

# **HARLOW CANAL PADDLE**

**Saturday August 2<sup>nd</sup> at 9:00 a.m.**

**WHEN:** Saturday August 2<sup>nd</sup> - 9:00 a.m.

**WHERE:** Harlow Canal, Clubfoot Creek and the Neuse River. Starting at the Harlow Canal Bridge off of SR1391 and ending at the Siddie Fields Recreation Area on the Neuse River

**PADDLE DISTANCE:** **About** 10+ miles

**TRIP DIFFICULTY:** \*\* DEMANDING

**SKILL REQUIREMENTS:** \*\* INTERMEDIATE to EXPERT

\*\* 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 are available at site.

**TRIP DETAILS:** Join other paddlers for an exploration paddle trip along the historic Harlow Canal. The trip will start with tidal current but quickly turn into a brackish creek paddle. Clubfoot Creek continues to open into a fairly wide waterway. Perhaps we will have the chance to explore Morton's Mill Pond and some of Mitchell Creek. The final 2 miles of the paddle are along the Neuse River shoreline. This section can be very challenging to paddle if there are strong winds from any direction but south. If wind conditions are unfavorable, route could be reversed to suit.

**PROVISIONS NEEDED:** A type II or III PFD must be worn and properly secured., dress for conditions, Don't forget your lunch, sunscreen and plenty of water

**LAUNCH :** No later then 10:00 a.m.

**TIME ON WATER:** 5 hour max. Off the water no later then 3 p.m.

**SHUTTLE:** Paddlers, please meet at the Harlow Canal Bridge off of SR1391, from there, we'll shuttle all cars to the take out.

**DRIVING DIRECTIONS TO:**

**PUT-IN:** Harlow Canal Bridge off of SR1391

Traveling east on US 70, turn toward Beaufort on SR 101 in Havelock. Continue on SR101 through Harlow and take a left at the first opportunity (.9 miles) "out of town". Road is marked with post on left side of road and is SR 1391. The bridge is .2 miles from turn

**TAKE-OUT:** Siddie Fields Recreation Area

Traveling NC101 about 6 miles from US70 in Havelock, turn onto Temple Point Road/SR1711. Proceed 2 miles and then turn left on SR1762. Follow past Pine Cliff Road to next road (FR167 gravel road) turn left and follow continuing to bear to the left to beach launch area.

**TRIP LEADERS:** Cal Hansen (252)637-3655 or [paddler@cox.net](mailto:paddler@cox.net)

**RSVP:**

Please let me know by e-mail or phone if you plan to come on the trip or if you have any questions