



Labor Day Weekend Trip to the Pecos Wilderness

Santa Fe National Forest, New Mexico

9:00 PM Thursday, August 29 to
4:00 AM Tuesday, September 3, 2019

Bus Trip Coordinator: Steve Fleischman, stephen.fleischman@verizon.net, 972.689.7317



Destination: High in New Mexico's Sangre de Cristo Mountains, between Las Vegas, Santa Fe and Taos, the Pecos River flows fast and clear. Conifer and aspen forests and mountain meadows cover the land below alpine tundra at tree line. Elk, mountain sheep, black bears and marmots forage at high elevations in late summer. Motor vehicles aren't allowed beyond our trailheads. The Pecos Wilderness offers some of the best backpacking in the southern Rockies.

Essential Logistics: Our chartered bus departs at **9:00 PM on Thursday, August 29, 2019** from the Walmart store parking lot located on the southwest corner of LBJ Expressway (I-635) and Midway Road. Look for the bus in the parking lot on the west end of

the Walmart, between the Walmart store and the Sam's Club store. Plan to arrive at the bus by 8:30 PM. to load your gear and settle in. The bus will not wait for late arrivals. Unlike past years when we've used a sleeper bus, our bus will have 56 seats. The trip is limited to 27 passengers, with two seats for each person to make sleeping on the bus as comfortable as possible. If you leave your car at Walmart, hide valuables from view. The Sierra Club, its leaders and Walmart are not responsible for the security of your car or its contents.



We will arrive in Las Vegas, NM at 6:00 AM Mountain Time on Friday morning and have breakfast at Charlie's Bakery and Café. All groups will arrive at one of two trailheads at either 8,100' (Cowles TH) or 8,800' (Jack's Creek TH) elevation between 9:00 and 10:00 AM Friday. Backpack four days and camp three nights on one of four hike itineraries that you choose. Itineraries range from 15 to 25 total miles. Each hiking party can accommodate as many as eight participants. On Monday (Labor Day) afternoon, each group will arrive at destination trailheads for the trip home. We'll eat dinner in Tucumcari, NM and then continue on to Dallas, arriving between 4:00 and 5:00 AM Tuesday.

Trip Options: Read the descriptions of our four trip itinerary options and select two preferences when you register. We try to grant participants one of their top two preferences. [Click here](#) to read a description of our backpacking trip difficulty rating scale. High altitude accounts for ratings that indicate more difficulty than would be warranted if altitude were under 8,000'. If you've not participated in a recent backpacking outing with the Dallas Sierra Club or you've never backpacked at the altitude of your preferred trip option, we encourage you to talk with the leader of your preferred trip before mailing your registration. We



encourage exploration beyond your previous experience, but want to steer participants to trip options that will be within their capability and enjoyable.

Trip 1: Cave Creek, Horsethief Meadows, Winsor Ridge Loop - Moderately strenuous.

This is a great introduction to the Pecos Wilderness. But it does cover a moderate number of miles and a couple of thousand feet of elevation change. The trip is suitable for beginners if you are in reasonably good shape and you keep your pack weight down.

Day 1: From the Cowles trailhead (8,200 ft), hike north on the Panchuela Creek Trail and then west on the Cave Creek Trail to a campsite along the creek (9,200 ft). Total miles: 4.2 with about 1,000 feet of elevation gain. **Day 2:** We will continue roughly northwest on the Cave Creek Trail and then north on the Skyline Trail to a beautiful campsite on the edge of Horsethief Meadow (9,800 ft). Total miles: only 3.1 with about 1,000 feet of gain and 400 feet of loss. **Day 3:** We will backtrack south on the Skyline Trail for a bit before continuing further south to a campsite near Stewart Lake (10,200 ft). Total miles: 4.7 with about 900 feet of gain and 500 feet of loss. **Day 4:** After breaking camp, we'll have a long downhill hike on the Winsor Ridge Trail back to the Cowles Trailhead. Total miles: 5.6 with about 2,000 feet of elevation loss. **Leader: Arthur Kuehne**, arthur@akuehne.com, 214.608.3210



Trip 2: Jacks Creek – Pecos Baldy Lake – Trailriders Wall - Moderately strenuous.

