

# **UPPER TRENT RIVER PADDLE**

## **SATURDAY JANUARY 27 at 9:00 a.m.**

**WHEN:** Saturday, January 27, 20076 - 9:00 a.m.

**WHERE:** Highway 58 Bridge to Middle Road's Wilcox Bridge

**PADDLE DISTANCE:** About 6.3 miles

**TRIP DIFFICULTY:** \*\* BEGINNERS to MODERATE (Water Flow Dependant)

**SKILL REQUIREMENTS:** \*\* BEGINNER TO INTERMEDIATE (Water Flow Dependent)

\*\* 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.

Reason for **CHANGE**: On the latest RECON paddles I learn that the water level under normal conditions on upper section of the Trent River there are too many portages around down trees and when the water level is up the current is running to fast for a safe group paddle trip.

**TRIP DETAILS:** This portion of the river wind its way through a hardwood and pine forest with interesting plant life along the way. Also in places there are moss covered limestone walls with interesting outcroppings. In one place there is an outcropping with trees growing on top that you can paddle under to get out of the rain. This part of the river reminds me of pictures taken on lakes in the upper mid western portion of our country.

Possible wildlife sighting are Red Tail Hawks, deer, Great Horned Owls, Blue Herons, Turkey Buzzards, Wood Ducks, Cinnamon Teal, Hooded Mergansers, wild turkeys and beavers, just to name a few.

**PROVISIONS NEEDED:** Suitable and approved PFD (must wear!), dress warmly wearing synthetics and in layers. Bring a change of clothes in a dry bag and don't forget your lunch and plenty of water

**LAUNCH:** No later than 9:30am

**TIME ON WATER:** 6 hour max. Off the water no later then 3:30.

**SHUTTLE:** **Paddlers, please drop your boat off at the HWY 58 Bridge by 9:00 and take your car to the Wilcox Bridge on Middle Road. There you will be shuttled back to the put in.**

### **DIRECTIONS:**

#### **To Put-In:**

**NOTE:** We will be putting in is at the HWY 58 bridge with steep embankment drop-off to river level and muddy conditions at where we will launch the kayaks/canoes from the river banks.

From the signal light on Highways 58 and 41 in downtown Trenton take Highway 58 north 4 miles to Trent River Bridge. The put-in is on the Trenton side of the bridge and to the left (East).

#### **To Take-Out:**

From the signal light on Highways 58 and 41 in downtown Trenton take Highway 58 north 3 miles to Middle Road. At this intersection you will find a historic site sign " Washington's Southern Tour" and a Calvary Memorial Church. Turn right and go 2.4 Miles to the Wilcox Bridge.

**From Put-In to Take Out:**

From the put-in to Middle Road go south on Highway 58 for 1 mile and turn left on Middle go 2.4 miles, to our take out at Wilcox Bridge.

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**RSVP:** Please let me know by e-mail or phone if you plan to come on the trip or if you have any questions. If at the last minute you want to come on the paddle, please do so even if you have not notified the trip coordinator.