

The River in Our Backyard
Chattahoochee River Canoe Trip
March 28, 2009

Paddle 11 miles of the Chattahoochee River from just below Capps Ferry to the Whitesburg Bridge Boat Ramp in this rare opportunity to explore the southern portion of the River in Our Backyard.

During this easy paddle trip, we'll pass feeder streams, view historic sites along the river, and practice our skills on a few Class I shoals. At the end of the paddle, our shuttle bus will take us to Painted Rock Farms to enjoy a gourmet lunch (provided) along the river's edge.

Sponsored by the Environmental Institute of Georgia and the Institute for Placed Based Learning.



To Register:

Complete the registration and trip agreement forms and send payment to Environmental Institute of Georgia by March 15.

For more information contact:
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Chattahoochee River Canoe Trip Registration

Each member of your party must complete and sign the agreement.

On the day of the journey, we will meet at Georgia Military College (GMC) in Fairburn at 8 a.m., where the EIOG bus will take us to the canoe site. During the bus trip, details regarding the Chattahoochee River and its Present condition will be shared.

Date: March 28, 2009

Time: 8 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Meet at: Georgia Military College
320 West Broad Street (On Hwy 29)
Fairburn, GA 30213

Contact: Connie Thomas Biemiller
connie@eiog.org or 770.314.6999

1. **Trip Date** March 28, 2009
2. **Your Name** _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone _____ Cell _____
Email _____
3. **Person to notify in case of emergency** Name: _____
Relationship: _____ Phone: _____



4. **Experience** Can you swim? [] Yes [] No Have you ever been paddling before? [] Yes [] No

5. **Medical** Please describe any medical or physical conditions which might affect your safety/health on the trip:

List any allergies (bee stings, mediations?) _____

6. **Dietary** Please specify any medical dietary restrictions (allergies) _____
Please understand that it may not be possible to accommodate specific food preferences or brand name beverage requests. You are welcome to bring additional beverages (no glass).

7. **Cost** Registration fee includes round-trip shuttle bus service and a gourmet lunch.
[] I will need a canoe and life jacket\$55
[] I will bring my own canoe/kayak and life jacket..... \$20

8. **Payment:** Mail this registration form, the agreement, and your check payable to Environmental Institute of Georgia by March 15 to:

Environmental Institute of Georgia
Attn: Chattahoochee River Trip
P.O. Box 2980
Fairburn, GA 30213

Chattahoochee River Canoe Trip Agreement

Release & Express Assumption of Risk by Trip Member & Limitation of Responsibility of Environmental Institute of Georgia, Institute for Place Based Learning, and Outdoor Wisdom Leadership School (hereafter referred to as EIOG, IPBL & OWLS).

Printed Name _____ Minor's Name _____

River _____ Trip Date _____

Trip participants must understand that river trips do involve risk. EIOG, IPBL & OWLS does not assume responsibility for injury to trip members, their belongings or for the time or expenses incurred, and therefore we require you to fill out and sign this agreement

1. Release and Assumption of Risk by Trip Member I, the undersigned, as a trip member on an EIOG, IPBL & OWLS trip, have been informed that EIOG, IPBL & OWLS has an excellent safety record and makes every reasonable effort to safeguard me, my family and my belongings. However, by reading and acknowledging this Express Assumption of Risk document, I acknowledge and appreciate that during the river trip, tour, or program in which I am participating with EIOG, IPBL & OWLS and its agents, employees or associates, that certain specific risks and dangers exist which are inherent in river paddling. I acknowledge and appreciate that these risks include loss of or damage to personal property, injury or fatality due to the capsizing of a canoe or other vessel, collision with a vehicle, vessel, rock, log, or tree, immersion in water and hypothermia (rapid and medically serious loss of body temperature), falling while aboard a vessel or on shore, accident or illness in remote places without medical facilities, physicians or nurses, water damage to my personal property and gear due to leaking bags or other containers, encounters with animals and wildlife and exposure to temperature extremes or inclement weather.

In consideration of and as part payment for the right to participate in EIOG, IPBL & OWLS trips or other activities and the services and food arranged for me by EIOG, IPBL & OWLS and its agents and associates, I hereby agree to accept any and all risks including the risk and danger of injury or death. I do voluntarily participate in this trip and the related activities with the knowledge of the dangers and risks involved, as stated above.

2. Limitation of Responsibility of EIOG, IPBL & OWLS (and/or its associates, outfitters, operators, cooperating agencies or employees) acts only as agents for the client in making arrangements for trips and/or all other travel services with common carriers and accept and assume no liability or responsibility whatsoever for any damages, injuries, fatalities, losses, or delays due to any cause whatsoever, whether to person or property in connection with any service, including, but not limited to, that resulting directly or indirectly from acts of God, floods, droughts, detention, annoyance, delays and expenses from quarantine, strikes, thefts, pilferage, force majeure, failure of any means of conveyance to arrive or depart as scheduled, civil disturbances, government restrictions or regulations, discrepancies, or change in transit over which it has no control.

EIOG, IPBL & OWLS shall not be held responsible for any act, omission, or event during the time passengers are aboard buses, or other common carriers which are not operated by EIOG, IPBL & OWLS and each trip member hereby agrees to release EIOG, IPBL & OWLS from any and all liability in connection therewith.

3. Rights, Minors, Medical EIOG, IPBL & OWLS reserves the right to accept or decline service to any person. As parent or legal guardian of a participant under 18 years of age, I have read and voluntarily agree that said minor may participate in this canoe trip, and I sign this release on his/her behalf. In addition, I give EIOG, IPBL & OWLS, its agents, employees, and associates permission to treat said minor in case of illness, injury, emergency, or accident. I hereby agree to follow all rules, regulations, and instructions of EIOG, IPBL & OWLS while on this trip. I also certify that I and any minor, on whose behalf I am signing, are physically and mentally capable of participating in these activities. Should emergency rescue, medical services or evacuation become necessary, the expenses are the sole responsibility of the client and not that of EIOG, IPBL & OWLS. Personal medical insurance is strongly advised.

4. Photographic Release I hereby agree to permit EIOG, IPBL & OWLS to take photographs and make film records of the trip without further recourse. I understand and agree that such photographs and/or film records may be used for commercial and/or promotional purposes.

5. Jurisdiction The Venue of any dispute that may arise out of this agreement or otherwise between the parties to which EIOG, IPBL & OWLS or its agents is a party shall be either Fairburn, GA, or Fulton County, GA.

I Have Read This Document. I understand that it is a release of all claims, which is binding on myself, my heirs, members of my family, personal representatives, and assigns. I understand that I am assuming all the risks inherent in river paddling. I voluntarily sign my name as evidence of my acceptance of the above provisions.

Signature _____ Date _____

(Signature of Participant or Parent or Legal Guardian if participant is under 18 years of age)