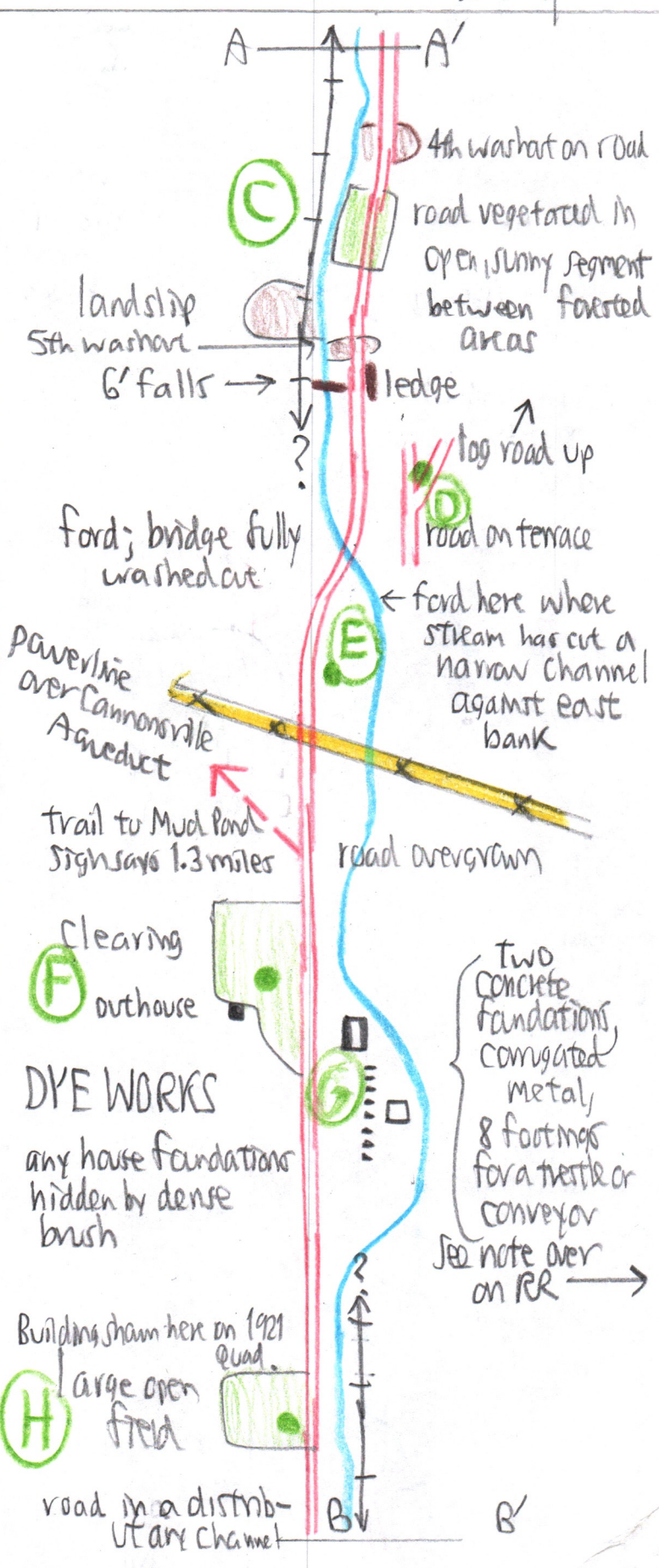
