

From Baltimore and Annapolis to Bladensburg and Beyond: The Yorktown Campaign in Prince George's County



This French overview map shows a route from Annapolis via "Scot's-house" to "John Easton", the unidentified "Age house" to Bladensburg, Georgetown, and Alexandria.

Lecture by Dr. Robert A. Selig, project historian and historical consultant to the National Park Service for the Washington-Rochambeau Revolutionary Route National Historic Trail (W3R-NHT) project

In mid-September 1781, a Continental Army train consisted of around 400 oxen, close to 400 horses and ca. 75 personnel traveled from Baltimore to Bladensburg on their way to Yorktown. On 21 September 1781, another military column consisting of "Lauzun's Legion, the artillery horses, and the army wagon train [...] numbering 1,500 horses, 800 oxen, and 220 wagons" departed Annapolis for Bladensburg and Virginia as well. While we know much about the composition of these columns, the route that these men and their thousands of animals took across Prince George's County and their halts along the way are much more difficult to ascertain. This public presentation by Dr. Selig will present the current state of research into the logistics of the march, its participants as well as the possible routes they traveled across Prince George's County on their way to Yorktown in 1781.

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