

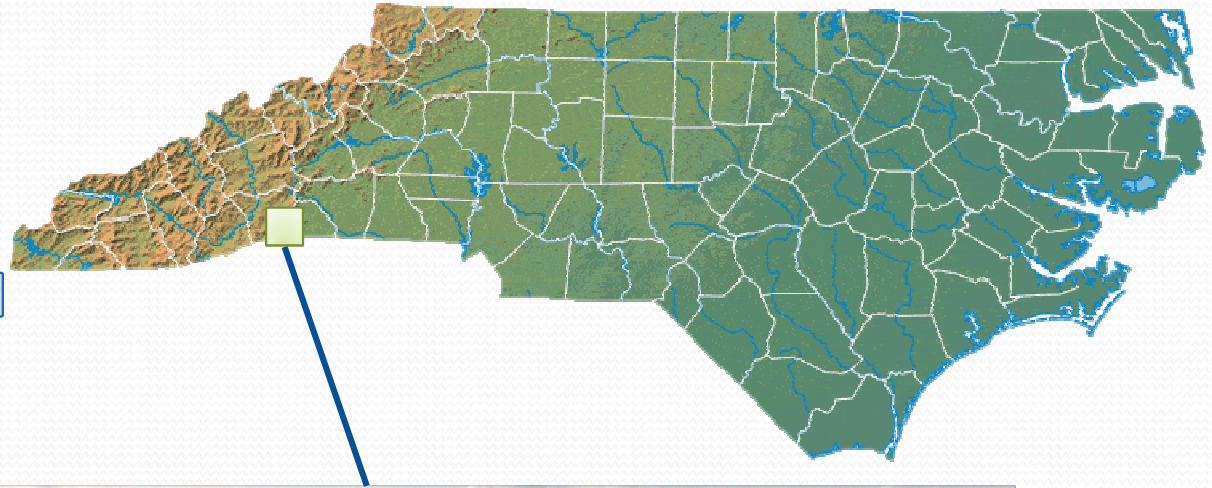
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**A story about a river, hemlocks
and the people who dare to
save both.**

The Green River Gamelands

aka Nature's Playground



The Green River

In a 12.6 mile stretch of the Green River you can:



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Learn how to kayak



Learn river safety



Run your 1st waterfall



Run your 1st class V rapid



The Green River Race

1995 on the Green
River

A healthy hemlock!



That's me

22 years later
(December 2017)

Same hemlock is not so
healthy.



One of hundreds of groves of hemlocks along the Green River



More hemlocks (Upper Green)



And more hemlocks (Upper Green)



OK, there are hemlocks along the Green River.

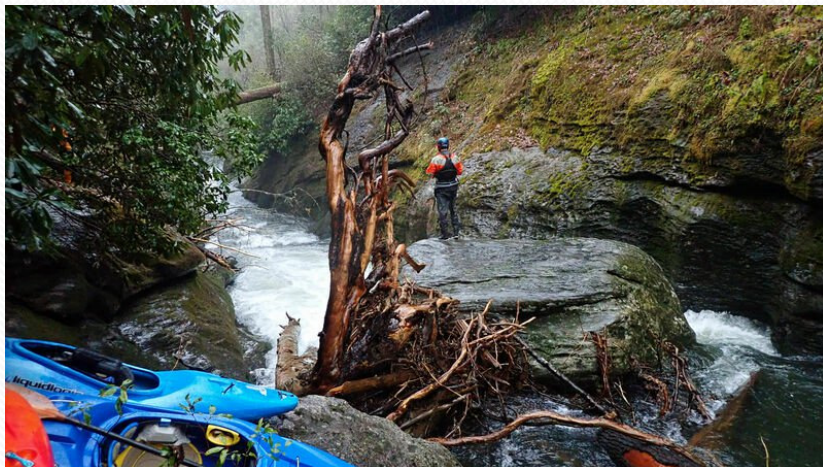
And they are sick and may die soon if nothing is done.

What does this mean?

Chattooga River in NC/GA has been hit hard by HWA.

