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BIG LOST COVE CLIFFS TRAIL (USFS #271)

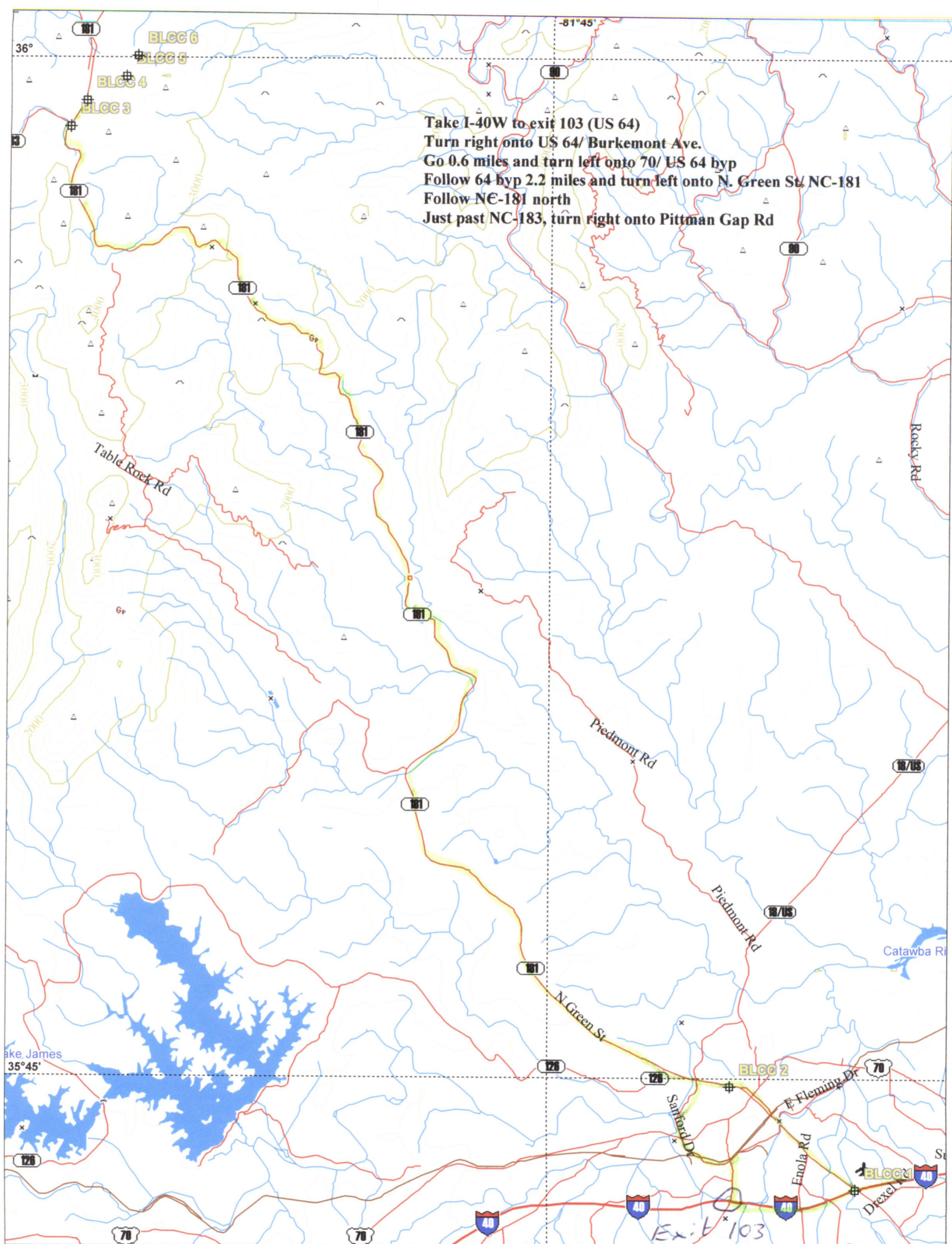
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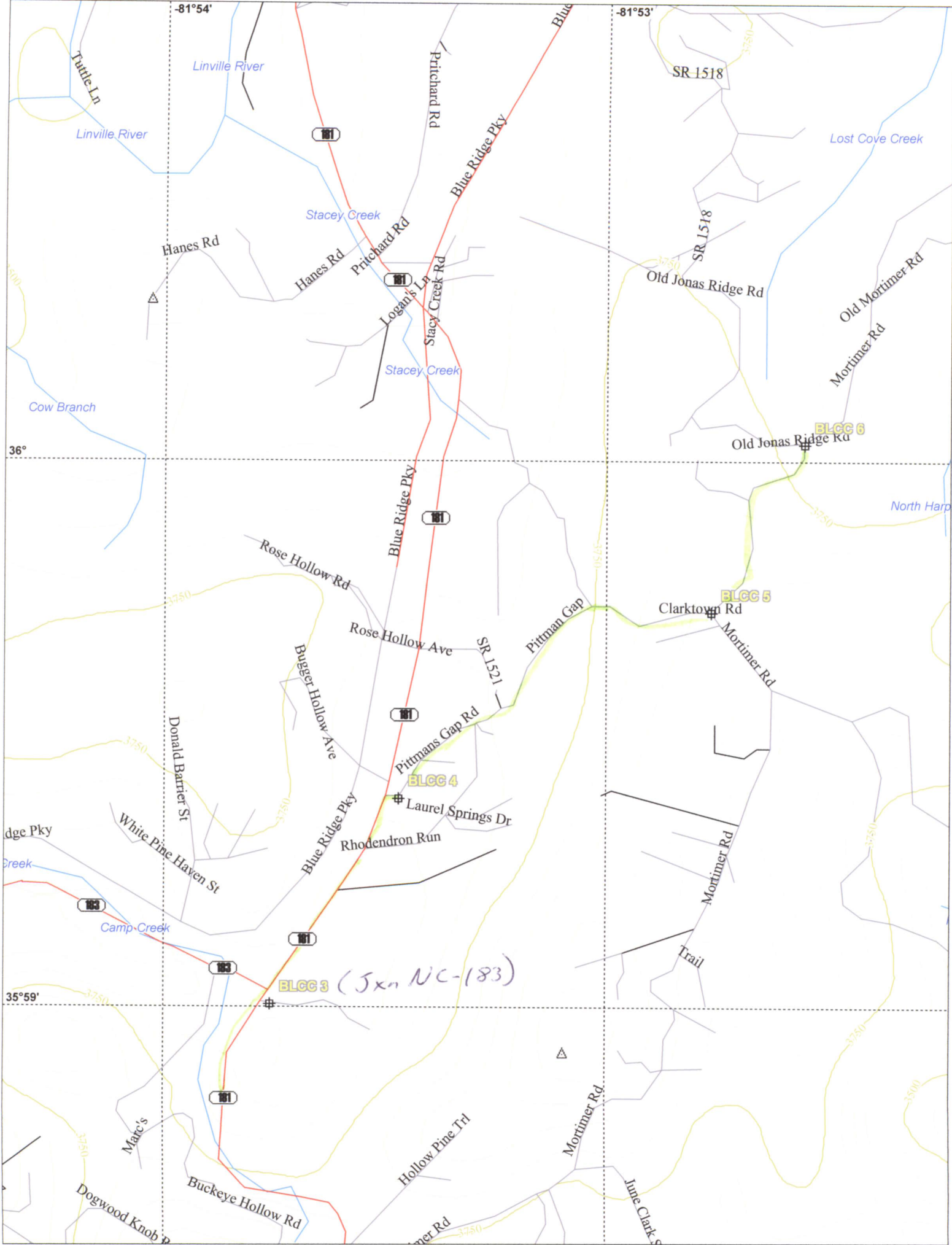
The easiest access is from NC-181 (*near Jonas Ridge*), 0.7 miles North of the junction with NC-183. Turn Right on SR-1471 and go 0.8 miles, turn Left on SR-1518 and go 0.5 miles, and turn Right at Long Ridge Baptist Church on FR-464. Descend on FR-464 2.0 miles to a narrow parking edge in a sharp left curve. The trail ascends 0.4 miles in laurel and rhododendron with ground cover of wintergreen to an old jeep road. Descend to the cliffs at 1.2 miles for a grand 180-degree view of Lost Cove, Grandfather and Grandmother Mountains and the Blue Ridge Parkway.

