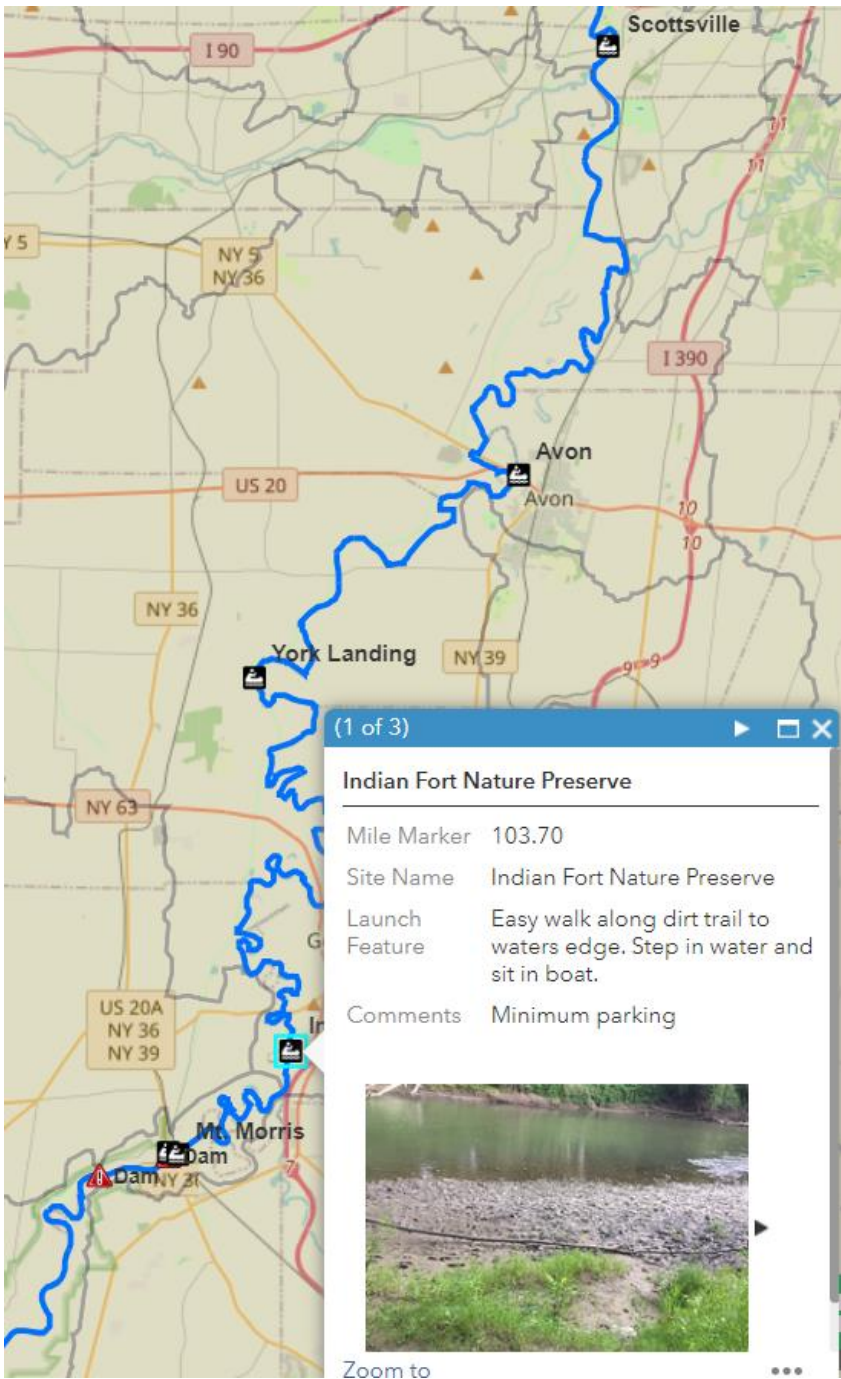
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