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Overhead, a bridge carries Highway 340 over to the Virginia side of the river on its way to Harpers Ferry. Just beyond, there is a path across the canal that leads to the small community of **Sandy Hook**. It's hard to imagine now, but this small strip of land at Sandy Hook served as the terminal yards for the B&O Railroad until the railroad was able to build west of Harpers Ferry in the late 1830s. This is your exit if you are headed to the American Youth Hostel or the Hillside Motel. Cross the railroad tracks and take a right on Harpers Ferry Road (be prepared for a steep hill).