## TRAIL CREW NOTES

22 February 2024

Location: Lower Big Quilcene (833), ONF

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Hours on job: 20

- Objective(s) for the day:
  - Diagnose cause of sinkholes over culvert and repair area to prevent hikers falling into culvert
- Task(s) accomplished:
  - Photographed inside of wood culvert showing status of wood structure.
    - Failure mechanism identified: wooden culvert cover boards are failing and falling into culvert beneath. Dirt above failed boards also collapsing down into culvert, causing sink holes above each failed board.
  - Remove dirt around sinkholes to expose failed culvert portions and remove unsupported dirt that could cave-in if stepped on.
  - Construct barrier to cordon off sinkholes.
  - Cleared debris from 50' of drainage ditch.
  - Removed hiker-placed debris and rocks from two stream crossings to get stream back into channel rather than flowing onto trail.
- Task(s) remaining:
  - Remove or replace failing culvert

## 19 Jan 2024: Sinkholes over culvert



22 Jan: Inside culvert as seen from exit. Light through failed area visible at far end.



Cordoned off area

Working to open sinkholes





