NEUSE RIVER and STREAMS
Core Creek, Turkey Quarter Creek and Green's Thorofare
SATURDAY – April 26, 2008 at 10:00 a.m.

WHEN: Saturday, April 26, 2008	- 9:00 a.m.	Meet at Core Creek Landing
	- 9:30 a.m.	Shuttle cars to Spring Garden Ramp
	-10:00 a.m.	Launch

WHERE: Meet at Core Creek Landing (near Fort Barnwell) - $3.00 launch fee per boat

PADDLE DISTANCE: 12.0 miles (about 5 hours on the water)

TRIP DIFFICULTY: ** Demanding (due to paddle distance!)

SKILL REQUIREMENTS: ** Intermediate (due to wind, blow-downs, and strong currents!)

** If you have any questions, contact trip coordinator. TRPC membership is not required; however, applications are available at the site.

TRIP DETAILS:
This will be a great spring exploration paddle in Craven County. We will begin the paddle trip in Core Creek and shortly join the Neuse River. About 3 ½ miles downstream we will leave the Neuse to explore the backwaters of Turkey Quarter Creek (4 miles). We will return to the Neuse only briefly until we reach the confluence of Green's Thorofare. Following the Thorofare for another couple of miles, we will return to the Neuse again and shortly arrive at the Spring Garden take-out. A lunch stop is planned along Turkey Quarter Creek (restrooms ONLY at launch site)

PROVISIONS NEEDED: A type II or III PFD must be worn and properly secured. Dress appropriately for weather conditions. Bring plenty of water and do not forget your hat, bug spray, and sunscreen.

DIRECTIONS:

TO PUT-IN: Core Creek Landing
From New Bern: take NC 55 almost to Fort Barnwell, about 1.4 miles past the Wintergreen Road intersection (Buzzard's Corner Store). Watch on your right for the entrance sign (on pole) to Core Creek Landing. I will attach a balloon to the sign a little before 9 a.m. in the morning. Turn right and follow the dirt road to landing.

TO TAKE-OUT: Spring Garden Landing Boat Ramp (12.5 miles from PUT-IN)
From the put-in, take Hwy 55 back toward New Bern 7.1 miles. Turn left at NC 1401 (Spring Garden Road) and follow for 3.6 miles. Turn left onto NW Craven Middle School Road. Road passes the Middle School and ends at the boat landing.

TRIP COORDINATOR: Cal Hansen paddler@suddenlink.net 252-637-3655

Please let me know by e-mail or phone if you have any questions. Hope to see you on the 26th for a fun trip.