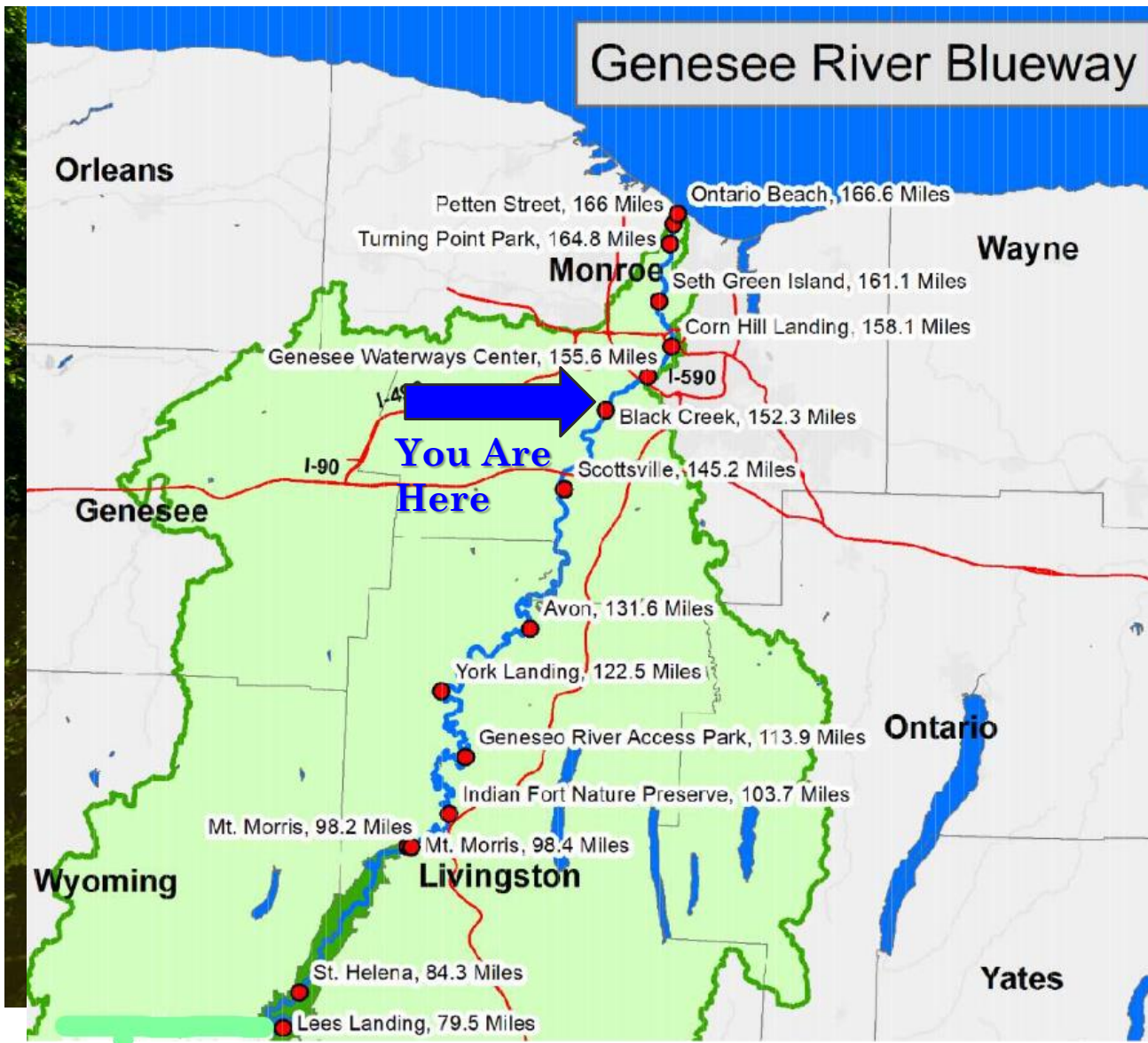
# Middle River



