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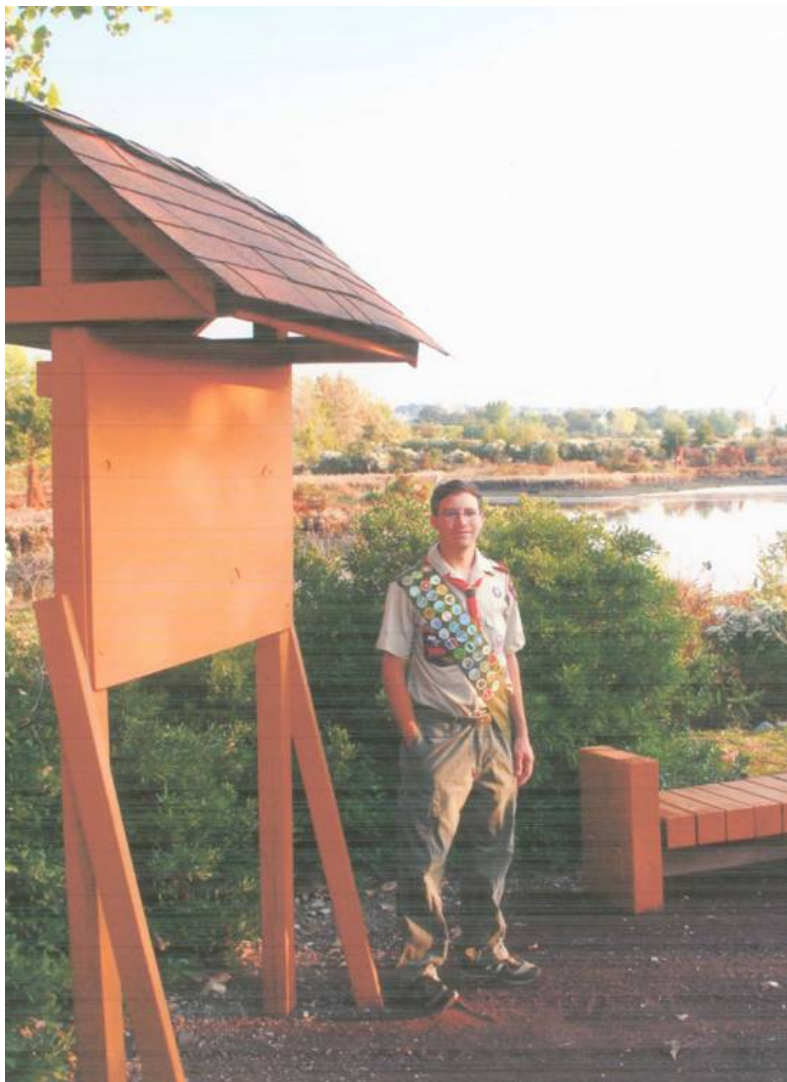
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NJMC Teams with Eagle Scout to Create Information Kiosk at Skeetkill Creek Wetlands Enhancement Site



LYNDHURST, N.J. – – The New Jersey Meadowlands Commission has successfully completed a partnership with Boy Scout Troop 114 Eagle Scout Nicholas Ferrer to design an information kiosk at the Skeetkill Creek Wetlands Enhancement Site in Ridgefield.

Utilizing specifications provided by the NJMC's wetlands division and managing the efforts of his fellow scouts, Ferrer constructed a kiosk which compliments others the agency has installed at parks throughout the Meadowlands District. It will be updated seasonally with wildlife viewing forecasts, environmental notices, and other pertinent information.

The NJMC is currently transferring the 16-acre Skeetkill Creek Wetlands Enhancement Site to the Meadowlands Conservation Trust for permanent preservation. The kiosk marks yet another enhancement of the property since the agency acquired it in 1996. The NJMC has conducted habitat upgrades at Skeetkill including restoring biological diversity, reestablishing tidal flow, creating open water areas, and conducting annual cleanups, plantings, and tree swallow nest box installations with the help of the site's industrial neighbors, municipal leaders from the Borough of Ridgefield, local Girl Scouts, and residents.

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