Mandatory Requirements for Units Camping at Peaceful Valley Scout Ranch: COVID-19 Considerations (Revised 10/29/2020)

- Maximum group size of 25 at a campsite. A roster of all participants with name, parents name, e-mail, and phone numbers must be provided to the duty ranger along with the Departure Day Screening form upon check-in. These items are required by State and Elbert County Health directives in case contact tracing is required in response to a positive coronavirus test of a participant within 14 days of the outing. To meet required State and County Health Directives for Private Campgrounds, participants assigned to a campsite must operate independently from other groups/campsites even if from the same unit.
- 2. The attached DAC Departure Day Screening form must be completed by each participant *before* departing for the outing. The Adult-In-Charge/parent must determine if an individual youth or adult should stay home based upon the answers to the questions and the decision tree on the form. Temperature checks need to be performed before departure and daily at camp.
- **3.** All participants must have a BSA Annual Health and Medical Record (Part A & B) on file with the Troop. These forms must be accessible at camp and following camp for medical and social tracing needs.
- 4. The social distancing of at least 6 feet should be maintained at all times. <u>If unable to maintain the 6-foot</u> <u>distancing, masks are required to be worn.</u> This includes riding in vehicles to and from Peaceful Valley if transporting people from *no more than two different households*.
- 5. Participants must sleep in individual tents spaced 6 to 8 feet apart minimum, with the exception being family members from the same household following YPT policies. In *Scouts BSA* units, youth must sleep in a separate tent from their parent or guardian per BSA Youth Protection policies.
- 6. Additional items in the Troop gear: thermometer for temperature checks, bleach, face masks, nitrile or latex gloves, hand sanitizer, and a spray bottle (3 tablespoons of bleach to 1 quart of water) to disinfect the latrine and commonly touched surfaces at least 3 times per day. To be effective, bleach solution needs to be at "room temperature", 65-80 degrees, this can be difficult to maintain in outdoor environments.
- All participants should wash their hands <u>before and after</u> each meal, and after going to the bathroom. If unable to wash hands with soap and water, hand sanitizer must be used.
- **8.** Items should not be shared between participants unless they are disinfected between use. For example, axes, bow saws, pocket knives, pens, etc.
- **9.** Nitrile gloves and a mask must be worn when handling garbage bags, particularly if food has been scraped into the bag, to prevent the spread of the virus.
- **10.** Food planning and preparation: Minimize the chance of exposing food by using individual servings of prepackaged food as much as possible. Do not have shared items like condiments, dressing, or potato chips. Use packets of ketchup, mustard, and salad dressing, for example.
- **11.** Cooks must wear gloves and masks while preparing food, no more than two cooks per meal. Cooks should plate all meals in a clam-shell type container or plastic-wrapped plate. The plate should be put out so that individuals can pick it up while social distancing from the cooks. Use disposable flatware, plates, bowls, and cups as much as practical.
- **12.** The four-bucket method must be used to clean cookware and personal mess kit items. The four-bucket method includes a pre-wash, hot water wash, rinse, and sanitizer. If bleach is used as the sanitizer the water needs to be at room temperature 65-85 degrees for the bleach to be effective. Two individuals should be assigned to the group and individual equipment at each meal. Masks and gloves must be worn.