Day 1: From a start at the Jacks Creek Trailhead (8,800'), Trip 1 hikes north about 4 miles, edging west of Round Mountain, to make a first camp at 10,300' near Jacks Creek. **Day 2:** The group continues 3 miles to make camp for two nights near Pecos Baldy Lake (11,500'). That afternoon or the next morning, Trip 1 will day hike a total of 2½ miles to summit East Pecos Baldy (12,500'), immediately beyond Pecos Baldy Lake. The summit offers outstanding views and a chance of spotting mountain sheep. **Day 3:** The activity is a day hike of 3 to 4 miles round-trip onto the relatively broad, flat crest of the Sangre de Cristo mountain chain known as Trailriders Wall, known for its alpine tundra vegetation and vistas. The order and timing of day hikes from camp at Pecos Baldy Lake may be rearranged to suit weather conditions and group energy levels. **Day 4:** will be downhill backpacking (6.4 miles) to meet the bus at the Jacks Creek Trailhead in the late afternoon. Trip 2 is 13 miles of backpacking and about 6 miles of day hikes. **Leader: Lynn Marple**, mlmarple@gmail.com, 972.345.5528

Trip 3: Cave Creek and Mountain Lakes Loop - Strenuous *due to 2,000' uphill on first day.*

Day 1: Starting from the Cowles Trailhead (8,100'), Trip 2 hikes through the Panchuela Campground to follow Cave Creek gradually upstream to camp in a broad saddle south of Horsethief Meadow (6 miles) at 10,100'. Cave Creek takes its name from disappearance into a cave visible from the trail. **Day 2:** hikers will head southwest on the Skyline Trail, then northwest to pristine Lake Johnson (11,200' and three backpacking miles). Lake Johnson, tucked below Redondo Peak, fills a glacial cirque. **Day 3:** Trip 2 moves 3 miles southeast to camp near spring-fed Stewart Lake (10,200'). **Day 4:** Follow the Winsor Ridge Trail 6 miles downhill to the Cowles Trailhead. The complete loop hike is 21 miles of backpacking. **Leader: Greg Holman**, greghol937@sbcglobal.net, 214.398.8061

Trip 4: Truchas Lake Loop - Very strenuous *due to a net 2,800' uphill walk on the first day.*

Day 1: From the Jacks Creek Trailhead (8,800') Trip 4 follows T 25 (Jacks Creek) and T 257 (Pecos Baldy Lake), hiking 6.4 miles north to camp near Pecos Baldy Lake at 11,500'. **Day 2:**

Proceed north on T 251 (Skyline) and along the wide, level Trailriders Wall, to camp at Truchas Lake (11,860'). Distance for the day is about 5.2 miles plus any exploration around the Truchas Lakes or Truchas Peak. **Day 3:** Head initially east on T 251 (Skyline) then turn south on T 257 (Pecos Baldy Lake) and T 246 (Chimayosos) to camp at Beatty's Meadow (outside of restricted area) (Elevation 9,400'). Distance for the day is about 6.8 miles. **Day 4:** Head south on T 25 (Jacks Creek) to return to Jacks Creek TH. Distance for the day: 6.8 miles with a net uphill gain of 1,200' and a net downhill loss of 1,800'. Trip 4 involves 25 miles of mostly backpacking. **Leader: Jake Trousdale, jake.trousdale@gmail.com, 214.244.4887**

Cost: The trip cost is \$345. We recommend sending your reservation as soon as possible because this trip may sell out several weeks before departure in recent years.

