

# FISHING

## Common Fish Species



Brook Trout



Brown Trout



Carp



Channel Catfish



Northern Pike



Pearch



Rainbow Trout



Smallmouth Bass



Walleye



## Caledonia Fishing Platform

The Fishing Platform in Caledonia provides barrier-free access to the Grand River for fishing & wildlife observation. The platform is accessible from Caithness St. West, on the Kinsmen Park Trail. Closest parking is located off Caithness Street across from Cameron Street.

## Dunnville Fish Ladder

Construction of a Denil-type fishway inside the Byng Island Conservation Area was completed in 1994, and is one of the largest of its type in North America. It was designed to pass Walleye, Rainbow Trout, Pike and a variety of non-jumping warmwater species for which migration routes would otherwise be blocked by the Dunnville Dam. The fishway will also play a role in future efforts to restore Lake Sturgeon and Muskellunge to the Lower Grand River. Fishway monitoring is initiated at the onset of the spring Walleye and Rainbow Trout migration runs in late March, and continues until May. In anticipation of fall Rainbow Trout and Salmon migrations, monitoring resumes in the fall. To date, twenty-six species of fish have been captured in the monitoring basket at the fishway, including Walleye, Rainbow Trout, Pike, Smallmouth and Largemouth Bass, three types of sucker, Mooneye, Gizzard Shad, White Perch, White Bass, Chinook and Pink Salmon, Channel Catfish, Brown Bullhead, Black Crappie, Freshwater Drum, Longnose Gar, Bluegill, Carp and Quillback.



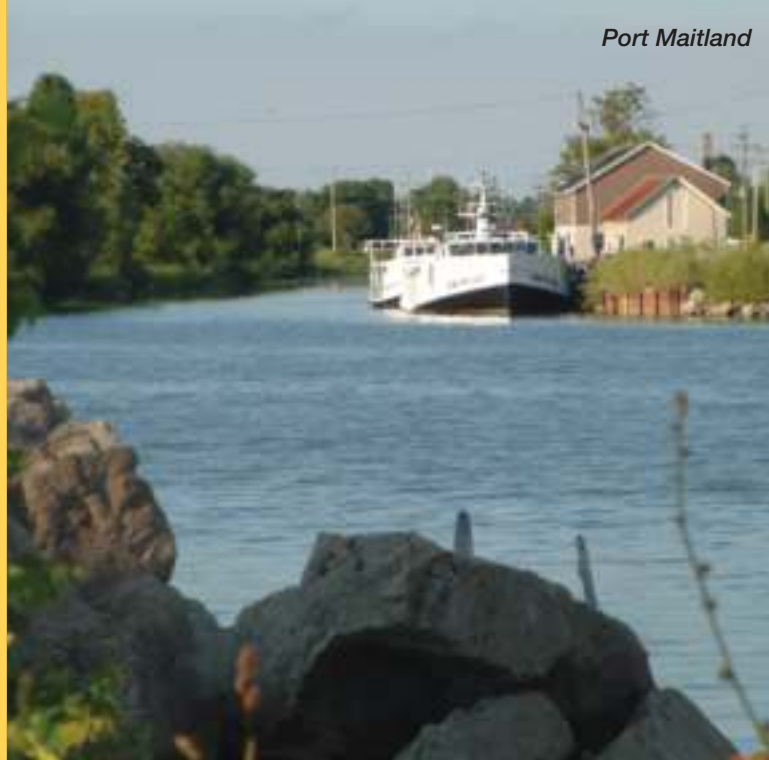
Fly fishing in Caledonia



# BOATING

## Boat Launches

Boat launches and marinas are identified on the map. These include public and private boat launches and marinas along the river and lakeshore.



Port Maitland



Bob Baigent Memorial Part, Cayuga



Marina along Lower Grand River



## Lake Erie

Lake Erie's beautiful shoreline offers countless opportunities such as boating, windsurfing, water skiing, scuba diving, swimming - or just relaxing and soaking up the sun on one of the beaches!



James N Allen Provincial Park

## Water Depths

The Grand River and Lake Erie is a great place for boaters, however not all sections of the Grand River are suitable for power boats. The section of river between the Caledonia dam and Cayuga is too shallow for power boats. Dependent on river flow and water levels, north of the Caledonia dam, from Cayuga to the Dunnville dam and south of the Dunnville dam to Port Maitland/Lake Erie water depths can generally support power boats. Boaters should respect speed limits and no wake zones.



# PADDLING



Cayuga

## Distance Between Access Points

Caledonia	York	7.5 km
York	Cayuga	10 km
Cayuga	Dunnville	25 km
Dunnville	Port Maitland	8 km

Expect an average paddling speed of 4 km/h, depending on river flow rates, wind speed and direction, etc.



Photographer: Ed Sullivan, Grand River Kayak



## A Canadian Heritage River

The Grand River was designated a Canadian Heritage River in 1994. Its rich river culture has been preserved in the landscapes, buildings, bridges, mills and settlement patterns that still exist today. The excellence and diversity of recreation opportunities associated with the Grand River also contribute to the designation. Water quality has improved significantly over the past 60 years. Some of the activities residents and visitors enjoy include hiking, paddling and fishing on the Grand.

Enjoy this Canadian Heritage River by car or motorcycle by following the Grand River Scenic Parkway along Highway 54, Haldimand Road 17 & Haldimand Road 11 all the way to Port Maitland.



