

Spur between Misko, and

Slide Brooks - Woodland Valley

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10/13/13 with Paul Misko, Joan Burroughs & Tom Clark

See Note *

site	p	Ap	Δe	e calc	emap	time	R
(A) Snyder Hollow Switch	(see below)	(see below)	(R ₂ = 1.040)		P50		R ₂ is based on R ₁ 's calc of (K) = 2957'
(B) Woodland Valley Park	30.40	0.00	—	—	1460	9:40	$R_2 = \frac{2957 - 1460'}{30.40' - 27.96'} = \frac{1497'}{2.440'} = 1.040$
(C) The Forks	30.07	0.33	343	1803	1770'	10:50	
(D) Burnt Shanty	30.00	0.40	416	1876		11:07 to 11:30	
(E) lower bank road	29.90	0.50	520	1980			
(F) upper bank road	29.88	0.52	541	2001		11:40	
(G) top steep PB talus	29.66	0.74	770	2230			
(H) top ledge	29.46	0.94	978	2438		12:10	
(I) HEMLOCK terrace	29.30	1.10	1144	2604		12:21	
(J) lunch top of HEM	29.13	1.27	1321	2781		12:45 to 1:00	
(K) Tom & Mk turn	28.96	1.44	1498	2958	PAUL 2844	1:15	
back from top of double ledge	28.96	1.93	2108	2957	PAUL 2844		$R_1 = \frac{1800 - 850'}{30.89' - 30.02'} = \frac{950'}{0.87'} = 1.092$
(L) Spruce saplings	29.15	1.74	1900	2750		1:40	
(M) Hemlock knots	29.32	1.57	1714	2564		1:50	
(N) below frag. ledge	29.41	1.48	1616	2466		1:58	
(O) HEM understory to SW	29.52	1.37	1496	2346		2:05	
(P) narrow terrace	29.60	1.29	1409	2259		2:13	
(Q) 41" sub, Slide Brook	29.72	1.17	1278	2128		2:34	
(R) cross Slide Brook	29.82	1.07	1168	2018			
(S) recross Slide Brook	29.86	1.03	1125	1975		2:56	
(C) The Forks	30.02	0.87	950	1800	1800	3:20 to 3:50	
(B) Woodland Valley Park	30.33	0.56	612	1462	1460	4:37	
(A) Snyder H. Switch	30.89	0.00	—	—	P50	ca. 5:00	

Mileage: 24.7 miles from 2810 to (B)

49.5 miles round trip

* Note: Because highest pt. on hike (K) is unknown (Paul's GPS said 2844'), R₁ is calculated between (A) + (C), both pts. with known elevs. R₁ is then applied to the descent

Vegetation

1460'
Lv. vehicles on lower road at
Woodland Valley Park Arm.

10-25 Morehouse Valley
Confluence

1803' The Forks. Oak
Seedlings. Ledge along NE
shore of Cornell Falls Brook
above the ford.

1876' Burnt Shanty
30" SUB

Cross lower bank road.
BASS. 1980'

2001' Cross upper bank road
which turns steeply up to SE

2230' Top of steep pitch
with RB dom & bouldery.
Above is less steep with
SUG & BASS

2438' Top ledge past
HEM saplings. B-RM-MD
gentle slope with a few SUB

2604' Spur curves around
to the SW toward Slide
Brook, the brook that drains
the Slide Mtn. 1879(?)
landslide. Flat to gently-
sloping terrace dom by
HEM. 1st PB.

2781' Lunch spot near
upper edge of HEM
grove. B dominant with
RB-MD-SUB. Hardwoods
>24" here, not seen
since D & C.

Climb wall with more
HEM & PB above. Then a
2nd wall above it with
PB. Narrow spur curves
to SW & SE, dropping
steeply in 3 directions.

2958', 2957' PAUL
2844'

Turn back because of a lack
of time. Paul & Joan continue
up to trail in Cornell-Slide
col, then over Slide Mtn to
Winnisook.
Descend the same 2 walls
as ascended, then turn
more toward NW to
drop into Slide Brook.

2750' Few spruce
saplings among the many
hemlock saplings in
understory.