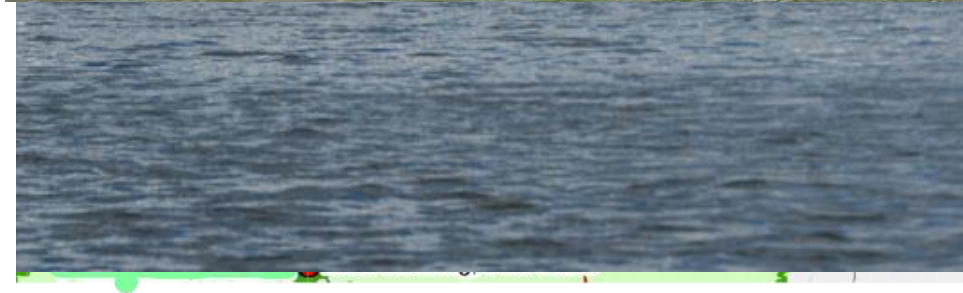
# Access Improvements



# Creek Access



# End of the Middle Genesee



Please exit the River





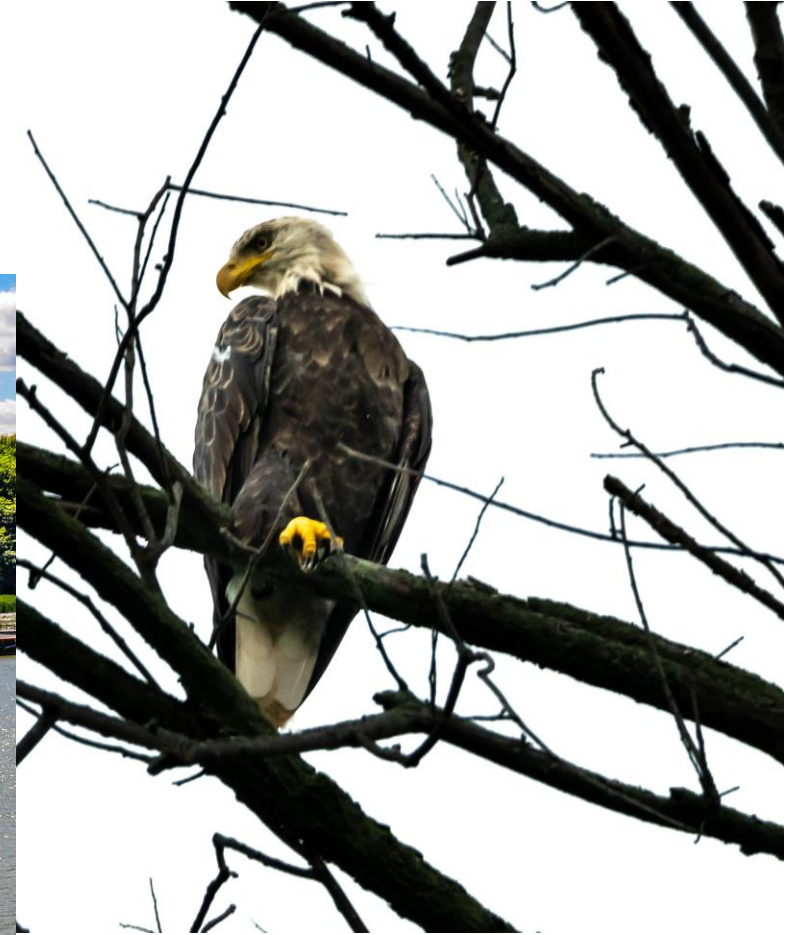
