

As we continue to monitor the ever-evolving situation pertaining to the COVID-19 pandemic, we want to update you on how the current events will impact programs at the Summit this summer. We'd also like to share a few alternative options for those who may be affected so that you and your Scouts may experience High Adventure in as safe a way as possible.

In this time of adjusting to a "new normal", know that the safety of our Scout and Scouters is our top priority and that we will continue to update you as information becomes available. We are working with the BSA national organization along with State and Local officials to offer as many opportunities for adventure as possible in the safest environment possible.

**After recent communications with West Virginia State Officials and careful consideration, the difficult decision has been made to suspend all summer camping programs at the Summit Bechtel Reserve until July 1, 2020.**

Unfortunately, this means that at this time, all summer camping programs including Scout Camp and High Adventure sessions scheduled for the month of June have been cancelled. *\*If additional operational changes come about, rest assured we will communicate those to you in a timely manner.*

We understand that this delay in operations will affect numerous Scouting units who have registered for sessions in June and we are committed to contact every affected unit or crew personally to find the best possible solution. **Starting on Monday, May 4th, Summit Staff members will be calling the contact person for every affected crew or unit.** For information on what to do if your trek has been cancelled, please see the information provided below. We are currently working to provide additional opportunities later in the summer season and into the fall to accommodate all those who may be affected and hope to provide you with more information on those soon.

**The entire Summit Bechtel Reserve family thanks you for your continued understanding, support, cooperation and patience as we navigate these unprecedented events. Stay safe and Summit On.**

### **What do I need to do if my program/trek was cancelled?**

1. **Please do not call SBR; this will overwhelm the phone lines. Wait for SBR to contact you.** *SBR has emailed impacted units with this information. Your unit contact should check his/her email for additional information.*
2. **Expect a call from us.** Over the next few days, our staff will contact the lead advisor or contingent leader of affected units or individual registrations to assist with rescheduling later in the 2020 season or the 2021 season, work with the crew if a refund is needed, and answer any questions.
3. Please fill out our **COVID-19 UNIT PREFERENCE FORM**. Providing your preferences will help us to expedite a solution for you.
4. **Consider a Plan B.** With your Summit program canceled, you might be looking for a replacement adventure. Please consider available openings at Sea Base or Northern Tier.

### ***If your unit has been affected, your options are below:***

1. *Your unit can reschedule to attend the Summit later in Summer 2020 or Fall 2020. (Fall programs and dates will be added in the next few weeks.)*
2. *Reschedule your unit to attend the Summit for our Summer 2021 season. Your unit's fees will be the same as they were in 2020. (Your unit will not pay any fee increases for our 2021 season.)*
3. *Reschedule your unit to attend a different High Adventure Base. Both Northern Tier and Sea Base have 2020 availability. Your unit will have to meet the age and eligibility requirements for the preferred High Adventure Base.*
4. *Request a refund of your unit's paid 2020 fees. Refunds will be processed/returned to the unit in the same manner as they were accepted. Refund requests will take up to 4-6 weeks to process.*

Unit Preference Form link: <https://reservations.scouting.org/profile/form/index.cfm?PKformID=0x131139ad70>

**What do I do if my program/trek has not been cancelled, but I need to change or cancel our registration due to COVID-19?**

1. Please do not call SBR; this will overwhelm the phone lines. SBR representatives will be contacting those groups whose treks have been cancelled first, but will work to help all units whose participation may be affected due to COVID-19.
2. Please fill out our **COVID-19 UNIT PREFERENCE FORM**. Following our first round of calls to affected units, we will handle questions and adjustments in the order that they are received.
3. We are flexible on payment deadlines to provide you the greatest latitude to move forward. For existing reservation, please note that we are extending the April 30 payment deadline to May 31.

Direct Link to the Unit Preference Form:

<https://reservations.scouting.org/profile/form/index.cfm?PKformID=0x131139ad70>