

## Another Gateway to the Bay

The Chesapeake Bay is a wonderful local resource that has been written about in many magazines. The National Park magazine writes about the rich history of the Civil War in this area and of early settlements around the bay. Audubon magazine writes about the natural areas that are great for birding. Paleontologists read about the new geological finds along the shores of the Bay. Even farmers across the country read about the new laws and regulations that are developed to protect the bay. Each of these stories is just a small part of a larger story that portrays the life and history of the Chesapeake Bay.

These small stories are being connected through The Chesapeake Gateways Network. The Chesapeake Bay Gateways Network was developed in 1998 as a partnership between the National Park Service and the Chesapeake Bay Program. This Network links together over 140 sites that help tell the story of the Chesapeake Bay. These museums, parks, refuges, historic sites, and land trusts tell the history of the cultural and natural resources in and around the Chesapeake Bay. By helping to better understand the Bay through education and interpretation, all of these sites help visitors become involved in conserving and restoring the cultural, historical, natural, and recreational resources of the treasured Chesapeake.

This Network is not a limited network. Each year, new sites are being added to the network. At the existing sites, new maps and interpretive signs are being added to help visitors learn more about the site and the Bay.

Jug Bay Wetlands Sanctuary in Anne Arundel County is a site that believes their story is a vital part of the bay's history and that they should be part of this network of sites. **Your job will be to decide if this park has enough significance and integrity to be included as a Gateway Park.** You will use the 6 *Standards* (The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties with Guidelines for the Treatment of Cultural Landscapes) which include

- a. Change and continuity
- b. Geographical context
- c. Archeological Resources
- d. Natural Systems
- e. Management and Maintenance
- f. Interpretation

and the Gateways Site application to help you make your decision.