

Muddy Boots Hike: East Lakeshore Trail (Sinking Creek Branch)

Monday – Feb 12, 2024 (Rain date Jan 19)

Hike Description: Get to know the out-and-back trail near Greenback, Tennessee. Generally considered a moderately challenging route. This is a popular trail for birding, hiking, and running, but you can still enjoy some solitude during quieter times of the day. The trail is open year-round and is beautiful to visit anytime.

Length of Hike: 6 miles (or less if you turn back early) Elevation Change: 859 ft

Hike Leader(s): Gary Zika 281-960-4113 garyzika@gmail.com

Rating: Moderate

Meeting Location: We will **meet at 8:45 AM** at 100 Chota Road across from the Marathon gas station. There, we will give a quick rundown of the hike, restroom locations and provide driving directions. Car pools will be worked out at this meeting. Wheels rolling at **9 AM sharp.**

Location/Distance/Drive Time: Greenback / 15 miles / 20 minutes

Directions: Turn left (North) onto TN-444 (Tellico Pkwy) to US-321 N. Continue on US-321 N for 3.7 miles. Turn right onto TN-95 S and continue for 1.8 miles. Turn right onto Axley Chapel Rd and continue for 1.5 miles. Turn right onto Coytee Rd and continue for 0.3 miles and turn left into the parking lot.

Be Prepared: Hiking boots, water, snacks, and hiking poles are optional. Hiking involves some exertion and often walking on uneven surfaces with rocks and roots. While we do our best to describe any trail challenges and conditions, you are hiking at your own risk. No pets are allowed on the hike.

In the event of a situation requiring medical intervention during a hike, we suggest that each participant wear their **Name Tag** and bring a **Photo ID** (generally driver's license) and **Medical Information cards** (Health Insurance Card or Medicare + supplemental Health Insurance Cards)

Lunch: On your own. Open for suggestions

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No registration - Open to all Villagers & Guests - Just show up!