How to Sign Up: After carefully reading this complete trip write up, the trip descriptions, cautions and restrictions:

1. Complete the **Trip Participant Form** listing your first and second trip preferences. You will be contacted if, for some reason, your preferences can't be accommodated.
2. Complete the **Medical Information form**. Be sure to list any medical data such as drug allergies, medical conditions, etc., which could affect medical treatment in case of an accident or illness. **Participants agree to notify the Bus Trip Leader before the trip date if there are any changes to the information provided on their Medical Information Form.**
3. Read and sign the **Sierra Club Release of Liability**. You will not be allowed to participate on this trip unless you sign the liability release.
4. **Send the required forms and payment** (check or money order for **\$345** payable to "Dallas Sierra Club") to **Stephen Fleischman, Trip Registration Coordinator, 3805 Dutton Drive, Plano, TX 75023**. You may contact Steve at stephen.fleischman@verizon.net or call him at **972.689.7317**. You are not signed up for the trip until your check and all three forms are received and you have been accepted by the trip leaders. Forms must be mailed or hand-delivered and include original signatures. No copies, faxes or scans of the release of liability will be acceptable. (Our legal advisors are sticklers.) Please print the forms single-sided and don't alter, reduce or staple.

Trip Acceptance / Questions: If you have a question about whether your registration has been received or whether space on a preferred trip option is available, contact **Stephen Fleischman** at the address in the previous paragraph. If you have a question after reading this complete trip description about a particular hike option or preparation for the trip, contact the appropriate trip leader or Bus Trip Leader, **Stephen Fleischman, stephen.fleischman@verizon.net, 972.689.7317**. Trip leaders reserve the right to determine whether a particular trip is suitable for a prospective participant, based on experience, health, equipment or other factors. If the trip is deemed not suitable for the prospective participant, the trip fee will be refunded in full.

Wait List: If no space on the trip is available when a complete registration is received, the Trip Registration Coordinator will advise you. At your option, we will retain your check, depositing it if and when a place becomes available, or shred your check and forms. Wait list priority goes to the registrant with the earliest complete registration. There are typically some cancellations in the month before trip departure.

Cancellation Policy: Notify the bus trip coordinator if you must cancel. There is a \$60 fee for cancellations through July 31, 2019. There will be **no refunds for cancellations after July 31**. See the Travel Insurance paragraph below. On rare occasions the Dallas Sierra Club must cancel or change trips. If this occurs, our responsibility is limited to a refund of any trip fees you have already paid to the Dallas Sierra Club. The Dallas Sierra Club is not responsible for airfares or other payments or costs you incur that are a consequence of a trip cancellation or change.

Travel Insurance: We suggest travel insurance to cover non-refundable expenses. Travel insurance may also cover trip-related evacuation and medical expenses. The national Sierra Club recommends Travelex for travel insurance: <http://www.travelexinsurance.com/>. Optional coverage for this trip should cost less than \$50, depending on age.

Transportation and Seat Assignments: We ride in a chartered bus with professional drivers. Seat assignments are based on the order that forms (including checks) are received. The sooner your check is received, the better chance you'll get your seating preference. Please indicate your seating preference – front, middle, or back of bus – on your Participant Preference Form and note the name of anyone you want to sit near you on the bus.

Bus Survival: The bus may be cool at night, so bring a blanket or light sleeping bag. You may find it easier to sleep if you also bring earplugs, a sleep mask, and neck pillow. Have a jacket available on the bus no matter how warm or dry it is when we leave Dallas. It is often near freezing when we arrive at the trailhead. Bottled water will be provided on the bus for the outbound bus trip. You are encouraged to stay well hydrated. In addition to water, beer and soda will be provided on the return trip.

Carry-ons: Space is limited on the bus. Please limit carry-ons to what that will fit in or under your seats or in the small overhead racks. There's ample room for backpacks in the cargo holds beneath the bus floor.

