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TROOP 54 HITS THE TRAIL IN VERMONT

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WORCESTER - Boy Scout Troop 54 travelled north to Vermont for its August backpacking trip. First, the troop drove up to Emerald Lake State Park to camp the first night.

After a short drive from the state park to the trailhead in the Green Mountain National Forest, the troop hit the trail. The entire first day's hike was uphill, and the troop completed the 4.5 miles in about four hours. The Griffith Lake camping area had platforms for the tents, making for a comfortable stop. Fortunately, the troop had set up its tents before a heavy rain hit the area late in the afternoon.

The troop detoured to the Appalachian Trail / Long Trail for a packs-off hike to the top of Baker Peak on the way back the last day. This brought the day's hiking to 6 miles. The troop got luckier with the weather, encountering no rain that day. ASM Keevan and ASM MacNeal found a geocache near the top of Baker Peak. From there back, the trail was steeply down hill.

This was the troop's 44th consecutive month with at least one overnight camping trip.

Caption for IMG_2245.jpg: Troop 54 pauses after taking in the view from the top of Baker Peak.