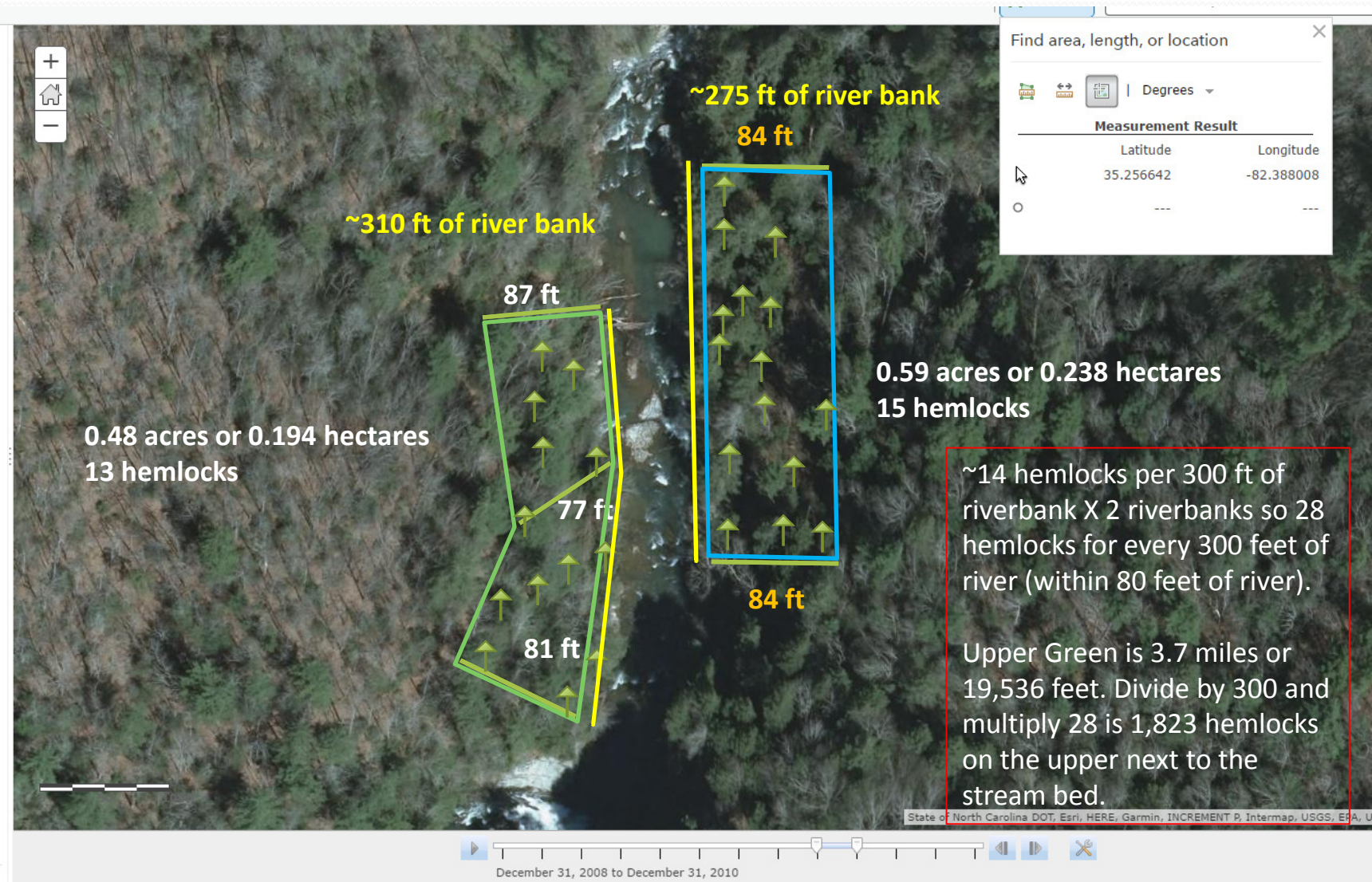
Dead hemlocks are falling into the river, causing other trees to fall as well.

Log jams have blocked many rapids and created dangerous strainers.



How many hemlocks are there to
save along the Green River?

Some fuzzy math...



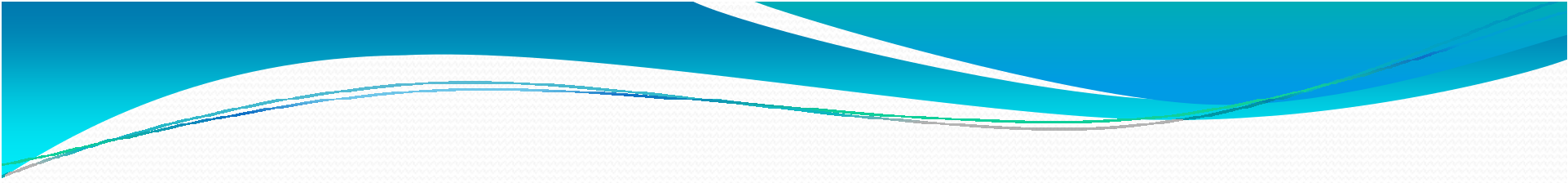
OK, there are thousands of them.

