Mountain Birdwatch 2.0

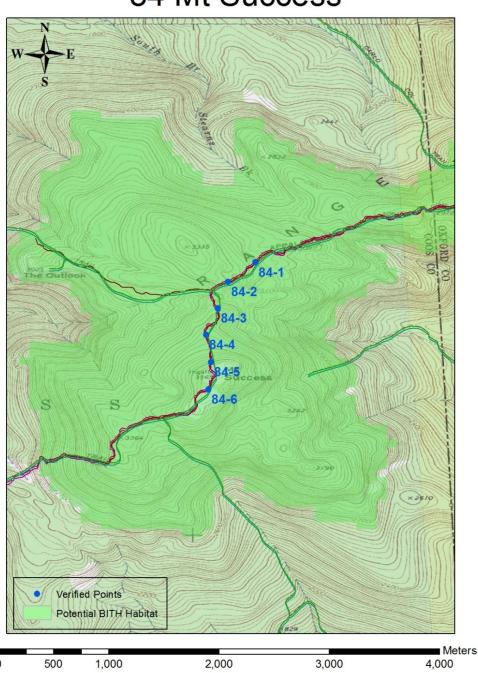
Route 84: Mount Success, NH/ME

Hike Duration/Difficulty: 1.7 miles to outlook; 2.4 miles to AT intersection; 2.6 miles to Point 1. Moderate hike – hike has unrelenting incline although not technically challenging.

Route/Trail Access: Take Route 16 to Success Pond Road. Success Pond Road is North of Gorham. Follow Success Pond Rd to Success Trail. The first sign you see for Success Trail will be at a parking area for ATV trails. This is not the trail. Continue 4+ miles up Success Pond Rd until you reach the success trail for hiking. You can park at this sign or drive up the road and park at trailhead. At sign for Success Trail, Mahoosuc trail, Go left on Mahoosuc trail (towards Carlo Col campsite) to reach points 1 and 2. Points 3-6 are to the right (toward Gentian pond campsite). Note: First AT signs, saying US Boundary - blazed yellow, are not the AT. Follow blue blazes to junction.

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Pt#	Picture 1	Picture 2	GPS ¹	Description
1	Facing N from Pt 1	Facing S from Pt 1	N 44.48065 W 71.03607 Elev(m) 944	Trail descends (heading NE) and point is just before a steep rocky drop in trail (~7m). There is a root broken at a right angle on E side of trail at point (height= 0.3 m). On W side of trail, there is a stump 2 m high, harshly broken and sharp and pointed on end - 2 m NW of point.
2	Facing E from Pt 2	Facing W from Pt 2	N 44.47906 W 71.03831 Elev(m) 979	Heading from point 1, the trail levels after an incline. There is a small decline (3 m) just before three "bridges" (planks nailed together to walk over wet part in trail). The third one-most western- marks the point. The point is 1/2 way across this bridge. At the beginning of the middle bridge, on S side of trail, a dead tree (~9m high) stands 1 m away.
3	Facing N from Pt 3	Facing S from Pt 3	N 44.47690 W 71.03916 Elev(m) 1001	Point is 150 m past sign for Mahoosuc tr. (heading South, towards Gentian pond campsite). After an incline along trail on flat rock (13m long) there is another plank. Point is 1/2 way across this plank. 3 m N of plank, a stump 1 m high is on E side of trail.
4	Facing N from Pt 4	Facing S from Pt 4	N 44.47474 W 71.04010 Elev(m) 1020	Heading from point 3, after an opening with a nice vista on right, you will pass over 2 sets of planks. The next set of planks, after a brief area of bare ground (6m long), are not elevated off ground. Point is at the closest end of the nearest one. A dead log (1.5 m long) lies parallel with trail and plank at the point. After point, there are 4 more sets of planks the last of which is elevated off ground on wooden blocks.
5	Facing N from Pt 5	Facing S from Pt 5	N 44.47252 W 71.03971 Elev(m) 1066	After a rocky incline, the path levels off. After the trail turns right, there's a dead log (3 m long) running N-S on S side of trail. There is a stump 1 m high on N side, point is on trail between these two features. 10 m W of point, there are 3 boulders, in a line across trail. The largest is .5 m x 1m. The boulders are positioned from largest to smallest with the largest on the West side and the smallest on the East side.
6	Facing E from Pt 6	Facing W from Pt 6	N 44.47028 W 71.03992 Elev(m) 1084	After an area of large boulders looking out on a nice vista (may be perceived as the summit), cross over planks on mud. Just before another opening/vista in black spruce forest, there are planks after going down a decline on a flat rock. The point is on the 9th plank.

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

¹ Please note that waypoint locations are provided in decimal degrees.

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