



Gray Wolf Trail Crew

in partnership with

BCHW, Peninsula Chapter



Lower Big Quilcene Trail (#833), Olympic National Forest

22 April 2026

Crew members

David Graves

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Brendan Curran

Quick Stats

On-trail volunteer hours: 16.5

Hours including travel time: 25.5

Miles worked: 1.5 miles

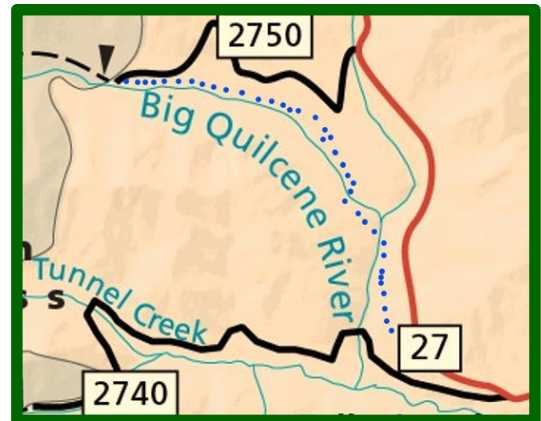
Total miles hiked: 3.4 miles

Trail standards: Multi-use

Objectives:

- Clear two fallen trees from a short distance below Jolley creek (blue dots).

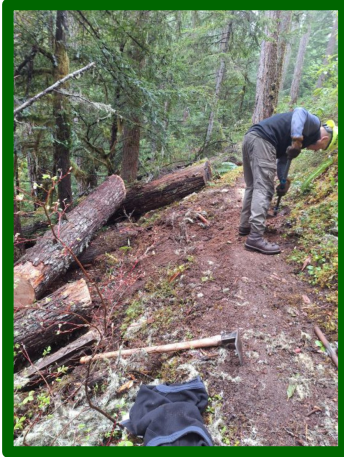
It seems that once we clear some trees reported down on this trail, another report comes in of more trees down often quite near the previous fallen trees. This work party was spurred by a hiking report from some equestrian users.



Achieved:

This was our third crew on the upper half of this trail due to fallen trees since last November. With these last trees blocking equestrian users, we chose to send in a crew as soon as we could. Because of the small number of downed trees reported, we opted for this to be a crosscut crew.

We went in expecting only two trees but almost immediately encountered an additional fallen tree. We removed that 18" tree and continued downstream. Within a quarter mile we encountered another unreported fallen tree. Three cuts later and this tree was also no longer an impediment.



After rock & log hopping across Jolley Creek, we reached the reported trees. They were fairly straightforward removals, but much dirt had to be removed from the bark where it had fallen from the rootballs and from the boots of crossing hikers.



Task(s) remaining:

1. Clear fallen trees from Camp Jolley.
2. Upon ONF approval, install a re-alignment for the steep reroute section just above the LBQ trail's intersection with the Notch Pass trail.
3. Upon ONF approval, replace the failed Jolley Creek bridge.

David Graves

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