For your safety and as a courtesy to your fellow bus passengers:

- No glass containers are allowed on the bus as they can break, causing a hazard and mess.
- No perfume or cologne – some people are highly sensitive to the scent.
- Smoking (or vaping) is not allowed in the bus or around the bus.
- Electronic, musical and game devices may be used on the bus only with earphones or muted so they cannot be heard by those around you.
- Please try to make any necessary calls during our rest stops. Make cell phone calls on the bus only when absolutely necessary. Phones must be turned off during quiet hours on the bus.
- If you have questions or requests during the trip please chat with the bus leader or a trip leader. We want the driver to concentrate on the drive and not deal with possible conflicting information or instructions.

Minors: Minors (under 18) may participate when accompanied by a parent or legal guardian and the appropriate liability release has been signed.

Experience and Conditioning: Participants should be in good physical condition. If you can walk around White Rock Lake (9 miles) with a pack in under three and one half hours in cool weather without being overly taxed, you're probably in adequate shape for at least the easier trips. We encourage you to discuss your experience with the Bus Trip Coordinator or one of the trip leaders if you have any doubt about the suitability of the outing for you.

Weather: High temperatures for late August typically range from 60 to 80 degrees F, depending on elevation. Lows are typically in the mid to upper 30s to 50s, depending on elevation. Afternoon thunderstorms and a sudden temperature drop, followed quickly by clearing, though more typical July and early August weather in the Pecos Wilderness, are definitely possible in late August and early September, make rain gear essential.

Gear: Each person is responsible for bringing personal food and equipment. Arranging to share with a friend is fine. Contact trip leaders before departure if you'd like advice about gear. If your loaded pack weighs more than 25 or 30 pounds before water, you should probably lighten your load. Novice backpackers often learn they have packed excessive weight.

Basic equipment: You need a lightweight tent for shelter from rain, a sleeping bag suitable for temperatures in the 30s and a sleeping pad to insulate you from cold ground. You need a backpack and a pack cover or liner to protect from rain. Bring water containers (See “Water” paragraph), a headlamp (much more satisfactory than a flashlight) and personal first-aid and health items, including a lightweight trowel and toilet paper plus a zip-lock bag for used paper. Bring 30 to 50 feet of cord and a waterproof sack so you can bear-bag your food, trash and toiletries.

Food: Bring enough for three breakfasts, four no-cook lunches and three dinners. Bring a small stove and fuel for cooking unless you plan to share cooking with a friend. We don’t build fires, making leave-no-trace camping easier and avoiding ember burns on clothing.

Clothing: Lightweight, versatile layers are key to comfort, given the temperature range we will experience. Five layers for your torso are recommended (including a rain/wind shell) and two layers for your legs. (One of those layers could be rain pants, which double as good thermal protection.) Cotton and denim are chilly and heavy when wet. Lows in the 30’s make hypothermia a threat. Wear tested boots and two layers of socks (thin sock on the inside to preclude blisters), gloves and a cap to keep your head warm at night. You’ll need a hat, sunglasses and sunscreen for UV protection.

Cash: Bring cash for Friday breakfast in Las Vegas, NM and Monday dinner in Tucumcari. (Paying restaurant checks with cash is generally faster than processing credit cards.)

Even when day hiking, take a jacket, rain gear, hat, food, water, flashlight, first-aid kit, whistle, matches and lightweight space blanket. If you twist an ankle or get lost, these essentials could save your life if you must spend a night away from camp.

Water: There are pumps with potable water at the Panchuela Campground (1.5 miles from Cowles on the Trip 1 route) and at the Jacks Creek Trailhead. Beyond these points, water for drinking must be treated by tablets, filtration or boiling. Stream or lake water will be available daily at one or more points on each trip. Unless your trip leader advises otherwise, bring containers for four liters, but there will be days when you may safely carry some containers empty. **DON’T fill water containers that will be carried in the under-bus cargo.** A leak could wet gear and ruin the trip for several people.

