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Eastern Gateway Visitor Center to Open May 3, 2008

WATERFORD- The Visitor Center on Peebles Island State Park at the eastern gateway to the Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor is set to open once again on Saturday, May 3, 2008. Seasonal Park Rangers will staff the center, which will be open on weekends through Memorial Day, and then from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily from June through Labor Day. The center offers an orientation to the Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor and Peebles Island State Park, as well as local and regional attractions.

The 158-acre Peebles Island State Park at the confluence of the Hudson and Mohawk Rivers features spectacular river views from trails that traverse the island's gently rolling and wooded landscape. Directly across the Mohawk and connected by pedestrian bridge is Waterford's Lock 2 park, where visitors can picnic, watch boats, or explore the waterway by canoe, kayak, or motorboat. For information, call 237-7000.

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