Lock 60 and the Schuylkill Canal Park:

Enjoy the natural woodlands, paved and earthen towpath and 2.5-miles of a navigable waterway within the park. Picnic areas, restroom facilities, abundant parking and boat access to the river and canal are available at both ends. Multiple trail connections, including the Schuylkill River Trail, are accessible from either end of the park. Paddling the 5-mile loop water trail is promoted with access points into and off the river located at where the overhead high tension wires cross the river. The first set is located overhead at the Lock 60 boat launch into the river and the other is just past the large island shown as the trail leads to River Left and the portage back to the canal. Enjoy the paddle and come back often to get out onto the water.

How to get there

To Lock 60 in Mont Clare:

turn off of the Rt. 29 Bridge onto Towpath Road, the one-lane road between the river and canal. Follow it to the end, just under a mile, to the Lock 60 area where plenty of parking is available.

To the foot of the canal in Port Providence:

in Mont Clare turn at the traffic light onto Walnut St. Follow Walnut St. for 1-mile; make a right turn onto Canal St. Follow Canal St. to the stop sign to Port Providence Road. About 1/2 mile ahead, where the road bends to the left, is the entrance to the parking area at the foot of the canal.