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GOVERNOR TO EMBARK ON THREE DAY TOUR BIKING, HIKING AND RAFTING THROUGH NEW JERSEY'S NORTHWEST AND CENTRAL REGIONS

Governor Christie Whitman today announced plans to take a three day tour to highlight many of the state's tourism and recreational treasures in Sussex, Hunterdon, Warren, Mercer and Middlesex Counties. Beginning Tuesday, July 7 through Thursday, July 9, the Governor will visit farms and parks, museums and a winery, participate in several outdoor sports including white water rafting and biking, and will hurl the first pitch at a New Jersey Sussex Cardinals game.

The Governor's tentative schedule includes the following events:

On Tuesday, July 7, the Governor will visit Borderland Farm on the border of New Jersey and New York at Warwick, New York. She will hike with Girl Scouts at High Point State Park in Sussex. The Governor will also go white water rafting with Boy Scouts along the Delaware River, tour Peter's Valley Craft Center in Layton Township as well as the Ogdensburg Sterling Hill Mining Museum in Sterling Hill. Next the Governor will visit Newton Township and throw the opening pitch at the Cardinal's baseball game in Augusta.

On Wednesday, July 8, Governor Whitman will tour the Four Sisters Winery in Belvedere followed by a visit to the Land of Make Believe in Hope. Next, she will kayak on the Delaware River to Philipsburg for a town barbecue. The Governor will also ride the 1854 "Bishop" train car to Lambertville to announce planned improvements to D&R; canal paths.

On Thursday, July 9, the Governor will meet members of area cycling clubs at Covello Park in Lambertville to lead a bike tour on the canal tow path into Trenton. The Governor will visit Stults Farm in Cranbury to present funding for farmland preservation. And finally, she will ride a second bike tour from Princeton University's crew house, up the D&R; canal tow path to New Brunswick.

A more detailed schedule will be released as the tour approaches.