


NATIONAL WILDERNESS PRESERVATION SYSTEM

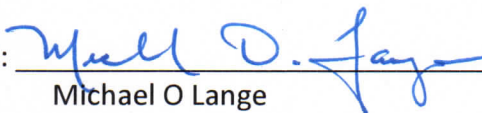
TRAY MOUNTAIN WILDERNESS

CHATTAHOOCHEE-OCONEE NATIONAL FORESTS


STATE OF GEORGIA

The boundary description and final map herewith, dated May 4, 2017, delineate the location of the wilderness boundary of the Tray Mountain Wilderness on the Chattahoochee-Oconee National Forests conforming to the boundary as generally depicted on the Legislative Map cited by Congress in the enabling legislation, Public Law 99-555, dated October 27, 1986.

Signed:  Date: 5/30/17
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I hereby accept this boundary description and final map titled "Tray Mountain Wilderness", dated April 4, 2017, as entered into the National Wilderness Preservation System under Public Law 99-555, dated October 27, 1986.

Signed:  Date: 06/14/2017
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DESCRIPTION

Tray Mountain Wilderness

Habersham, Rabun, Towns, & White Counties, State of Georgia

Chattahoochee - Oconee National Forest
Chattooga River Ranger District

Containing 10,305 acres, more or less

Tray Mountain Wilderness Area

The Tray Mountain Wilderness Area designated by the Georgia Wilderness Act of 1986 (Public Law 99-555) is all that certain tract or parcel of land, lying and being in Habersham, Rabun, Towns, & White Counties, State of Georgia, consisting of 10,305 acres more or less, and depicted on a map prepared by the US Forest Service entitled "THE TRAY MOUNTAIN WILDERNESS" dated May 4th, 2017, and by mention herein is made part of this description.

Distances noted as being of record are from plats of survey on file with the US Forest Service. Meander distances along natural features and roads are approximations derived in ArcGIS. Set Standard Forest Service (FS) Monuments have an aluminum post and a 3-¼" aluminum cap.

Said Tray Mountain Wilderness Area is further described as follows:

Beginning at Corner 1 of USA Tract G-306, a concrete monument marked 25, 26, 31, 32;

Thence westerly along and with a line common to the southerly boundary of said Tract G-306 and the southerly line of said land lot 25 approximately

610 feet to **Corner 2**, a point 66 feet east of the centerline of F.S. Road #79 (Tray Mountain Road) and common to the southerly line of USA Tract G-306 and the southerly line of land lot 25 of the 6th District;

Thence northwesterly with the meanders of a line located 66 feet easterly of and parallel to the centerline of FS Road #79 approximately

1,600 feet to **Corner 3**, a point of intersection, being 66 feet from the centerlines of FS Road #79 and Chimney Mountain Road;

Thence northerly and westerly with the meanders of a line located 66 feet northerly or easterly of and parallel to the centerline of FS Road #79 approximately

15,550 feet to **Corner 4**, a point intersecting the middle of Chiquapin Branch;

Thence southwesterly continuing with the meanders of a line 66 feet westerly of and parallel to the centerline of FS Road #79 approximately

5,860 feet to **Corner 5**, a point intersecting the top of Hickorynut Ridge located just north of the intersection of FS Roads #79 and #690;

Thence northerly with the top of Hickorynut Ridge as it meanders approximately

1,410 feet to **Corner 6**, a point at the top of Hickory Knob;

Thence leaving Hickory Knob and the top of ridge, proceeding northerly along the wilderness boundary marked to Forest Service standards with blazed and grey-painted trees and wilderness signs set along the line as it meanders the easterly edge of Hickorynut Ridge approximately

4,530 feet to **Corner 7**, a point on the easterly edge of Hickorynut Ridge;

Set a Standard FS monument with breakaway tip, stamped 7 TMW

A 10" Hickory bears N10°E 15 feet distant,
Mag-Nail/BT Washer at base

A 14" Hickory bears S89°E 13.7 feet distant,
Mag-Nail/BT Washer at base

A 17" White Oak bears S65°E 7.4 feet distant,
Mag-Nail/BT Washer at base

A 16" Hickory bears S56°W 14.3 feet distant,
Mag-Nail/BT Washer at base;

Thence leaving the easterly edge of the ridge and continuing with the meanders of said marked wilderness boundary, crossing over the top of Hickorynut Ridge, and continuing approximately

940 feet to **Corner 8**, lying 66 feet northeasterly of FS Road #79 and in the center of a southwesterly flowing branch;

