

## Daily Plan – Day 5

Wednesday, June 18, 2025

### Day Coordinators:

Charles Kelshaw: Monroe County Conservation District

Alex Jackson: Smithfield Township

Karen Tiesling & Mathilda Sheptak, Friends of the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area

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### Stretch to be Paddled:

Poxono Boat Launch (RM 220) to Kittatinny Point (~RM 211.5)

~8.5 miles, Class I Rapids

**Evening Camping:** [Driftstone Campground](#), 2731 River Road, Mt. Bethel, PA 18343

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**Morning Registration Location:** **EVERYONE meets at** Driftstone Campground for registration and breakfast. See directions on page 3 and maps on page 4.

**Day Trippers (just joining for today):** Driftstone staff will direct you to park in the grass area to the left along River Lane. Register at the Sojourn tent and enjoy breakfast.

**New Campers:** If you're joining the Sojourn today and plan to camp tonight, you can check in at the camp store starting at 8 a.m. to get assigned your camping spot. You can park your car at your site and can set up camp as time allows before or after paddling. Register at the Sojourn tent and enjoy breakfast. If you plan to check into a campsite after paddling, please park with the day trippers (see above) and check in at the camp store for your camping spot after the paddle.

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8:00 a.m. Breakfast at Driftstone Campground

9:00 - 9:45 a.m. Registration for all participants at Driftstone Campground

9:30 a.m. Please drop off any personal boats to our livery before 9:30 a.m. so they can head to Poxono.

10 a.m. Buses leave to shuttle paddlers to Poxono Boat Launch

10:30 a.m. Welcome Program at Poxono

10:45 a.m. Safety Briefing for all paddlers; optional Paddling 101, followed by launch.

12:30 p.m. Lunch stop at Worthington State Forest

2:30 p.m. Take out at Kittatinny Point. The Sojourn will bus everyone to Minisink Park for the **Delaware River of the Year Festival!** See pg. 5 and [click here](#) to learn more.

**2025 Delaware River Sojourn: 30 Years on Sojourn Time**  
***Celebrating the 2025 Pennsylvania River of the Year***

**\*Please Note:** The **Delaware River of the Year Festival** runs from **2 p.m. to 8 p.m.** The Festival is free and open to the public. **The Sojourn will run a shuttle regularly** to/from Minisink Park and Driftstone Campground for Sojourners so folks can head back to camp & their cars and/or back to the festival as they wish. **Dinner for Sojourners will be at the festival. The last shuttle from Minisink Park to Driftstone will be ~8 p.m.**

10:30 p.m. Quiet Hours in camp

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**Please Note if Camping at Driftstone:**

- The Sojourn will be housed in the same general area, but camp staff will assign spots. For those who want to be grouped together, please plan to arrive at the same time to check in (please check in by 8 p.m.) or have a sense when you check in about who & how many total people are in your “sub-group”.
- Driftstone Campground has full bathroom and shower facilities and a pool.
  - Please follow all camp rules while on-site.
- There is a STRICT 5 MPH speed limit on all camp roads.
  - The Driftstone Store closes at 9 p.m.
    - Gates close at 10:30 p.m.
  - Quiet hours after 10:30 p.m.

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**Many Thanks to Today’s Sojourn Partners:**

Delaware River Sojourn Steering Committee, River of the Year Festival Committee, Upper Delaware Preservation Coalition, Northeast Wilderness Experience, Driftstone Campground, National Canoe Safety Patrol, Friends of the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area, Northampton County Parks and Recreation, Warren County, New Jersey, Explore Warren Tourism, Humpty Junior’s, We Transport, Monroe County Conservation District, Smithfield Township, Worthington State Forest, NPS Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area

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Pennsylvania Organization of Watersheds and Rivers (POWR), Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR), ShopRite, NPS Lower Delaware Wild and Scenic River and PPL.

***Special Thanks to Dejay Branch, 30<sup>th</sup> Sojourn logo design artist***

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## General Driving Directions to Driftstone Campground

Address: 2755 River Road, Mt. Bethel, PA 18343

Phone: 1-888-355-6859

Driftstone is located four miles south of the Portland, PA/Columbia, NJ Bridge on River Road.

- [Link to create Google Maps directions to Driftstone Campground](#)

### **PLEASE NOTE:**

GPS directions may not be appropriate for motorhomes and trailers. The bridge across the Delaware River between Belvidere, NJ and Riverton, PA, 5 miles south of Driftstone, has a weight limit of 8 tons and is very narrow. There is also a sharp hairpin turn on River Road, 4 miles south of Driftstone.

**Directions to Driftstone Campground** from <https://www.driftstone.com/directions/>

### **From New Jersey & New York via Interstate 80 West:**

Take Columbia Exit #4B in New Jersey and follow signs to Portland, PA. Cross Portland/Columbia toll bridge to toll booth. Turn right immediately after going through toll booth. Go to stop sign at bottom of ramp and turn right onto River Road. Go under toll bridge and continue on River Road for 3 miles to stop sign. Turn left and continue on River Road for 1 mile. Driftstone's entrance is on the left next to the large red barn.

### **From Delaware Water Gap, PA via Interstate 80 East:**

Take Delaware Water Gap Exit # 310. Continue straight to second traffic light at PA-611. Go left onto PA-611 south for 4 miles to traffic light in Portland. Continue straight ahead (go under the Portland/Columbia toll bridge) on River Road for 3 miles to stop sign. Turn left and continue on River Road for 1 mile. (Driftstone is 8 miles south of the Gap). Driftstone's entrance is on the left next to the large red barn.

### **From Easton, PA:**

Take PA-611 North to traffic light in Martins Creek. Turn right and continue on PA-611 North through Mt. Bethel to PA-611 Exit (Portland) ramp before the toll bridge. Go to the bottom of the ramp and bear right to stop sign. Turn right onto River Road and continue for 3 miles to stop sign. Turn left and continue on River Road for 1 mile. Driftstone's entrance is on the left next to the large red barn.

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Driftstone Campground Map



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# DELAWARE RIVER OF THE YEAR FESTIVAL

2025 PENNSYLVANIA RIVER OF THE YEAR



WEDNESDAY  
JUNE 18

2-8 PM

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THE RIVER & 30 YEARS OF  
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