

Project Details for Wolf Creek HCA 63 Hemlock Treatment Project (Blue Ridge District- Union County)



Date:	Saturday, June 29, 2019
Event:	Volunteer Hemlock Treatment Project of Wolf Creek Hemlock Conservation Area (HCA) in Union County.
Where to Meet:	<p>Wolf Creek HCA is located off of Hwy 180 south of Blairsville, GA via Hwy 129 / 19 and north of Vogel State Park.</p> <p>GPS coordinates are: DMS: N 34° 46' 16.788" and W 83° 56' 12.7238.436" DD: 34.77133 and -83.94401</p>
Directions:	<p>From Blairsville, GA, drive south on Hwy. 129/19. Turn right onto Hwy 180 (aka Wolf Pen Gap Rd.) From the south drive north on Hwy. 129/19 to the intersection with Hwy 180. Turn left onto Hwy 180. West Wolf Creek Road (aka FS 107) is a gravel road to the right which has a FS gate. Hwy 180 continues to the left.</p> <p>On FS 107 drive approximately 1 mile to our meeting point. Signs will be posted at the Hwy 180 intersection with FS 107 and at our meeting point. Parking is along the road in several places before and after our meeting site.</p>
Project:	According to prior treatment logs, we expect to treat approximately 180 trees which were last treated in 2006.
Schedule:	<p>9:00 a.m. – SGH volunteer Team leaders report.</p> <p>9:15 a.m. – 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>12:00 p.m. – Treatment teams should assemble at our meeting site to clean their equipment.</p> <p>12:30 p.m. - Treatment teams should come together for a group picnic. After lunch we will resume treatments as may be needed to complete the area.</p> <p>By 3:30 p.m. – Our target project completion time is 3:30 p.m. We'll stop work, clean the equipment and depart as a group.</p>
Terrain:	The terrain in the Wolf Creek HCA project area is moderately rolling in each of the 3 sites. The 1st site requires a small creek crossing via vehicle. 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, sturdy footwear 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.
What to Bring:	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.
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 contacting Donna Shearer at donna@savegeorgiashemlocks.org or 706-429-8010. If you have questions, please call or email.

