**Staying Found Route 2 Talus Rocks**

**Trail Waypoints**: High Point TH -- S on West Tiger 3 -- SW on Talus Rock Trail -- SW to Section Line -- W on High School -- N on Adventure Trail -- E on Wetlands -- E on Bus Trail -- N to Around the Lake Trail -- E on Around the Lake -- TH.

| Students should demonstrate situational awareness by answering the following 5 questions during the hike: 1. Where are you?
2. Where are you going?
3. What route will you take to get there?
4. How long will it take?
5. What do you expect to see along the way?
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**Map Review Questions**

1. What is the total distance on our route?
2. What is our elevation at the trailhead?
3. What is the total hiking time at 1.5-2 mph if we have no stops?
4. Note some logical water stops.
5. If you were starting at 4 PM and had to be back at the TH by 7, what would be your turnaround time? Roughly where would that location be?
If well short of that, what would you do?
6. Options to get back more quickly if you had to?

**On the Trail Questions (Note the time when you start hiking)**

1. Heading out on the West Tiger 3 Trail from Tradition Lake trailhead, what should your approximate bearing be?
2. Not counting the Bus Trail and Around-the-Lake Trail, what are your first three checkpoints? What is the approximate distance to each one?
	* TMT
	* Talus Rock Trail
3. Based on an average 1.5-2mph pace, how long should it take you to reach each checkpoint from the Tradition Lake TH?
	* TMT
	* Talus Rock
	* Nook Trail
4. What is the distance and time you would expect to take to reach the big bend to the east after passing the TMT junction? What other landmarks or terrain features should be present when you round that bend?
5. How will the slope change after you make that first big turn?
6. What will your elevation be when you make the next big turn?
What will be your new bearing (roughly)?
7. What map information is available to tell you when you’re at the Talus Rock Trail junction?
8. What should be the approximate bearing of the Talus Rock Trail?
9. What would be an indicator that you had missed that junction?

**Talus Rock Trail**

1. Describe the nature of the terrain you should expect as you travel along the Talus Rock Trail (e.g. will it go steeply upward? Steeply downward? Traverse the slope?)
2. How long should it take you after making that turn onto the Talus Rock Trail before you cross the stream prominently marked on the map?
3. How long from there to the Nook Trail junction?
4. What are some indicators you could use to identify the Nook Trail junction, if the sign were missing?
5. Our planned path is onto the Section Line Trail. After the second Nook Trail junction, what are some indicators that you went the right way onto the Section Line Trail?
6. Note the time on your watch as you leave the Talus Rock junction:

**Map Questions: Nook Trail junction**

1. What should the terrain be like as you travel along the Section Line Trail?
2. Soon we’ll encounter multiple junctions close together where Section Line joins the Poo Poo Point Trail, the Gas Line Trail and the Bonneville Trail, then the High School Trail. We want to take the Adventure Trail. What indicators tell you which of these trail junctions you have reached?
	1. Poo Poo Point Trail Junction:
	2. Gasline Trail*:*
	3. Bonneville Trail Junction:
	4. Adventure Trail Junction:
	5. Note the time \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_and elevation\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ here.

**Adventure Trail Junction**

Follow the Adventure Trail to the Wetlands Trail, follow it to the Bus Trail, then cut left to the Around-the-Lake Trail and go right there back to the trailhead. Trace the route on your map.

1. What terrain should you expect as you turn onto the Adventure Trail? What should your approximate bearing be?
2. How long should it take you before you reach the Wetlands Trail junction*?*
3. How would you know you went too far?
4. What is the approx. bearing of the Wetlands Trail?
5. About how much time should it be to come up to Round Lake from the turnoff onto the Wetlands Trail? Which side will it be on?
6. What major handrail would tell us if we’d passed the lake without seeing it?
7. How will we know which way is the Gas-line (dashed) Trail and which way is the Bus Trail?
8. What information would we use to look for the spur from the Bus Trail over to Tradition Lake?
9. How long should it take to get back to the trailhead from this spur?
10. How many stream crossings are there along that section?

**FINAL REVIEW**

1. How well did your plan from the map match your expectations for each section?
2. When you were off, what was the typical reason?
3. What were the most useful pieces of information you found from the map and terrain?
4. What are your most important 2-3 takeaways from this exercise that you will use on your next hike?