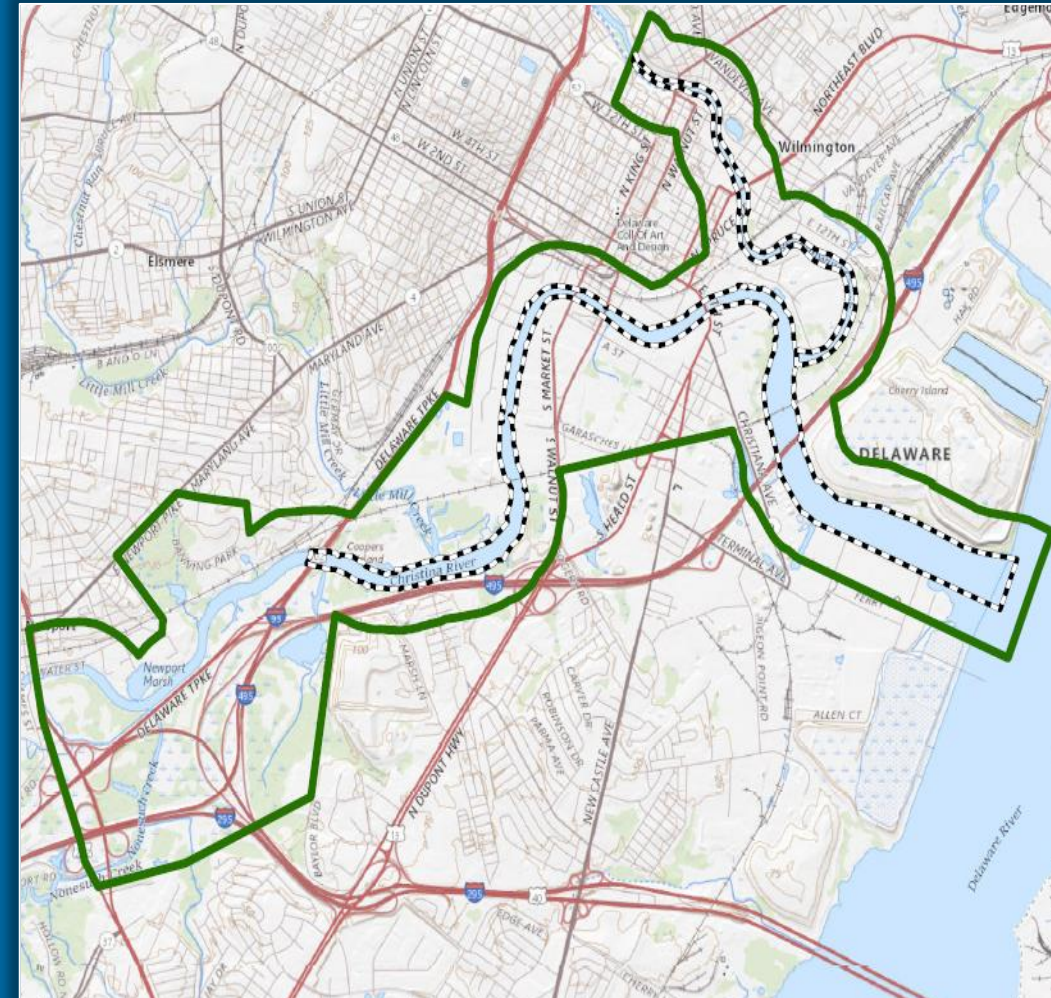
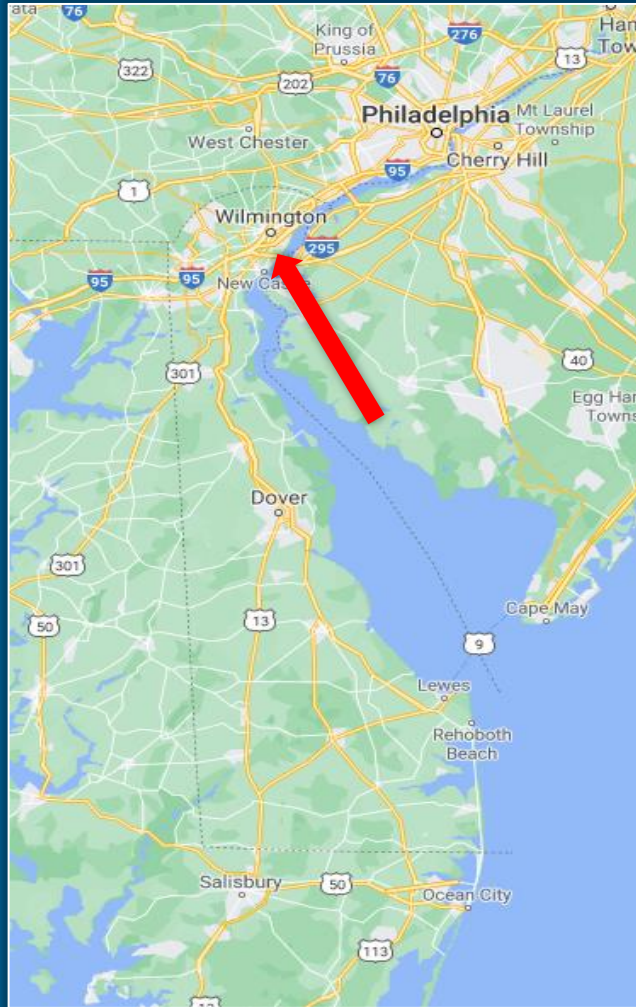


Delaware: South Wilmington Wetland

Project
Location



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CHRISTINA RIVER

This is an aerial photograph of a suburban area. A river, labeled 'CHRISTINA RIVER', flows from the top center towards the right. A large orange circle on the left side of the image highlights a 'DEGRADED WETLAND' area, which appears as a mix of green trees and brown, open ground. A rectangular orange box in the center-right highlights the 'SOUTHBRIDGE NEIGHBORHOOD', showing a dense residential area with many houses and streets. A highway with multiple lanes runs diagonally from the bottom left towards the bottom right. Various industrial buildings and parking lots are scattered throughout the landscape.

DEGRADED
WETLAND

SOUTHBRIDGE
NEIGHBORHOOD



Years of Flooding in Southbridge



Purpose of the Wetland Park

- Create a **stormwater management** facility to reduce flooding in Southbridge.
- **Restore the degraded marsh** to high-functioning freshwater tidal wetland habitat.
- **Clean up** a brownfield.
- **Create new open space** and a new park for the community.
- **Provide walking connectivity** to jobs and shopping.
- **Enhance** coastal resiliency.

Walking Connection to Jobs & Shops



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Boardwalk Construction



Walnut St. Gateway
Perspective

Wetland
Perspective

Gateway
Perspective

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