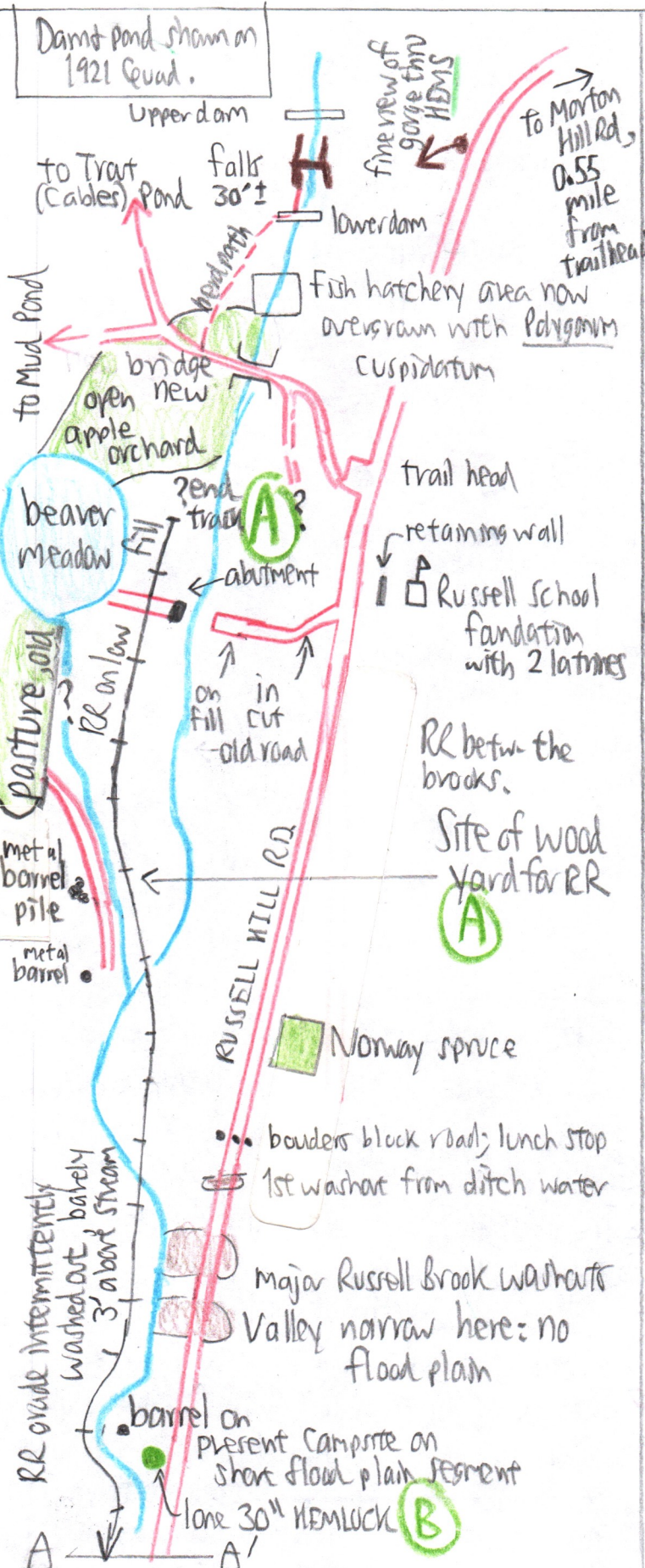
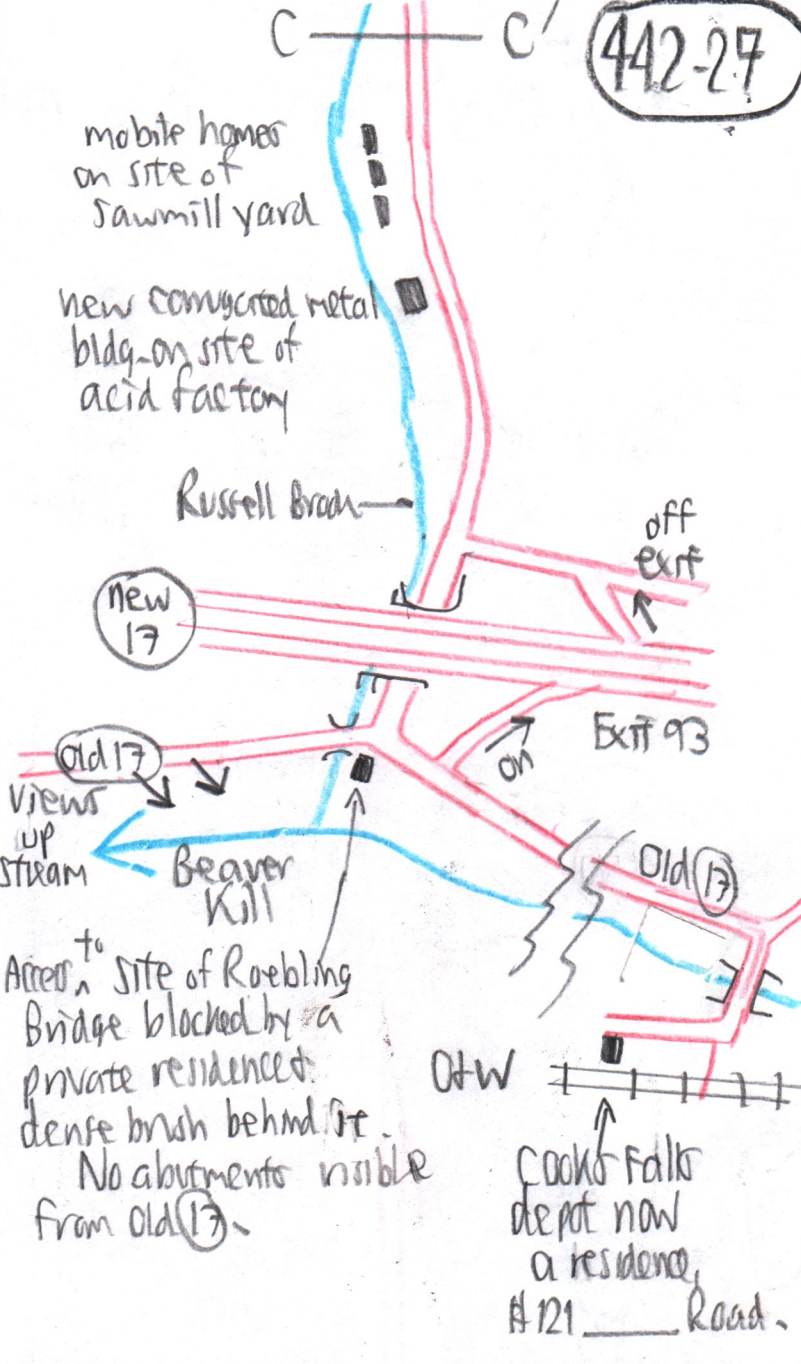