Maps: Trip leaders will have a topographic map of the area where your trip will be hiking. You may ask your leader to view her or his map or bring your own. The U.S. Forest Service sells a 2004 Pecos Wilderness map for \$10. Call the Pecos/Las Vegas Ranger District at 505.757.6121 if you’d like to order. A Trails Illustrated “Santa Fe, Truchas Peak” trail map #731 is easier to read and lighter. This map is available from Amazon.com, other on-line vendors and some local outlets.

Leave No Trace: Leave-no-trace wilderness ethics are expected of all participants. All trash must be packed out; human waste buried and used toilet paper should be packed out. (Bring a zip-lock bag.) We disallow ground fires at all trail camps. Pets, firearms and smoking are not allowed, for both safety and consideration of others.

Bear Bags: Bears live in the Pecos, although it’s rare to see one. Smaller nibblers are more likely to pursue food left on the ground, even in bags. Prepare to hang items that smell in a bear bag each night and follow these guidelines:

- Don’t eat in your tent or store food or items with food spills in your tent.
- Prepare meals away from your sleeping area.
- Disperse cooking water over a wide area, away from camp.
- Store trash in your food bag (within a separate plastic bag).
- Pack out all leftover food and trash.

Medical: Our leaders have trained for wilderness first aid, but they are not medical professionals. Participants are encouraged to bring first aid supplies for personal use and a basic knowledge of how to deal with emergencies. Inform leaders if you have a medical condition such as controlled diabetes, heart problems or allergic reactions that could require special emergency treatment. Carry medications for these conditions and tell the leader where you store them. If you're extremely allergic to bee stings, poison ivy or anything else we could encounter, ask your doctor if you should carry an antidote kit. Medical information you provide may be shared with medical professionals who treat you in the event of injury or sickness.

Group = Safety: The Sierra Club prohibits individuals from leaving the led group (the leader and those participants with the leader) to do separate day hiking or other activities. If you leave the group, you do so at your own risk. Participants who leave the led group against leader advice will be asked to sign out of the trip and will no longer be part of the trip. If you take that risk, please don't hike alone. Most deaths in wild areas occur when a solo hiker becomes incapacitated and dies of hypothermia or dehydration before being found. When leaving camp, especially at night, be careful to not get disoriented and lose your way back. If you do get lost, stop and wait to be found, preferably on a trail; don't wander.

Trip Leaders: Our leaders are volunteers. They lead because they love backpacking and wild places and they're eager to share their delight and skills. Don't expect them to provide food or gear or to carry yours. Trip leaders may change the planned route due to group capabilities, weather or safety concerns. Following trip leader directions is important for group safety. If you don't obey the leader's instructions, you assume consequent risks. Don't expect leaders to do more than notify public authorities if you become separated from the group. Leaders are not allowed to search for missing people at night and may not put others in the group at risk to search for lost participants.

Scared? Relax. The Dallas Sierra Club has conducted outings for more than forty years without major injuries. If you're in reasonably good physical condition and select a trip option matching your capabilities, these trips are reasonably safe. The cautions and disclosures of risk are presented to help you make an informed decision about participation. Hopefully, they will also encourage participants to act with due care so we can all have a good time.

California Seller of Travel Law: Because the Sierra Club is a California nonprofit corporation and California has a "Seller of Travel" law, we're required to post this notice:

CST 2087766-40. Registration as a seller of travel does not constitute approval by the State of California.



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Medical Form

Print this form. Complete and mail it with your check or money order and other forms to Steve Fleischman, 3805 Dutton Drive, Plano, TX 75023.

This form is for leaders to evaluate health needs as part of trip planning and for use in emergencies. After reviewing the form, a leader may contact you to discuss whether the trip will be safe and enjoyable for you, considering your medical history. We will keep the information on this form confidential. It will be seen only by leaders, medical personnel, or others who know and understand its confidential nature. The form will be destroyed after the trip.

