

Steve Urlocker Colorado BSA Itinerary

Day 0 -

Sunday, July 15th – SEATAC to Washington Park, Anacortes:

Arrive/Logistics/Paddling Essentials; The goal for the day is to take care of any last minute logistics, introductions and group goals, expedition overview, cover some preliminary paddle skills (loading kayaks, safety and gear intro, traveling as a group, on-shore safety) and get rested for the next days paddle.

Day 1 –

Monday, July 16th – Washington Park to Cypress Head/Pelican Beach,

Cypress Island:

Curriculum/Paddle/Explore; Our paddling will be determined by the current and wind, our goal is the Northeast beach called Pelican Beach approximately 7.5 – 9 nautical miles (3.5 to 4 hours paddling). The day will be flexible to gain more sea kayak specific skills, backcountry living skills, and some hiking and exploration as an option.

Day 2 –

Tuesday 17th – Cypress Head/Pelican Beach to Obstruction Pass, Orcas

Island:

Curriculum/Paddle/Relax/Explore; our camp is located at Obstruction Pass State Park and travel will also depend on current and wind. The paddle is about 6-8 nautical miles, which will take about 2-3 hours. Hiking and an extended day paddle are some options. We will also start thinking about tomorrow's transition.

Day 3 –

Wednesday 18th – Obstruction Pass to Spencer Spit, Lopez Island:

Paddle/Transition & Logistics/Relax; The goal for today will be meeting with the other group to swap stories and transition to the next adventure. We will paddle to Spencer Spit (4.5 – 5 NM) and camp at the group camping site, which has already been reserved, for our group.

At this point the groups will have switched and we will retrace or route in reverse incorporating any changes and or suggestions from the group.

Day 4 –

Thursday 19th – Spencer Spit to Obstruction Pass, Orcas

Day 5 –

Friday 20th – Obstruction Pass to Pelican Beach/Cypress Head, Cypress Island

Day 6 –

Saturday 21st - Cypress Island to Washington Park, Anacortes

We will paddle to Washington Park, wrap-up the course logistics and spend the rest of the afternoon swapping stories, relaxing and getting ready to leave to Seattle.