Hemlock Treatment at Willis Knob Horse Camp (Rabun County, Ga.)

Date: Tuesday, October 31, 2017

Event: Volunteer Hemlock treatment project at Willis Knob

Horse Camp in Rabun County.

Where to Meet: Volunteers please gather at the Willis Knob Horse

Camp at 11:00 am. See map on next page.

Willis Knob is located east of Clayton, GA off of

Warwoman Road. From the intersection of Highway 441 and Rickman Road or the intersection of Warwoman Road and Highway 441 in Clayton, GA, drive east for 11.6 miles. There is a sign at this turn on the right side of Warwoman Road. Turn right on Forest Service Road 157, aka Willis Knob Road and sometimes referenced to as Gold Mine Creek Road.

Drive about two miles on 157 to the camping area on the left.

Schedule: 11:00 a.m. – SGH Team leaders and Hemlock Helpers report to treatment site.

After a briefing on the area to be treated, 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, hike a short distance to your treatment site, and begin treating trees.

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1:00 p.m. – Treatment teams should come together for a group picnic in the campground.

After lunch we will resume treatments, if necessary, to complete the project.

By 3:00 p.m. – We'll stop work, clean the equipment, and then head for home.

Terrain: The terrain at the work site is moderately rolling. We'll make sure everyone is assigned to a

work site where they can be safe and comfortable.

What to Wear: Dress for the weather and the activity, including long pants and long sleeves, sturdy footgear with

socks, gloves, and rain gear in case of light rain. It may be muddy there, so pick your footwear with

that in mind. Nitrile gloves will be provided for those who will be handling chemicals.

What to Bring: Pack a sack lunch and personal water bottle, and a camera if you like. Your favorite hiking

stick and a small day pack to carry things in 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.

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 Kim Wood at 706-455-2313 or

kimberlyraewood@gmail.com. If you have questions, please call or email before you get to

the area as cell communication service may be sketchy.



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Latitude: 34.900373, Longitude: -83.223668

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