



# Waterways

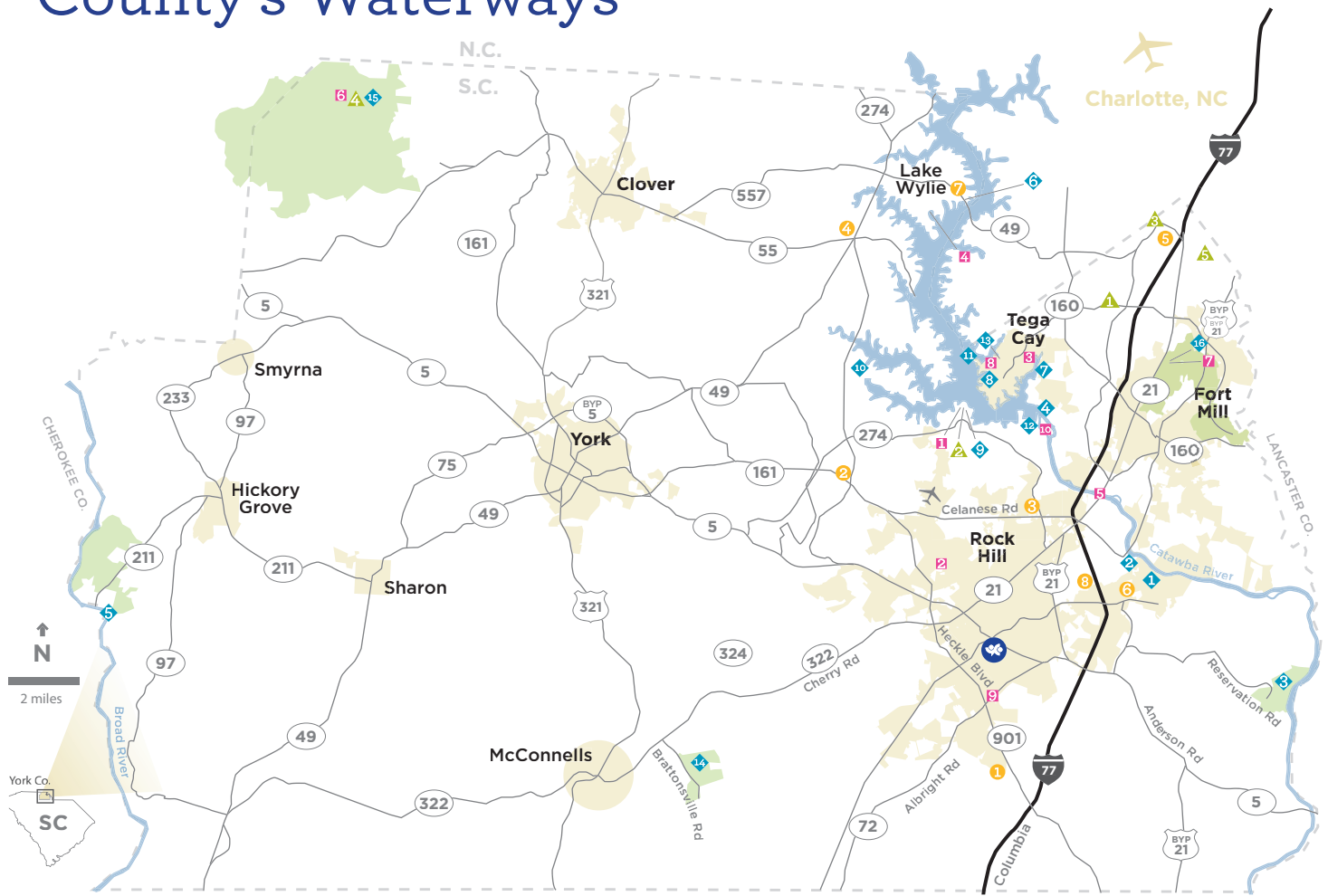
## OF YORK COUNTY

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# Rivers & Lakes

## CATAWBA RIVER

### SOUTH CAROLINA STATE SCENIC RIVER 2008

Spanning two states and more than 200 miles, the Catawba River flows from the Blue Ridge Mountains, winding through York County and eventually making its way to the Atlantic Ocean!

