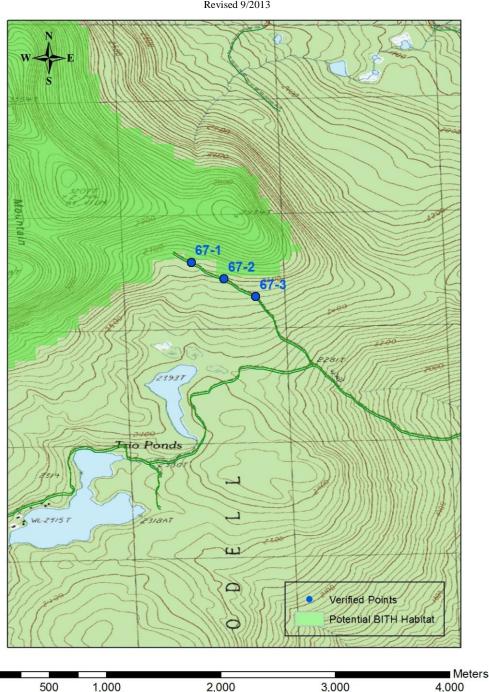
## **Mountain Birdwatch 2.0**

## Route 67: Whitcomb Mountain, NH

Hike Duration/Difficulty: With a high clearance 4WD vehicle, you can drive to the points. A CB radio is necessary for this route. Use channel 19. You must announce your location at every mile marker (1-7). (When heading toward the points announce: "Mile marker 1, SUV coming in". When leaving Dummer Pond Road, announce, "mile marker ... SUV coming out" at EVERY mile marker.) Route/Trail Access: Take Route 16 to Dummer Pond Road. Coming from the South, you will pass through Gorham and Milan. Dummer Pond Road is the first left after the junction of 110; road becomes Philips Brook Rd. If you round a corner and come to a view of a pond, you have gone too far. Bear right at first fork. Take first left after gate (after mile marker 7) onto Trio Ponds Road. Bear right at first fork (left of fork is very grassy) and immediately cross first bridge. Stay straight until fork and bear left. Go over another bridge. Stay straight after bridge until first right. Take this right (though sign with arrow points left). This road to the right is not as well maintained as the road to the left. Point 3 is 1.8 km from this junction. Road gets very rough and may require that you hike well before point. Approximately half way to point 3, you will cross over a bridge. See back for additional directions.

Camping: You can camp beside your vehicle or anywhere along the road to the points. Ample flat spots for a tent.



Pt#	Picture 1	Picture 2	GPS <sup>1</sup>	Description
1	Facing N from Pt 1	Facing S from Pt 1	N 44.73139 W 71.35567 Elev(m) 810	Trail opens up to a field. Point is half way across opening. A boulder (~3m across, 2m high) is 10 m SE of point.  Just beyond the field, the trail splits and becomes overgrown with vegetation and raspberry bushes. Point is at very small copse of balsam, 2-3m high.
2	Facing N from Pt 2	Facing S from Pt 2	N 44.73009 W 71.35308 Elev(m)7 793	Point is 100 m E of opening in trail. A ditch that runs parallel with trail cuts across trail at the point and continues perpendicular to trail, heading S. A dead tree stands alone 10 m SW of point beyond a group of fir and spruce (10 m wide).
3	Facing N from Pt 3	Facing S from Pt 3	N 44.72871 W -71.3506 Elev(m) 773	Point is 50 m S of an opening/clearing, trail curves to left and continues uphill just before clearing. 2 dead trees visible on N side of clearing. The trees are 50-60 m N of point and ~15 m apart. Drainage ditch running E to W crosses trail 20m N of point.

Please survey this route in order, beginning with point 1.

<sup>1</sup> Please note that waypoint locations are provided in decimal degrees.

Visit <a href="https://www.flickr.com">www.flickr.com</a> and search People for "Mountain Birdwatch" to view additional pictures of your route.

## **Additional Directions**

- 1. From Mile Marker 7 on Philips Brook Road, it is 0.35 miles to Trio Pond Road.
- 2. When you turn onto Trio Pond Road, it is 1.4 miles to the last described fork (i.e. the turn onto the road the points are on). After the second bridge, it is 0.2 miles to last fork.
- 3. From this fork, it is 0.8 miles to the clearing (point 67-1). Take a right at this fork onto a two-track road; the main road curves to the left.