

BMTA Annual Walk-thru Report

Section(s) Evaluated: ___19a Farr Gap to Slickrock Creek

Direction walked (circle one): -northbound- **-southbound-**

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Evaluation Date: _6/27/2010_____

Work hours: __15_____ Travel Hours: __6_____

Reporting Evaluator's phone #: _____423-253-6358_____

Please see the reverse side (or below, if online) for evaluator suggestions and for a quick review of BMTA standards to use as a basis for your evaluation.

Overall assessments: Rate each category 1-5, with 3 being "ok" and 5 being "excellent."

Treadway (1-5) ___4_____

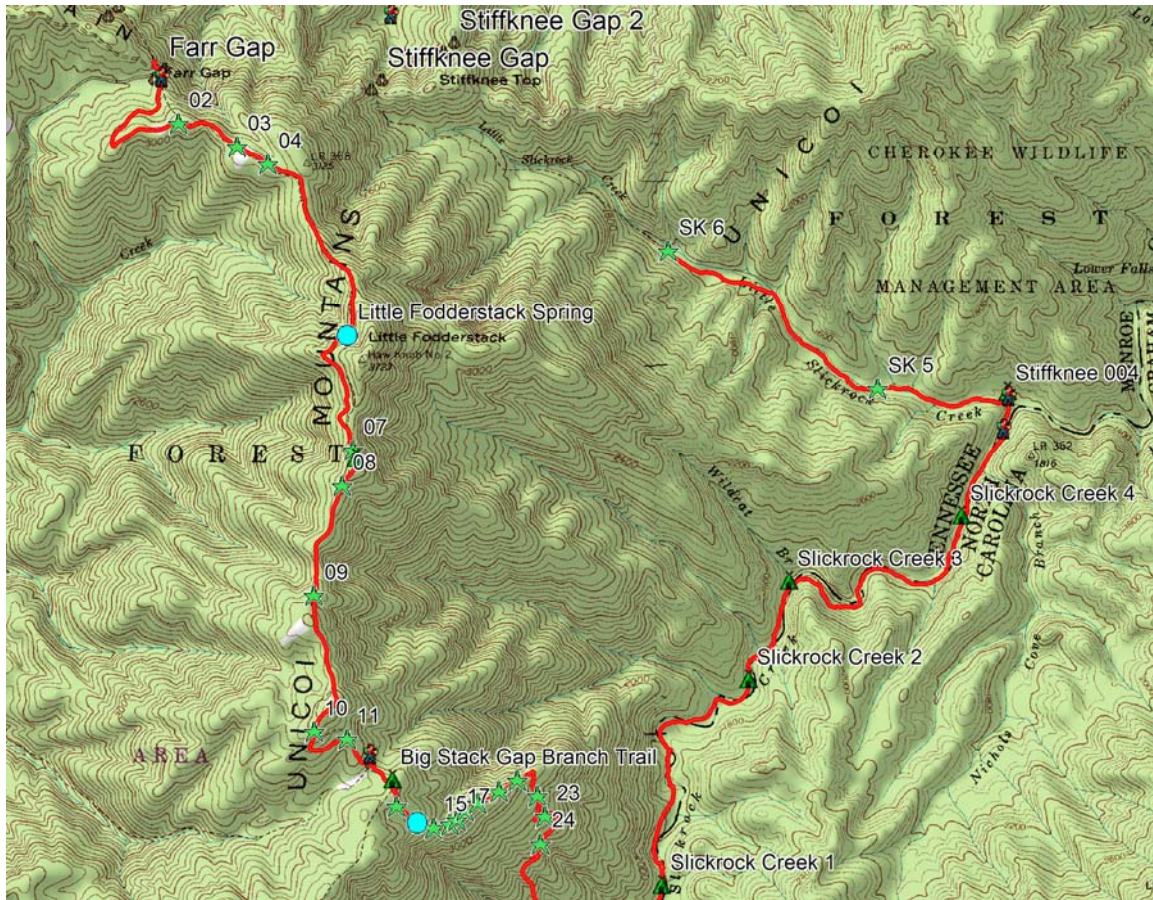
Corridor Clearance (1-5) ___2_____

Blazes, Signs and Trailmarkers (1-5) ___N/A_____

Overall rating for the section (1-5) ___3_____

Comments on problem areas (be as specific as you can on location):

The Stiffknee Trail has not seen any maintenance for about 2 years except for logging out the lower one mile or so of the trail near Slickrock Creek. There are not many logs across the trail, but a lot of brushing out is needed, especially from the wilderness sign uphill from Stiffknee Gap on up to Farr Gap. This section is very overgrown and needs immediate attention. My GPS battery died on me on the way up this trail and I had no spares, so I only have a track and locations of logs on the lower segment of this trail. See map below along with comments.



SK 5 – 18 inch log across trail, then 2 more smaller trees a short distance up trail

SK 6 – 18 inch log lying on the trail, and another 8 inch tree

Between SK 6 and Stiffknee Gap - 4 or so trees spaced out, nothing blocking the trail except for one at chest height shortly after crossing the creek for the last time.

Between Stiffknee Gap and Farr Gap, just near the top of the very steep section there is a complex tree with branches hanging down blocking the trail, with now a prominent walkaround to the left. At the very top of the steep section, there is another tree sticking over the trail.

After the trail flattens out, the trail is very overgrown for the next mile or so on up to Farr Gap with 3 or 4 logs across the trail in the midst of the overgrowth. There are some huge oaks along this section which I guess the loggers never got to.