


NATIONAL WILDERNESS PRESERVATION SYSTEM
LINVILLE GORGE WILDERNESS

I hereby certify that the legal description and map herewith,
represent the location of the boundary of the Linville Gorge
Wilderness on the Pisgah National Forest as it existed as of
the date of the Wilderness Act.

Signed 8/19/65


Regional Forester

Linville Gorge Wilderness
Pisgah National Forest
North Carolina

Description -

A tract of land lying in Burke and McDowell Counties, North Carolina, and including all or part of tracts 30, 30X, M92-AII, 102, 127, 127a, 166, 181, 181a and 297, Pisgah National Forest, described as follows:

Beginning at Class A corner 217 which is corner 55 of tract 30, thence

S0°32'W 6.35 chains to corner 54 of tract 30, thence

N88°23'W 20.96 chains to corner 53 of tract 30, a

point on Long Arm Ridge, thence

Southwesterly along the crest of said ridge to the west boundary of tract 30, 30.16 chains south of corner 48 of tract 30, thence

Southwesterly and northwesterly along the crest of Long Arm Ridge, crossing the Linville River and along the crest of Long Arm Ridge projected, being the line between The National Park Service and tract M92-AII to a point 200 feet east of N.C.Kister Memorial Highway, thence

Southerly 200 feet east of and parallel to the Kister Memorial Highway (Forest Hwy 23), through tracts M92-AII, 127a, 30 and 166 to a point 200' north of Wiseman's View road, thence

Easterly, perpendicular to the contours to the 3400 foot contour, thence

Clockwise, following the 3400 foot contour to a point 200 feet east of Kister Memorial Highway, thence

Southerly 200 feet east of and parallel to the Kister Memorial Highway to the Pinchen Trail, thence

Easterly, along Pinchen Trail to the west line of tract 127, thence

Easterly, along the ridge to its foot and continuing perpendicular to the contours to the west bank of the Linville River, thence

Southerly along the west bank of the Linville River to Class A corner 235, being corner 7 of tract 297, thence

S55°E to the crest of Shortoff Mountain, thence

In a general northerly direction along the crest of the divide between the Linville River drainage and the Irish Creek drainage system, passing through Chimney Gap and over the Chimneys to a point 200 feet west of the road leading to Tablerock Mountain, thence

Northerly and easterly 200 feet west of and parallel to said road to a point on the ridge 200' north of road end, thence

Northerly along said ridge to a point 200 feet southwest of Forest Service Road 210, thence

Northerly 200 feet west of and parallel to said road to a point on drainage divide southeast of Hawksbill Mountain, thence

Northerly along divide over Hawksbill Mountain to Huckleberry Mountain, thence

Northerly to corner 63 of tract 30, thence

N20°E 24.35 chains to corner 62 of tract 30, also corner 13 of tract 102, thence

Northerly along ridge to the south line of Exception No. 1 to tract 102, thence clockwise around said exception to the ridge on the north line of said exception, thence

Northerly along the crest of the divide, over Setting Bear Mountain and along Gingercake Mountain to corner 1 of tract 181a, also being corner 4 of tract 102, thence

North along the east line of tract 181a to corner 2 of tract 181a, thence

West along the north line of tract 181a to corner 3 of tract 181a, also being corner 58 of tract 30, thence

N28°04'W 6.33 chains to corner 57 of tract 30 (Class A corner 216) thence

N03°00'E 43.43 chains to corner 56 of tract 30, thence

N89°15'W 43.21 chains to the point of beginning - containing 7,575 acres, more or less, as shown on the map which is a part hereof.

Original description Feb. 7, 1951

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