

# The Nationwide Rivers Inventory 1 Segment for the District of Columbia

Reference Source: <http://www.nps.gov/nrcr/programs/rtca/nri/> Note: Outstanding Resource Values (ORVs) Definitions at List Bottom

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River	County	Reach	Length (miles)	Year Listed/Updated	Potential Classification	ORVs	Description	Other States
Rock Creek		Porter Street crossing to Maryland border.	5	1982		R, H	See Rock Creek Comments	

**Rock Creek Comments:** **Recreation-**(Segment is a part of a designated National Recreation Area, and one of the largest urban parks in the world, with high concentrations of urban populations in the Washington Metropolitan area. **Historic-**(Segment borders the National Zoological Park, a National Historic Register site planned by Frederick Law Olmstead and including a variety of significant 19th and 20th century buildings in a natural setting.)

## Outstanding Resource Values (ORV) Definitions:

**Recreation (R):** Recreational opportunities are, or have the potential to be, popular enough to attract visitors from throughout or beyond the region of comparison or are unique or rare within the region. Visitors are willing to travel long distances to use the river resources for recreational purposes. River-related opportunities could include, but are not limited to, sightseeing, wildlife observation, camping, photography, hiking, fishing and boating.

- Interpretive opportunities may be exceptional and attract, or have the potential to attract, visitors from outside the region of comparison.
- The river may provide, or have the potential to provide, settings for national or regional usage or competitive events.

**History (H):** The river or area within the river corridor contains a site(s) or feature(s) associated with a significant event, an important person, or a cultural activity of the past that was rare or one-of-a-kind in the region. Many such sites are listed on the National Register of Historic Places. A historic site(s) and/or features(s) is 50 years old or older in most cases.