



# Detailed Daily Agenda

**JULY 10-17, 2010  
NISHNABOTNA RIVER**

## **Saturday, July 10**

Nishna Bend Recreation Area

### **Nishna Bend Recreation Area Amenities**

- Restrooms with flush toilets available
- Showers available in campground
- Electricity available
- Shelter w/ electricity available
- Running water available
- Emergency Storm Shelter – Shelby CCB Nature Center

*10:00 am* – Shuttle departs from University of Iowa – Oakdale Campus

*Noon* – Shuttle departs from Des Moines Area Community College

*Noon* – Shuttle departs from Porter's Lake Lutheran Center

*1:30 pm* – Arrive at Nishna Bend Recreation Area

### **2:30 – 5:30 pm – Concurrent Sessions**

- *Canoe Skills and Safety Clinic* – Nate Hoogeveen (Iowa DNR)
- *Project WET Festival* – Rebecca Kauten and Kathy Scholl (Iowa Project WET/UNI Outdoor Recreation Studies Program)
- *Erosion Demonstration Trailer* – Maria Sieck (East Pottawattamie SWCD) and John Thomas (Hungry Canyons Alliance)

*3:00 – 5:30 pm* – Registration

*6:00 pm* – **Dinner** at Nishna Bend Recreation Area

- Welcome & Introductions
- Relax

## **Sunday, July 11 (16.8 miles)**

Nishna Bend Recreation Area to Botna Bend Park

*7:00 am* – **Breakfast and lunch distribution** at Nishna Bend Recreation Area

*8:00 am* – Morning safety program

*8:30 am* – **Depart** from Nishna Bend Recreation Area (carry down access, river left – northeast side of river)

**9.1 miles** – **Halfway point & Trash Pickup Location** – County Rd G18 (right-of-way access, river left – east side of river)

- **Cut-off time: 1:30 pm** – anyone not here by this time will have to exit the river
- 7.7 miles** – Arrive at Botna Bend Park (sandbar access, river left – east side of river)  
**Afternoon Campground Program** – *Bison/Elk* – Jon Fenner (Pottawattamie CCB)  
**5:00 pm** – **Daily Shuttle Service** (\$20 per person) departs for Nishna Bend Recreation Area  
**6:00 pm** – **Dinner** served at Botna Bend Park  
**7:30 pm** – **Evening Community Programs** (Concurrent Sessions)
  - *Birds of Prey* – Christina Roelofs (Shelby and Audubon County Conservation Boards)
  - *Geology of the Nishnabotna River Watershed* – John Thomas (Hungry Canyons Alliance)

### Botna Bend Park Amenities

- Restrooms with flush toilets and pit/portable toilets available in campground
- Showers available in campground
- Electricity available in campground
- Shelters w/ electricity available in campground
- Running water available
- Emergency Storm Shelter – Botna Bend Shelter

## Monday, July 12 (18.2 miles)

### Botna Bend Park to Olde Town Park

- 6:30 am** – **Morning Campground Program** – *Bird Watching Hike* – Regina Wasson (Pottawattamie CCB)  
**7:00 am** – **Breakfast** and **lunch distribution** at Botna Bend Park  
**8:00 am** – Morning safety program  
**8:30 am** – **Depart** from Botna Bend Park (sandbar access, river left – east side of river)  
**7.3 miles** – **Halfway point & Trash Pickup Location** – Chautauqua Park-Oakland (rock ramp, river left – east side of river)  
**6.9 miles** – **Support Location** – Mill Stone (Carson) Park (rock ramp, river left – east side of river)
  - **Cut-off time: 2:45 pm** – anyone not here by this time will have to exit the river

**4.0 miles** – Olde Town Park (rock ramp, river right – west side of river)
  - **Shuttle** volunteers from access to Cold Springs Park
  - **Daily Shuttle Service** (\$20 per person) will depart from Olde Town Park for Botna Bend Park

**6:30 pm** – **Dinner** served at Cold Springs Park  
**7:30 pm** – **Evening Community Programs** (Concurrent Sessions)
  - *Loess Hills Recreation Plan and Scenic Byways* – Liz Leddy and Shirley Frederiksen (Golden Hills RC&D)
  - *The History and Impact of River and Stream Modification in Iowa* – Matt Dollison (Iowa DNR)

