



September 14, 2022



Outdoor Ethics & Conservation Roundtable

Understanding Land Management

Youth, please turn off your cameras. Thank you!

Agenda



- Welcome and opening (7:00pm Central)
- Safety moment —
- Understanding Land Management
- Preparing for an excursion in a designated Wilderness
- Guide to Safe Scouting and Public Land use
- Announcements
- Q&A
- Adjourn (8:30 Central)

Pledge

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.



Scout Oath

On my honor I will do my best
to do my duty to God and my country
and to obey the Scout Law;
to help other people at all times;
to keep myself physically strong,
mentally awake, and morally straight.



Scout Law

A Scout is:
Trustworthy, Loyal, Helpful,
Friendly, Courteous, Kind,
Obedient, Cheerful, Thrifty,
Brave, Clean, Reverent.



Outdoor Code

As an American, I will do my best to –
Be clean in my outdoor manners.
Be careful with fire.
Be considerate in the outdoors.
Be conservation minded.



We Need Your Feedback, Please!

<https://tinyurl.com/OECCRT>

SCAN ME



Please introduce yourself!



Type your name and your council's name into the chat window.



Safety Moment

Michelle Bierstedt

“Please don’t pet the fuzzy cows”

Animal Encounters

Safety Moment



- All it takes is one wrong move and you could have an unwanted encounter.

Here's a list of 10 things you can do to keep your trip safe and secure from potentially dangerous animals.

Eliminate odors from food and supplies

"Smellables" like deodorant, bug spray, sunscreen, and toothpaste attract many animals and should not be stored in a tent.

Grab the basics

Flashlights and lanterns can help keep your area lit

Get loud!

Don't disturb your neighbors, but the sounds of a crackling fire or voices will usually scare off most wildlife.

Keep pets on leash... always

While we don't typically have pets in scouts, it's good practice to remind families.

Be ready for the non-furry threats

Be particularly careful if you move logs or brush.

Keep your distance

Remember the "Rule of Thumb" and know what to do in case of a surprise encounter.

Wear different clothes cooking and to bed

Cooking smells cling to fabric and can attract animals. Keep dirty clothing in a Ziploc bag or in your bear bag.

Keep it clean

Your campsite...Continuously making an effort to scrub pots and pans and picking up trash throughout the day's adventures will work wonders in making it less of a task to keep your site pest free

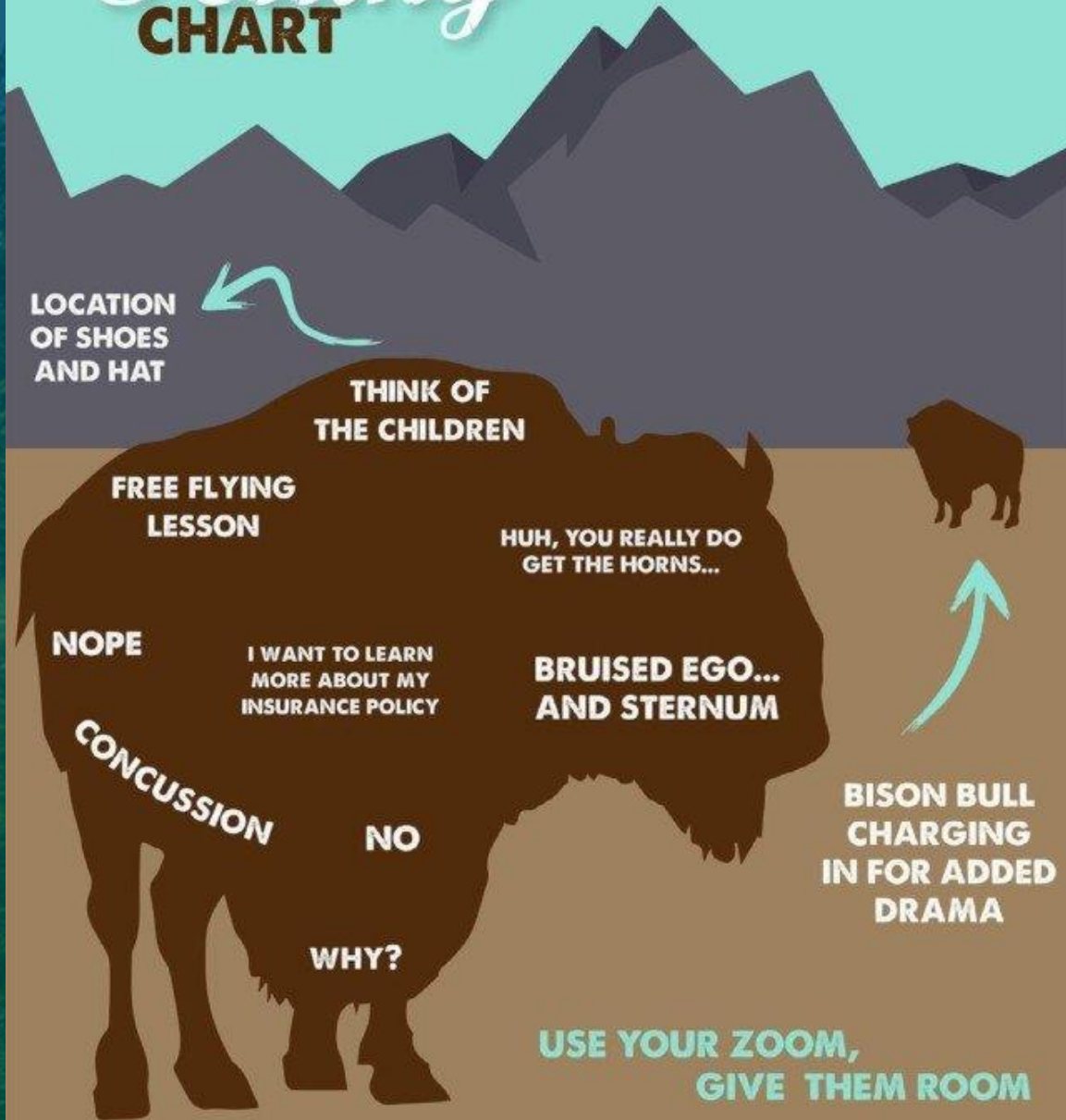
Consider a bear proof cooler, especially for car camping

