

## DASIA August 22 Field Trip

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### **AUGUST 22 - SKUTUMPAH ROAD, GRAND STAIRCASE ESCALANTE NATIONAL MONUMENT**

Please be advised that registration for the August Field Trip to Skutumpah Road and the Grand Staircase Escalante NM is full at this time. You can still contact us for registration on a waiting list and we will advise if we do have any cancellations.

As for the trip, the route has changed a bit because of a roadway washout on Skutumpah Road at Bull Valley Gorge. This change up will shorten the length of the trip but on the positive side it will give us more time to take in and visit other locations.

We will begin by traveling to Kanab and in turn take the road to Johnson Canyon off Hwy 89. As we wind up the road we will get a chance to stop and view the old "Gunsmoke Movie Set" from the roadway area. We may get lucky and gain a closer look at this location and if so, we will talk about that on the morning of our trip.

At the top of Johnson Canyon the junction will take us onto Skutumpah Road where we will begin to see the white and pink steps of the Grand Staircase geology. Along the way, we will encounter Lick Wash, another point of interest and if time allows we can take in a short hike to this largely unknown, uncelebrated canyon carved into the White Cliffs of the Grand Staircase. What Lick Wash lacks in notoriety is compensated for by its incomparable beauty!

Our midday destination and ever so important lunch stop will be at Swallow Park which has a small lake and some shade. Don't forget your camp chairs as we grab some good grub and take in the sights. After our lunchtime break we will head back down the trail and venture onto the Glendale Bench road which will take us to the small town of Glendale on Hwy 89, just north of Mt Carmel Junction.

Please keep in mind that this schedule could change due to the August monsoon season and rain may come into play making road conditions such that we will take in another route. As always, we will keep you in the loop on any changes as we get closer to the August 22 departure date.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT WE WILL BE LEAVING THE PUBLIC LANDS INFORMATION CENTER AT 8 AM AND PLAN TO RETURN BY 6 PM, HOPEFULLY EARLIER!**

Once again, if you are interested in signing up for the waiting list, please give us a call, shoot us an email or stop by the Public Lands Center and we will advise on any availability.

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