


Project Details for Hemlock Treatment Project Wildcat Creek Recreation Area HCA # 600

Date:	Sunday, October 24, 2021	
Event:	Service event to conduct treatment of the hemlocks in Wildcat Creek Recreation Area in Rabun County.	
Notice:	<p>As SGH is 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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > 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:	<p>Wildcat Creek Recreation Area HCA is located along both sides of Wildcat Rd (FS Rd 26-1) approx 4.1 miles into the forest at Campground #2. We will meet at the campground, where parking is plentiful. Signs will be posted at the GA Hwy 197 and Wildcat Creek Campground sign turn-off. Stay on the main gravel road. See driving directions and maps following.</p> <p>You will go through a FS gate .9 mi in from Hwy 197. This gate will be LOCKED NLT 9:30 to ensure access to only SGH helpers. You MUST be on time.</p>	
Schedule:	<p>9:00 a.m. – All SGH volunteers report. We will meet at the Campground # 2 parking area.</p> <p>9:15 a.m. – Volunteers will 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>12:00 p.m. – We will break for lunch and get directions for rest of the day.</p> <p>12:30 p.m. – Resume treatment.</p> <p>3:30 p.m. – Finish treatment, clean equipment and depart for home.</p>	
Terrain:	The terrain in the Wildcat Creek Recreation Area HCA is creek bottom campsite area. Undergrowth is moderate with some trees up slope from the bottomland. 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. Hardhats will also be provided and required to wear for your safety. Work gloves and boots strongly recommended.	
What to Bring:	Lunch will be catered – sub sandwiches, chips, fruit, etc. If you have any special dietary requirements, please feel free to bring your own lunch. Bring a personal water bottle and a camera if you like. 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. Also, as much as we love dogs, please don't bring them this time.	
Registration:	Participants must sign up in advance by Jon Jones at jdjones611@gmail.com or 910-987-0306. If you have questions, please call or email before project date.	



Driving Directions

From the intersection of US Hwy 76 and GA Hwy 197:

Travel south on GA Hwy 197 for 3.1 miles, and you will come to Wildcat Creek Recreation Area sign, turn right on Wildcat Rd (FS Rd 26-1) and follow gravel road.

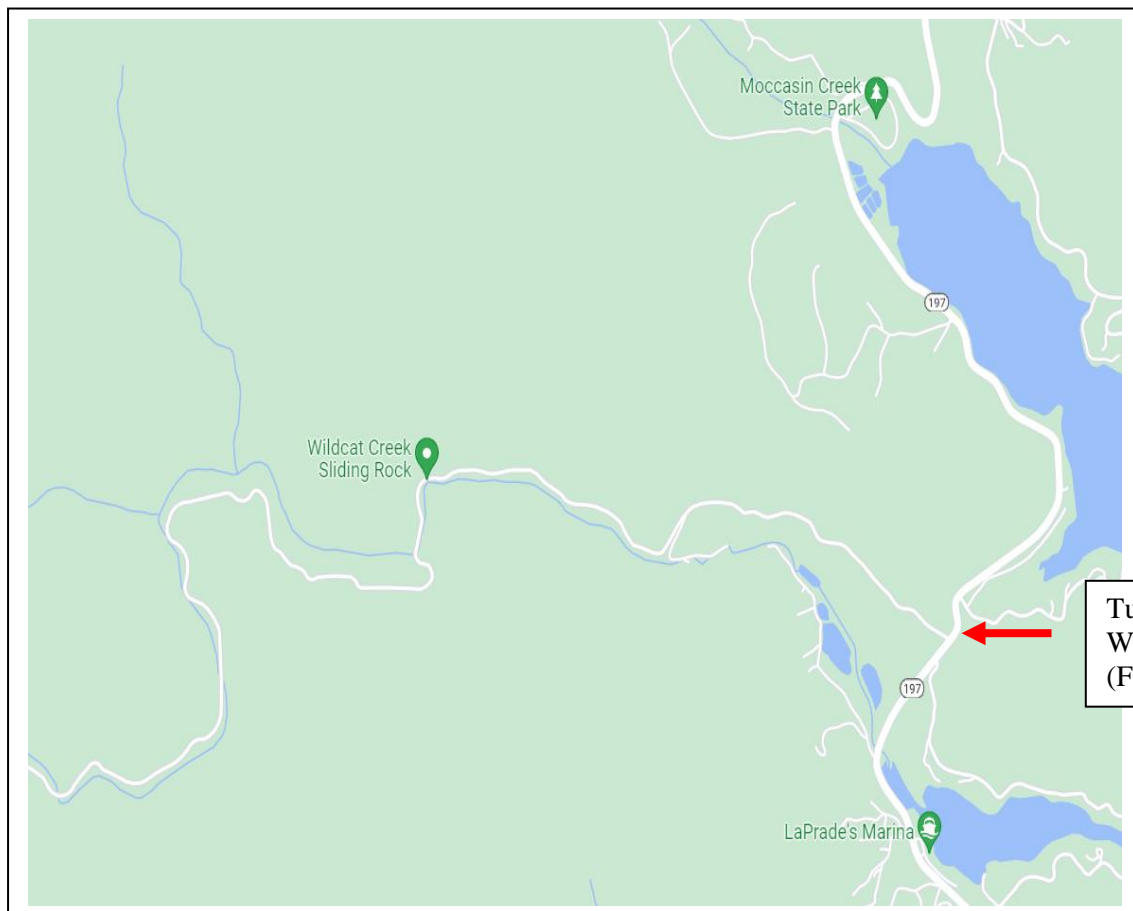
- At approximately .9 mile, you go through a FS gate, continue .5 mile to “Slippery Rock,” continue over **four bridges** to **Campground # 2**. Total distance on Wildcat Rd (FS road) approx. **4.1 miles**.
- This is our meeting point.

From La Prades Marina on Lake Burton:

Travel north on GA Hwy 197 .5 mile to Wildcat Creek Recreation Area sign and turn left on Wildcat Rd (FS Rd 26-1) and follow gravel road.

- At approximately .9 mile, you go through FS gate, continue .5 mile to “Slippery Rock,” continue over **four bridges** to **Campground # 2**. Total distance on FS road approx. **4.1 miles**.
- This is our meeting point.

Map showing location of Wildcat Creek Campground on Ga Hwy 197 between Moccasin Creek Campground and LaPrades Marina



Turn here onto
Wildcat Rd.
(FS Rd 26-1)

