

**CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO CANAL NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK, 1828-1924.**

Remains of canal built along Potomac River valley to provide easy transportation of people and freight between settlements E and W of the Allegheny Mountains. Final link between Dam No. 6 (Great Cacapon) and Cumberland, MD completed 1850; 74 locks raised the water from sea level at Georgetown, DC, to 609' at Cumberland, 184.5 mi. away. Canal boats transported principally coal, as well as flour, grain, and lumber until 1924 flood caused severe damage. One of the least altered older canals. *Federal/NPS/non-federal*: HABS.