Thence with the meanders of a line parallel to and 66 feet from the centerline of said road a southwesterly, northerly, and westerly course approximately

6,120 feet to **Corner 9**, a point of intersection, being 66 feet from the centerlines of FS Road #79 and FS Road #698 (Corbin Creek Road) at Tray Gap;

Thence with the meanders of a line located 66 feet easterly of and parallel to the centerline of FS Road #698 a northerly, southeasterly, northeasterly, and southeasterly course approximately

22,000 feet to **Corner 10**, a point of intersection with the middle of Corbin Creek;

Thence a general northwesterly direction continuing with the meanders of a line parallel to and 66 feet from the centerline of FS Road #698 approximately

6,200 feet to **Corner 11**, a point where the said line parallel to and 66 feet from the centerline of FS Road #698 meets an unnamed ridgetop lying between Hogpen Branch and Gizzard Branch;

Thence ascending a general northeasterly direction with the top of the ridge as it meanders approximately

4,920 feet to **Corner 12**, a point at the top of the ridge, being a point at the base of another unnamed ridge bearing north-south,

Set a Standard FS monument, stamped TM3,

A 6" Hickory bears S 34° W 31 feet distant,
Mag-Nail/BT Washer at base

A 6" Hickory bears N 18° W 15.5 feet distant,
Mag-Nail/BT Washer at base;

Thence ascending northerly with the top of the ridge as it meanders approximately

2,430 feet to **Corner 13**, a point at the top of Dismal Mountain referred to as "High Top";

Thence descending northwesterly with the top of a ridge as it meanders approximately

7,530 feet to **Corner 14**, at the top of a small knob,

Set a standard FS monument, stamped TM4,

A 6" Red Oak bears S 6° E 5.5 feet distant,
Mag-Nail/BT Washer at base

A 7" White Pine bears S 76° W 11.5 feet distant,
Mag-Nail/BT Washer at base;

Thence descending northerly with the top of a ridge as it meanders approximately

1,100 feet to **Corner 15**, the confluence of Mill Creek and Pheasant Branch;

Thence northerly with the easterly bank of Pheasant Branch approximately

520 feet to **Corner 16**, a point at the intersection of the east bank of Pheasant Branch with a line being 66 feet south of and parallel to FS Road #26-2 (Mill Creek Road);

Thence in a general easterly direction with the meanders of a line parallel to and 66 feet south of FS Road #26-2 approximately

- 12,460 feet to **Corner 17**, a point in Addis Gap where FS Road #26-2 (Mill Creek Road) changes to FS Road #26-1 (Wildcat Road), being a point near the Appalachian Trail and the boundary between Towns and Rabun County;
- Thence a northeasterly and southeasterly direction with the meanders of a line parallel to and 66 feet south of FS Road #26-1 approximately
- 7,290 feet to **Corner 18**, a point intersecting Moccasin Creek;
- Thence continuing with the meanders of a line parallel to and 66 feet west of FS Road #26-1, a southeasterly, southwesterly, and southeasterly course, approximately
- 19,410 feet to **Corner 19**, a point where the toe of a small ridge intersects with a line being 66 feet south of and parallel to FS Road #26-1;
- Thence ascending southwesterly along the top of the ridge as it meanders approximately
- 1,990 feet to **Corner 20**, being common to Corner 2 of USA Tract N-191, a point on an easterly boundary of USA Tract G-1320Bu, and the easterly line of land lot 55 of the 6th District, a standard FS Monument in a mound of stones;
- Thence southerly along and with the easterly lines of said Tract G-1320Bu and land lot 55 a record distance of
- 1,584 feet to **Corner 21**, being Corner 45 of USA Tract G-1320Bu and the southeast corner of Land Lot 55, a standard concrete post marked 55, 56, 71, 72;
- Thence westerly along and with a line common to said Tract G-1320Bu and land lot 55 a record distance of
- 4,177.14 feet to **Corner 22**, being common to Corner 46 of said Tract G-1320Bu, Corner 50 of USA Tract G-1320, and a point situated on the east-west line between land lots 55 and 56 of the 6th District, an aluminum Forest Service monument;
- Thence southerly along and with the easterly boundary of said Tract G-1320 through land lot 56 a record distance of
- 4,472.82 feet to **Corner 23**, being Corner 49 of said Tract G-1320 and the east-west line between land lots 56 and 57 of the 6th District, an aluminum Forest Service monument supported by a mound of stones on a high ridge,;
- Thence southeasterly with the top of the ridge as it meanders approximately
- 6,910 feet to **Corner 24**, a point on top of the ridge,

