

**Reject Raytheon AVL**  
**May 22nd**  
**Walk and Rally For A Peaceful, Just & Green Transition**

Here is a description of the 3 parts of the day with specific details for each.

1. Vance Monument to Bent Creek River Park Walk (9 miles)

- 9:00 am - We will meet at Vance Monument. **Please arrive by 8:45** so we can set off close to 9:00. We will walk rain or shine. Watch the weather and prepare accordingly.
  - Parking: Options include the free City of Asheville lot on Marjorie St, Buncombe County parking garage on College Ave., the Loft parking garage on Biltmore Ave.
  - Bring a water bottle, snacks, lunch, raincoat/umbrella, sunglasses, sunscreen. Wear good walking shoes.
  - We will be led by Nipponzan Myohoji Buddhist monks, Utsumi and Denise, from the Great Smoky Mountains Peace Pagoda.
  - We will provide signs to carry.
  - We will have a support car that can carry your gear & lunch (we will have coolers), will have extra water, snacks, first aid, and will provide rides for people needing breaks.
  - The walk will be mostly on sidewalks with the exception of a few stretches along Brevard Road as it nears Bent Creek River Park. In those spots, we will walk on the grass beside the road, not in the road.
  - Safety marshals will ensure the safety of walkers.
  - You can join the walk at any point along the route. Our route will be down Patton Ave to Clingman Ave. to Haywood Rd. through West Asheville, then down Brevard Rd. to Bent Creek River Park. View the route map [here](#).
  - We will stop every hour/3 miles. Planned stopping points include:
    - Asheville Primary School, Haywood Rd., West Asheville
    - BP Gas Station/Subway, Brevard Rd.
    - ABC Board Building next to the Tractor Supply and behind the Farm Bureau, Brevard Rd. Address: 24 Old Brevard. We will have lunch there.

2. Short Walk to Bent Creek River Park

- 1:15 - Join the long walkers for a shorter 1.5 mile walk to the Bent Creek River Park rally site. This is a good option if you don't think you can walk the whole 9 miles, but want to join the group and walk to the rally site. At **1:30 we will begin the walk to Bent Creek River Park**.
  - Meet the long walkers at the ABC Board Building next to the Tractor Supply and behind Farm Bureau. It's just off Brevard Rd. Address: 24 Old Brevard.
  - Park at the ABC building or Farm Bureau.
  - Bring water and good walking shoes. The Support Car can carry any gear you have and want to have at the rally.
  - We will have signs to carry.

3. Rally w/ Tabling in Bent Creek River Park

- 2:00 pm - Meet in the park for speakers, singing, etc.
  - **Do not park in the park. We want to allow room for boater and hiker parking there.** **Do park** in the Bent Creek Baptist Church just a quarter mile north of the bridge construction site and Bent Creek River Park. Or park safely along Brevard Rd or the Blue Ridge Parkway access road. Do not park along the road into the NC Arboretum.

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