

## MAESA 2010 Field Trip

A Glimpse of the Fredericksburg, VA watershed

April 18, 9:30 am start

The city of Fredericksburg, VA grew up in its location because it sits at the base of the fall line on the Rappahannock River. Among many other uses, the city pulls its water supply from the Rappahannock. To protect and support a permanent, clean water supply, the City has permanently protected 4200 acres of riverfront property along more than 20 river miles. A partnership between The Nature Conservancy, the Virginia Outdoors Foundation, and the Virginia Board of Game and Inland Fisheries will assure this river stretch will remain undeveloped.

Join Lee Sillitoe, the City's Watershed Property Manager, on a short walk on 2 parts of Fredericksburg's watershed. You will visit England Run Falls, a small, but wild tributary of the Rappahannock River. You will also explore some of the cultural / river history along the fall line of the Rappahannock River: the remains of the Embrey Dam (removed in 2004), river locks, and what remains of century old iron works.

Trip start: 9:30 am

Trip end: ~ 1:00 pm

Cost: share a ride