

Iowa River Clean-up 2022 Schedule

Saturday, Oct 8, 2022

Old Izaak Walton League Boat Ramp to Hills Access (~7.5 miles)

6:30 AM: At Old Izaak Walton League Access: Public canoe delivery and Private canoe and gear unloading at the Izaak Walton League Access. After unloading private boats, proceed to Hills Access for check-in. Ramp will be staffed at this time. **This applies only to people planning to bring their own canoes/kayaks.** Address: 4042 Izaak Walton Rd SE, Iowa City, IA 52240 ([google map link](#))

7:00 AM: Check-in opens at Hills Campground & Access. **Address: – All volunteers must check-in, cars will be left here at Hills Campground.** Address: 4210 520th St SE, Iowa City, IA 52240 ([google map link](#))

7:30 AM: Shuttle bus leaves Hills Access for Old Izaak Walton League Boat Ramp. Volunteers will leave private vehicles at Hills Campground, then take bus up to the starting point. A second shuttle will be run if needed (7:50)

8:00 AM: Clean-up orientation and river safety talk. Participants can choose whether to grab lunch early and eat on the river, or wait until the end to grab lunch at Hills Campground. Bring a small cooler if you'd prefer it early. Bring enough water to last through the day.

8:15 AM: Canoes begin launching. On-water volunteers will be on the river from the launch until take out at Hills. There is no public access between here and the take-out.

1:00-3:00 PM: Canoes arrive at Hills Access – Land volunteers will be ready to remove garbage and sort recyclable loads. Clean-up crew volunteers will be ready to help wash canoes, paddles, PFDs, and load gear back into trucks/trailers.

After Party! Volunteers are invited to join for an “after party” at Big Grove Brewery in Iowa City. As a thank you for your efforts, Big Grove Brewery will provide a free token for a drink of their choice to each volunteer.

Volunteers should pack: Reusable water bottle, snacks, sun protection, face mask, small lunch cooler*

Volunteers should wear: clothing/footwear that can get muddy.

*It is advisable to bring a personal cooler for your lunch/snacks and water, and a means to secure your items to the canoe in case of tipping. It is not advisable to bring personal items that should not get wet without proper protection.

Organizers will provide a sack lunch. Water and cups are available at the end point, but disposable water bottles will not be provided to eliminate extra trash and encourage reusable bottle use.