



# 28th Delaware River Sojourn: Running Free

## June 16-23, 2023: Overview Document

### DRAFT May 2023



	Day 0 – AT CAPACITY Fri. June 16	Day 1 Sat. June 17	Day 2 Sun. June 18	Day 3 Mon. June 19	Day 4 Tue. June 20	Day 5 Wed. June 21	Day 6 Thu. June 22	Day 7 Fri. June 23
<b>Evening Camping Location</b>	NEWE Campground 4146 River Road, Equinunk, PA	NEWE Campground 4146 River Road, Equinunk, PA	NEWE Campground 4146 River Road, Equinunk, PA	NEWE Campground 4146 River Road, Equinunk, PA	Driftstone Campground, 2731 River Road, Mt. Bethel, PA 18343	Driftstone Campground, 2731 River Road, Mt. Bethel, PA 18343	Driftstone Campground, 2731 River Road, Mt. Bethel, PA 18343	<i>No camping</i>
<b>River Section to be Paddled</b>	<b>Optional Volunteer River Clean up with the National Park Service: Damascus to Skinners Falls Access. Meet at Skinners Falls at 1pm. Sojourn will shuttle to Damascus.</b>	<b>Hancock to Buckingham Access, Pa. (RM 325)</b>  5 miles  Class I Rapids	<b>Buckingham Access, Pa. (RM325) to NEWE (RM312)</b>  13 miles  Class I Rapids	<b>NEWE (RM 312) to Callicoon, Pa. (RM 303)</b>  9 miles  Class I Rapids	<b>Dingmans, Pa. (RM 238) to Bushkill, Pa. (RM 228)</b>  10 miles Class I	<b>Shawnee Inn &amp; Golf Resort (RM 214) - to Driftstone (RM 204)</b>  ~11 miles Class I	<b>Driftstone (RM 204) to Talen Boat Launch (Martin’s Creek Access; RM 194)</b>  ~10 miles Class I- to II Rapids – Foul Rift Rapid	<b>Talen/Martins Creek Access (RM 194) to Phillipsburg, N.J. (RM 184)</b>  10 miles  Class I and I- rapids
<b>Breakfast</b>	N/A	At Hancock (brunch)	At NEWE	At NEWE; pick up boxed lunch	For campers only at NEWE (7am-8am)	At Driftstone	At Driftstone (7am-9:30am)	At Phillipsburg Boat Launch
<b>Registration (For All Sojourners)</b>	N/A	At Hancock	At NEWE	At NEWE	Bushkill, PA	At Driftstone	At Driftstone	At Phillipsburg Boat Launch
<b>Morning Shuttle</b>	N/A	Everyone (day trippers & campers) meet at Buckingham. Sojourn bus shuttle from Buckingham to Hancock for registration and brunch welcome program.	Everyone (day trippers & campers) meet at NEWE. The Sojourn will shuttle from NEWE to Buckingham Access	Day trippers meet at & camping drivers go to Callicoon. The Sojourn will shuttle folks from Callicoon back to NEWE for registration, breakfast & launch.	Everyone (day trippers & campers) meet at Bushkill for registration. *NOTE: the drive is ~1.5 hours from NEWE to Bushkill.* The Sojourn will bus folks from Bushkill to Dingmans (Leaving Bushkill at 10:00 a.m.)	Everyone (day trippers & campers) meet at Driftstone. The Sojourn will shuttle folks from Driftstone to Shawnee Inn. Bus will leave at 10 a.m.	Everyone (day trippers & campers) meet at Driftstone. No morning shuttle.	Everyone (day trippers & campers) meet at Phillipsburg. Buses will take participants from Phillipsburg to Talen/Martins Creek Boat Access. Bus leaves at 10am.
<b>Launch site</b>	N/A	Hancock, N.Y.	Buckingham Access (Pa.)	NEWE Campground	Dingmans	Shawnee Inn & Golf Resort	Driftstone	Talen

<b>Morning Programs</b>	N/A	Sojourn welcome program and safety talk.	Welcome and Safety Talk @ Buckingham Access (Pa.)	Welcome and Safety Talk @ NEWE	Welcome and Safety Talk at Dingmans  Remarks by the Friends of Delaware Water Gap	Welcome and Safety Talk at Shawnee Inn, Admiral Presentation	Welcome and Safety Talk at Driftstone, Admiral Award, & Cooperative Habitat Improvements at Minsi Lake by Northampton County Parks & Recreation	Welcome & Admiral Award at Phillipsburg. Safety Talk at Talen/Martins Creek Boat Launch
<b>Lunch and Group Photo</b>	N/A	N/A	Bouchoux Trail	Boxed lunch on the river.	Eshback (Boxed Lunch)	Kittatinny Point	Lower Mount Bethel Township Welcome Center	Sandt's Eddy
<b>Lunch Program</b>	N/A	N/A	TBD	TBD	By NPS Interpretive staff	U.S. EPA Region 3 Administrator Adam Ortiz & High Admiral Award and Aquatic Invasive Species (SeaGrant/PSU)	Northampton County Executive welcome remarks	Bushkill Creek Dam removal (Wildlands Conservancy)
<b>Resume Paddling</b>	2 p.m. at Damascus after brief safety talk	Begin paddling after welcome & safety program	After Lunch	After Lunch	After Lunch	After Lunch	After Lunch	After Lunch
<b>Afternoon Programs</b>	N/A	None	None	None	None	None	Foul Rift/Swimming below Foul Rift	Swimming at rapid at Frost Hollow
<b>Takeout</b>	4 p.m. Skinners Falls. Dinner at Skinners for cleanup participants only	Buckingham Access (Pa.)	NEWE	Callicoon Access	Bushkill, PA	Driftstone	Martins Creek (Talen Boat Launch)	Phillipsburg, N.J.  Remarks from Phillipsburg Mayor & Warren County Comms  End of Sojourn Celebration & Ice Cream
<b>Afternoon Shuttle</b>	None. Drivers drive to NEWE if camping overnight	Private vehicles – drive to NEWE camp or home	N/A	Private vehicles – drive to NEWE or home	Private vehicles – drive to Driftstone or home	N/A	Buses will shuttle all participants back to Driftstone from Talen/Martins Creek	None
<b>Dinner</b>	N/A	In camp at NEWE	In camp at NEWE	In camp at NEWE	Dinner on your own as you travel to Driftstone	In camp at Driftstone	In camp at Driftstone (6pm)	No dinner; Sojourn over
<b>Evening Program</b>	N/A – set up camp and relax	Program by NPS UPDE	Bounding Furbearers, DHC	TBD	Set up camp. 7pm program on Tocks Island by David Pierce	Program on the Pequest Dam Removal	Program on Partnership Wild & Scenic Rivers	No evening program; Sojourn over