Application for Participation in the College of Wilderness Knowledge (CWK) programs and for the use of the Pine Bend Association's Birch Bend Campground by a Scouts BSA Unit* * or other youth group

Birch Bend is a private, relatively primitive campground, maintained by its members for their use and the use of authorized youth groups. The camp is inspected and licensed by Morrison County.

There are group campsites with patrol sites, picnic tables and fire rings. There is no electricity. There are pit toilets (latrines) and water is supplied from two wells with hand pumps. The water is tested annually for bacteria and nitrate and less frequently for agricultural chemicals. Most of the camp is heavily wooded. There is an open-air pavilion with a fireplace, picnic tables and a roof that will keep the rain off. There is a storm shelter at East Gate. There are no first aid equipment or facilities available at the camp.

Round Lake is a small recreational lake with little boat traffic. There is a swimming beach with a raft offshore that you may use. Birch Bend boats and canoes are available to use upon request, with adequate supervision from the unit. You may also bring canoes and boats for you use. There is a public landing on the lake. Birch Bend does not provide lifeguards at the beach or supervise water or other activities unless during a CWK course.

In applying for the use of Birch Bend, you are agreeing to follow and enforce all safety requirements of Scouting America as published in the current version of A Guide to Safe Scouting and that all swimming and boating activities will be conducted in accordance with Safe Swim Defense and Safety Afloat. You also agree to supervise the Scouts to ensure that their dress, language and behavior are consistent with the Scout Oath and Law and to ensure that the camp's grounds and equipment are treated with respect and left in an orderly and clean condition.

Contact Name | Phone Number | E-mail Address

Unit Type & Number | Charter Partner Name and Location

Camp Leader | Cell phone | Email address

Asst. Camp Leader | Cell phone | Email address

Arrival date | Depart date | Est. # of youth | Date application sent to CWK

Comments/Course requested

Please send application to: CWK_Programs@pinebend.org or call Jean Keller at 612-910-5838

**Scouts BSA Packs and Troops, Explorer Posts, Sea Scouts, Venturing Crews and other youth groups are eligible to use Birch Bend Campground.

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