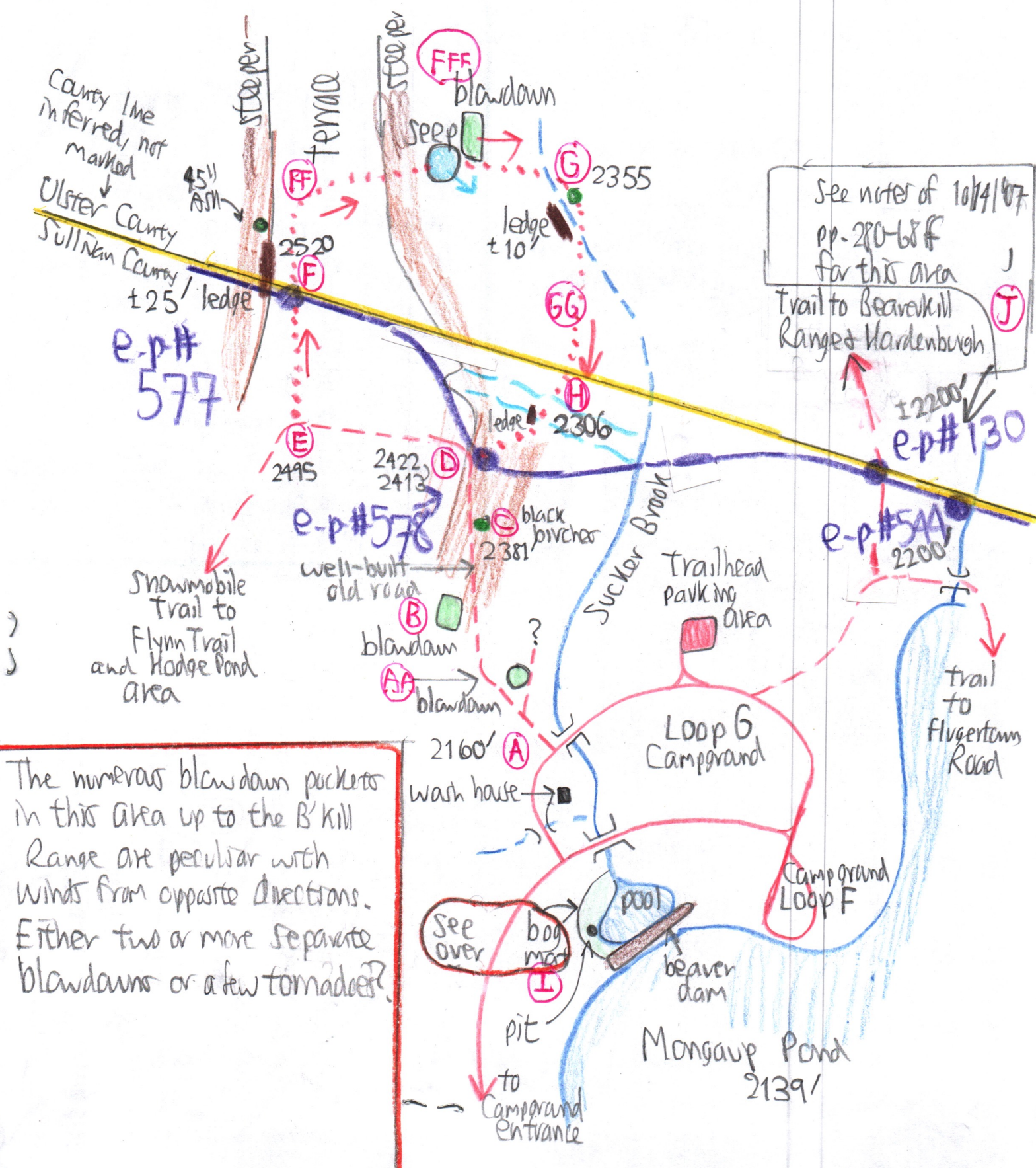


# Sucker Brook Watershed 10

with Lira Lyons' friends Brian Smith & Kurt Knuth #1/see

280-78  
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County line inferred, not marked  
Ulster County  
Sullivan County  
±25' ledge

e-p# 577

See notes of 10/4/07  
pp. 280-68 f  
for this area  
Trail to Beavertail  
Range & Hardenburgh

±2200'  
e-p# 130

e-p# 544  
2200'

snowmobile trail to Flynn Trail and Hodge Pond area

e-p# 578

well-built old road

blowdown

blowdown

2160'

wash house

See over

bag mat

pit

to Campground entrance

Loop G Campground

Campground Loop F

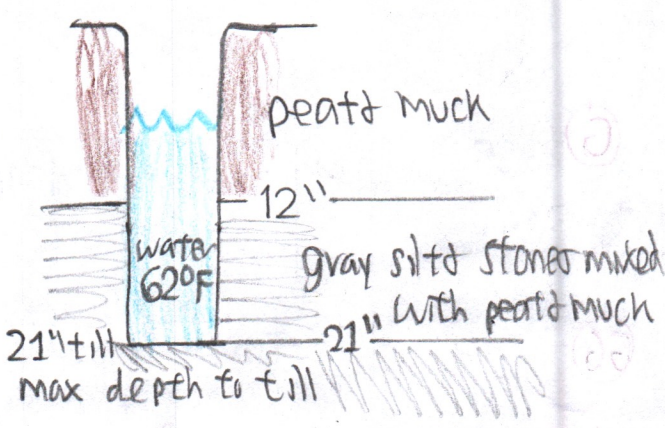
Mongaup Pond  
2139'

The numerous blowdown pockets in this area up to the B'kill Range are peculiar with winds from opposite directions. Either two or more separate blowdowns or a few tomadoes?

