

## Copeland Dike Hike Districts 9 and 13 | Kootenai

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The fourth 2019 hike for our Selkirk Cabinet Purcell Group (Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>) will be a low-level Kootenai River Valley hike between the Selkirk and Purcell mountains. This one is on the West side of the Valley at the Copeland Bridge and starts heading north or downriver.

To avoid the cold and fog, we will be leaving a little later on this one: **9:00AM** from the [Big Flag Parking Lot Bonners Ferry](#). If you want to be picked up at the 3Mile, let me know by email at least a day early.

For those of you who like the easy hikes, the whole trip will be level and only 6 miles with several stops. Usually lots of wildlife on these dike hikes. Our own group member Terry Howe will be giving us history lessons along the way.

Here is Terry Howe's description of the hike: This route starts at the West side of the Copeland Bridge and Follows District 9 and District 13 Dikes along the Kootenai River until it passes through a grove of cottonwoods out to a nice sandy beach in a bend. We'll eat our lunch there, maybe build a fire, then backtrack a half mile to the Kerr Lake Road. There we will have cars placed. The total distance of 6 miles. Happy Trails.

Here is the only online link, my [Google Earth Files](#) that describe the hike and some of what we will be seeing.

Please RSVP by email at least day early if you are coming.

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