

# Project Details for Chattahoochee River Road HCA 59 Hemlock Treatment Project (USFS Blue Ridge District- White County)



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| <b>Date:</b>          | Saturday, October 12, 2019  |
| <b>Event:</b>         | Volunteer Hemlock Treatment Project of Chattahoochee River Road Hemlock Conservation Area (HCA) in White County.  |
| <b>Where to Meet:</b> | Chattahoochee River Road HCA is located off Hwy 75 Alternate. Chattahoochee River Road is also known as Poplar Stump Road and as FS 44.<br>GPS coordinates are: DMS: 34° 44' 11" N and 83° 45' 54 W" at bridge at treatment site<br>DD: 34.73639 and -83.76500  |
| <b>Directions:</b>    | <p><b>From Helen, GA:</b> downtown Helen start going north on N. Main St./GA-75/GA -17 toward Hiawassee, GA.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue on GA-75/GA-17 due north to the intersection with Hwy 75 Alt.</li> <li>• Turn left (west) on to Hwy 75 Alt and drive approximately 100 yards to intersection with Chattahoochee River Road.</li> <li>• Turn right on to Chattahoochee River Road which runs north. The intersection is between the Cool River Zip Line attraction and the Chattahoochee United Methodist Church. NOTE: "Road names" on various maps are confusing. The road may be labeled as Chattahoochee River Road, Forest Service road FS 44, Poplar Stump Road or Myra Branch Road. Stay on the paved/gravel road driving north approximately 2.0 miles. Do NOT turn off this road until you get to the SGH signage posted at the bridge to our treatment site.</li> <li>• The bridge will be marked with our SGH signage. Turn right. The treatment site is located on the other end of the bridge.</li> </ul> <p><b>Signs</b> will be posted at the Hwy 17-75 intersection with Hwy 75 Alt as well as the intersection of Hwy 75 Alt and Chattahoochee River Road. There will also be a sign at the bridge leading to our treatment site. Parking is available along the road in several places.</p> |
| <b>Project:</b>       | According to prior treatment logs, we expect to treat about 120-150 trees last treated in 2008.   |
| <b>Schedule:</b>      | <p><b>9:00 a.m.</b> – SGH volunteer Team leaders report.</p> <p><b>9:15 a.m.</b> – Hemlock Helpers meet to receive a briefing on the condition of the hemlocks, treatment process to be used, and safety reminders. You will be organized into small teams including one experienced SGH Facilitator per team, receive your equipment and supplies, be directed to your treatment site, and begin treating trees.</p> <p><b>12:00 p.m.</b> – Treatment teams should assemble at our meeting site to clean their equipment and to come together for lunch.</p> <p><b>12:30 p.m.</b> - After lunch we will caravan to our next treatment site.</p> <p><b>By 3:30 p.m.</b> – Our target project completion time is 3:30 p.m.</p>   |
| <b>Terrain:</b>       | The terrain in the Chattahoochee River Road HCA project areas varies from moderately rolling to steep with heavy undergrowth in others. We'll make sure everyone is assigned to a work site or job assignment where they can be safe and comfortable.   |
| <b>What to Wear:</b>  | Dress for the weather and the activity, including <b>long pants and long sleeves, sturdy footwear</b> with socks, gloves, and rain gear in case of light rain. Nitrile gloves will be provided for those who will be handling chemicals. Hardhats will also be provided for your safety.  |
| <b>What to Bring:</b> | Pack a sack lunch, personal water bottle and a camera if you like. Your favorite hiking stick and a small day pack to carry things may come in handy. We'll provide some snacks and extra bottled water. If you have any serious allergies (like bee stings), bring whatever you need to manage the situation.  |
| <b>Don't Bring:</b>   | 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.  |
| <b>Registration:</b>  | Participants must sign up in advance by contacting Donna Shearer at <a href="http://www.savegeorgiashemlocks.org">www.savegeorgiashemlocks.org</a> or 706-429-8010. If you have questions, please call or email.  |