Know the area you are in

For information on the wildlife in the area, you can seek out tips from the local park ranger or wildlife official.

WILDLIFE *Petting* CHART

Remember to keep your distance, and enjoy your experience watching wildlife. No touching, no feeding, no harassing.





Understanding Land Management

Matthew Durrant

Plan Ahead and Prepare

- Who manages the land?
- Federal
- State
- Local
- Private
- Regulations —
 - Group size
 - Fire restrictions
 - Stay limits
 - Trail/campsite conditions
 - Animals
 - special considerations





State Management

- Regulations and designations vary by state.
- Management is through each individual state.
- State Parks/Forests/Recreation Areas



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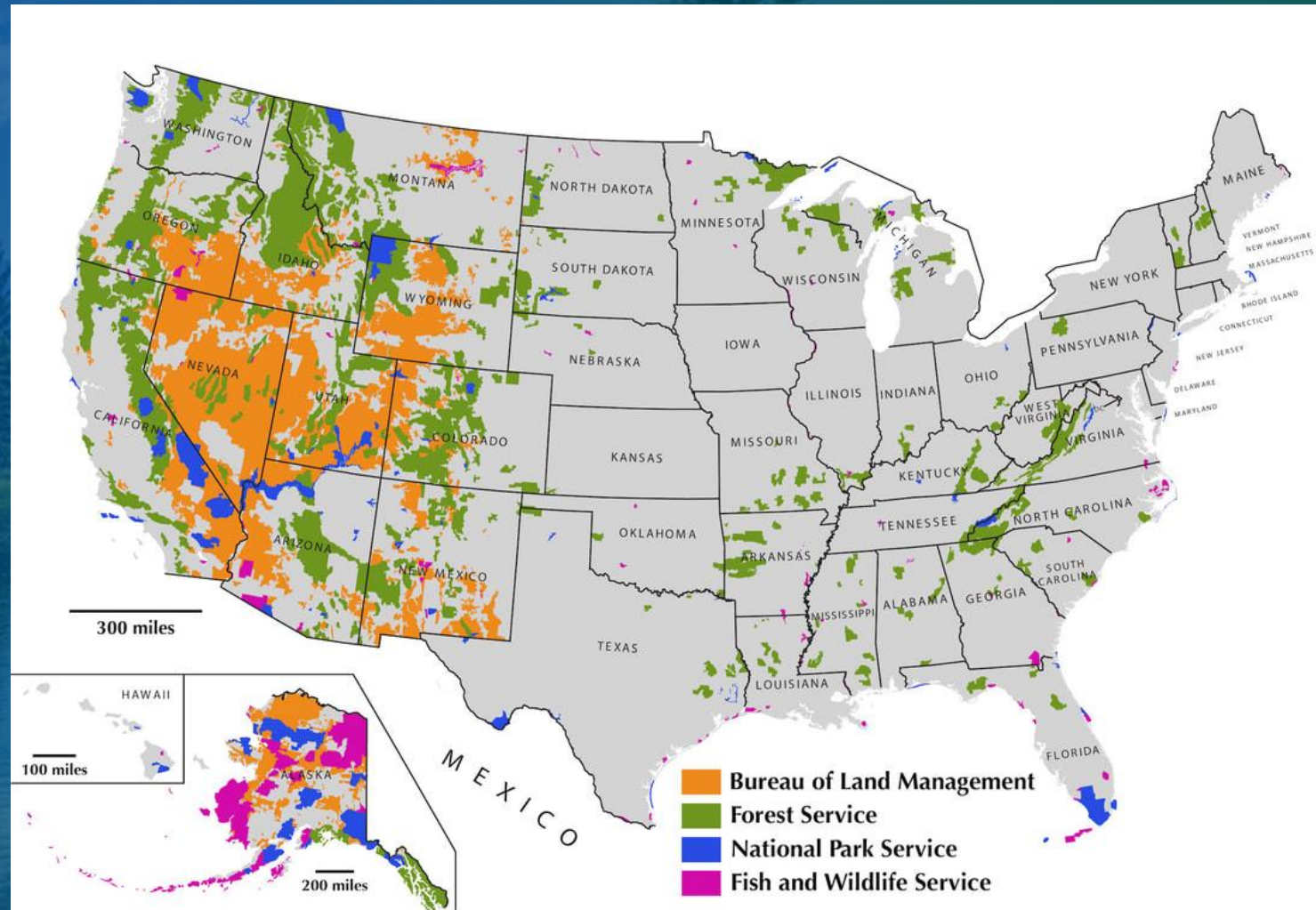
