

## The Point Then and Now

By taking information from the old pre-1800 maps of the Point, two overlay reconstructions have been made to visualize where the river shorelines, islands, and ponds were in colonial times with respect to modern-day Pittsburgh.

[Figure 18](#) shows a close-up of the point and the location of the point as it was in the late 1700s. Note how small the point was then compared to today. If we increase our area of view ([Figure 19](#)), and look at the entire downtown Pittsburgh region, we see the location of the islands on the North Side with respect to the present position of the Carnegie Science Center and the former location of Three Rivers Stadium. Also, note the locations of Hogg Pond and other ponds in downtown Pittsburgh as well as the island in the Monongahela River.