"Bog" AT SUCKER BROOK MOUTH (280-79)

I Bog at mouth of Sucker Brook, found 10/13/07, is a "dud."

Beaver dam must have created the pool at the mouth of Sucker Brook. Pool silted in. Tile spade pit:



The peat stinks like the peat in the bog at top Indian Head Mt., #366. Some bacterial decay must be occurring with adequate water flow, yet pH only 4.6!?!?

Bot(?) flies were thick, not biting, but big & pesky. Reported to be parasitic on Forest Tent Caterpillars.

No peat sample collected. Too much silt below 12".

Flora (see also p. 280-73 from 10/1/07)

*Spiraea lat.* dominant  
*Alnus incana*  
*Vacc. myrt.*

RM+TB-NEM at edge  
*Lysimachia terrestris*  
*Rhisp.*  
*Veronica americana*  
*Carex churra*  
*Cx. sparganoides* ??  
*Vulp.?* (infl. branched)  
*Ce. Canadensis*  
*Juncus effusus*  
*D. cristata*

One piece of wood collected from unknown depth

From 2007. *Spiraea tom.*, *A. punicea*  
Solid rust grass / *Scirpus cap.*  
Max probe 24"

Mongaup Pond mouth of Sucker Brook:

Depth: 21 inches

pH: 4.6

Temp. 62°F

KURT KNOCH'S NOTES

12 inches of peat over silt layer

# Sucker Brook Elevations Mongaup Pond Area

280-80  
6/21/08

0.818

Site	p	Ap	Δelev.	e calc	e map	time	R
A Head of Sucker Brook trail	29.39	0-00	0	—	2160	12:20 PM	$\frac{2520' - 2160'}{29.39' - 28.95'} = \frac{360'}{0.44'} = 0.818$
B Blawdown	—	—	—	—	—	12:29	
C Black birches	29.12	0-27	221	2381	—	—	
D Trail turns N to W + climbs gently	29.07	0-32	262	2422	—	—	
E Trail turns W to S begin bushwhack	28.98	0-41	335	2495	—	12:50	
F Ledger on W side begins <u>e-p #577</u>	28.95	0-44 or 37	360 360	2520 2520	2520	1:05	$\frac{2520' - 2160'}{29.32' - 28.95'} = \frac{360'}{0.37'} = 0.973$
G Sucker Brook (dry bed) Then climb S out of it	29.12	0-20	195	2355	—	1:45	
H Cross 1st ravine of two	29.17	0-15	146	2306	—	2:10 top 2:14 2nd	
D return to trail <u>e-p #578</u>	29.06	0-26	253	2413	—	2:17	
B Blawdown	29.26	0-06	58	2218	—	—	
A Trail Head	29.32	0-00	0	←	2160	2:40	

Trip odometer 6/21-22/08 on new Area

Lu. 2810 ————— 841

Lington Manor —————

Mongaup Pond Campground — 886 at Sucker Brook  
to 888

Lington Manor ————— 898

Muggins Lake —————

2816, arr ————— 937?

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& came on May 2006 CME  
hike to Black Brook

0.818

0.973

280-81

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- (A) Sucker Brook Trail Head ca. -2160'
- (B) Blowdown pocket, <1 acre.
- (C) Stumps from 1960s before SNR acquired campground. ASH, BB. Road well-built on terrace on a steep slope, not originally a snowmobile trail. A log road?
- (D) Old road turns from NMW to W and climbs more gently. Partial SUB defoliation, not severe. 70y old ASH cut to clear trail  
↑ what d/bn?
- (E) Old road turns from W to SW. Leave road & begin bush-whack nearly on contour & due north. 1960 era stumps continue to county line (not marked)
- (F) Big trees begin at base of 25' ± ledge with a 34" SUB fallen at ledge base. 45" ASH & several other giants visible at once.
  - 30" SUB } partly
  - many 30" SUB } defoliated
  - 42" SUB fallen.

No more ASH until return to (D)

- (FF) Turn gradually NE on terrace 32" YB  
Turn E & head down. 21" B, 22" B partly alive. 28" YB
- (FFF) Blowdown E of & below open deep area. Some trees by N wind & others by S. 2 separate storms?
- (G) Sucker Brook dry bed. Two 26" YBs on W bank, 1 BASS on E, partly defoliated. 30" YB±.
- (GG) Stay on contour, head S & climb out of Sucker Brook ravine. I-martana. 30" sub down.
- (HH) [Cross the 10'-deep ravine] now dry, shown as a single contour kink on Willanemac Quad.
- (D) Return to old road. ASH & BC return. No logging to NE of road although in Sullivan County probably.
- (B) Blowdown area from S wind. ASH cut to clear road 75y ±  
ASH fallen 55y, 17". Could have followed logging in 1953?
- (AA) Blowdown area by N wind near campground. Tree #17