General Information

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____ Nickname: _____
 Address: _____ Gender: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Mobile Phone: _____
 Email Address: _____ Date of Birth: _____
 Height: _____ Weight: _____ Blood Pressure: _____ / _____ Resting Heart Rate: _____ bpm

Emergency Contact: _____ Relationship: _____
 Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Mobile Phone: _____
 Secondary Emergency Contact: _____ Relationship: _____
 Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Mobile Phone: _____

Evacuation and Medical Insurance Information

We strongly encourage you to have medical and evacuation insurance and to bring your insurance card or other documentation with you on the trip.

Evacuation Insurance	Medical Insurance
Company Name:	Company Name:
Policy Number:	Policy Number:
Contact Phone Number:	Contact Phone Number:

Allergies

Include medicines, foods, animals, insect bites and stings, and environment (dust, pollen, etc.). NONE

Allergy	Reaction	Medication Required (if any)

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Medical History

Please list all prescription, over-the-counter, and natural medications you are taking. Use a separate sheet if necessary.

Medication Name	Dosage	Frequency	Side Effects (known & potential)	Reason for Taking

Do you currently have, or have a history with, the following conditions (explain in blank and use separate sheet if necessary):

- Yes No Respiratory problems, Asthma, Do you smoke _____
- Yes No Diabetes _____
- Yes No Gastrointestinal problems _____
- Yes No Cardiac problems, Hypertension _____
- Yes No Neurological problems, Seizures _____
- Yes No Vision or Eye problems _____
- Yes No Hearing problems _____
- Yes No Bone, Joint, Muscle problems _____
- Yes No Head trauma, Traumatic Brain Injury _____
- Yes No Substance Abuse, Anxiety, Depression _____
- Yes No If female: Are you pregnant _____
- Yes No Have you had an illness within the last 12 months _____
- Yes No Have you had surgery or been hospitalized in the last 12 months _____
- Yes No Have you ever had problems related to exposure to altitude _____
- Yes No Any other health complaint or medical issue that would affect your participation in this trip _____

If YES, please explain _____

Date of last tetanus immunization: _____ Date of most recent physical: _____

Physician's name: _____ Phone number: _____

Address: _____

Please have physician sign if your leader requires a physical prior to trip

Physician's signature: _____ Date: _____

The information provided here is a complete and accurate statement of any physical and psychological conditions that may affect my participation on this trip. I realize that failure to disclose such information could result in serious harm to myself and other participants. I agree to inform my trip leader should there be any changes to my health status prior to the start of the trip. I understand the outing may require vigorous activity that is both physically and mentally demanding in isolated areas without medical facilities. **I am fully capable of participating on this trip.**

Trip Name: Pecos Wilderness Bus Trip _____ **Trip Dates:** Aug 29 – Sept 3, 2019 _____

Signature (required): _____ **Date:** _____

Print Name: _____



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Preference Form

Pecos Wilderness Bus Trip
August 29 – September 3, 2019

Print this form. Complete and mail it with your payment and other forms to
Steve Fleischman, 3805 Dutton Drive, Plano, TX 75023.

PARTICIPANT NAME: (printed): _____

TRIP PREFERENCE:

Trip choice (Trip 1, 2, 3, 4) 1st choice: _____ 2nd choice: _____

SEAT PREFERENCES: We assign preferred seating to trip leaders, then try to honor preferences according the date the Bus Trip Coordinator receives your complete set of forms and payment.

I'd like to seat in the: Front Middle Back No preference

Sit together with (if you have a preference): _____

BACKPACKING EXPERIENCE:

Have you participated in a previous Dallas Sierra Club bus trips? Yes No
If yes, where and when was your most recent trip?

Have you backpacked before? Yes No

If yes, where and when? _____

Have you backpacked at altitude above 10,000 feet? Yes No

How did you learn about this trip? _____

Are you a Sierra Club member? Yes No

The Bus Trip Coordinator or one of the trip leaders may contact you to review your preparedness for a trip, particularly if you've not backpacked on a recent Dallas Sierra Club trip. We want your trip to be a safe and enjoyable experience.

