

Project Details for Corbin Creek HCA Hemlock Treatment Project (Blue Ridge District-Towns County)



Date:	Saturday, April 13, 2019
Event:	Volunteer Hemlock Treatment Project of Corbin Creek Hemlock Conservation Area (HCA) in Towns County.
Where to Meet:	Corbin Creek HCA is located north of Helen, GA off GA Hwy 17 / GA Hwy 75 (aka Unicoi Turnpike) and south of the intersection with 17 / 75 and U.S. Hwy 76. Address is: 6100 Unicoi Turnpike (intersection closest address) GPS coordinates are: DMS: N 34° 51' 37.24" and W 83° 43' 12.72" DD: 34.860340 and -83.720200
Directions:	From Helen, GA, drive north on GA-17/GA-75. Turn right onto Mauldin Circle / Corbin Creek Road. From the intersection of GA-17/GA-75 with U.S. Hwy 76, drive south on 17/75. Turn left onto Mauldin Circle / Corbin Creek Road. Corbin Creek Road is an immediate right off Mauldin Circle and is a gravel road behind the gated entrance. Please arrive ON TIME due to the USFS requirement to relock the gate after we are in.
Project:	According to prior treatment logs, we expect to treat approximately 180 trees which were last treated in 2012.
Schedule:	9:00 a.m. – SGH volunteer Team leaders report. 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. 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. 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 through the locked gated entrance/exit.
Terrain:	The terrain in the Corbin Creek HCA project area is moderately rolling in 2 of the 3 sites. The 3 rd site is steep, but manageable. 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 Chris Disser at christinadisser@gmail.com or 678-978-6380. If you have questions, please call or email.