# Straight Channel, Challenging Waters



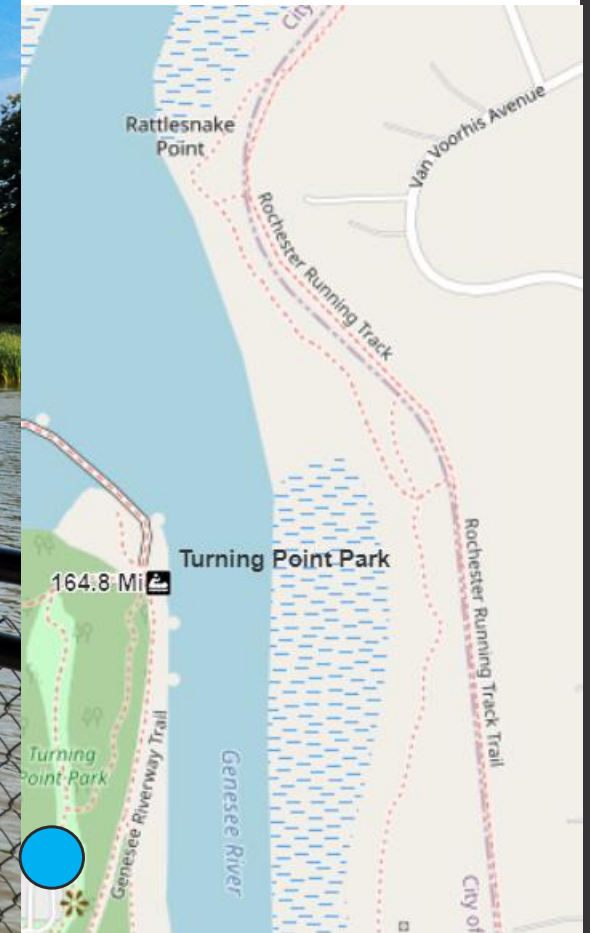
# Planning Ahead



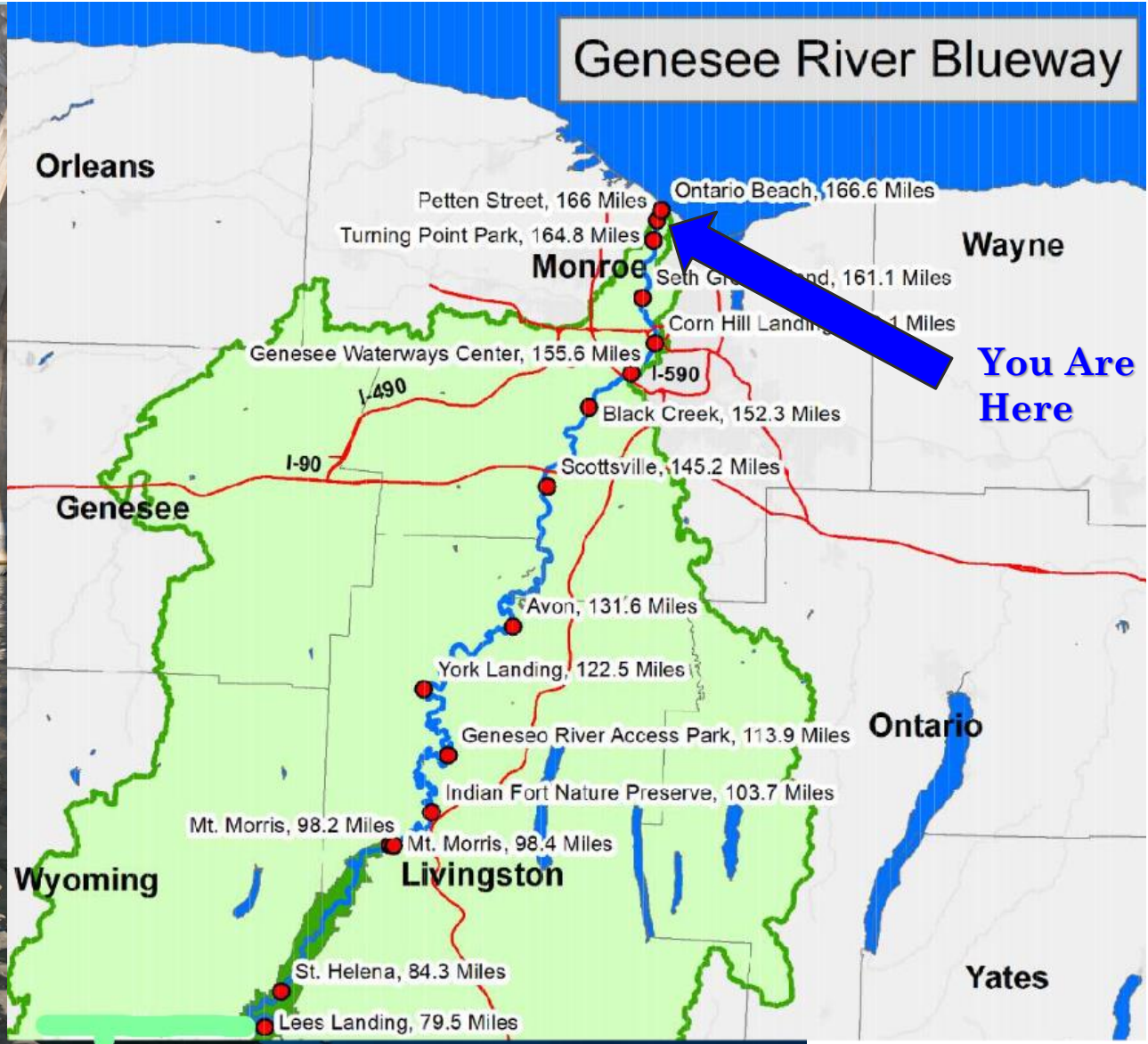
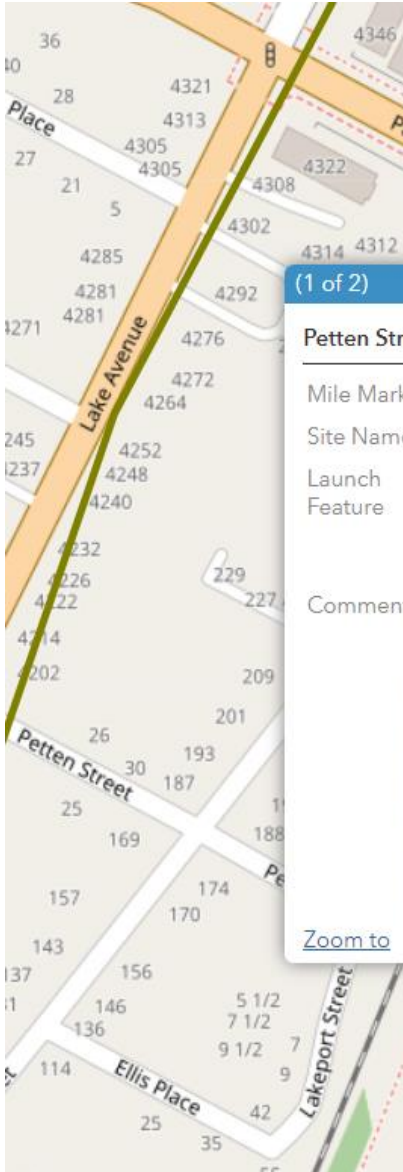
# Wilderness Within