2564' 5 HEM knots;
Tom collected one; from
former mature trees, but
now only several live
young hemlocks. Was
this site a former mature
HEM stand?

2466' Double-trunked
18" BC, the joint base nearly
double that. ASH. SUB to
±24". Boulder line marks
disintegrating ledge just
above.

2346' Young hem. understory
to SW.

2259' Narrow terrace
with possible bank road.
Inconclusive. Does not
continue either up or
down. Mature HEM
forest to SW below &
up Slide Brook Valley.

2128' On bouldery flood
plain of Slide Brook.
41" SUB measured
accurately. 40 1/2" just
above it. MM.
Big SUBs continue
down valley bottom to C

2018' Cross Slide Brook
as it swings over to E side
of its valley. SUBs to ±30"
32" SUB.

1975' Re-cross Slide Brook
back to E side. OAK
seedlings. Live 24" Birch
32" BC just above C

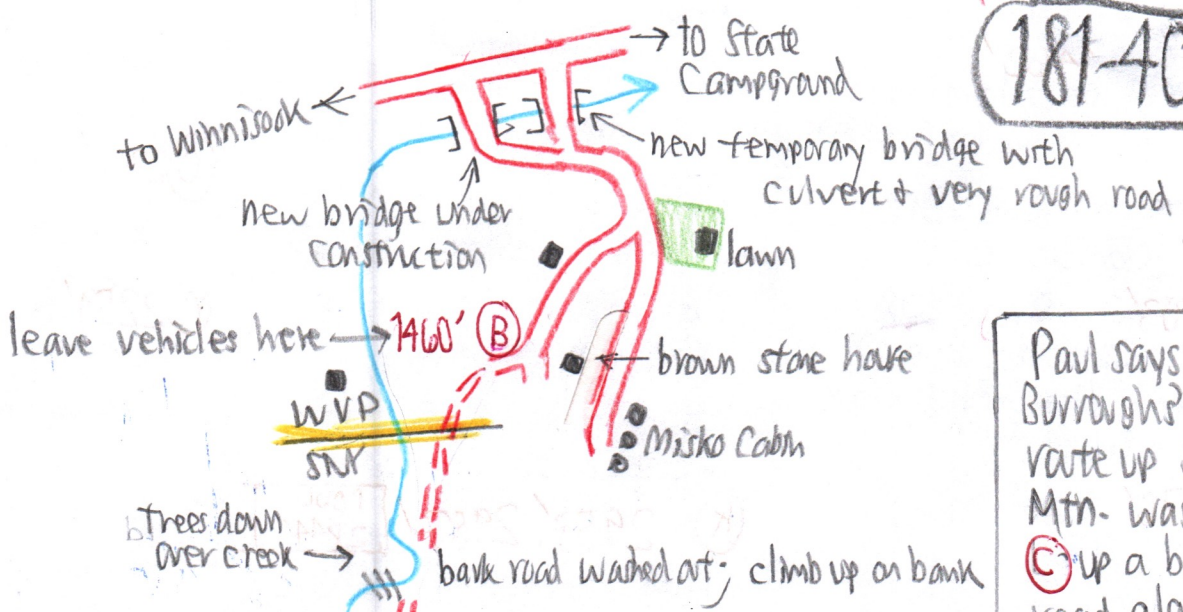
1800' The Forks 30"
BC at 3-56.

Paul's map, p. 181-29,
shows bank roads:
E 1950 to 2050'
F 2100 to 2200'
P ends at 2300'

Descent from K to C is very difficult, not because of ledge, but because of relentless
steep bouldery slope with many rocks unstable.

