

Mountain Birdwatch 2.0

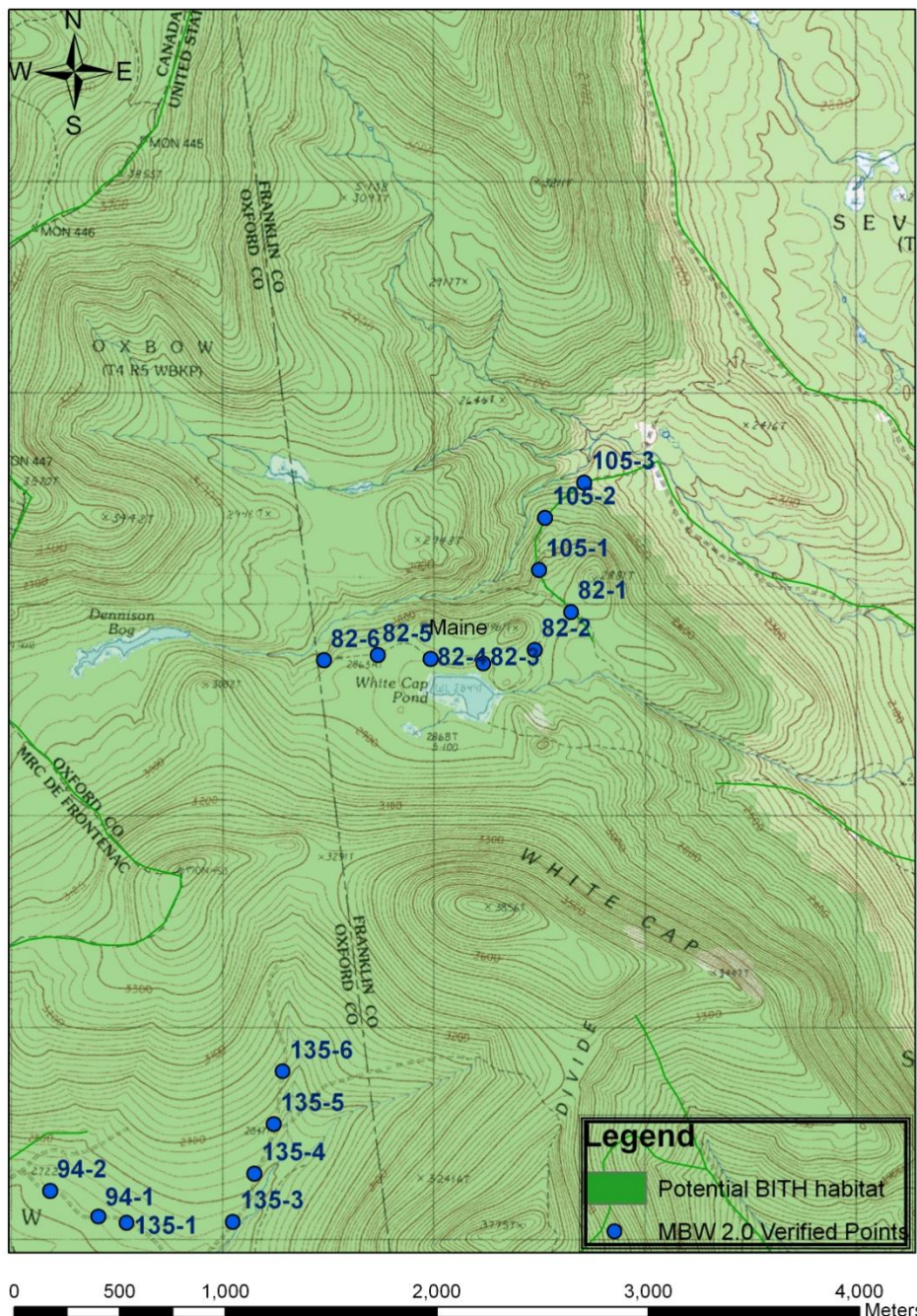
Route 82: White Cap Pond, ME













Hike Duration/Difficulty: Varies depending on how much your vehicle can take – 45 minutes to 2 hours to 82-1.

Route/Trail Access: From Rt. 16 near Rangeley, leave the pavement and take Morton Cutoff Road N, R on Lincoln Pond, L on Kennebago River Road past 2 locked gates (obtain keys and a permit at American Forest Management office in Stratton). This eventually becomes Beaver Pond Tote Rd. (no signage). At 45.24533, -70.78422, turn left (W) onto CMP Dam Rd (no signage). Park somewhere along this mile-long track depending on your vehicle's capabilities and the road conditions. A mile in, at 45.25502, -70.80854, turn left onto what looks like a dry streambed. This widens out onto an overgrown, 40m-wide abandoned logging road leading to routes 105 and 82. At 105-3, this road narrows into a forest ATV track, and later a foot trail. Stay to the main path, ignoring the narrower moose trails that occasionally cross the track. Follow for 30 minutes. At a major Y-fork, keep to the right. The fork marks 82-1.

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Pt #	Picture 1	Picture 2	GPS ¹	Description
1	 Facing N from pt 1.	 Facing E from pt 1.	N 45.24882 W 70.81343 Elev(m) 853	Point is right at a Y-fork in the trail. Remaining points continue to the right fork (SW).
2	 Facing E from pt 2.	 Facing W from pt 2.	N 45.24717 W 70.81559 Elev(m) 872	1m diameter tree fallen across trail to NE. E of this tree 20m is another in similar fashion. The tree at the point has many branches, the other has few.
3	 Facing E from pt 3.	 Facing W from pt 3.	N 45.24654 W 70.81866 Elev(m) 875	On S side of trail 5m E of point, 1m thick broken tree runs diagonally W to E. 3-4 other broken trees lie similarly behind it. See 4079 for picture of these trees.
4	 Facing E from pt 4.	 Facing W from pt 4.	N 45.24667 W 70.82184 Elev(m) 875	Dead birch 2" in diameter crosses trail and is wedged between a birch and fir on the S side of trail. Slope relatively flat here. To the E of wedged tree, a fir diagonally reaches across trail from S. To the W of wedged tree, a broken branch hangs across trail from tree to S.
5	 Facing N from pt 5.	 Facing W from pt 5.	N 45.24681 W 70.82504 Elev(m) 873	From point, to E the trail will turn NE. Slope flat and many logs rest across the trail. To E and W are same-size trees jutting diagonally into trail with bases on N side – 1 snag and 1 dying fir. 25M W on trail on S side is a rock about 5m wide.
6	 Facing E from pt 6.	 Facing W from pt 6.	N 45.24652 W 70.82825 Elev(m) 863	Dead tree with base on N side of trail arcs over the trail at this point. Here, the trail slopes most dramatically down trail of anyplace along the route. A birch hangs across the trail along with an arcing snag – both 2-3" in diameter. About 50m down trail to W are a series of bright orange blazes on trees in a row perpendicular to the trail – property line?

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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