Beginning with the Catawba tribe of Native Americans, the river has been an important factor in history. Nation Ford was an important river crossing on a major north-south trading path controlled by the Catawba Indian Nation. The river was briefly made navigable during the 19th century through the construction of a canal system. During the 20th century, dams along the river provided the energy and water needed for textile mills and other industry.

Today, the Catawba River is used for power production, industry, agriculture, drinking water and recreation. Despite its proximity to established communities, much of the land bordering this portion of the Catawba River remains undeveloped. Duke Energy, one of the world's largest utility companies, holds the primary responsibility for managing the reservoirs and regulating development on the river.

## The People of the River

The Catawba River is named after the Catawba tribe of Native Americans, known in their own language as the Kawahcatawbas, "the people of the river".

The Catawba Indian Reservation near Rock Hill is home to the only federally recognized tribe in the state of South Carolina. They honor their past by embracing their culture and sharing it with others through programs and pottery that is made with clay from the ancestral clay holes along the banks of the river.



## BROAD RIVER

### SOUTH CAROLINA STATE SCENIC RIVER 2001

Originating in the Blue Ridge Mountains and flowing through seven Piedmont counties in South Carolina, the Broad River was once the boundary between the Catawba and Cherokee Indian tribes as well as a power generator.

Today, it provides significant beginner-friendly and novice paddling opportunities. Wildlife is abundant in this area and visitors can expect to see a variety of fish, birds, and mammals. There are several ponds and smaller lakes that are perfect for fishing and enjoying nature.

## LAKE WYLIE

Located on the South Carolina/North Carolina border with 325 miles of shore line, this 13,400 acre man-made lake was created by a hydro-electric dam in 1904, making it one of the oldest reservoirs in South Carolina. In addition to supporting the hydro station, Lake Wylie also provides a dependable water supply for neighboring communities as well as an abundance of recreational activities including flat water paddling, boating and fishing.

## ADDITIONAL WATERWAYS

### Draper Wildlife Management Area Lakes

1080 Draper Rd, McConells

Three fertilized fishing lakes encompass eight acres of the 806 acre Draper Track. The largest lake is five acres. Additional outdoor recreation includes hiking, hunting, biking and bird watching. This area is well-known for its acres of vibrant sunflower fields that bloom every July. Access to the property is limited and ponds are closed to fishing on Tuesdays.

### Lake Crawford

1277 Park Road, Blacksburg

Located within Kings Mountain State Park, the 13-acre lake provides fishing opportunities by boat or along its bank access. Numerous trails, restrooms, picnic tables and camping options are nearby. Swimming not allowed.

### Lakes Crandall, Frances & Haigler

2573 Lake Haigler Drive, Fort Mill

Bring your own kayaks and canoes to unload by use of boat ramps at Lakes Crandall and Frances and Stumpy Pond. Boats can be walked down to Lake Haigler at the Nature Center Entrance. Gas-powered boat motors are prohibited. Fishing is restricted to members of Anne Springs Close Greenway.





# Access Areas

From “canoe or kayak only” access to full-service marinas and membership-based clubs, there are options that will allow you to enjoy the waterways of York County. Some access points are rural, while others are well-developed with a variety of amenities nearby where you can combine your water-based activities with another outdoor experience like hiking or cycling and even grabbing a bite to eat.

Note: Listings highlight public access areas.

## CATAWBA RIVER ACCESS

### Fort Mill River Access

2541 New Gray Rock, Fort Mill

This location provides access to the water channel below the Wylie Hydro Station with fishing platforms and a boat ramp that are handicap accessible. No current restrooms. This will be the future home to Catawba Park, a multi-use park and sports complex offering numerous amenities to those looking to enjoy activities by or on the water.

### Rock Hill Outdoor Center

575 Herrons Ferry Rd, Rock Hill

Located within the Riverwalk community is a dynamic collection of recreation amenities including kayak and canoe launch, as well as hiking, cycling and both casual and sophisticated dining options. No restrooms.