**Department of
Environmental
Conservation**

Federal Land Managers

- US Forest Service
- Bureau of Land Management
- National Park Service
- US Fish and Wildlife Service
- Army Corps of Engineers
- Bureau of Reclamation



Federal Land Management?



Designations



- National Parks
 - Lakeshores/Seashores
 - Historic Parks/Sites
 - Preserves
 - Reserves
 - Historic Trails
- National Monuments
- National Forests/Grasslands
- National Recreation Areas
- National Wild and Scenic Rivers
- Designated Wilderness



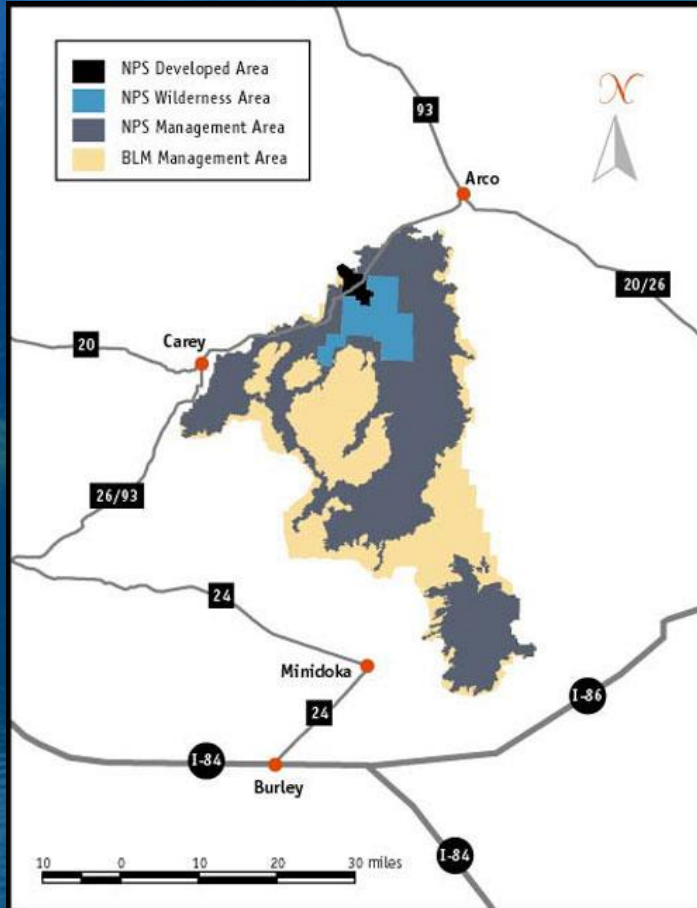
Management Overlaps



- Larger designation as National Recreation Area
- Managed by US Forest Service- Specifically Sawtooth National Forest
- Wilderness Areas designated within the greater NRA.