What do we do about it?

Form a team of semi-super-heroes called PHHAT!

Paddlers Hemlock Health Action Taskforce





Cue the video



PHHAT Results!

Volunteers and more volunteers!

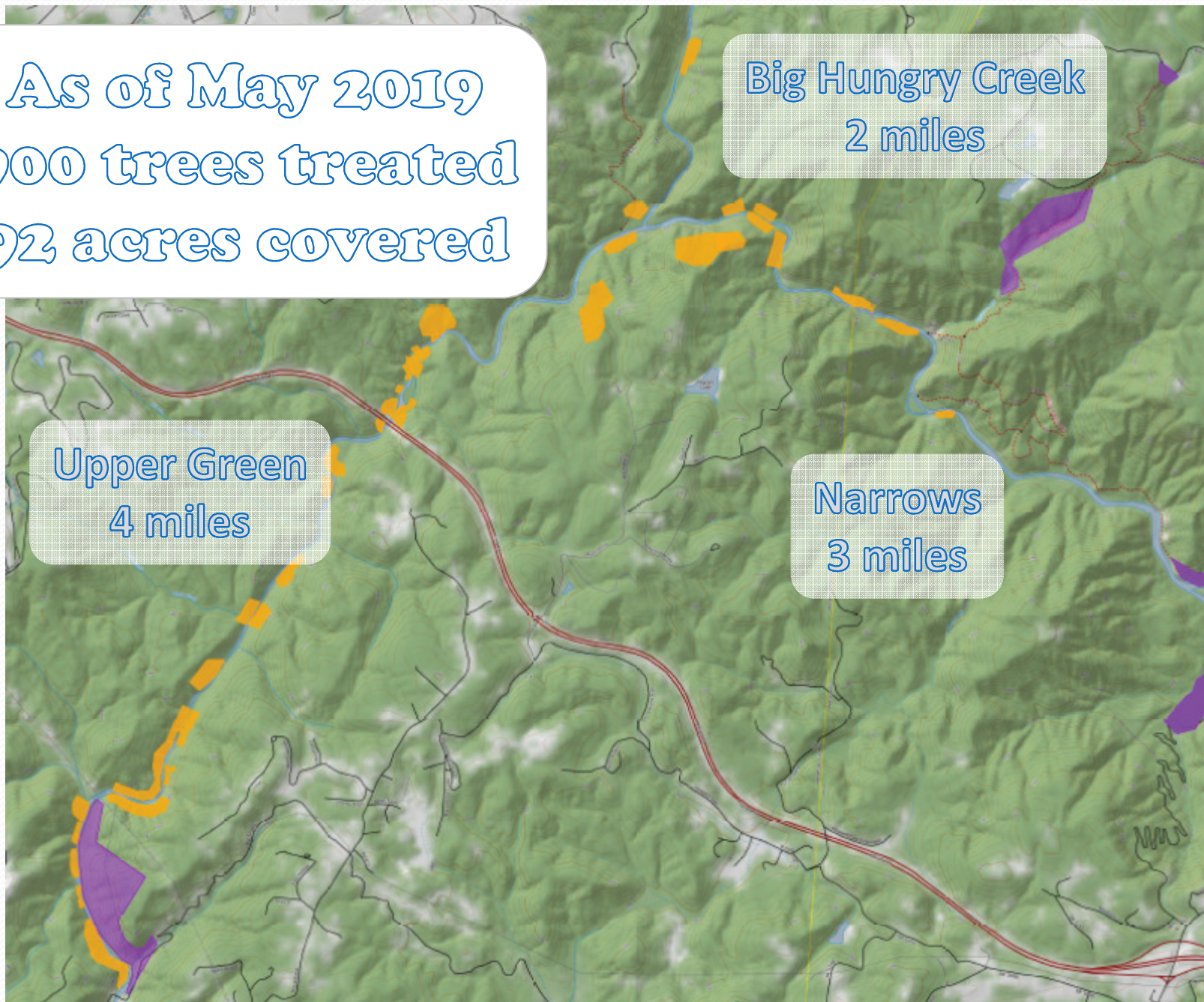


As of May 2019
900 trees treated
92 acres covered

Big Hungry Creek
2 miles

Upper Green
4 miles

Narrows
3 miles



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What's next?

Training our newest members of Team PHHAT*



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