## Distance to Haldimand County

CITY	KM	Miles
Hamilton	19	12
Brantford	49	30
St. Catharines	70	43
Niagara Falls	75	47
Kitchener/Waterloo	80	50
Buffalo/Fort Erie	90	56
London	100	62
Toronto	112	70
Port Huron/Sarnia	200	124



Dunnville Marshes

## River Access

Parking and paddling access locations exist in Caledonia, York, Cayuga, Dunnville and Port Maitland.

Paddlers can access the Grand River or Lake Erie as identified on the map, and also through most Haldimand County Parks, Conservation Areas and Provincial Parks.

Please note that these access points may have small banks to reach the river.

## Currents & Depths

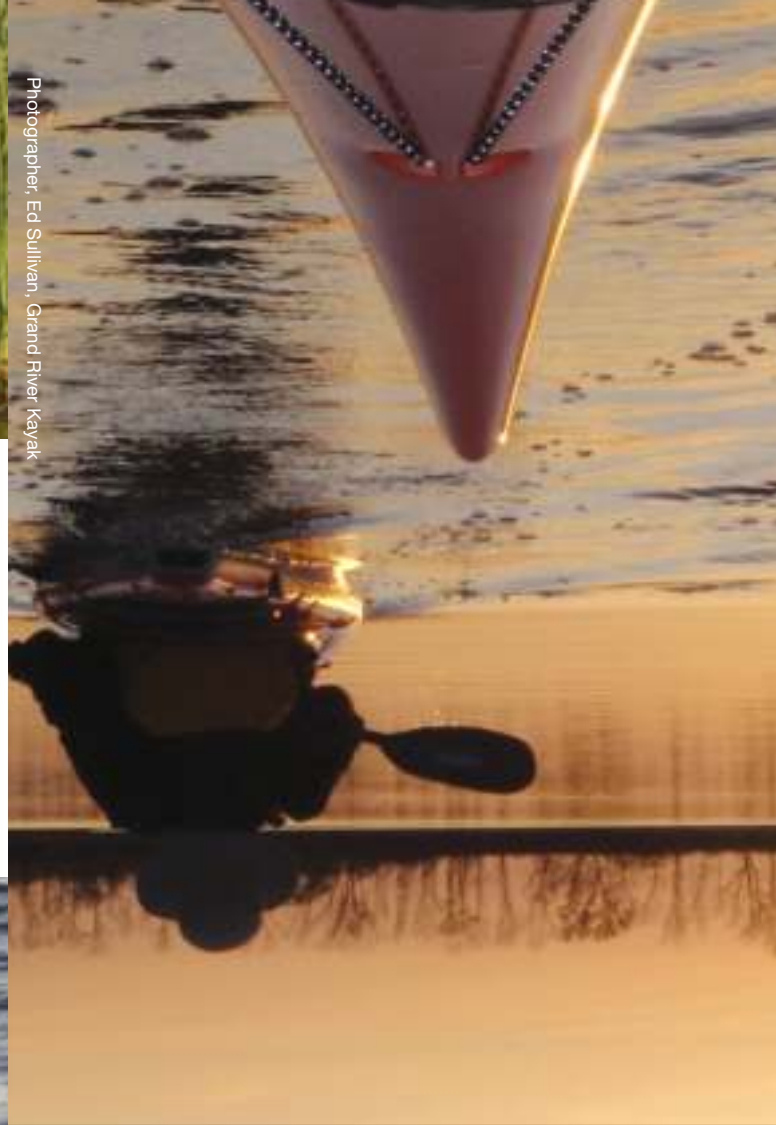
**Please Note:** Paddling near York can be unpredictable because of current and water levels - Paddlers may encounter short distances where it is too shallow to paddle.

## Stand Up Paddleboarding (SUP)

The fast growing sport of SUP is a great way to experience the Grand River and Lake Erie. SUP is one part surfing, one part kayaking and 100% fun! It offers an amazing full body workout and because you're standing on the board you're able to enjoy the water from a new perspective. James N Allen Provincial Park and Myrnam Beach are great places to get started on Lake Erie.



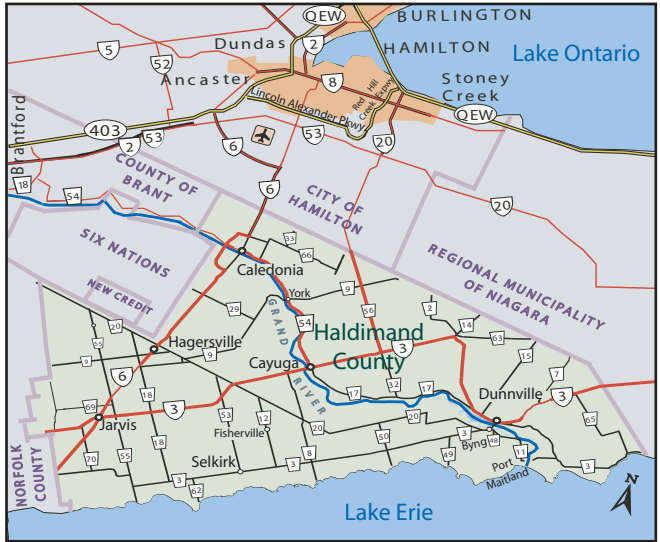
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