Overlaps



- National Monument and Preserve Designation
- Wilderness Designated within the National Monument
- Monument managed by NPS
- Wilderness managed by NPS
- Preserve managed by BLM

Where to find info



Durant

- <https://www.fs.usda.gov/>
- <https://www.blm.gov/>
- <https://www.fws.gov/>
- <https://www.nps.gov/index.htm>
- <https://wilderness.net/>



Preparing to recreate in a designated Wilderness

Dave Hatch





**Wilderness areas are
congressionally designated public
lands and are the most protected
public lands in America**

Designated Wilderness has been set aside for us and future generations

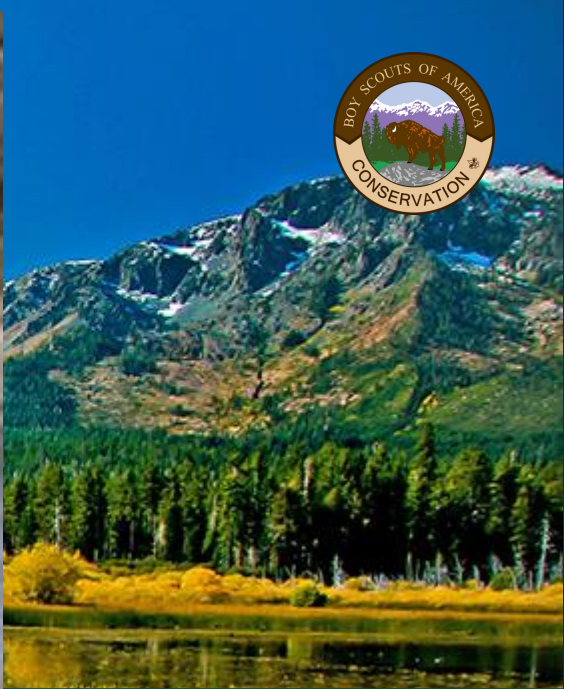




Designated Wilderness most protected lands



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Trailer from:
American Values,
American Wilderness

Wilderness is a sanctuary to many people

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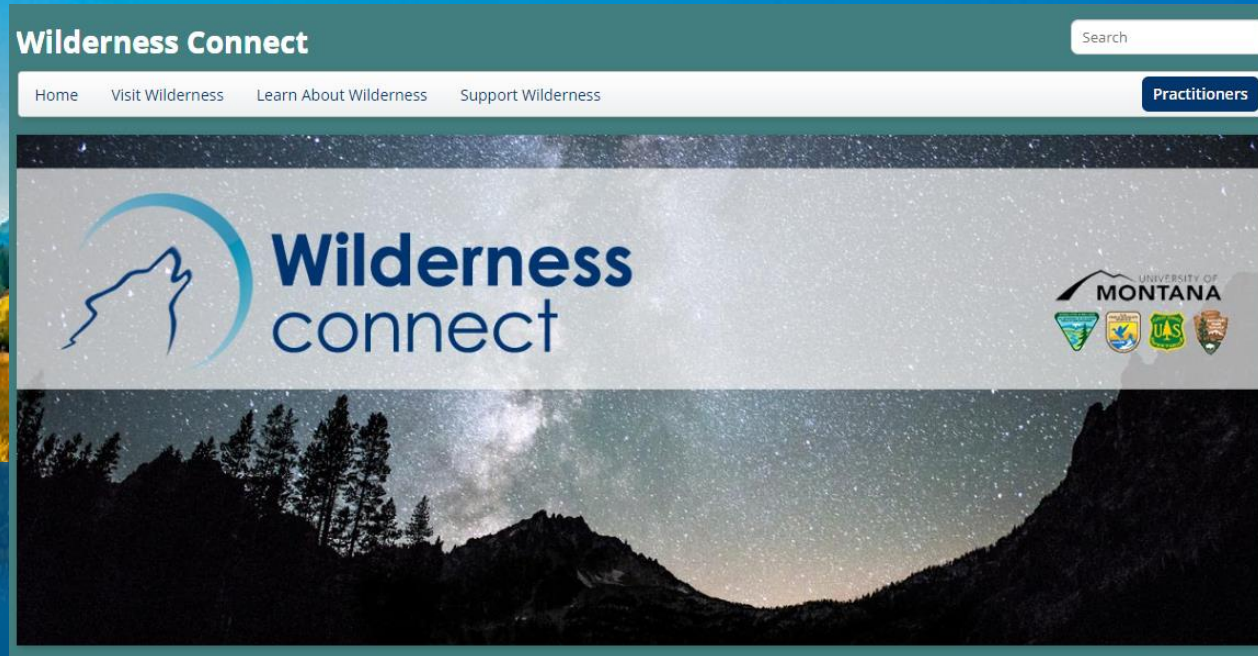


