

GOOSE CREEK CIRCLE TRIP
SATURDAY MARCH 15, 2008 AT 9:30

WHEN: SATURDAY MARCH 15, 2008

WHERE: WILLIS LANDING IN ARAPAHOE

PADDLE DISTANCE: 8 MILES

TRIP DIFFICULTY: ** MODERATE

SKILL REQUIREMENTS: ** NOVICE TO INTERMEDIATE

**Please consider your paddle abilities and weather conditions when planning for this trip. If you have any doubt, contact your trip leader for advice. TRPC membership not required however applications available on site.

TRIP DETAILS: Goose Creek is one of the paddling jewels of Pamlico County. The lower half is bounded by towering marsh grasses. Upstream you first encounter a number of small islands, and then clumps of cypress and you eventually enter a dark, black-water cypress swamp.

PROVISIONS NEEDED: A type II or III PFD must be worn and properly secured. Dress appropriately for weather conditions wearing synthetics and in layers. Bring a change of clothes in a dry bag and do not forget your lunch and plenty of water.

LAUNCH TIME: No later than 10:00

TIME ON THE WATER: 4 hours. Off the water about 2:00.

SHUTTLE: None required.

DIRECTIONS:

TO PUT-IN: From New Bern take RT 55 East to Reelsboro. Turn right at the ABC store onto RT 1005 "Neuse Road." Staying on RT 1005 you will take a right in 1.8 miles and another right in 1 mile. In 1.5 miles, turn right onto RT 1110 "Goose Creek Road." Follow this for 2 miles. At this point Goose Creek Road goes straight ahead and South Goose Road takes a hard left. Go straight ahead for .2 miles. You will see a tall solid wooden fence on the right. Turn just before the fence and bear left for just over .2 miles to the landing. This is private property used by permission. Please park so as not to block the launch ramp.

TO TAKE-OUT: Not required, as this is a circle trip.

TRIP LEADER: Bob Kent (252) 249-0839 or rkent@coastalnet.com.

RSVP: Please let me know by e-mail or phone if you plan to come on the trip or if you have any questions. Hope to see you on the water.