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September 2019

Hello Fellow SCAN Members!

We had a good number of folks make the long drive up to the corner of the state to participate in our August exploration of the Walhalla Fish Hatchery area.

Kathy Boyle
Gregg Ross
Marsha Hamlin
Bob Hamlin
Jan Ciegler

Lee Morris
Paul Kalbach
Kim McManus
Charlie Williams
Mandy Johnson

Sharon Yomtob
Todd Johnston
Chris Hill



The day was just about perfect, with temperatures in the 80ies. The sky was overcast so it didn't get too hot but it never rained on us. There had been a bit of rain in the previous days, so the trail wasn't dusty and the plants were all Quite happy.

We started off by investigating the fish hatchery itself. The Civilian Conservation Corps teamed up with the Works Progress Administration to build the state's only trout hatchery in the 1930s. The first trout was released in 1937. Today, the hatchery releases over 200,000 trout a year into rivers in Greenville, Oconee, and Pickens counties. We contributed by feeding the fish with some of the provided pellets.



After our quick jaunt around the trout pools, we headed out to the Ellicott Rock Wilderness. The East Fork Trail along the East Fork Chattooga River was well-maintained and easy to follow, once we found the trailhead! There were lots of flowering Green-headed Coneflower and Lobelia to add splashes of color to the green foliage. I saw lots of snails and slugs. The salamander count was pretty high as well.



Photos clockwise from upper left: Desmognathus sp, Cutleaf Coneflower, Charlie Williams documenting a blue fungus, an unidentified fungus, Lace-winged Roadside Skipper on Lobelia

The East Fork Chattooga River was flowing nicely. There were several areas where the trail paralleled the river and it was easy to stop for a few minutes and enjoy the water.



After a great day of exploring, we rallied in the parking lot and caravanned into the town of Walhalla for a hearty meal at 3 Amigos Mexican Grill.

Tom Jones has compiled our observations and entered them into the SCAN database. See the last pages of the newsletter for the summary. Please be sure to send in your observations after every excursion so we can document as many species as possible for each area. Observations can be submitted. [_____](#)

The September outing will be to the Hundred Acre Woods in Orangeburg County. Dave Kastner, our Central Regional Director, has coordinated a joint venture with the Carolina Butterfly Society. This will be a great opportunity for those of us who are not as familiar with these flying jewels to receive some in-the-field training.

On October 12th, the officers and regional directors will gather in Columbia for our annual planning session. All members are welcome to join us for an intensive brainstorming session. Please RSVP to me by October 9th if you plan to participate. If you cannot attend and have some ideas for interesting destinations, please let me know.

I look forward to seeing everyone on September 28th!

Kim McManus

Hundred Acre Woods – SI Group

725 Cannon Bridge Road SW, Orangeburg, Orangeburg County, SC 29115

Saturday, September 28, 2019, 10:30 AM to 4:00 PM

This is a joint outing with the Carolina Butterfly Society.

SI Group's Orangeburg location has achieved Wildlife Habitat Council conservation certification for its "Hundred Acre Woods" program. WHC's conservation certification program recognizes and certifies corporate habitat conservation and management, both nationally and globally.

SI Group's Orangeburg site demonstrated its commitment to environmental stewardship by receiving the Certified Silver designation for 2018-2019, signifying leadership among the more than 700 WHC conservation certification programs.

The site, which has been certified since 2008, consists of 315 acres with facility operations occupying 180 acres and the remaining 135 acres comprised of natural, wooded buffer area bordering the Edisto River. Hundred Acre Woods is a volunteer-driven program in which team members share the common goal of implementing habitat projects to improve the biodiversity of the facility while maintaining WHC certification.

Throughout the area, four main trails are used for walking, picture taking and wildlife observation. The volunteer team created a glossary to help people in the community identify trees and plants on the trails, which have been used by Boy Scout and Cub Scout programs.

