

Instructions for WACF Canoe Trip

We meet at the Fish Hatchery Family Fishing Area picnic tables near the lake, summer Friday mornings at 7:30 sharp and should be finished by about Noon. Cost is \$5/ person to cover our equipment costs. (That is peanuts for such an experience). Our hope and experience is that people who canoe through miles of WACF owned shoreline along Turkey Creek and the Ten Lakes later decide to support or continue to support WACF's efforts.

Dress for the weather. **Bring your own lifejackets**, a DNR requirement. We stop halfway at the former Pioneer Trails Scout Camp now owned by George Hardie. Most people bring a snack, water and such. Wear shoes/sandals you can go into a shallow creek with if necessary. Most people use our WACF canoes; some bring their own kayaks or canoes.

Please let me have your cell number where we can get you wherever you are. My cell is [513 543 6997](tel:5135436997). I'll call you early the week of the trip to be sure you're still "in the boat." Thanks for contacting us.

I am attaching a photo taken on one of our trips in 2011. A doe and her fawn were in the creek and surprised by our canoes. My granddaughter happened to be in the lead canoe with camera ready. The doe jumped into the woods. The fawn "charged" the lead canoe, then realized her mistake and jumped into the woods to find her mother. Nature watching is like fishing. Some days are more active than others, but over these years of canoeing through the Ten Lakes we have seen much flora and fauna! Every trip is different.



There are porta-potties at the launch and takeout sites, also a "two-holer" outhouse at the former scout camp we stop at in middle of trip.

Note, for those using a GPS or MapQuest put in the address of the DNR office --- 9822 N. Turkey Creek Rd., Syracuse, IN 46567, However, we park and meet at picnic tables, Family Fishing Area on the other (lake) side of the road.

At the end of the trip WACF has for sale colorful **"I Survived the WACF Ten Lake Canoe Trip"** tee shirts. You may have seen them around the lake. All sizes only \$10.

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