

Madison County River Alliance

2019 WATER TRAIL CLEAN UP

The Middle River Water Trail was hit hard early this year by spring floods accompanied by large amounts of ice flowing downstream. The ice was especially hard on the river trail causing major alterations in the river channel. As the streambanks eroded into the river this spring, many trees ended up in the river channel partially blocking the water trail and creating hazards for unsuspecting water trail users.

Although we will continue to pick up trash along the route, this year's cleanup will focus on cleaning up the woody debris that is blocking the waterway. We are looking for volunteers to help clean up litter and free the debris from the water trail. We could also use a few more experienced chainsawyers to join our float this year to help cleanup the debris from the trail. Freeing up the log jams will require some wading in Middle River so come prepared to get wet!

We will meet at Pammel Park at 8:00 am to leave pick up vehicles and carpool to Schildberg Access. The cleanup will start at Schildberg access at 9:00 am. We will have lunch at Roseman bridge before continuing down the river to the Pammel Park Ford.

Note: If you are bringing your own canoe/kayak, we recommend that you drop it off at Schildberg Access prior to meeting us at Pammel Park at 8:00 a.m. This way we don't have to shuttle equipment/cars and your vehicle will be at Pammel Park at the end of the day.

***Reminder to all volunteers, we go rain or shine. Only lightning or high water levels will dictate cancellation.**

SATURDAY - JUNE 8th: Schildberg Access to Pammel Park

8:00 A.M.: Meet at Pammel Park Lodge - Please be on time

- Check-In (advanced registration recommended: 515-462-3536) – breakfast on your own.
- **Bring your own lunches, snack & water while on the river**

8:30 A.M.: Carpool to Roseman Bridge

8:50 A.M.: Arrive at Roseman & unload canoes/assist others with getting on the river

***Once we get on the river, all times are approximate!**

9:00 A.M.: Begin Cleanup

- Pick up trash and free up log jams.

4:00 to 4:30 P.M. Arrive at Pammel Park Entrance Access to conclude tour