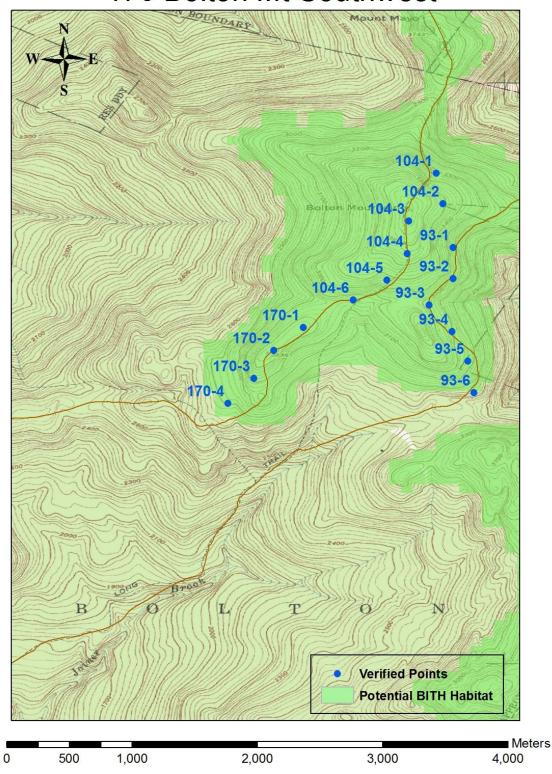
Mountain Birdwatch 2.0 Route 170: Bolton Mountain Southwest, VT

Hike Duration/Difficulty: 2 hours; Easy to moderate. Trail is very wet at times. You may want to bring rubber boots.

Route/Trail Access: Drive to Bolton Ski area and take Bryant Trail (cross country ski trail) to Bryant Camp, take Birch Loop to Raven's Wind Trail. Points along Raven Wind trail.

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Pt #	Picture 1	Picture 2	GPS ¹	Description
1	Facing N from Pt 1	Facing S from Pt 1	N 44.44084 W 72.84736 Elev(m) 986	Trail makes an 'S' curve in area of fir forest with little to no undergrowth (just moss on ground). Point is on the northern most park of 'S' curve by a 3 m snag, 10 cm dbh (diameter at breast height) on the east side of trail.
2	Facing N from Pt 2	Facing S from Pt 2	N 44.43919 W 72.84948 Elev(m) 983	Canopy opens completely with clear view to the East. Point is at root where trail thins (if coming from N toward the S.) 2m tall root ball 10m S of point on W side of trail.
3	Facing N from Pt 3	Facing S from Pt 3	N 44.43718 W 72.85088 Elev(m) 950	Point is at peculiar fir tree on W side of trail with an 'S' curving branch and an 'L' shapped branch spilling as two trunks. 5m S of fir is a rock out cropping overhanging the trail from the East side. Trail descends along rock outcropping. There is a 5 m tall snag on E side of trail across from twisted fir.
4	Facing N from Pt 4	Facing S from Pt 4	N 44.43537 W 72.85276 Elev(m) 882	If traveling S on trail, trail will descend to rock steps and thin curve left to the SE and immediately become denser in canopy cover. Point is at first stump in trail ~0.2 m tall. Stump is proceeded ~ 1.5m S by 3m snag rooted to the W side of trail, immediately after snag trail curves West. On E side of trail across from snag is young paper birch split as a Y 0.2m from the earth into two branching trunks.

Please survey this route in order, beginning with point 1. ¹ Please note that waypoint locations are provided in decimal degrees. Visit <u>www.flickr.com</u> and search People for "Mountain Birdwatch" to view additional pictures of your route.