### Cold Springs Park Amenities

- Restrooms with flush toilets available in campground
- Showers available in campground
- Electricity available in campground
- Shelter w/ electricity available in campground
- Running water available in campground
- Emergency Storm Shelter – Cold Springs Park Enclosed Shelter and Modern Restrooms

## Tuesday, July 13 (12.7 miles)

Great River Road to Nishna Valley Road

7:00 am – **Breakfast and lunch distribution** at Cold Springs Park

7:45 am – Morning safety program

8:00 am – **Shuttle** for morning field trip departs

8:15 am – **Morning Field Trip** – *Frank Chapman Pellett Memorial Woods (Pellett Woods State Preserve)* – John Pearson (Iowa DNR) and Lora Schwendinger (Cass CCB)

8:30 am – **Shuttle** volunteers to Great River Road

9:00 am – **Depart** from Great River Road (right-of-way access, river left – south side of river)

**4.0 miles** – **Halfway point & Trash Pickup Location** – Atlantic Boat Ramp (concrete ramp, river left – east side of river)

- **Cut-off time: 1:00 pm** – anyone not here by this time will have to exit the river

**On-River Program** – *Schildberg Recreation Area* – Lora Schwendinger (Cass CCB)

**8.7 miles** – Arrive at Nishna Valley Road (right-of-way access, river left – east side of river)

**On-River Program** – *Nishnabotna Ferry House* – Cass County Mormon Trails Association

- **Shuttle** volunteers from Nishnabotna Ferry House to Cold Springs Park

**Afternoon Campground Program** – *Wildflower-watching, lichen-looking, and insect-inspecting in parks, preserves, and peaceful places* – John Pearson (Iowa DNR)

**Afternoon Campground Program** – *Southwest Iowa Fisheries Resources and Management* – Bryan Hayes and Chris Larson (Iowa DNR Fisheries)

5:30 pm – **Dinner** served at Cold Springs Park

6:30 pm – **Shuttle** to Hitchcock County Park

6:45 – 8:30 pm – Hitchcock House Tours (last tour starts at 7:30 pm)

7:00 – 8:30 pm – **Evening Community Program** – Music on the Lawn (Mr. Baber's Neighbors: The Solar String Band) at Hitchcock County Park

## Wednesday, July 14 (15.7 miles)

Nishna Valley Road to Elliott

7:00 am – **Breakfast and lunch distribution** at Cold Springs Park

7:45 am – Morning safety program

8:15 am – **Shuttle** volunteers to Nishna Valley Road

8:30 am – **Depart** from Nishna Valley Road (right-of-way access, river left – east side of river)

**On-River Program** – *Nishna Rock Cut & Cold Springs* – Lora Schwendinger (Cass CCB)

**On-River Program** – *East Nishnabotna Eagle Nests* – Micah Lee (Cass CCB)

**5.5 miles** – **Halfway point & Trash Pickup Location** – Quimby Road (right-of-way access, river right – west side of river)

- **Cut-off time: 12:00 noon** – anyone not here by this time will have to exit the river

**10.2 miles** – Arrive at Elliot Boat Ramp (concrete ramp, river right – west side of river)

- **Shuttle** volunteers from access to Pilot Grove Park

5:00 pm – **Daily Shuttle Service** (\$20 per person) departs for Cold Springs Park

6:00 pm – **Dinner** served at Pilot Grove Park

7:30 pm – **Evening Community Programs** (Concurrent Sessions)

- *Water Trail Roundtable* – Coordinated by Nate Hoogeveen (Iowa DNR)
- *Southwest Iowa Food & Farm Initiative (SWIFFI)* – Bahia Barry (SWIFFI Coordinator, Golden Hills RC&D)

### **Pilot Grove Park Amenities**

- Pit/Portable toilets available in campground
- Showers **not** available
- Electricity available in campground
- Shelter w/ electricity available near the campground
- Running water available
- Emergency Storm Shelter – Restrooms

## **Thursday, July 15 (13.9 miles)**

### **Elliott to Red Oak**

**7:00 am** – **Breakfast and lunch distribution** at Pilot Grove Park

**7:45 am** – Morning safety program

**8:15 am** – **Shuttle** volunteers from Pilot Grove Park to Elliott Boat Ramp

**8:30 am** – **River Cleanup volunteers** depart from Elliott Boat Ramp (concrete ramp, river right – west side of river)

**5.1 miles** – **Halfway & Trash Pickup Location** – County Road H20 (right-of-way access, river right – west side of river)

- **Cut-off time: 12:30 pm** – anyone not here by this time will have to exit the river

**Iowa Vanes** – Steel beams, or vanes, were placed in the river just upstream of the Hwy 34 bridge in an effort to protect it. Keep well clear of the beams.

