

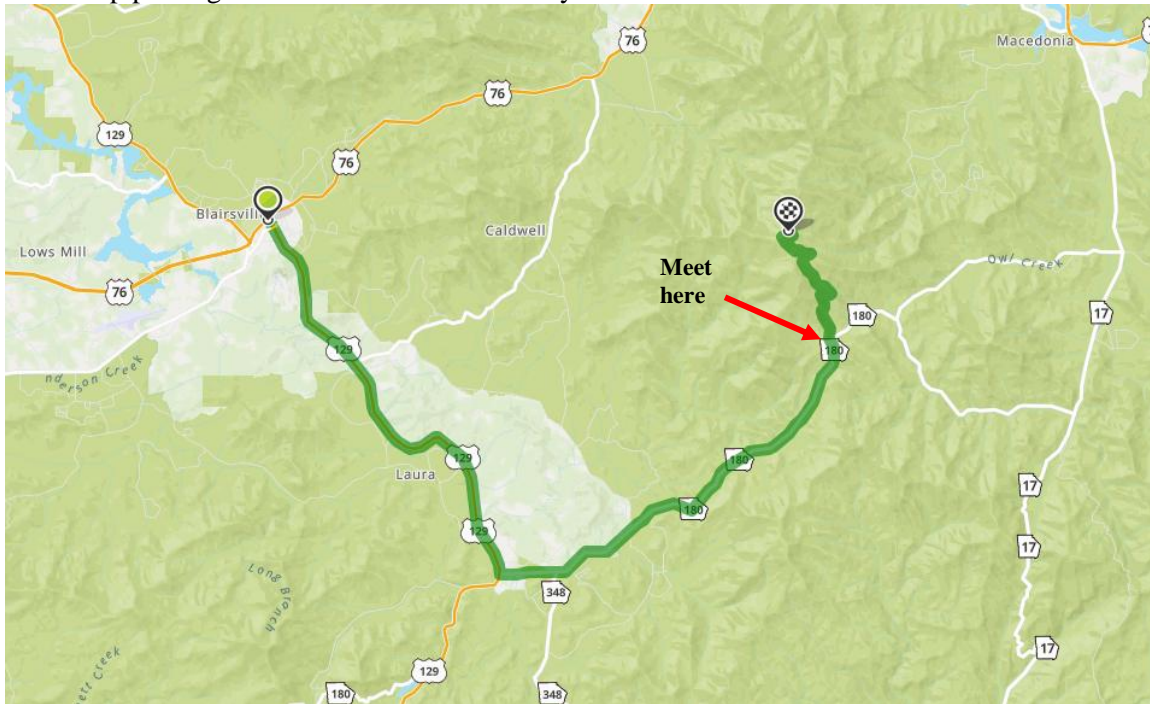
Project Details for Hemlock Treatment Project Jacks Knob Trail HCA 503



