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## "BACKCOUNTRY CACHE"

A Newsletter for Members of CMC Backpacking Section

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In the April Newsletter we advised BPX would follow CMC COVID19 protocols for gatherings, events, and trip plans. In conjunction with the State of Colorado's "Safer at Home" directives, CMC has canceled all activities through May and no overnight events are to be scheduled for June. Thus, all four BPX Gear Checks for May and June are canceled.

CMC COVID19 protocols may be found on [cmc.org](http://cmc.org)

<https://www.cmc.org/COVID-19andCMCProgramming.aspx>

Although CMC's newly issued protocols allow A and B classified trips within 10 miles of leaders' and members' residences all overnight trips are currently restricted. May and June BPX Trip options include moving the trip to a later date or cancel the trip. The BPX Trip Leader Coordinator has advised BPX Trip Leaders to cancel their May and June trips or move them to a later date. Leaders will then communicate with participants registered whether a new date has been selected or the trip has been canceled.

In accordance with the CMC COVID19 protocols, Jennie Popovitch, Director of Backpacking School, BKPS, announces it has also been canceled.

Gear Check registrants may consider the campsite fee as a donation to plans for a Fall BPX Gathering to hear highlights (and maybe some low lights) of the backpacking trips. Although specifics are yet to be determined, the preliminary plans are for an early October potluck gathering at an Open Space Park with recognition of BPX summer experiences for trips, trip leaders and members.

If registrants prefer a refund, contact [office@cmc.org](mailto:office@cmc.org) or 303/279-3080 X2.

During the "Safer at Home" timeline, "JOIN THE PACK" through these webinars:

Using AllTrails as a Navigation Aid - Jeff Stevens -

Monday 5/11

Rattlesnake Safety and Awareness on the Trail - Mary Ann Bonnell -

Tuesday 5/19

Delightful Dehydration Backpack Meal Planning & Prep - Carol Munch and

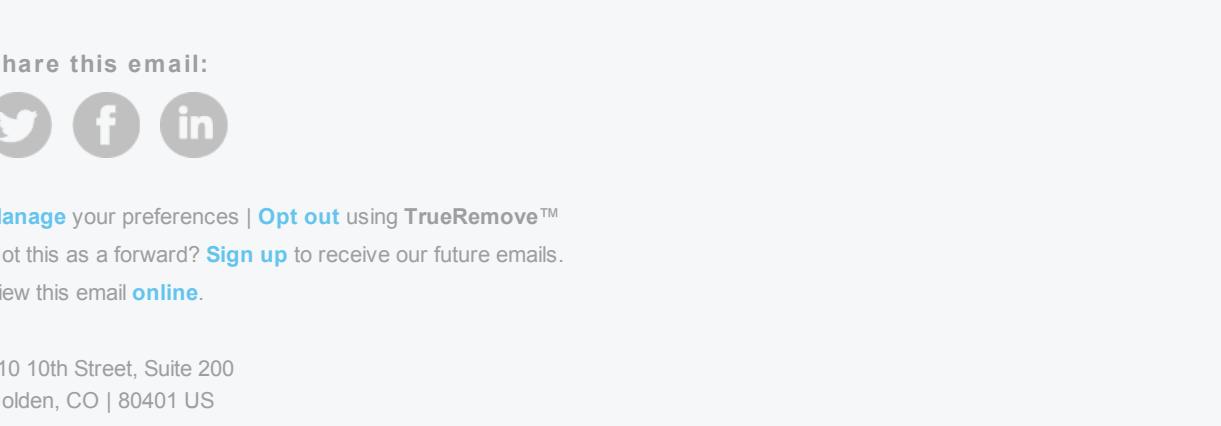
John Dickes - Thursday June 11

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"Join the Pack"

as of May 1, 2020

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