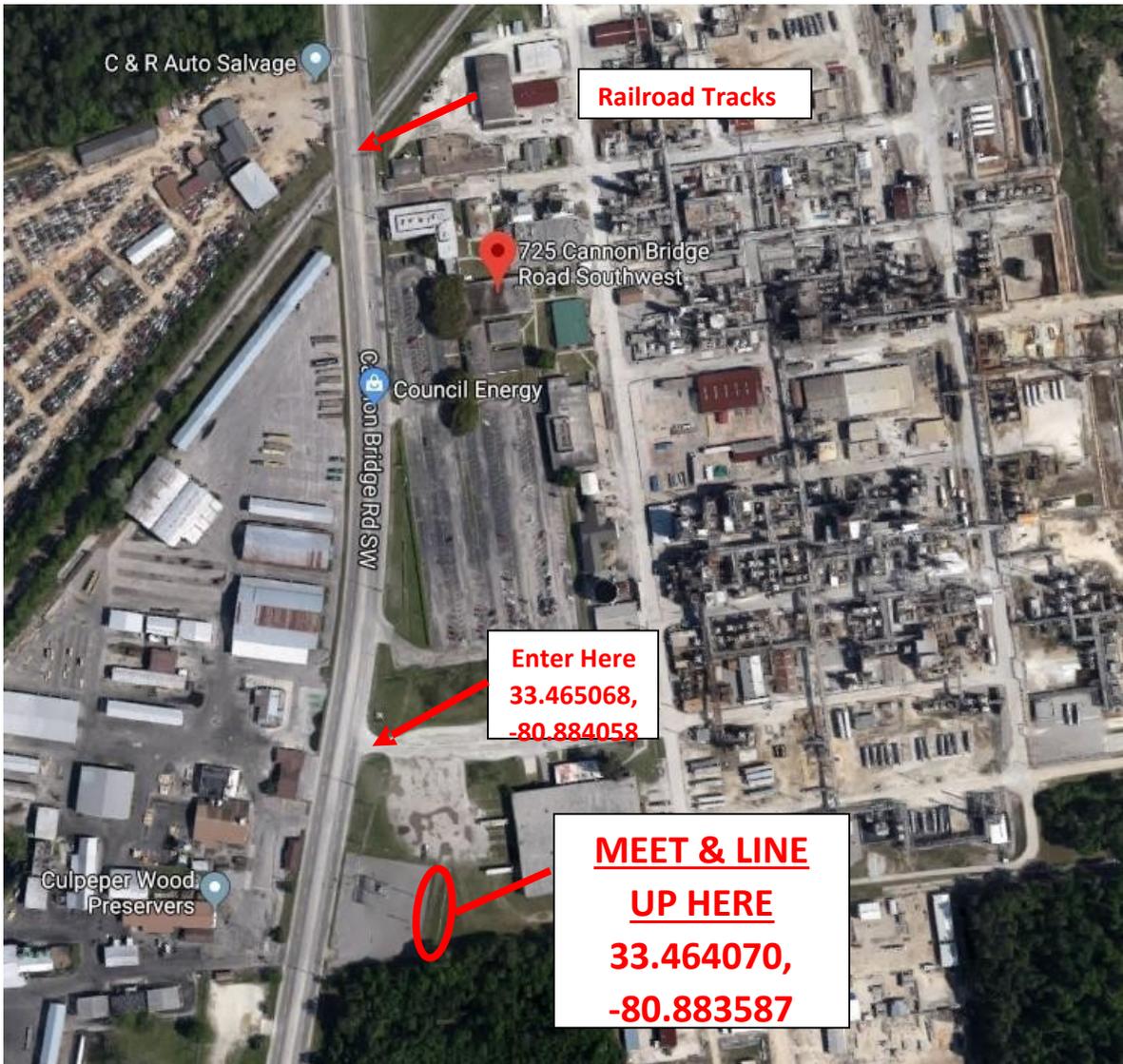
The Hundred Acre Woods program is recognized as meeting the strict requirements of WHC Conservation Certification, WHC President Margaret O'Gorman said. "Companies achieving WHC Conservation Certification, like SI Group, are environmental leaders, voluntarily managing their lands to support sustainable ecosystems and the communities that surround them."

Directions to: SI Group Hundred Acre Woods

Latitude 33.465068, Longitude -80.884058 (**entrance** to access the meeting area)

Latitude 33.464070, Longitude -80.883587 (**meeting area** just outside the Woods)

From I-26, use exit 145 (US-601): Turn onto US-601 S (St Matthews Road) and drive South toward Orangeburg for approximately 5.0 miles to the intersection of US-301 S / US-601 S (John C Calhoun Drive / Old Edisto Drive). Turn right (towards the West) onto US-301 S / US-601 S (John C Calhoun Drive / Old Edisto Drive) and drive approximately 1.7 miles to Cannon Bridge Road SW (which will be directly after the Dodge's convenience store on the left side of the road). Turn left (towards the South) onto Cannon Bridge Road SW and drive approximately 1.2 miles to the third entrance on the left after crossing the railroad tracks (and just before the power substation fenced area). After turning in the entrance, look to the right and drive behind the power substation fenced area towards the tree line. We will line our vehicles up near the tree line. When everyone has arrived, Arthur Sweatman from the SI Group will lead the caravan of cars into the Hundred Acre Woods to a back parking/staging area.



Dinner: @ ~4:00 PM

Original House of Pizza
591 John C Calhoun Drive
Orangeburg, SC 29115
(803) 531-4000

We're going back to a House of Pizza, but this is the "original" one in Orangeburg. To get there, backtrack the way you came. From the SI Group entrance, turn right (towards the North) on Cannon Bridge Road and drive approximately 1.2 miles to US-301 S (Old Edisto Drive). Turn right (towards the East) onto US-301 S (Old Edisto Drive) and drive approximately 1.9 miles to the restaurant on the right. Old Edisto Drive becomes John C Calhoun Drive (it's still US-301) where it crosses US-601 and the restaurant is about ¼ mile beyond the intersection.