(Wilson Creek Area Trail Map) or (USGS-FS Map: Grandfather Mtn)

[Other Notes –

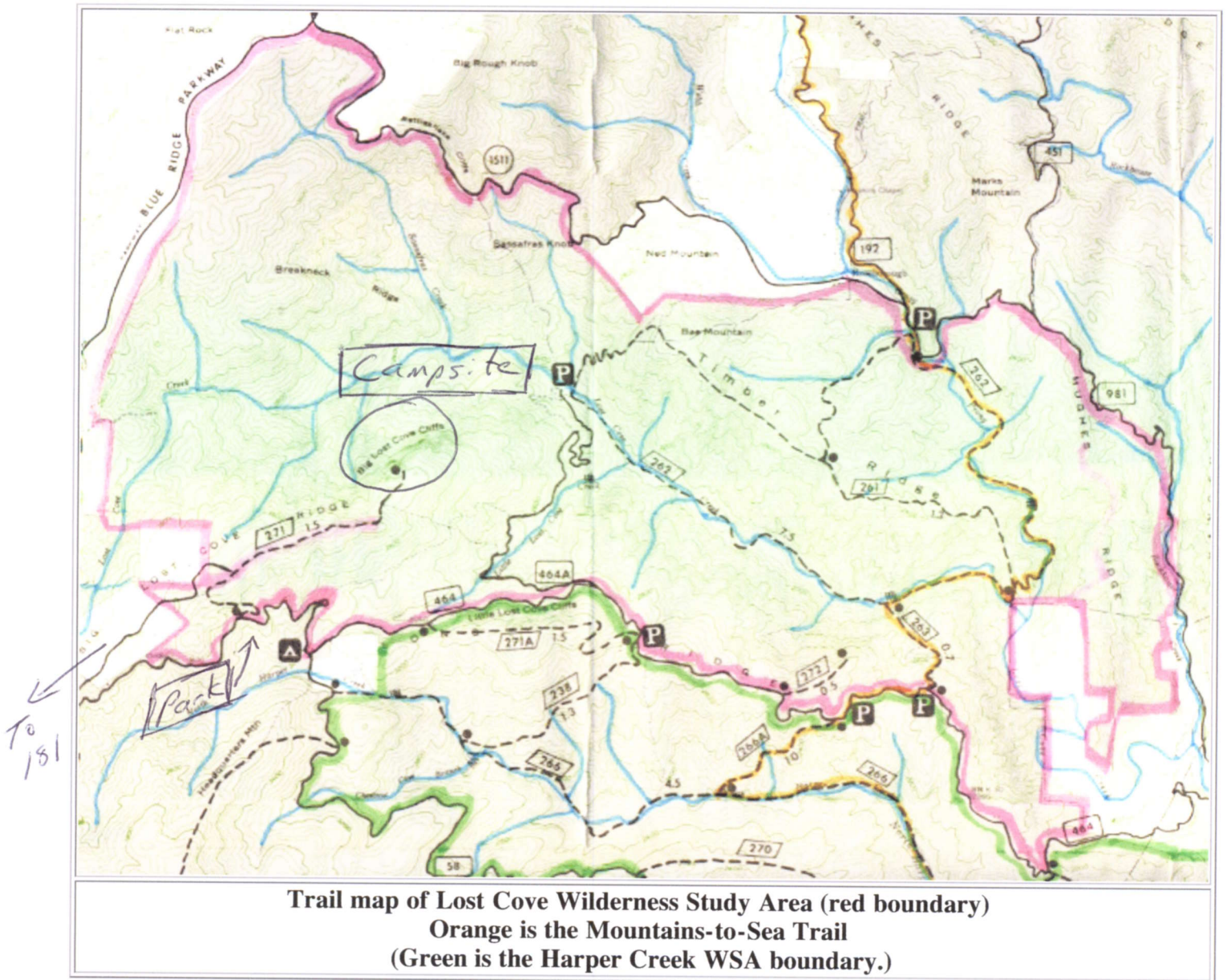
1. *Parking area is on the right side of FR-464. The trailhead is across the road from the parking area.*
2. *The campsite is in a wooded area on the right side of the trail shortly before reaching the cliffs. There are fire rings but you must be careful because it is often windy up there.*
3. *There are no water sources close by. Because the campsite is only 1.2 miles from the cars, we have carried water in gallon jugs to supplement the 2 quarts of water that scouts carry in their packs.*
4. *FR-464 is a narrow dirt road that leads down into the Harper Creek and Lost Cove Creek areas and intersects with NC-90 near Mortimer, 9 miles below Big Lost Cove Cliffs Trail.]*





LOST COVE TRAIL MAP

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