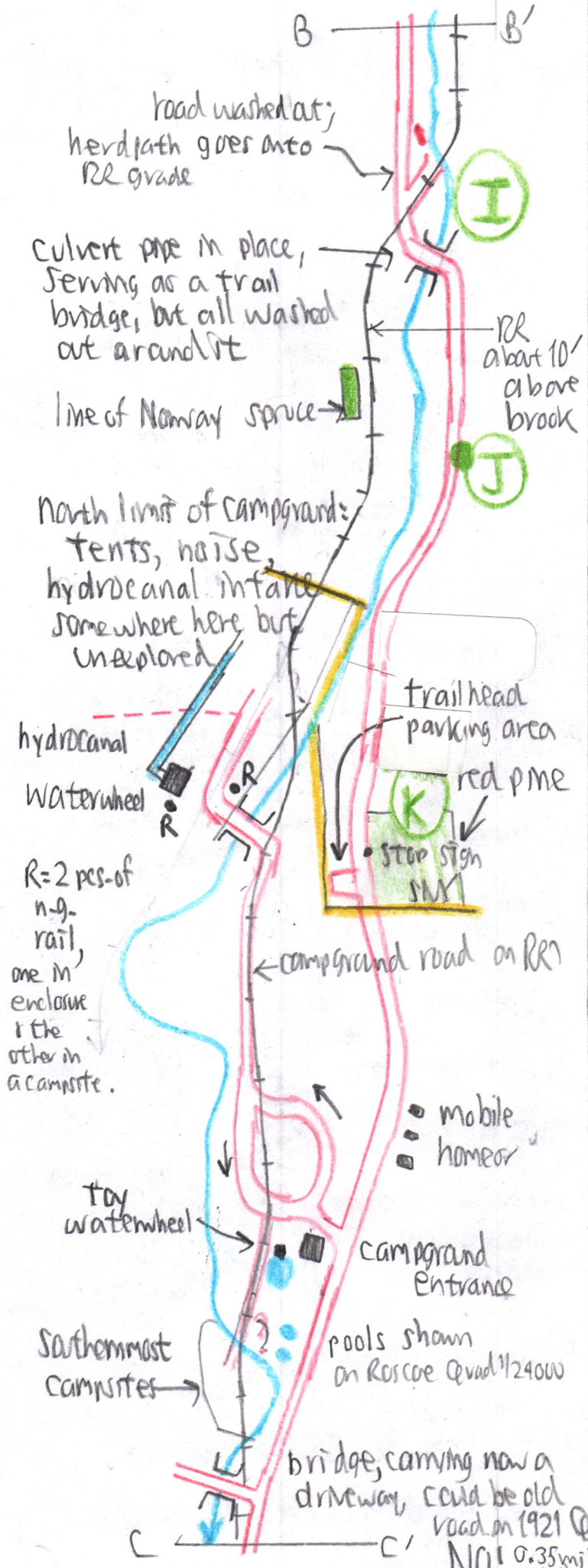


