

## Hemlock Treatment at Little Rock Creek Project Details

DATE: Saturday, November 8, 2014

**EVENT:** Volunteer hemlock treatment project with the U. S. Forest Service in

the Little Rock Creek hemlock conservation area. It's in Union County off Highway 60 north of Suches. See map and driving directions on next

page.

WHERE TO

**MEET:** At the Shady Falls Church on Forest Service Rd 249.

**SCHEDULE**: **9:30 a.m.** – Hemlock helpers will receive a short orientation about

the area you'll be working in, condition of the hemlocks, the treatment process, and safety reminders. You'll be organized into small teams including at least one experienced Facilitator per team, receive your equipment and supplies, hike a short distance to your treatment site, and

begin treating hemlocks.

We'll be treating 150 to 180 pre-tagged hemlocks, applying Imidacloprid by soil injection. Some of the terrain is gentle and rolling, and some of it is a bit challenging. For everyone's safety and comfort, we'll make sure each team's site assignment matches the physical abilities and

Falls on Little Rock Creek.

Photo by Jack Anthony

preferences of its members.

Noon – Sack lunch beside waterfall.

2:30 p.m. – We should be finished and cleaned up by this time.

WHAT TO

**WEAR:** Dress for the weather and the activity, including sturdy footgear with socks, long pants and long

sleeves. Hard hats and nitrile gloves will be provided.

WHAT TO

**BRING**: Pack a sack lunch and personal water bottle, insect repellant, sun screen, a camera if you like, and

a small day pack to carry everything in. We'll provide some snacks, extra bottled water and

dessert. If you're allergic to bee stings, bring whatever you need to manage.

WHAT NOT

**TO BRING**: This is an environmentally-friendly, pack-it-in pack-it-out event, so please don't bring any glass

or styrofoam items. Also, as much as we love dogs, please don't bring them this time.

**AMENITIES**: There is a no comfort station at the site, so come "trail-ready" if ya know what I mean.

**QUESTIONS:** Call Donna at 706-429-8010.

## Little Rock Creek HCA

Little Rock Creek (HCA #81 highlighted in Blue) is off Highway 60, north of Suches. You access it from Rock Creek Road (FS69) that goes to the fish hatchery.

From Suches follow Highway 60 north about 12 miles to Rock Creek Rd. on the left. Just before reaching this road, you'll pass Cooper Creek Store and then the Deep Hole Camping Area on the left. Turn left onto Rock Creek Rd. (FS69) and continue a short distance until you come to the Shady Falls Church. Park there. Most of the treatment areas are on FS 249 across from the Shady Falls Church. SGH directional signs will be posted.



