Big Thicket

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Big Thicket National Preserve Kountze, Texas

Youth Kayak Paddle Program

Join us on the water!

Our paddle team invites youth-serving organizations and community-based youth groups to join us for a FREE ranger guided paddle trip. All paddling equipment, safety gear, and instruction will be provided. Trip lengths vary based on age and paddle experience, but no experience is required to participate! Programs include a stewardship activity to teach participants how to care for and protect public lands.

- We can accommodate up to 12 paddlers per reservation

- Groups under 18 years old require two adult chaperones

For more information or to register contact: Youth Paddle Program Coordinators; 409-951-6826; bith_paddleprogram@nps.gov