


DNREC's White Clay Creek State Park sustains flood damage, forcing closures and cancellations

NEWARK – DNREC's Division of Parks & Recreation has  announced that White Clay Creek State Park sustained damage from flooding due to heavy rains this morning, forcing closure of some parts of the park and cancellation of affiliated activities as follows:

- The Chambers Rock Road parking lot is inaccessible due to heavy flooding and is closed until further notice. The park's day camp has been cancelled for the week.
- Creek Road, north of Hopkins Road, offering access to the park's Nature Center will be closed to all traffic until further notice. The bridge spanning one of the tributaries feeding the White Clay Creek has moved off its abutments. Parks officials advised that no bridge crossing should be attempted by any means.
- Multiple trees have fallen across trails, along with erosion occurring on some trails. Trail users should exercise caution when visiting the park within the next few weeks.
- Hopkins Road was closed by New Castle County Police this morning, allowing parks staff to clear heavy debris from the roadway. The Delaware Department of Transportation cleared the roads and installed barrels as barriers in heavily-eroded culverts.
- Park users can contact the park office at 302-368-6900 to report issues. Division of Parks & Recreation staff continue to assess further damage at this time.

As always with flooding events, park visitors should not

access the water for fishing, swimming, canoeing, or any other recreational activities until flood waters subside.

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