Cub Scout Hiking Manual

Hike Number: 4

Hike Location: C&O Canal Lander Lock House to Catoctin Aqueduct

End of Lander Rd. South of Point of Rocks Rd. Brunswick, MD

Travel Distance: 27 miles from Ashburn Elementary School

Trail Head Location: Lock 29 Canal Access

Blaze Color: N/A

Map Number: 4-1 4-2







Ability Level:

Difficulty: Easy, 1.5 mile roundtrip

Description: The C&O canal towpath trail is level with a light gravel/dirt surface and is fully accessible. Great history with historical markers. Hike will start at the Lander Lock House and will pass Lock 29. Go West on the trail. The Catoctin Aqueduct has been restored and there is plenty of space to explore around it. The railroad tracks parallel the C&O Canal and trains frequently pass by. Some wildlife can be observed along this hike.

Facilities: Restrooms located near the Lock 29 boat ramp

Hazards: Lock 29 and the Aqueduct are open without fall protection. Bicycles also share the towpath. Single file hiking is recommended.

Cub Scout Adventure Requirements:

Tiger: Tigers in the Wild 1,2,3,4,6

Wolf: Call of the Wild 1,2,3,6

Paws on the Path 1-7