### River Park

1782 Quality Circle, Rock Hill

River Park has a kayak and canoe launch, as well as a variety of trails including a boardwalk trail through the wetlands area, wooded trails, and handicapped-accessible trails. Restrooms and picnic area onsite.

### Catawba Nation Hand Carry Boat Launch

Catawba Nation Gnw, Rock Hill

This access is located on the Catawba Indian Reservation at the end of a historic wagon trail dating back to 1810. Nearby is the Catawba Cultural Center with exhibits providing an overview of their rich culture.

## LAKE WYLIE ACCESS

### Windjammer Park

8999 Windjammer Drive, Tega Cay

Lake swimming area with beach and playground. Onsite restrooms, picnic shelter and scenic overlook. Free water ski shows every Friday night during Summer. Permit only parking (exception for ski show events) - obtained from the City of Tega Cay.

### Buster Boyd Access Area

310 Blucher Circle, Lake Wylie

Plenty of paved parking and boat ramps with recently built restrooms. Close proximity to dining options.

### Nivens Creek Landing

898 Nivens Landing Dr, Tega Cay

Boat ramps and paved parking. Small beach area for launching canoes and kayaks. No restrooms.

### Pitcairn Park

4099 Triton Dr, Tega Cay

Boat launch area, playground, picnic area, and restrooms. Permit-only parking - obtained from City of Tega Cay.

### Allison Creek Access Area

2499 Viesta Rd, York

Fish attracter located just beyond the fishing pier. Boat ramp and paved parking. Scheduled upgrades include picnic facilities, trails and restrooms.

### Tega Cay Marina

28000 Marina Drive, Tega Cay

Public access boat ramp with fuel dock, ship store and restrooms.

### Rock Hill Park

India Hook Rd, Rock Hill

Coming soon! The new site will include a swimming area, picnic facilities, fishing area, trails and restrooms.

### Ebenezer Park

4490 Boatshore Rd, Rock Hill

Plenty of parking is available as well as boat ramps, bank access, restrooms, picnic shelters, playground area and swimming area with neighboring full-service campground.

## BROAD RIVER ACCESS

### Worth Mountain Wildlife Management Area

Scenic View Rd, Hickory Grove

Containing over 1,600 acres with more than two miles of frontage on the Broad River, visitors have opportunities for fishing, hunting, hiking, and biking. This river access includes a parking area and concrete boat ramp. No restrooms.



# Rentals

Whether you're a thrill seeker or prefer more serene, peaceful activities, there are options for both solo and group adventures on the water and OVER the water! Don't have your own gear? Don't worry! Area outfitters are here to extend their expertise and rental equipment for your exploration and adventures. Call today to reserve!

## EQUIPMENT & FACILITIES

### Lake Club Marina

4500 Harbor Inn Rd, Rock Hill — 803.548.3715 — [tegacaymarina.com/lakeclub](http://tegacaymarina.com/lakeclub)

This private club and marina offers fishing boat and stand-up paddleboard rentals as well as fishing poles.

### Tega Cay Marina

28000 Marina Dr, Tega Cay — 803.548.3715 — [tegacaymarina.com](http://tegacaymarina.com)

Pontoon boat, stand-up paddleboard and fishing pole rentals are available at this private marina.

### Pier 88 Lake Wylie

54 Marina Rd, Lake Wylie — 803.831.0088 — [pier88yachtclub.com](http://pier88yachtclub.com)

Located at the River Hills Marina, Pier 88 offers boat rentals as well as kayak and stand up paddle board rentals. There is also a gift shop and restaurant overlooking the lake.

### City of Rock Hill Parks, Recreation and Tourism - Kayak Programs

803.329.5527 — [cityofrockhill.com/alloutdoors](http://cityofrockhill.com/alloutdoors)

Offering a variety of personalized kayaking, stand up paddleboard, and safety and rescue classes on the Catawba River and Lake Wylie. Courses are taught by American Canoe Association certified instructors. Advanced registration is required.