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Lack of Awareness

Go to:



<https://wilderness.net>

Wilderness Connect is where to find everything about Wilderness but were afraid to ask





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What wilderness area are you looking for?

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Ashdown Gorge (Utah)

Yo Beartrap Canyon (Utah)

Beaver Dam Mountains (Arizona/Utah)

Big Wild Horse Mesa (Utah)

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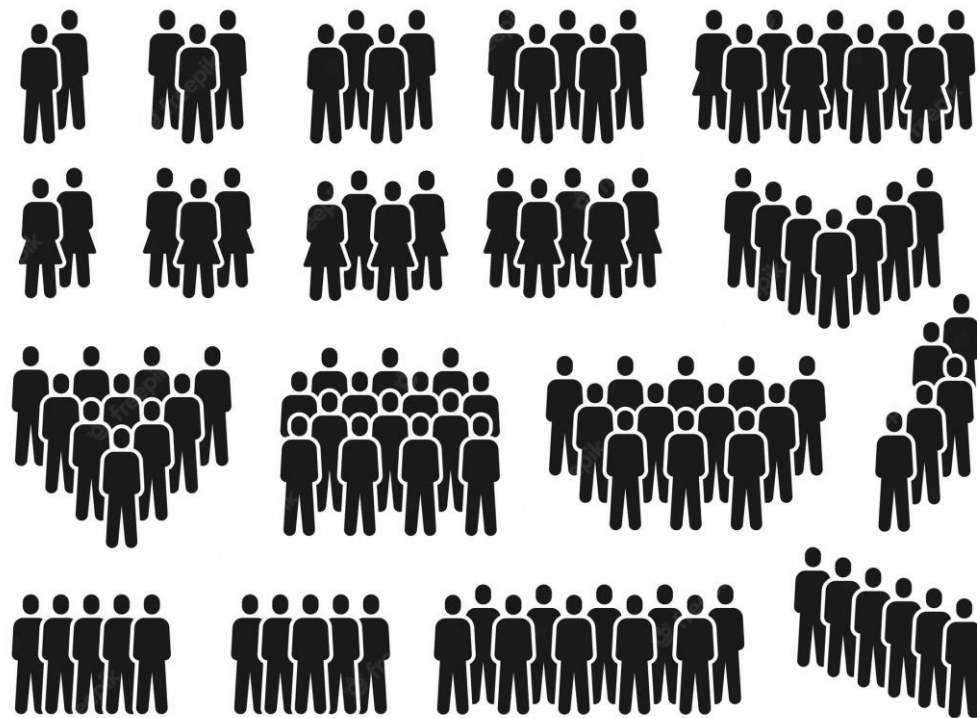
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Lack of Awareness



How many people can hike with me in Wilderness?





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- Otis Pike Fire Island High Dune Wilderness**
 - Location
 - Maps
 - Contacts
 - Rules & Regulation
 - Wilderness Laws
 - Trip Planning
 - Images
 - Volunteer


Otis Pike Fire Island High Dune Wilderness





Introduction


The United States Congress designated the Otis Pike Fire Island High Dune Wilderness ([map](#)) in 1980 and it now has a total of **1,381 acres**.


All of this wilderness is located in New York and is managed by the National Park Service.



