

Restoring Dyke Marsh

By the Numbers

100 (up to) acres proposed for restoration within the **485**-acre preserve

300 plant species call Dyke Marsh home

40 years of mining and other human factors altered the landscape

\$24.9 million allocated by Congress to restore Dyke Marsh

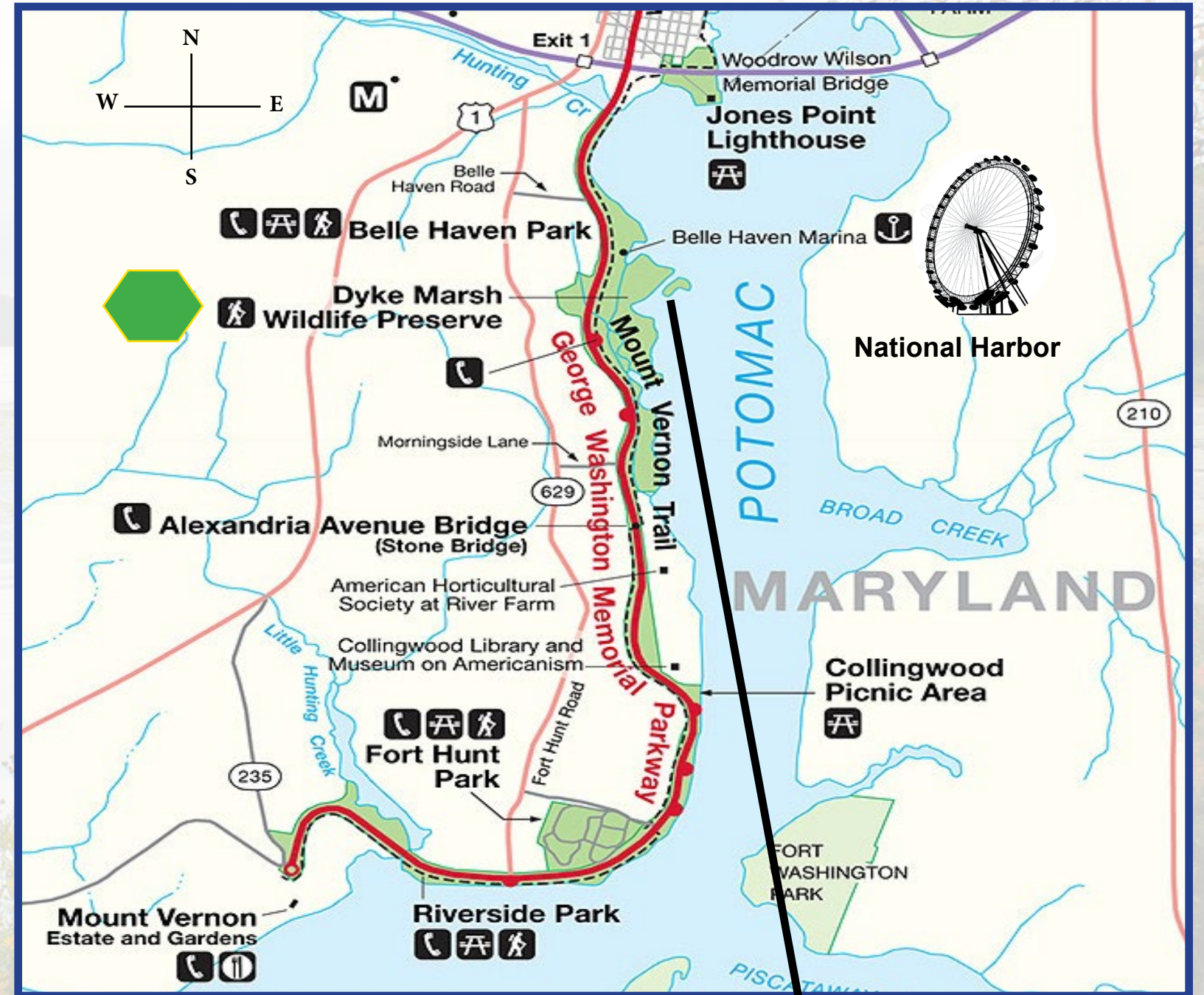
270 bird species reside at Dyke Marsh

6 to 7.8 feet is the average annual erosion rate

5,000 years, the marsh has been in existence

Fast Facts

- Washington Metro's largest freshwater wetlands
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and National Park Service (NPS) leading restoration effort
- Located in Fairfax County, Virginia, across the Potomac River from the National Harbor
- One of best-studied wetlands in nation
- Has hosted the only breeding population of marsh wrens in region
- Will provide 1) a storm buffer for the historic and scenic George Washington Memorial Parkway, 2) a natural filter to clean the Potomac River and 3) a critical habitat for a variety of wildlife



Timeline