### Bailey's Outdoor Adventures

864.559.8222 — [baileysoutdooradventures.com](http://baileysoutdooradventures.com)

Offering self-guided and guided river tubing and kayak trips on Lake Wylie and the Catawba River for both small and large groups. Includes shuttle service, paddles, life jackets and whistles. Reservations only.

### Kings Mountain State Park

1277 Park Road, Blacksburg — 803.222.3209 — [southcarolinaparks.com/kings-mountain](http://southcarolinaparks.com/kings-mountain)

The 6,833-acre park offers opportunities for outdoor activities such as hiking and equestrian trails as well as fishing and canoe rentals on 13-acre Lake Crawford.

### Anne Springs Close Greenway

2573 Lake Haigler Drive, Fort Mill — 803.547.4575 — [ascgreenway.org/recreation-1/wateractivities](http://ascgreenway.org/recreation-1/wateractivities)

Kayak and stand-up paddle board rentals are available at Lake Haigler from Memorial Day weekend through October on a first-come, first-served basis. Paddles and life jackets are provided. During the winter months, visitors are welcome to bring their own non-motorized boats. Gas-powered boat motors are prohibited. Rentals available.

### SouthTown Wake Park

255 E Rambo Rd, Rock Hill — 803.324.3020 — [southtownwakepark.com](http://southtownwakepark.com)

This full sized cable wakeboard and aqua park complex offers water activities for all ages and skill levels! SouthTown Wake Park has two custom lakes providing the ultimate experience from kayaking and knee boarding to advanced wakeboarding with ramp and rail features. Equipment is available for rent.

### The Goat Boater, Lake Wylie Paddleboarding

Tega Cay Dr, Tega Cay — 803.554.8725 — [thegoatboater.com](http://thegoatboater.com)

This mobile outfitter is located within the City Tega Cay, offering stand up paddleboard rentals, lessons, guided excursions, SUP yoga and camps on Lake Wylie. They also offer night paddles where the boards are lit by LED lighting and paddlers use glow sticks and headlamps to help guide their way. Reservations required.

### Camp Canaan

3111 Sand Island Road, Rock Hill — 803.327.6932 — [campcanaan.org/adventure](http://campcanaan.org/adventure)

Adventures range from soaring high above the Catawba River on a Zipline Canopy tour to a relaxing kayak paddle down the river from their 100-acre island. Kayaking trips are guided and include gear and transportation with half-day and full-day options. Check out the guided Nighttime Zipline Tour!





# Camping Facilities

From rustic campgrounds to fully air-conditioned cabins, York County's lodging options are as diverse as our waterways. If you're not into "roughing it", choose among the nearly 50 hotel properties located throughout York County.

## Charlotte-Fort Mill KOA

940 Gold Hill Road, Fort Mill — 803.548.1148 —  
koa.com/campgrounds/charlotte

This full-service campground provides a relaxing wooded atmosphere with the convenience of being only 1/4 of a mile from I-77. Amenities include free cable, Wi-Fi, playground, mini golf, pool, laundromat, dog park and centrally located bathhouses. A picnic pavilion is available. This KOA offers an on-site RV sales/service center. In addition to RV and tent camping sites, cabins are also available.

## Ebenezer Park

4490 Boatshore Road, Rock Hill — 803.366.6620 — yorkcounty.com/Ebenezer

In addition to boating, fishing, and swimming access on Lake Wylie, Ebenezer Park also offers a full-service campground. The 69 full hook-up sites are equipped with water, sewer and 50-amp electrical service as well as a fire ring and picnic table. A playground area, volleyball and basketball courts, horseshoes, and cornhole boards are also available within a few steps of the beautiful shoreline of Lake Wylie.

## Crown Cove RV Park

8332 Regent Parkway, Fort Mill — 803.547.3500 — crowncovervpark.com

Crown Cove RV Park offers 126 sites arranged among mature trees with a feel of the country in the midst of a thriving residential area. Water, electric, sewer, cable TV, and wireless internet access are included. Also offered is a centrally located bath house and laundromat, as well as a dog run for pet-loving customers. While no pop-ups or tents are allowed, long-term commitments are welcome.