Location



Maps



Contacts


Rules & Regulations


Wilderness Laws


Trip Planning


Images


Volunteer



Contacts



Rules & Regulations



Maps



Plan my Wilderness Adventure

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Practitioners



<https://wilderness.net/> is a web site for agencies and the public





Guide To Safe Scouting and Public Land Use

Michelle Bierstedt

AGE APPROPRIATE GUIDELINES FOR SCOUTING ACTIVITIES

Age- and rank-appropriate guidelines have been developed based on many factors. When planning activities outside of program materials or handbooks, ask this question: **Is the activity appropriate for the age and for Scouting?** Not every activity needs to be conducted.

| | | | | | |
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| LIONS (WITH ADULT PARTNER) | TIGERS (WITH ADULT PARTNER) | WOLF/REAR SCOUTS | WEBER SCOUTS | SCOUTS BSA | OLDER SCOUTS BSA, SEA SCOUTS, VENTURERS |
| | | | | | <small>(*Older Scouts BSA are age 13 and have completed eighth grade or 14 years old and up.)</small> |

Outdoor Skills

| | | | | | | |
|--|---|---|---|---|---|----------------|
| Hunting | | | | | | Venturers Only |
| Mountaineering/Scrambling/Cross-Country Travel | | | | | | ✓ |
| Search and Rescue Missions | | | | | | ✓ |
| Search and Rescue Practice | | | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Fueled Devices (Propane and battery) | | | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Hiking—Multiple Day | | | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Mountain Boards | | | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Orienteering | | | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Wilderness Survival Training | | | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Compasses | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Fire Building | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Pioneering | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Cooking Outdoors | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Horseback Riding | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Map and Compass | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Pioneering Towers (Check requirements for height restrictions) | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Rope Bridges (Check requirements for height restrictions) | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Conservation Projects | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Fishing | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Hiking—Day | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |

Tools

(See SAFE Project Tool Use Guidelines: <https://www.scouts.org/healthanddev/pdf/590-203.pdf>)

| | | | | | | |
|--|---|---|---|---|----------------|---------------------------------|
| Power Tools—Chain Saws, Log Spleen, Wood Chipper, Power Saws | | | | | Adult Use Only | |
| Power Tools | | | | | | See Age Guidelines for Tool Use |
| Axes | | | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Bow Saws | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Pocketknife | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Hand Tools | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |

Trekking

| | | | | | | |
|--|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Horse Treks | | | | | | ✓ |
| Backpacking—Overnight, Backcountry | | | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Bike Treks—Multiple Overnights | | | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Ski Touring—Multiple Days and Nights Carrying Gear | | | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Day Hikes | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |

Shooting

(See shooting sports guides at www.scouting.org. Note: Shooting at each other is prohibited.)

| | | | | | | |
|---|--|--|--|--|---|--------------------------|
| Centerfire/Large-Bore Rifles | | | | | | Venturers and Sea Scouts |
| Pistols | | | | | | Venturers and Sea Scouts |
| Pistol Safety and Marksmanship Programs | | | | | | Council-Ran Program |
| Specialty Programs—Cowboy Action Shooting | | | | | | ✓ |
| .22 Rifle | | | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Archery—Field | | | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Muzzleloaders | | | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Shotguns | | | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Specialty Programs—Airssoft | | | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Specialty Programs—Chalkball | | | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Air Rifle (quest game) | | | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| BB Guns | | | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Archery—Target, Action (moving targets) | | | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Slingshots/Wheel Rockets | | | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Catapults/Trebuchets | | | | | ✓ | ✓ |

Camping

(See Guide to Safe Scouting: www.scouts.org/healthanddev/pdf/590-203.pdf)

| | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|--|
| Unit-Coordinated Camping | | | | | | Camping at a Den or Pack at Council's Designated Locations |
| Council-Coordinated Camping | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |

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Vehicles

| | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|--|
| All-Terrain Vehicles (ATV) | | | | | | Agreement Council the Only We Sell the |
| Personal Watercraft (PWC) | | | | | | Agreement Council the Only We Sell the |
| BMX Biking | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Mountain Biking | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Motor-Day Trip | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |

Rope and Climbing

| | | | | | | |
|--|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Climbing (when these steps occur activities) | | | | | | ✓ |
| Lead Climbing | | | | | | ✓ |
| Snow and Ice Climbing | | | | | | ✓ |
| Belaying | | | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Rack Climbing | | | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Amusements—Aerial Adventure Parks | | | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Amusements—Coney Tiers | | | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Amusements—Zip Lines | | | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Rappelling | | | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| COPE | | | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Rockclimbing | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Climbing (Age appropriate non-rock facility) | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |

Aquatics

(See www.scouting.org for Safe Swims, Lifelines, and Safety Manual for restrictions based on skills, such as swimming ability, rather than age.)