**8.8 miles** – Arrive at Red Oak Boat Ramp (concrete ramp, river left – east side of river)

- **Shuttle** volunteers from access to Anderson Conservation Area

**3:30 – 6:00 pm** – **Showers** - Montgomery County Family YMCA (**shuttle**)

**5:00 pm** – **Daily Shuttle Service** (\$20 per person) departs for Pilot Grove Park

**Afternoon/Evening Campground Program** – *Wildflower-watching, lichen-looking, and insect-inspecting in parks, preserves, and peaceful places* – John Pearson (Iowa DNR)

**6:00 pm** – **Dinner** served at Anderson Conservation Area

**7:30 pm** – **Evening Community Programs** (Concurrent Sessions)

- *Fly Fishing and Fly Tying* – Mike Schrader, Keith Wunder, and Dale Sanders (Hawkeye Fly Fishing Association) and Deb Karwal (Montgomery County Conservation Board)
- *George Drouillard: Hunter, Interpreter, and Indian Sign-Talker for Lewis and Clark* – Darrel Draper (Historical Edutainer) – sponsored by Humanities Iowa and the National Endowment for the Humanities

### **Anderson Conservation Area Amenities**

- Restrooms with flush toilets available in nature center; portable toilets available
- Showers available at Red Oak YMCA from 3:30 – 6:00 pm
- Electricity available at Nature Center
- No outdoor shelters available
- Running water available
- Emergency Storm Shelter – Montgomery CCB Nature Center

## Friday, July 16 (16.7 miles)

Red Oak to County Road M41/D Ave

7:00 am – **Breakfast** and **lunch distribution** at Anderson Conservation Area

8:00 am – Morning safety program

8:15 am – **Shuttle** volunteers from Anderson Conservation Area to Red Oak Boat Ramp

8:30 am – **Depart** from Red Oak Boat Ramp (concrete ramp, river left – east side of river)

**10.0 miles** – **Halfway & Trash Pickup Location** – County Road H54 (right-of-way access, river right – west side of river)

- **Cut-off time: 1:30 pm** – anyone not here by this time will have to exit the river

**6.7 miles** – Arrive at County Road M41/D Ave (right-of-way access, river right – north side of river)

- **Shuttle** volunteers from access to Porter’s Lake Lutheran Center

**Afternoon/Evening Campground Program** – DNR Mobile Education Trailer

5:00 pm – **Daily Shuttle Service** (\$20 per person) departs for Anderson Conservation Area

6:00 pm – **Dinner** served at Porter’s Lake Lutheran Center

7:30 pm – **Evening Community Programs** – *Friday Night Fire Up!* – David Williamson  
(Collaborative Artist, Project AWARE)

### Porter’s Lake Lutheran Center Amenities

- Restrooms with flush toilets and portable toilets available
- Showers **not** available
- Electricity available
- Shelter w/o electricity available
- Running water available
- Emergency Storm Shelter – Porter’s Lake Lutheran Center

## Saturday, July 17 (5.3 miles)

County Road M41/D Ave to Porter’s Lake Lutheran Center

7:00 am – **Breakfast** at Porter’s Lake Lutheran Center

8:00 am – Morning safety program

8:30 am – **Shuttle** volunteers to County Road M41/D Ave

8:45 am – **Depart** from County Road M41/D Ave (right-of-way access, river right – north side of river)

**5.3 miles** – Arrive at Porter’s Lake Lutheran Center (sandbar access, river left – east side of river)

12:00 noon – **Lunch** and **Celebratory finale** at Porter’s Lake Lutheran Center

2:30 pm – Post-event shuttles depart for Iowa City and Des Moines