Recess
Backpacking
Sabine National Forest, TX
Trail between the Lakes
Spring Recess 2020

Registration closes February 9 at 4pm.

Pre Trip Meeting:
Wednesday February 5, 2020 - Required
7:00PM – Bring all gear to this meeting. We will assign group gear and teach you how to pack your backpack!

Wed February 12, 2020
4:00PM    Depart OAC
    *Dinner on the Road
8:00PM    Set Camp & Campfire

Thurs February 13, 2020
8:00 AM    Out on the Trail

Friday February 14, 2020
    On Trail

Saturday February 15, 2020
3:00 PM    Exit Trailhead
3:30 PM    Depart for Rice
    *Dinner on the Road
7:00 PM    Clean up at Rice
Wandering through Yellowpine Forests of East Texas, the Trail between the Lakes stretches from the Toledo Bend Reservoir on the Louisiana Border to Sam Rayburn Reservoir in East Texas. A lightly travelled trail, we expect to enjoy a quiet and isolated trek beginning with a night at Lakeview Campground on the reservoir shore. The train extends 28 miles total and crosses numerous creeks and drainages but elevation changes are small or gradual. There will be many opportunities to see small wildlife as the trail runs along streams and wildlife habitats. The trip is open to participants of all level, but good physical stamina is necessary to travel 7-10 miles a day carrying a 35 pound backpack. We hope you’ll join us for a rejuvenating Spring Recess in nature!
Gear List for Backpacking Trips

Please dress & pack appropriately for this trip. Make sure to bring everything listed below to ensure a comfortable and successful backpacking trip!

All gear that is listed as provided must still be rented out by each participant at the pre-trip meeting or some other time arranged with the trip leaders. There is no fee for this rental.

Required items we provide

- Backpack
- Sleeping bag
- Sleeping pad
- Tents
- Headlamp
- Personal Dishes
- Cooking equipment
- Meals on Trail

Required items we do NOT provide

- 1 pair of hiking boots or hiking shoes
- 2 bottles for water (storage for 2 liters)
- Medications (for allergies, stings, etc.) You must inform us if you take medication.
- Toothbrush & Toothpaste and other toiletries

Necessary Personal clothing

- 1-2 synthetic T-shirt/Long sleeve shirts
- 1 lightweight pants (zip-off preferable; NO jeans)
- 1 insulating pant layer
- 1 pair of synthetic shorts (opt.)
- 1 hooded rain jacket
- 1 Wind/water pant layer (resistant or proof)
- 1 insulating long-sleeve shirt
- 1 insulating fleece or jacket
- 2-3 pairs of hiking socks (synthetic or wool)
- 1-2 pairs of underwear
- Warm hat
- Gloves or mittens

Optional yet recommended

- Camera
- Journal & Pen
- Deck of cards/games
- Camp shoes (light weight; e.g. flip flops)
- Sun hat
- Sunglasses
- Sun-block
- Bandana(s)
- Small hand towel
- Water Bladder

Please leave jewelry and other non-essentials at home.

ROPE reserves the right to refuse involvement in the program to anyone not properly equipped.

Alcohol, tobacco, and recreational drugs will not be tolerated on any trips led by ROPE. If you have such items, do not bring them.