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| Aerial Towed Activities (swimming, jumping) | | | | | | Not Authorized |
| CSF Jumping, High Dives | | | | | | Not Authorized |
| Swimmers Swim Races in Open Water | | | | | | Sanctioned Events |
| Public Sports: Youth Operated on Class II or Above Whitewater | | | | | | Agreement Council Program Only |
| Personal Water Craft (PWC) | | | | | | Agreement Council Program Only |
| Public Sports: Whitewater With Professional Guide on Board | | | | | | ✓ |
| Public Sports: Youth Operated on Class I or II Whitewater | | | | | | ✓ |
| Motorboats: Youth Operated (with some restrictions) | | | | | | ✓ |
| Overnight Cruise on Live-Aboard Vessel | | | | | | ✓ |
| Sailboats and Sailboards: Youth Operated | | | | | | ✓ |
| Surfing in Open Water | | | | | | ✓ |
| Scuba | | | | | | ✓ |
| Surfing | | | | | | ✓ |
| Towed Activities (swimming, knee boarding, tubing) | | | | | | ✓ |
| Tubing (swimming in gently flowing water) | | | | | | ✓ |
| Public Sports: Youth Operated on Canoe or Gently Flowing Water | | | | | | Passenger Only |
| Commercial Water Transport (canoe, motorboat, etc.) | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | Public Sports Include Canoe, Kayak, Paddle Boat, Raft, Rowboat, SUP |
| Day Hikes on Large Private Craft With Trained Adult Operator | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Swimming | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Surfing in Confined Water | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Water Parks, Slides, and Floating Attractions | | | | | | Appropriate Age Varies by Feature |

Caving (example Wind Cave, NP)

Reference Cave Safely Cave Softly for more information

<http://www.scouting.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/CaveSafelyCaveSoftly.pdf>

Cub Scouts and Webelos Scouts are encouraged to visit commercially operated caves and lava tubes

Scouts BSA—age youth are generally mature enough to enter “easy wild caves,” which means easily accessible, non-technical/non-vertical caves. A “wild cave” is anything that is not commercially operated with a professional tour guide.

Older Scouts BSA members, Sea Scouts, and Venturers should be ready to explore more technical wild caves.

Canyoneering (example Zion NP)

Scouting units participating in canyoneering must follow the guidelines set forth in Canyoneering Safely (<https://www.scouting.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/CanyoneeringSafely.pdf>).

Cub Scouts may hike ACA-rated Class 1 canyons with age-appropriate bouldering over obstacles or other steep faces without going more than a few feet off the ground with trained adult spotters. Cub Scouts may not participate in canyoneering activities in ACA Class 2 or higher canyons.

Webelos Scouts may hike in ACA-rated Class 1 and Class 2 canyons with age appropriate bouldering over obstacles or other steep faces without going more than a few feet off the ground with trained spotters. Webelos Scouts may not participate in canyoneering activities in ACA Class 3 or higher canyons.

Scouts BSA members may participate in canyoneering activities in ACA-rated Class 1 and Class 2 canyons with age-appropriate bouldering obstacles and trained spotters. They may also participate in canyoneering activities in ACA-rated Class 3 technical canyons. All bouldering moves should have appropriate spotters. Scouts BSA members may not participate in canyoneering activities in ACA-rated Class C canyons.

Older Scouts BSA members, Sea Scouts, and Venturers may participate in canyoneering activities in ACA-rated Class 1 and Class 2 canyons with age appropriate bouldering obstacles with trained spotters. They may also participate in canyoneering activities in ACA Class 3 and Class C canyons. All bouldering moves should have appropriate spotters.

Bicycling/Mountain Biking (example Great Smokey Mtn NP and Chattahoochee-Oconee National Forest)

