

## Congressman Rothman Commends Designation of the Hackensack River Greenway as a National Recreation Trail

(Washington, DC) &ndash; Today, Congressman Steve Rothman (D &ndash; NJ) celebrated the designation of the Hackensack River Greenway in the Township of Teaneck as a National Recreation Trail. Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar officially added the trail, on May 28, 2009, to the National Trails System, a network of scenic, historic, and recreation trails created by the National Trails System Act of 1968.

&ldquo;I am proud that the Hackensack River Greenway is now recognized as part of the National Trails System,&rdquo; said Rothman. &ldquo;I invite the people of Northern New Jersey to explore the Greenway&rsquo;s 3.5 miles of pedestrian walkways and nature trails that showcase some of the most beautiful scenery within our community.&rdquo;

The Township of Teaneck will receive an official certificate of designation, a letter of congratulations from Secretary Salazar, and National Recreation Trail markers for the Greenway.

The designation of the Hackensack River Greenway as a National Recreation Trail coincides with National Trails Day, which will take place on June 6, 2009. This annual event, organized by the American Hiking Society, is intended to &ldquo;inspire the public and trail enthusiasts nationwide to seek out their favorite trails to discover, learn about, and celebrate trails while participating in educational exhibits, trail dedications, gear demonstrations, instructional workshops and trail work projects.&rdquo; More information is available at [www.americanhiking.org/NTD.aspx](http://www.americanhiking.org/NTD.aspx) .

The Hackensack River Greenway runs along the Hackensack River from Clarence W. Brett Park, past Fairleigh Dickinson University&rsquo;s Teaneck Campus, to Terhune Park.

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