## Carowinds Camp Wilderness

14609 Catawba Trace, Charlotte — 704.588.2600 —  
carowinds.com/stay/camp-wilderness

Camp Wilderness features RV, pop-up and tent sites as well as rental cabins. The paved RV sites feature full hookups with water, sewer and electric. Many of the sites have upgraded, 50-amp service. Tent and pop-up sites are equipped with water hookups and 30-amp electric service. Every site also features a charcoal grill and picnic table. Additional amenities include a general store, pool, laundry services, shuffleboard and cornhole. Discounted amusement park tickets are available for registered guests.

## Kings Mountain State Park

1277 Park Road, Blacksburg — 803.222.3209 —  
southcarolinaparks.com/kings-mountain

Enjoy the beautiful piedmont forest and camp at one of the park's 115 RV campsites or designated tent sites. Each RV site is packed gravel and includes individual water and electrical hookups. While tent campers may use the main camping area, the park offers a designated tent site area which includes central water. Trailside tent camping is also available, as is organized group primitive camping. The campground is convenient to restroom facilities with hot showers and a variety of recreational offerings including numerous hiking and equestrian trails, a living history farm and lake.

# Fishing

The waterways of York County are filled with bass, brim, catfish and crappie making it an ideal location for recreational and tournament fishing. Fishing is a fun sport that can be enjoyed by all ages. A lot of equipment is required including fishing rods, lines, reels, lures, and more. Don't forget the fishing license and sunscreen!

Fortunately, York County is home to both locally and nationally owned retailers who can take care of your fishing needs and help you get outdoors to do what you love most!

## SUPPLY STORES

### Nichols Store

1980 Mount Holly Rd, Rock Hill  
803.328.9792

### Sportsman, Inc

247 Hands Mill Hwy, Rock Hill  
803.366.3466

### Catawba Tackle & Marine Co., Inc.

2317 India Hook Rd, Rock Hill  
803.366.7998

### Rusty Hooks Bait & Tackle

4070 Charlotte Hwy, Lake Wylie  
803.831.0251

### Cabela's

1000 Cabelas Dr, Fort Mill  
980.337.2600

### Dick's Sporting Goods

548 John Ross Pkwy, Rock Hill  
803.324.2393

### Academy Sports + Outdoors

2468 Cross Pointe Dr, Rock Hill  
803.323.1800

### Pendleton's Sporting Goods

5 Five Points Ct, Lake Wylie  
803.631.5410





# Waterway Laws & Safety

The river is dam-controlled, and the water levels can fluctuate quickly, so before embarking on your next adventure, please check gauges for real time information to determine if flow levels are suitable for water activities.

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## RESOURCES

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For information on waterway laws and safety, please utilize the following resources:

### Duke Energy

[www.duke-energy.com/community/lakes](http://www.duke-energy.com/community/lakes)  
Duke Energy Lake View app

### Lake Wylie Marine Commission

[www.lakewyliemarinecommission.com](http://www.lakewyliemarinecommission.com)

### SC Department of Natural Resources

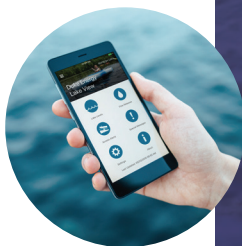
[www.dnr.sc.gov](http://www.dnr.sc.gov)

### Water Data

[www.waterdata.usgs.gov/sc/nwis](http://www.waterdata.usgs.gov/sc/nwis)

### York County Sheriff's Office

[www.yorkcountysheriff.com/183/lake-enforcement-unit](http://www.yorkcountysheriff.com/183/lake-enforcement-unit)



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## FISHING LICENSE & BOAT REGISTRATION INFO

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Those 16 and older will need a valid South Carolina fishing license to fish. Licenses can be purchased at many of the locations previously listed as well as area convenience stores and online. There are no reciprocal agreements between North and South Carolina so individuals are advised to obtain the appropriate licenses and registrations. Contact the SC Department of Natural Resources at [dnrlicensing.sc.gov](http://dnrlicensing.sc.gov).



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