Safety Plan for a Simple Trip (Wilderness Levels 1 & 2)

- 1. File travel plan with local authorities (park, sheriff, etc.).
- 2. Study map for access points for rescue & evacuation. Consult with local authorities as needed.
- 3. Take cell phones and verify service is available.
- 4. Emergency: have numbers for local sheriff, DNR, park manager, etc.
- 5. Know who has training in wilderness first aid, CPR, etc. Designate one of these individuals to be the sweep.
- 6. Participants complete Medical Form/Emergency Contact Sheet and bring along with insurance card and driver's license.
- 7. Give each participant itinerary information such as dates, route, locations of any lodging/camp grounds and all emergency contact phone numbers.
- 8. Each participant has trail map.
- 9. Wear loud whistle (blow 3 long blasts to signal an emergency.
- 10. Use common sense at all times.
 - a. watch for safety hazards like washed out trails;
 - b. be aware of stinging nettle, snakes, bad weather, ravines, etc.;
 - c. know your physical limitations-hydrate, lighten your pack as needed, etc.