Set a standard FS monument, stamped TM7

A 9" Sourwood bears S 42° E 5.5 feet distant,
Mag-Nail/BT Washer at base

A 13" Virginia Pine bears S 86° W 4 feet distant,
Mag-Nail/BT Washer at base;

Thence descending southwesterly with the top of a ridge as it meanders approximately

2,060 feet **Corner 25**, a point on top of the ridge,

Set a standard FS monument, stamped TM8

A 7" Red Oak bears N 46° E 4.5 feet distant,
Mag-Nail/BT Washer at base

A 9" Chestnut Oak bears S 26° E 14.3 feet distant,
Mag-Nail/BT Washer at base;

Thence descending southerly with the top of a ridge as it meanders approximately

2,640 feet to **Corner 26**, a point on the end of a ridge above the Left Fork of the Soquee River,

Set a standard FS monument, stamped TM9,

A 12" Virginia Pine bears S 84° E 14.5 feet distant,
Mag-Nail/BT Washer at base

A 12" Red Oak bears S 90° W 16 feet distant,
Mag-Nail/BT Washer at base;

Thence descending southwesterly along the top of a ridge as it meanders, crossing the Left Fork of the Soquee River, and ascending with the top of another ridge as it meanders approximately

1,810 feet to **Corner 27**, a point on a ridgetop common to the southwesterly boundary of USA Tract N-228a,

Set a standard FS monument, stamped TM10,

An 8" Virginia Pine bears N 28° E 3.3 feet distant,
Mag-Nail/BT Washer at base

A 5" Sourwood bears S 80° E 14.5 feet distant,
Mag-Nail/BT Washer at base;

Thence northwesterly along and with the southwesterly boundary of said Tract N-228a as it meanders the top of a ridge approximately

510 feet to **Corner 28**, being Corner 1 of said Tract N-228a and Corner 29 of USA Tract G-1320, a planted stone on the ridge;

Thence westerly along and with the boundary of USA Tract G-1320 as it meanders the top of a ridge a record distance of

2,871 feet to **Corner 29**, being Corner 28 of said Tract G-1320, an aluminum Forest Service monument in a mound of stones;

Thence southerly along and with the boundary of said Tract G-1320 a record distance of

1,869.78 feet to **Corner 30**, common to Corner 27 of said Tract G-1320, being a point on a ridge at the end of a woods road, a concrete monument;

Thence continuing easterly along and with the boundary of said Tract G-1320 as it meanders the top of a ridge a record distance of

1,768.14 feet to **Corner 31**, a point common to Corner 26 of said Tract G-1320, a Yellow Pine on top of the ridge;

Thence continuing southeasterly along and with the boundary of said Tract G-1320 as it meanders the top of a ridge a record distance of

1,413.06 feet to **Corner 32**, a point common to Corner 25 of said Tract G-1320, an aluminum Forest Service monument in a Spanish Oak stump;

Thence continuing northeasterly along and with the boundary of said Tract G-1320 as it meanders the top of a ridge approximately

620 feet to **Corner 33**, a point being 66 feet west of the centerline of Chimney Mountain Road;

Thence southwesterly with the meanders of a line 66 feet west of and parallel to the centerline of Chimney Mountain Road approximately

2,520 feet to **Corner 34**, a point of intersection, being 66 feet from the centerlines of Chimney Mountain Road and GA State Route 356;

Thence southwesterly with the meanders of a line 66 feet north or west of and parallel to the centerline of GA State Route 356, approximately

4,750 feet to **Corner 35**, a point due east of Corner 2 of USA Tract G-702;

Thence due west along a line passing through USA Tract G-1320 approximately

740 feet to **Corner 36**, being Corner 2 of USA Tract G-702, a standard US Forest Service monument;

Thence westerly along and with the southerly boundary of USA Tract G-702 a record distance of

3,331.68 feet to **Corner 37**, being Corner 1 of said Tract G-702 and the easterly line of land lot 25 of the 6th District, a concrete monument;

Thence southerly along and with the westerly boundary of USA Tract G-306, being the easterly line of Land Lot 25 of the 6th District, a record distance of

1,840.74 feet to the **Point of Beginning**;

The above described Tray Mountain Wilderness Area contains 10,305 acres, more or less.