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NATIONAL PARK SERVICE  
Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area  
Bushkill, Pennsylvania 18324

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Elise Bremer-Nei  
Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator  
New Jersey Department of Transportation  
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Trenton, NJ 08625-0600

Dear Ms. Bremer-Nei,

The Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area has received notification that the American Association of State and Highway Transportation Officials has designated a bicycle route corridor along the Delaware River in New Jersey known as "U.S. Bicycle Route 1" (USBR 1). The Adventure Cycling Association and Bike Walk New Jersey, in cooperation with NJDOT, have proposed a specific route that includes roads through the park. The proposal is acceptable on park land, contingent upon appropriate approvals by relevant townships and counties in cases where those entities may have an interest in the road.

The proposed route has already been frequented by cyclists for many years. Allowing the designation of USBR1 supports National Park Service strategic initiatives including congestion management, Green Parks Plan, and Healthy Parks/Healthy People. This designation is in accordance with our enabling legislation to provide "for the public outdoor recreation use and enjoyment...and for the preservation of the scenic, scientific, historic features contributing to the public enjoyment of such lands and water" (Public Law 89-158). The park continues to actively encourage a diversity of recreational opportunities within its boundaries, and cycling is an excellent example of a significant experience many of our visitors participate in.

If we can be of further assistance, please contact the park's Outdoor Recreation Planner, Britt Salapek, at [Brittany\\_Salapek@nps.gov](mailto:Brittany_Salapek@nps.gov) or (570) 460-0004.

Sincerely,

Sula Jacobs  
Superintendent

cc: Britt Salapek  
Kristy Boscheinen