

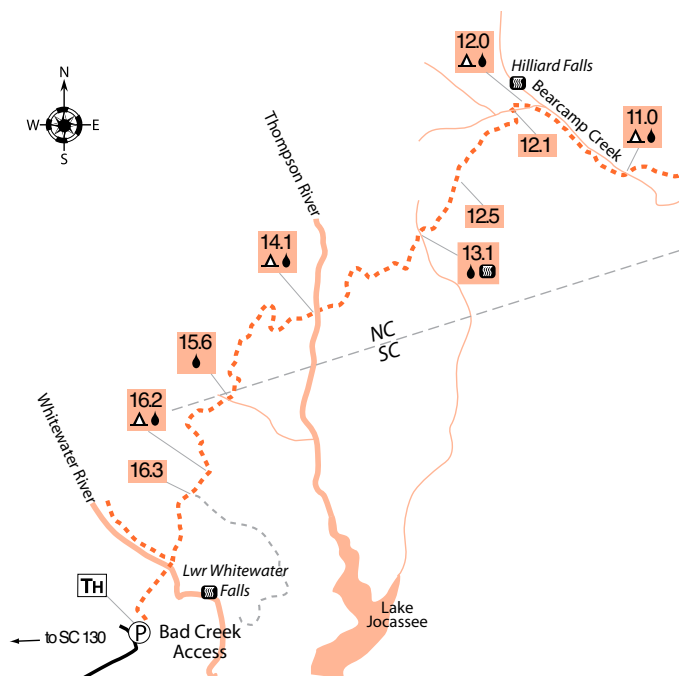


Section 3

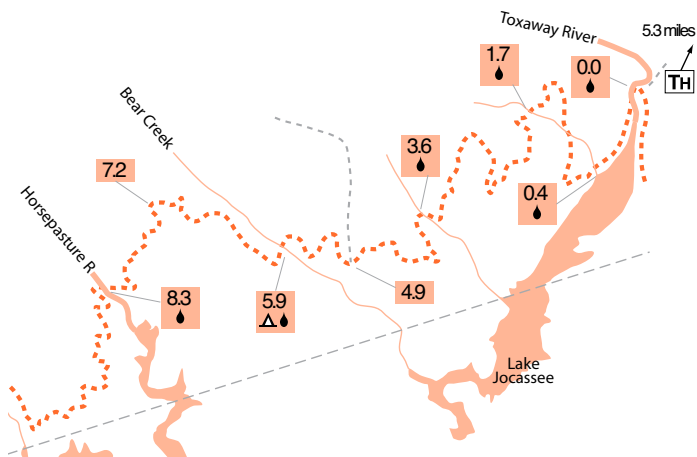
Jocassee/Toxaway to Bad Creek Access

Distance 16.8 miles

Section Miles	Directions	Cumulative Miles
0.0	Intersection with 5-mi Canebrake Trail in Gorges State Park. Cross 225-ft suspension bridge over Toxaway River. Trail turns left, descends, and stays at shore level for next 0.3 mi (0.4 mi ♣).	27.7
0.4	Canebrake boat access. Trail soon turns right, up and away from lake. For nearly the next mile, trail ascends steeply (1.3 mi ♣).	28.1
1.7	Stream crossing on two timbers (1.9 mi ♣).	29.4
3.6	Cross Cobb Creek; rock overhang, lush thicket (2.3 mi ♣).	31.3
4.9	Powerlines. Route intersects Auger Hole Trail; exit Gorges State Park.	32.6
5.9	End Day 3 of 6-Day & 7-Day Cross Bear Creek on 35-ft bridge. Large camping area on left (2.4 mi ♣).	33.6
7.2	Cross 50-ft suspension bridge over dry ravine. NO WATER.	34.9



8.3	Descend stairs, cross 115-ft bridge over Horsepasture River. When thru-hiking, this is widely considered the halfway point of Foothills Trail. For next 2.5 mi, trail follows old logging road (2.7 mi ♣).	36.0
11.0	Enter Bearcamp Creek area. Trail turns hard left. Walk through campsite, cross bridge. For next 1.1 mi, walk along Bearcamp Creek, with unlimited water sources and several camping areas.	38.7
12.0	Large camping area to the left. To right is 0.2-mi spur trail to Hilliard Falls. More camping near waterfall.	39.7
12.1	Cross Bearcamp Creek on steep 35-ft bridge (1.0 mi ♣).	39.8
12.5	Iron gate, cross gravel road. Ascend steps.	40.2



13.1	Stream crossing, small waterfall (1.0 mi ♣).	40.8
14.1	End Day 3 of 5-Day. Cross Thompson River on 75-ft wooden bridge. Several camping spots on east side of bridge (1.5 mi ♣).	41.8
15.6	Stream crossing, bridge (0.6 mi ♣).	43.3
16.2	End Day 4 of 7-Day. Follow sign to large campsite downhill to left. Campsite sign. Water source (0.6 mi ♣).	43.9
16.3	Trail comes to old logging road. Turn hard right, go 75 ft, turn hard left. (A left on this old logging road goes to Lower Whitewater Falls overlook, a 2-mi round trip.)	44.0
16.8	Trail junction with sign. Foothills Trail continues right. (Continue straight 0.7 mi to Duke Energy's Bad Creek access, parking, and portable toilets.)	44.5