Biking – day trip

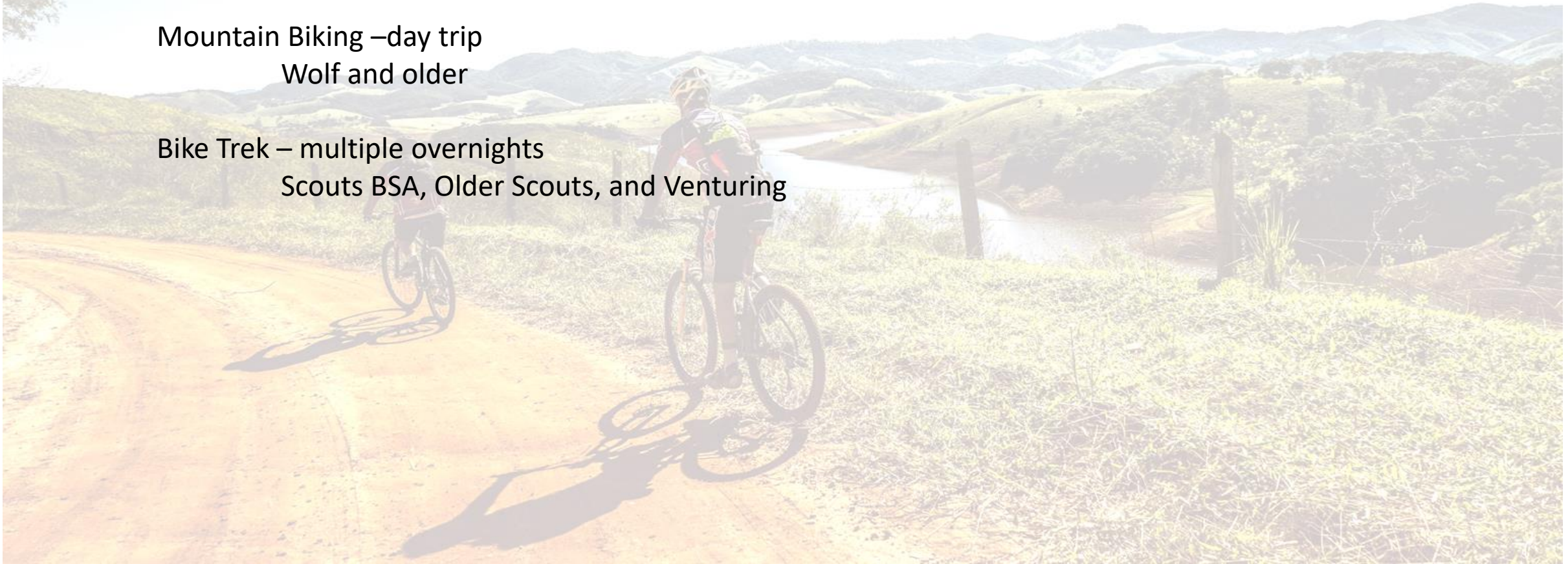
All Levels of scouting

Mountain Biking –day trip

Wolf and older

Bike Trek – multiple overnights

Scouts BSA, Older Scouts, and Venturing



Snorkeling (example Hanauma Bay State Park Hawaii)

<https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/19-176.pdf>

Cub scouts can only snorkel in confined water (pool)

Participant Ability: All participants in open-water snorkeling must either complete Snorkeling BSA requirements or be a certified scuba diver. Open-water is limited to Scouts BSA, Venturing and Sea Scouts.

NOTE:

Safe Swim Defense and Safety Afloat training programs are available online at my.scouting.org and may also be offered locally by instructors approved by the council aquatics committee or other council authority.

Aquatics Supervision: Swimming and Water Rescue and Aquatics Supervision: Paddle Craft Safety cover skills needed for Safe Swim Defense and Safety Afloat policies at the unit level. These training courses are provided locally by qualified instructors who are authorized by the local council.

Qualified Supervision: In addition to Safe Swim Defense training and the 21-year-old minimum age, the supervisor must be an experienced snorkeler. At a minimum, the supervisor must possess skills and knowledge matching the Snorkeling BSA Award and have experience with environments similar to those of the planned activity



Announcements

2022 National Outdoor Ethics & Conservation Conference

Where Education Meets Adventure!

November 10-13

Bert Adams Scout Camp,
Covington, Georgia

Check <http://outdoorethics-bsa.org>
for updates!



The Dan Howells Memorial Fund



The Dan Howells Memorial Fund was established to honor the memory of this passionate leader and his lifelong commitment to Leave No Trace and Scouting.

The fund provides partial scholarships to Scouting volunteers who could not otherwise afford to attend one of our BSA Leave No Trace Master Educator Courses.

Make a tax-deductible donation to the scholarship fund at <https://Int.org/give/other-ways-to-give/dan-howells-memorial-fund/>

NEW: Apply for a scholarship at <http://outdoorethics-bsa.org/DanHowellsMemorialFund.php>



Reflection



The Geography of Hope

“We simply need that wild country available to us, even if we never do more than drive to its edge and look in. For it can be a means of reassuring ourselves of our sanity as creatures, a part of the geography of hope.”

- Wallace Stegner, *Wilderness Letter* 1960



Questions?

Please share your feedback on this roundtable at
<https://tinyurl.com/OECCRT>

Next month's roundtable topic: