

Project Details for Hemlock Treatment Project at Copper Ridge Subdivision, Dahlonega



Date	Saturday, March 26
Event	Service event to treat or retreat the hemlocks on the common property of the Copper Ridge subdivision in Lumpkin County. According to prior treatment logs, we expect to treat or retreat approximately 300 trees.
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> <p>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.</p>
Where to Meet	Gather at the trail head on River View Trail W. There's a small pull-off area for parking. See map and driving directions on next page. Signs will be posted.
Schedule	<p>9:00 a.m. – All volunteers report. Please be on time.</p> <p>9:15 a.m. – Project leader will give a briefing on the condition of the hemlocks, treatment process to be used, and safety reminders. You will be organized into small teams, receive your equipment and supplies, walk down the trail to the treatment site, and begin treating trees.</p> <p>12:00 p.m. – Treatment teams will assemble at the mixing station by the river to clean their equipment and have lunch together.</p> <p>12:30 p.m. – After lunch, volunteers will receive further instructions and resume work.</p> <p>By 3:30 p.m. or earlier – Finish treatment, clean equipment, and depart for home.</p>
Terrain	Some of the terrain is gently sloping, and some is quite steep. 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.
What to Bring	Pack a sack lunch, personal water bottle, and camera if you like. Your favorite hiking stick and a small day pack to carry things may also 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.
Registration	Participants must sign up in advance by contacting Bob Christmas at 706-867-7153 or pruefrock1949@live.com . If you have questions, please call or email before project date.



Map showing location of Project Site



Driving Directions

From downtown Dahlonega, take Hwy 52 east

- Take Hwy 52 east
- Turn left onto Long Branch Rd.
- Turn left onto Copper Ridge Dr. (the first entrance into the neighborhood).
- Turn left onto River View Trail W and follow it to the trail head.
- Walk down to the common area on the Chestatee River. Signs will be posted.