# Turning Point Park



# Petten Street



# Access for All



# 2024 2024 Public Paddle Schedule

## Genesee RiverWatch / Genesee Waterways Center

- Friday, June 28, 5:30 – 8:00 – ~~Learn to Kayak with Music and Food - Waterways Center~~
- Saturday, July 13, 10:00 – 1:00 – Learn to Kayak - Waterways Center
- Wednesday, July 24, 5:30 – 7:30 – Genesee River Cleanup & Educational Paddle - Waterways Center, Erie Canal, Red Creek
- Saturday, August 17, 10:00 – 1:00 – Kayak Lower Falls Gorge – Seth Green to Petten Street Dock
- Saturday, September 14, 10:00 – 1:00 – Erie Canal Paddle – Waterways Center to Lock 32
- Saturday, October 5, 3:00 – 6:00 – ROC the Riverway Weekend Paddle – Waterways Center to Corn Hill

A scenic photograph of a large stone arch bridge spanning a river. The bridge features several arches, with the central one being the largest. The surrounding area is lush with green trees and foliage. The sky is clear and blue. The text "Happy Paddling" is overlaid in white, serif font, centered within the largest arch of the bridge. The entire scene is reflected in the calm water of the river.

Happy  
Paddling

# Resources and References

- Float plan graphics: <https://paddling.com/learn/float-plan-safety-series>
- Genesee River Blueway Website: <https://geneseeriverwatch.org/2020/08/25/genesee-river-blueway-map-launched/>
- Genesee River Blueway Map: <https://geneseeriverwatch.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/Genesee-River-Blueway-Map-Brochure-230426.pdf>
- Genesee River Interactive Blueway Map: <https://ceinfo.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html>
- Woody the Woodpecker cartoon: <https://www.insauga.com/video-wacky-cartoon-woodpeckers-attempts-to-go-over-niagara-falls-in-a-barrel/>
- Paddling Events Schedule: <https://www.geneseewaterways.org/events-classes>
- Photos courtesy of Mike Haugh