Treyz Railroad along Russell Brook

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DYE WORKS — The 1921 Quad shows track between dye works & Russell Brook. Photos in Myers lpp. show a flat, open yard area between brook & bldgs. The present foundations are directly along the brook — no room for a yard. Hypothesis: After RR closed in 1924, Bruning rebuilt the dye works, then served by highway trucks*, much closer to the brook. Original dye works & houses must have been in the present clearing, now too thick to reveal foundations. *Ref. See Myers p. 59. original bldgs burned (Myers).

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Russell Brook area vegetation

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A Strange small tree at falls. Red cherry bark (bright red), with choke cherry leaves. Apple orchard in new bridge area & site of fish hatchery. Beaver meadow has *S. sericea*. Woodyard now dominated by CARP, plus SUB, OST, CNE, CRAT, YB, B, ASN and abundant *Pyrola elliptica* in fl. One Sorbus sapling across road from NE corner of trailhead parking area.

B Large lone 30" HEM. HEM abun. in this area, but all much smaller.

C VA abundant. OX, *Pyrola* abun. AM, HEM, B, BC, SUB, MM, MO, YB, 1 OAK sapling.

D 1 small Elm. More near Campground

E *Salix sericea*

F One Norway spruce & a grove of *Lilac* in Dye Works clearing. *Artemisia vulgaris* dominates. 1 TASP, Butternut OAK. BASF & CORNUS

G ALT among dye works foundations.

H A population of *Monarda* in the field. Scattered plants (widely so) down to Campground.

I CB abundant in this area. Almost whole valley has the boreal ground cover intact including OX at **C**, *Mattucia*. A few orn.

J *Salix endocephala*, *sericea* & hybrids HAMAM.

K Red pine plantation.

Red oak abun. along old **I7** between Butternut Grove, Cods Falls & Horse Brook Road.

General thoughts:

The whole Russell Brook area, incl. pp. 442-24 & 25 on Trout & Mud Ponds, has only N. red oak & some BB & the other common. NO white chestnut oaks, hickories, or American chestnut. Mtn-laurel only at each pond (possibly planted): Trout & Mud.

The presence of these spp. between Danville & Arkville suggests Native Americans with local spot burns. The absence of these spp. seems little to do with acid wood or charcoal cuts in the Russell Brook area (Knam history).

This is true in the Esomo Valley as far upstream as Big Indian.

Native Americans can explain why oaks in the Pakatanan Mtn-Arkville area predominate the acid wood factory, built in 1898 (Myers p. 57). (over)

Russell Brook area is a historical "control", an area with known history of acid wood cutting, yet no softwood hardwoods (except a few N-red oak & black birch).

The photo at bottom of p-66 (Myers) shows the ^{upper} wood yard at the end of the RR. Mik believed this picture to be looking upstream, but Jon Patton ~~says~~ downstream. Match the background hill topographically ^(2570'?) in the field or on topo. maps. It looks nearly clear cut & must have been on Treys lands.

* Looking N matches much better