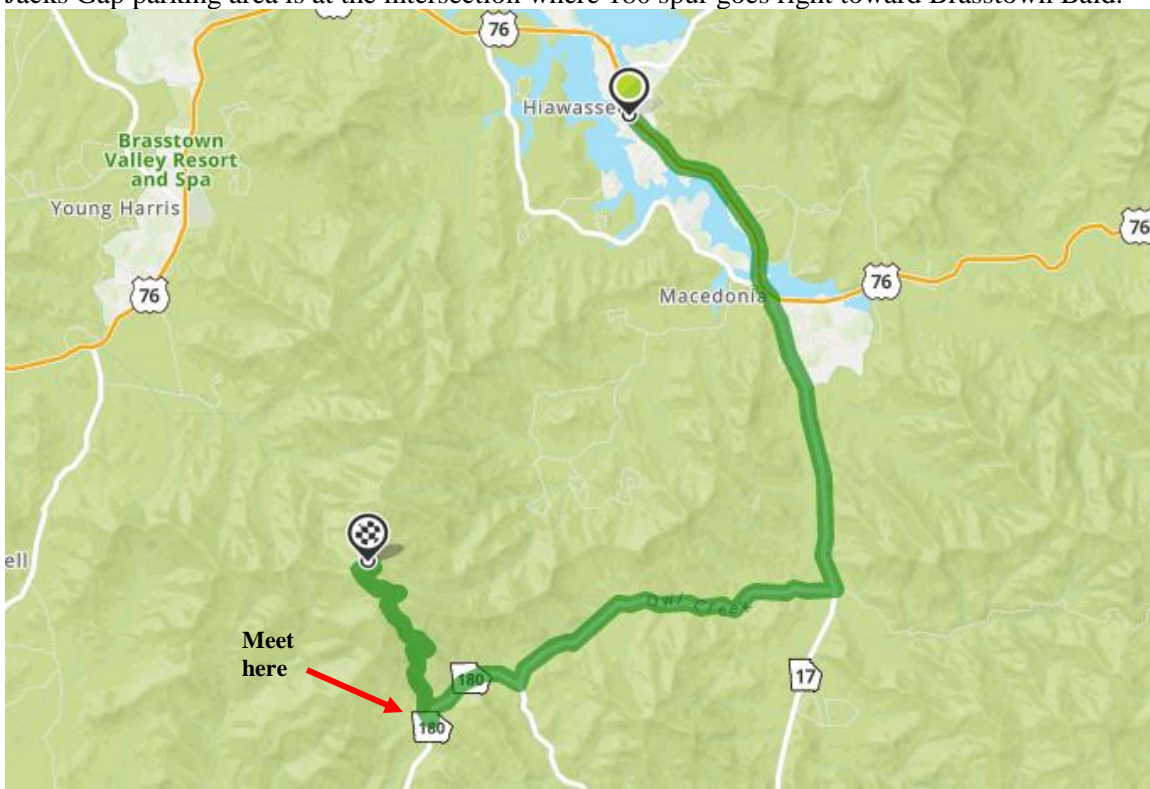
Date:	Friday, October 15, 2021
Event:	Service event to treat the hemlocks in newly approved Jacks Knob Trail HCA 503 and Unicoi Gap southbound. We'll be applying Imidacloprid by dry CoreTect tablets.
Notice:	As SGH and GATC are committed to protecting the health and safety of our volunteers at all events, we will be following CDC guidelines regarding the <i>coronavirus</i> pandemic. > If you have, or recently have had, a fever or any other symptoms of COVID-19, please do not sign-up and do seek appropriate medical help. > We will maintain a 6-foot social distancing except for family units. > Face coverings will not be required but will be available for those wishing to wear them.
Where to Meet:	Meet at the Jacks Gap parking area on Hwy 180 just where the road forks, with the 180 spur going left / north to Brasstown Bald Visitors Center and 180 continuing right / east toward Hwy 17. See maps and directions following.
Schedule:	9:00 a.m. – All volunteers report. 9:15 a.m. – Volunteers will receive a briefing on the condition of the hemlocks, treatment process to be used, and safety reminders. We'll be organized into small teams including one experienced person per team and receive our equipment and supplies. Then we'll hike to the trailhead and begin treating trees. 12:30 p.m. – We'll take a short lunch break on the trail and, if not finished, will continue working to complete the treatment. By 3:00 p.m. – Our target project completion time is 3:00 p.m. or earlier.
Terrain:	The terrain in the treatment area is gentle to hilly and may involve stream crossing. We'll make sure everyone is assigned to a work site or job assignment where they can be safe and comfortable.
What to Wear:	Dress for the weather and the activity, including long pants and long sleeves, gloves and sturdy footwear, and rain gear in case of light rain. Nitrile gloves will be provided for those who will be handling chemicals. Work gloves and tall boots strongly recommended.
What to Bring:	Pack a sack lunch and bring it with you to the treatment site. Bring a 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. If you have any serious allergies (like bee stings), bring whatever you need to manage the situation.
Don't Bring:	This is an environmentally friendly, pack-it-in pack-it-out event, so please don't bring any glass or Styrofoam items.
Registration:	Participants must sign up in advance by Pete Buak at 706-968-8979 or peterbuak@gmail.com . If you have questions, please call or email before project date as cell phone reception at the work site may be sketchy.



From Blairsville, travel southeast on Hwy 129 for 7.58 miles.
Turn left onto Hwy 180, the Richard Russell Scenic Highway, and go 7.27 miles.
Jacks Gap parking area is on the left where Hwy 180 forks.



From Hiawassee, travel south on Hwy 76 / 17 for 3.53 miles
Turn right on Owl Creek Rd. and go 4.23 miles.
Turn right on Hwy 180, Richard Russell Scenic Highway, and go 1.35 miles.
Jacks Gap parking area is at the intersection where 180 spur goes right toward Brasstown Bald.



From Dahlonega, travel north on Morrison Moore Pkwy/US-19 N/GA-60 for 7.24 miles. Enter the roundabout, take the first exit onto Hwy 19, and go 5.29 miles. At Turners corner turn left onto Hwy 129 and go 13.22 miles. Turn right on Hwy 180, Richard Russell Scenic Highway, and go 7.27 miles. Jacks Gap parking area is on the left where Hwy 180 forks.

