

## **Rising Nation Itinerary 2018**

*Updated August 2nd, 2018; Tentative and Subject to change.*

There is no fee for paddling with us, but public paddlers should be prepared to pay for their own food and lodging at all stops, even when designated as provided. River Journey paddlers may contact [www.Newwildernessexperience.com](http://www.Newwildernessexperience.com) ([Newwilderness@gmail.com](mailto:Newwilderness@gmail.com)) to inquire if discounted boat rentals and/or portaging is available—be sure to mention that you are part of the Rising Nation River Journey.

**August 3<sup>rd</sup>, Friday:** Arrive, set up and camp at Hancock Fire Department: 24501 NY-97, Hancock, NY 13783. (607) 637-3431.

**August 4<sup>th</sup>, Saturday: Hancock, NY (mile 330.7) to Long Eddy, NY (mile 315):**  
*Program with Equinunk Historical Society*

9AM – Opening Ceremony at Fireman’s Field. 9:30 AM depart from Hancock Fireman’s Field access. Paddle 8 miles to Equinunk Historical Society (1972 Pine Mill Road, Equinunk, Pa) for tour of museum, lunch (provided), and environmental program: Acid Factories: History of the Wood Chemical Industry from 1:00-2:00. Depart at 2:30. Paddle 7 miles to Long Eddy. Camp at Hancock Fire Department: 24501 NY-97, Hancock, NY 13783. (607) 637-3431.

**August 5<sup>th</sup>, Sunday: Callicoon, NY (mile 303.7) to Narrowsburg Access, NY (mile 290)** *Treaty signing with NEPA Audubon.*

Meet at Callicoon access (PA side!) for 9AM presentation by Kathy Dodge who will let us know about the birds we will see along this route and other news from the Audubon Society. Thanks Kathy! Depart 10:30. Paddle 2 miles to Skinners Falls for lunch out of our packs and swimming. Paddle 11 miles to Narrowsburg. Camping at Landers Narrowsburg Campground. 69 Demauro Lane, Narrowsburg, NY. (800)-252-3925

**August 6<sup>th</sup> -Monday. Narrowsburg Access, NY (mile 290) to Lackawaxen, PA (mile 277.4) *Treaty Signing at Zane Grey Museum***

Depart Narrowsburg access. Paddle 6 miles to Ten Mile River access for lunch out of our packs at 1PM. Depart 2PM and paddle 6 miles to Lackawaxen. Treaty Signing with Delaware Highlands Conservancy, Wallenpaupack Historical Society and other area partners. Presentation by Diane Rosencrance, director of the Delaware Highlands Conservancy at the Zane Grey Museum at 5PM. Camping at Landers Minisink, 3090 State Rte. 97. Barryville, NY. (800)-252-3925.

**August 7<sup>th</sup> – Tuesday. Lackawaxen (mile 277.4) to Staircase (mile 263.3).**

Camping at Landers Minisink, 3090 State Rte. 97. Barryville, NY. (800)-252-3925.

**August 8<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday. Matamoras (mile 253.6) to Dingman’s Ferry (mile 238.7) *Treaty signing and supper at Phoenix Gift Shop.***

Depart Matamoras at 9AM. Paddle 7 miles. Stop for lunch out of our packs. **Tentative: Tour of Minisink Island and a program by the Park Service at lunch time.** Paddle 8 miles to Dingman’s Ferry access. Supper provided by Perry Gower and Doug and Terry at Phoenix Antiques, Crafts and Gifts. 570-828-8870. Camp at Dingman’s Campground, 1006 Route 209, Dingman’s Ferry, PA. (570)-828-1551

**August 9<sup>th</sup> – Thursday. Dingman’s Ferry (mile 238.7) to Bushkill (mile 228.2)**

**Tentative: Treaty Signing with Pocono Environmental and Education Center (non-public).**

**Note:** \$10 parking fee if leaving a vehicle in the Bushkill parking lot. Drop-box: cash only, and no change available.

Camping at Pocono Environmental and Education Center. 538 Emery Road, Dingmans Ferry, Pennsylvania 18328. (570)-828-2319

**August 10<sup>th</sup> – Friday. Bushkill (228.2) to Shawnee (mile 214.6) Treaty Signing at Shawnee Inn and Golf Resort.**

Depart from Bushkill access. Paddle 7 miles. Stop for lunch out of our packs and swim. Paddle 6 miles to Shawnee Inn. Treaty Signing with Shawnee Preservation Society and other local environmental groups at 5PM. Camping at Worthington State Forest Campground, Old Mine Road, Columbia, NJ. (908)-841-9575.

**August 11<sup>th</sup> – Saturday. Shawnee (mile 214.6) to Delaware Water Gap (mile 211.7) Treaty signing at Ramsaysburg Homestead**

Depart from Shawnee Inn. Paddle 4 miles to Delaware Water Gap for celebration: drumming and Indian programming. Lunch at Kittatinny access. Tour of Cold Air Cave. 5PM: Treaty Signing with Genesis Farm, Musconetcong Restoration Project, Knowlton Township Historic Commission, and other area partners at Ramsaysburg Homestead: 140 Rt 46, Delaware NJ 07833. Passing of Lenape tobacco seed by Sister Miriam MacGillis.

