Cub Scout Hiking Manual

Hike Number: 15

Hike Location: Appalachian Trail: South Mountain Inn to Washington Monument State Park.

Travel Distance: 37.5 miles from Ashburn Elementary School

Trail Head Location: AT parking area at South Mountain Inn

6132 Old National Pike, Boonsboro, MD 21713

Blaze Color: White

Map Number: 15-1







Ability Level:

Difficulty: Moderate 4.5 miles roundtrip

Description: Nice hike on the AT up to Washington Monument State Park. The site of the first ever monument ever built to honor George Washington. The hike begins at the AT parking lot located directly beside South Mountain Inn. The AT crosses Alt. US40 at this location. Once you cross Alt. US40 follow the AT north. The AT will pass directly by the Washington Monument. The trail is well marked and there is signage to direct AT hikers through the state park. The trail has moderately steep hills and is rocky in some places. Wildlife and plant observation are good throughout the hike.

Facilities: Restrooms and water are available at Washington Monument State Park in the campground. Seasonal restrooms are available at the monument parking area. A water hydrant is located at the base of the trail leading up to the monument.

Hazards: Some rocky trail conditions. Sturdy footwear is recommended. Two uncontrolled road crossings.

Cub Scout Adventure Requirements:

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

Paws on the Path 1-7

Bear: Bear Necessities 1B,2,3

Fur Feathers and Ferns 1,2,4,5

Webelos: Webelos Walkabout 1,3,6

Arrow of Light: Outdoorsman B 1,2,4