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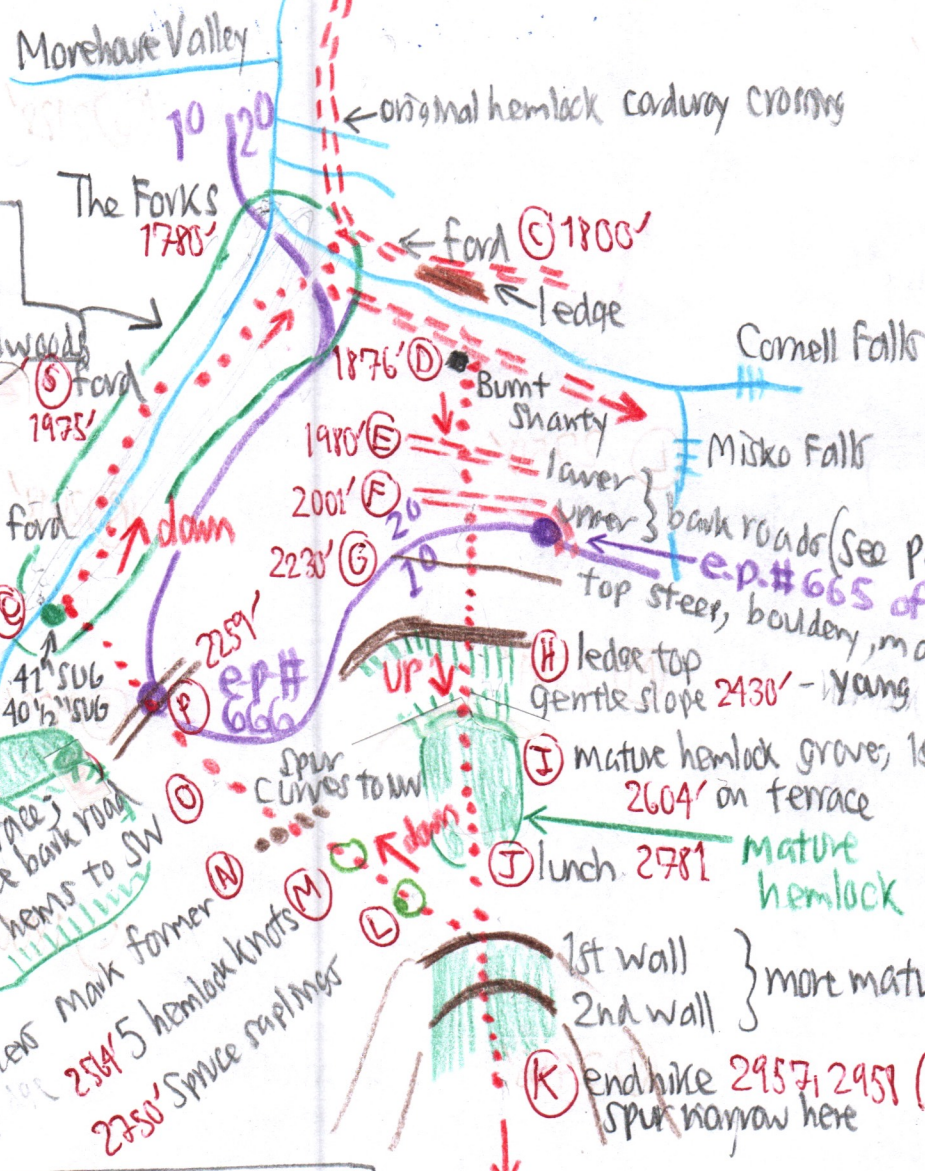
9/11/90 hike with Rich Parsons, p. 181-6,
ascended Slide Brook only to 1940' level,
(ie. barely up to (S)) but no mention of huge
SUGs, only a 28" YB.



Paul says that Burroughs' 1885 route up Slide Mtn. was from (C) up a bark road along Slide Brook, possibly via (P) to its end. But then he would have missed seeing & reporting (D).

He backtracked from (D) to (C), then up bark road (P) to (K) & on up to Col.

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mature hemlock grove to SW
narrow terrace; possible bark road
young hemlocks
2346' young hemlocks to SW
2466' boulders ledge
2584' 5 hemlock knots (M)
2750' Spruce saplings
spur curves to SW

Paul's 2009 map, p. 181-29, shows a bark road above the E side of Slide Brook ending at 2300' level. Could this be (P) at 2259'?

Paul Joan continue up to report the most difficult ledge above; to Col.

but not very large

(P) to (K) & on up to Col.