

## TROOP 48 BSA -- TRIP INFORMATION

### OUTING: CHANNELS OF VIRGINIA 6-MILE DAY HIKE

- I. Dates and Key Times: Assemble CHPC: 8:00 AM August 8, 2020 (Saturday)  
Return CHPC: Approx. 2:00 P.M.
- II. Adult Leader NEEDS:  
Let Mrs. White know about availability to drive for carpooling by Friday August 7<sup>th</sup> noon.
- Provide transportation to and from the Channels, about 58 miles each way.
  - Enjoy hike with Scouts and families. Bring a camera, if desired.
- III. Cost: NONE
- IV. Uniform Expectations  
During entire trip: Informal Class B - wear proper hiking socks
- V. Activities and What To Bring (not an all-inclusive list, refer to Scout Handbook for hikes)

<u>Activity</u>	<u>What To Bring</u>
Trail finding	Compass and/or handheld GPS receiver, if available. - Especially if working on Second Class Req. 3b.
Hiking	Proper hiking clothes and shoes. ** Dress and bring clothes appropriate for weather conditions, including rain gear. Small day pack Sack lunch, snacks, and water Personal first aid kit - Especially if working on Tenderfoot Req. 4d Camera and/or smart phone  Face mask to use in parking lot or if any stops

### VI. Trip Description

Carpool and leave CHPC by 8:15 am. Follow I-81 north and exit just past Abingdon at Exit 24 (VA 80). Drive about 14 miles on VA 80 to Hyder Gap parking lot on left. Hike about 3 miles in and same 3 miles back out. Enjoy seeing and hiking (squeezing?) through unusual, ancient stone formations. For more detail and photos, look up Channels of Virginia on the Internet.

### VII. Contingency

Virginia Dept. of Conservation and Resources has posted on the Channels Natural Area Preserve webpage that: *the parking area is limited to 10 vehicles. If the parking area is full when you arrive, please come back another time. Parking along Highway 80 is not permitted, and violators will be ticketed.* The press release also stated: *"No parking" signs have been posted along the highway.*