Potluck dinner: Bring a covered dish to share!

Camping at Worthington State Forest Campground, Old Mine Road, Columbia, NJ. (908)-841-9575.

**August 12 – Sunday. Martin’s Creek (194.3) to Easton (Scott Park) (mile 183.7) Treaty signing at Sigal Museum; passing of the wampum.**

Put in at Martin’s Creek access. Paddle 10 miles to Phillipsburg access. Treaty Signing at 5PM with Sigal Museum and other area partners. Potluck Supper. Passing of the wampum from Delaware Riverkeeper to Sigal Museum. Presentation by Maya van Rossum of the Delaware Riverkeepers. Dramatic Reading of William Penn’s letters by the Bachmann Players. Camping at Wy-hit-tuk Park, PA 611 Easton. (610)-746-1975.

1:00 pm: Non-Paddlers: Bring a picnic and gather at the riverside in Scott Park for Native drumming and dancing and period children’s games. Prepare to greet the sojourners.

~2:00 pm: Sojourners arrive at Scott park

5:00 pm: Join us at the Sigal Museum and sign the Treaty of Renewed Friendship. Stay for a celebratory dinner and further festivities!

**August 13 – Monday. Riegelsville Access (mile 175) to Frenchtown Bridge (mile 165) Treaty-Signing at Sunbeam Park**

Depart from Riegelsville access. Paddle 10 miles to Frenchtown Bridge (NOT Frenchtown access!) stopping for lunch out of our packs. Treaty Signing with Frenchtown Business and Professional Association, Frenchtown Community Garden, Tinicum CSA, Frenchtown Boro Council, and other area partners. Dinner and overnight camping at Sunbeam Park near 3 Bridge St, Frenchtown, NJ, 08825—provided by Frenchtown Community Garden & Tinicum CSA, with all our thanks!

**August 14<sup>th</sup> – Tuesday. Upper Black Eddy (mile 167.7) to Tohickon Valley Park (mile 160.7) Treaty-Signing at Tohickon Valley Park**

Dinner and overnight camping at Tohickon Valley Park provided by Boy Scout Troop 168 and crew. Thanks to Norbert Sonnie, crew and boys! Treaty Signing with Tinicum Conservancy and Lower Delaware Wild and Scenic River Group, and Presentation by Marion Kyde: 5pm. Camping at Tohickon Valley Park: Cafferty Road, Point Pleasant, PA. (215) 297-0754

**August 15<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday. Bulls Island (mile 155.6) to Washington Crossing (mile 142) Treaty Signing with Boy Scouts (non-public)**

Dinner and overnight camping at Washington Crossing State Park provided by Boy Scout Troop 168 and crew. Treaty Signing with Boy Scouts 5PM. Thanks to Norbert Sonnie, crew and boys! Closing Ceremony.

**August 16<sup>th</sup> – Thursday. No paddling.**

*Treaty Signing at Temple University Bell Tower, 1:00pm. 1210 W Berks St. Philadelphia, PA 19122.*

1:00pm: Gather at the Bell Tower for Lenape presentation on the history and purpose of the River Journey and treaty-signing. Speakers will include LNPA council, Philadelphia mayor Kenney, Temple University's president Englert,

and university professors. Recognition of existing partners in academia: University of Pennsylvania and Swarthmore College. Recognition of Temple professors committed to promoting Lenape culture. Dramatic Reading of William Penn's letters by the Bachmann Players.

**August 17<sup>th</sup> – Friday.** No paddling.

Travel to Cape May.

**August 18<sup>th</sup> – Saturday. Higbee's Beach to Sunset Beach.**

Aqua Trails (<http://www.aquatrails.com/>) has offered to provide discounted kayaks and paddleboards to those who would like to paddle this stretch—thanks so much to Jeff and Josh from Aqua Trails! The price is \$20, and they will provide pick-up and drop-off. **You must contact them in advance** to make arrangements: (609) 884-5600. Be sure to mention that you are part of the Rising Nation River Journey!

Welcome the paddlers around noon on Sunset Beach with Native drumming and singing, followed by a friendship dance.

Directions to Higbee Beach: Follow the Garden State Parkway south to mile 0 and exit to the right for Route 109 North. Take Route 109 North to Route 9 south. Turn left onto Route 626. Cross the bridge and turn right onto New England Road. The road dead ends at Higbee Beach.

Sunset Beach: 502 Sunset Blvd, Lower Township, NJ 08212

**August 19<sup>th</sup> – Sunday.** No Paddling.

*Treaty signing and finale celebration at Les Rea's Farm*

Lower River Treaty Signing and finale celebration at Les Rea's Farm: 213 Stevens St., West Cape May, New Jersey 08204. Special guests include Lower Township mayor Simonson, West Cape May commissioner John Francis, and the Jim Beer Family Band.