I have read the attached trip descriptions in full and I understand the described difficulties and risks associated with the trip choices I have selected above. I have no undisclosed health problems that could require me to need immediate medical attention and I am in sufficiently good physical condition to participate in the trip options I have selected. I understand that immediate medical assistance will not be available if I become ill or injured while on this trip, that evacuation could take days if I do become injured, and that **I am responsible for any evacuation and medical costs that may be incurred, should I need medical attention.**

SIGNATURE of adult participant: _____ Date _____

SIGNATURE of legal guardian if participant is a minor: _____ Date _____

Acknowledgment of Outing Member Responsibility, Express Assumption of Risk and Release of Liability,

Pecos Wilderness Trip, August 29 – September 3, 2019

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An original signature is required on this form. A scanned signature is unacceptable.

I understand that during my participation in this Sierra Club Outing, I may be exposed to a variety of hazards and risks, foreseen or unforeseen, which are inherent in each Outing and cannot be eliminated without destroying the unique character of the Outing. These inherent risks include, but are not limited to, the dangers of serious personal injury, property damage, and death ("Injuries and Damages") from exposure to the hazards of travel and the Sierra Club has not tried to contradict or minimize my understanding of these risks. I know that Injuries and Damages can occur by natural causes or activities of other persons, animals, trip members, trip leaders and assistants or third parties, either as a result of negligence or because of other reasons. I understand that risks of such Injuries and Damages are involved in adventure travel such as Sierra Club Outings and I appreciate that I may have to exercise extra care for my own person and for others around me in the face of such hazards. I further understand that on this Outing there may not be rescue or medical facilities or expertise necessary to deal with the Injuries and Damages to which I may be exposed. In consideration for my acceptance as a participant on this Outing, and the services and amenities to be provided by the Sierra Club in connection with the Outing, I confirm my understanding that:

- I have read any rules and conditions applicable to the Outing made available to me. I acknowledge my participation is at the discretion of the Bus Trip Coordinator and my trip leader.
- The Outing officially begins and ends at the location(s) designated by the Sierra Club. The Outing does not include carpooling, transportation, or transit to and from the Outing, and I am personally responsible for all risks associated with this travel. This does not apply to transportation provided by the Sierra Club during the Outing.
- If I decide to leave early and not to complete the Outing as planned, I assume all risks inherent in my decision to leave and waive all liability against the Sierra Club arising from that decision. Likewise, if the leader has concluded the Outing, and I decide to go forward without the leader, I assume all risks inherent in my decision to go forward and waive all liability against the Sierra Club arising from that decision.
- This Agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by law. If any provision or any part of any provision of this Agreement is held to be invalid or legally unenforceable for any reason, the remainder of this Agreement shall not be affected thereby and shall remain valid and fully enforceable.
- To the fullest extent allowed by law, I agree to **WAIVE, DISCHARGE CLAIMS, AND RELEASE FROM LIABILITY** the Sierra Club, its officers, directors, employees, agents, and leaders from **any and all liability** on account of, or in any way resulting from Injuries and Damages, even if caused by negligence of the Sierra Club its officers, directors, employees, agents, and leaders, in any way connected with this Outing. I further agree to **HOLD HARMLESS** the Sierra Club, its officers, directors, employees, agents, and leaders from any claims, damages, injuries or losses caused by my own negligence while a participant on the outing. I understand and intend that this assumption of risk and release is binding upon my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, and includes any minors accompanying me on the Outing.
- I have read this document in its entirety and I freely and voluntarily assume all risks of such Injuries and Damages and notwithstanding such risks, I agree to participate in the Outing.
- I have read, I understand, and I agree to the Cancellation Policy of the Dallas Regional Group, Sierra Club.

Printed name: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

If you are a minor (under age 18), your parent or legal guardian must sign this Agreement on your behalf.

I hereby agree and consent to the foregoing Agreement on behalf of the minor below.

Print Name and Age of Minor: _____ Age: _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian: _____ Date: _____