For questions, call Dave Kastner.

Ellicott Rock Wilderness
Oconee Co., SC
August 24, 2019

This list was produced by SCAN from sightings produced by SCAN members and is subject to revision as needed. An asterisk (*) indicates a new sighting for SCAN. Send any changes or corrections to Tom Jones tomjones@scan.org
Please indicate exactly to which flora/fauna list you are referring. Thank you.

FLORA

Northern Maidenhair Fern

Adiantum pedatum

Hay-scented Fern

Dennstaedtia punctilobula

Broad Beech Fern

Phegopteris hexagonoptera

Christmas Fern

Polystichum acrostichoides

Eastern White Pine

Pinus strobus

Eastern Hemlock

Tsuga canadensis

Carolina Hemlock

Tsuga caroliniana

Green Dragon

Arisaema dracontium

Jack-in-the-pulpit

Arisaema triphyllum

Giant Cane

Arundinaria gigantea

Speckled Wood-lily

Clintonia umbellulata

Indian Cucumber-root

Medeola virginiana

Mountain Bunchflower

Veratrum parviflorum

False Solomon's-seal

Maianthemum racemosum
racemosum

Solomon's-seal

Polygonatum biflorum

Downy Rattlesnake-orchid

Goodyera pubescens

Lesser Rattlesnake-orchid

Goodyera repens

Crane-fly Orchid

Tipularia discolor

Tulip-tree

Liriodendron tulipifera

Fraser Magnolia

Magnolia fraseri

Common Pawpaw

Asimina triloba

Sweet-shrub

Calycanthus floridus

Dolls'-eyes

Actaea pachypoda

Sweet Autumn Clematis

Clematis terniflora

Yellowroot

Xanthorhiza simplicissima

Witch-hazel

Hamamelis virginiana

Wood-nettle

Laportea canadensis

American Chestnut

Castanea dentata

White Oak

Quercus alba

American Hop-hornbeam

Ostrya virginiana

Smartweed

Persicaria sp.

Violet

Viola sp.

Mountain Sweet Pepperbush

Clethra acuminata

Mountain Laurel

Kalmia latifolia

Mountain Doghobble

Leucothoe fontanesiana

White Rosebay

Rhododendron maximum

Galax

Galax urceolata

Snowy Hydrangea

Hydrangea radiata

Rock Alumroot

Heuchera villosa villosa

Southern Agrimony

Agrimonia parviflora

Buffalo-nut

Pyrularia pubera

Hearts-a-burstin'-with-love

Euonymus americanus

American Holly

Ilex opaca opaca

Virginia-creeper

Parthenocissus quinquefolia

Muscadine

Vitis rotundifolia rotundifolia

Appalachian Milkwort

Polygala curtissii

Eastern Red Maple

Acer rubrum rubrum

Painted Buckeye

Aesculus sylvatica

Eastern Poison Ivy

Toxicodendron radicans radicans

Devil's-walking-stick

Aralia spinosa

Hairy Angelica

Angelica venenosa

Sanicle

Sanicula canadensis

Virginia Bugleweed

Lycopus virginicus

Basil Bergamot

Monarda clinopodia

Southern Harebell

Campanula divaricata

Lobelia

Lobelia amoena

Lobelia

Lobelia puberula

Partridge-berry

Mitchella repens

Common Elderberry

Sambucus canadensis

Common Heart-leaved Aster

Eurybia divaricata

Hollow-stem Joe-pye-weed

Eutrochium fistulosum

Gall-of-the-earth

Prenanthes trifoliolata

Cutleaf Coneflower

Rudbeckia laciniata

Blue Stain, Green Stain

* *Chlorociboria* sp.

FAUNA

Witch Hazel Cone Gall (aphid)

Hormaphis hamamelidis

Woodland Ground Beetle

* *Pterostichus coracinus*

Eyed Click Beetle

Alaus oculatus

Darkling Beetle

Uloma impressa

Lace-winged Roadside Skipper

Amblyscirtes aesculapius

Spiny Oak-slug Moth

Euclea delphinii

Fall Webworm Moth

Hyphantria cunea

Brown-hooded Owlet

Cucullia convexipennis

Dusky Salamander

Desmognathus sp.

S. Grey-cheeked Salamander

Plethodon metcalfi

Red-bellied Woodpecker

Melanerpes carolinus

Pileated Woodpecker

Dryocopus pileatus

Blue Jay

Cyanocitta cristata

Carolina Chickadee

Parus carolinensis

Red-Eyed Vireo

Vireo olivaceus

Louisiana Waterthrush

Seiurus motacilla

Eastern Towhee

Pipilo erythrophthalmus