



# Chapter Meeting March 2023



# Agenda

- Welcome
- New Member Recognition
- Feature Presentation: Jamie Matzko – Discover Life in America
- Upcoming Events
- Documenting Volunteer Hours
- Stream Barrier Survey Update
- Trout in the Classroom Spring Releases
- Spring Camping Trip
- April Chapter Meeting
- Closing Remarks

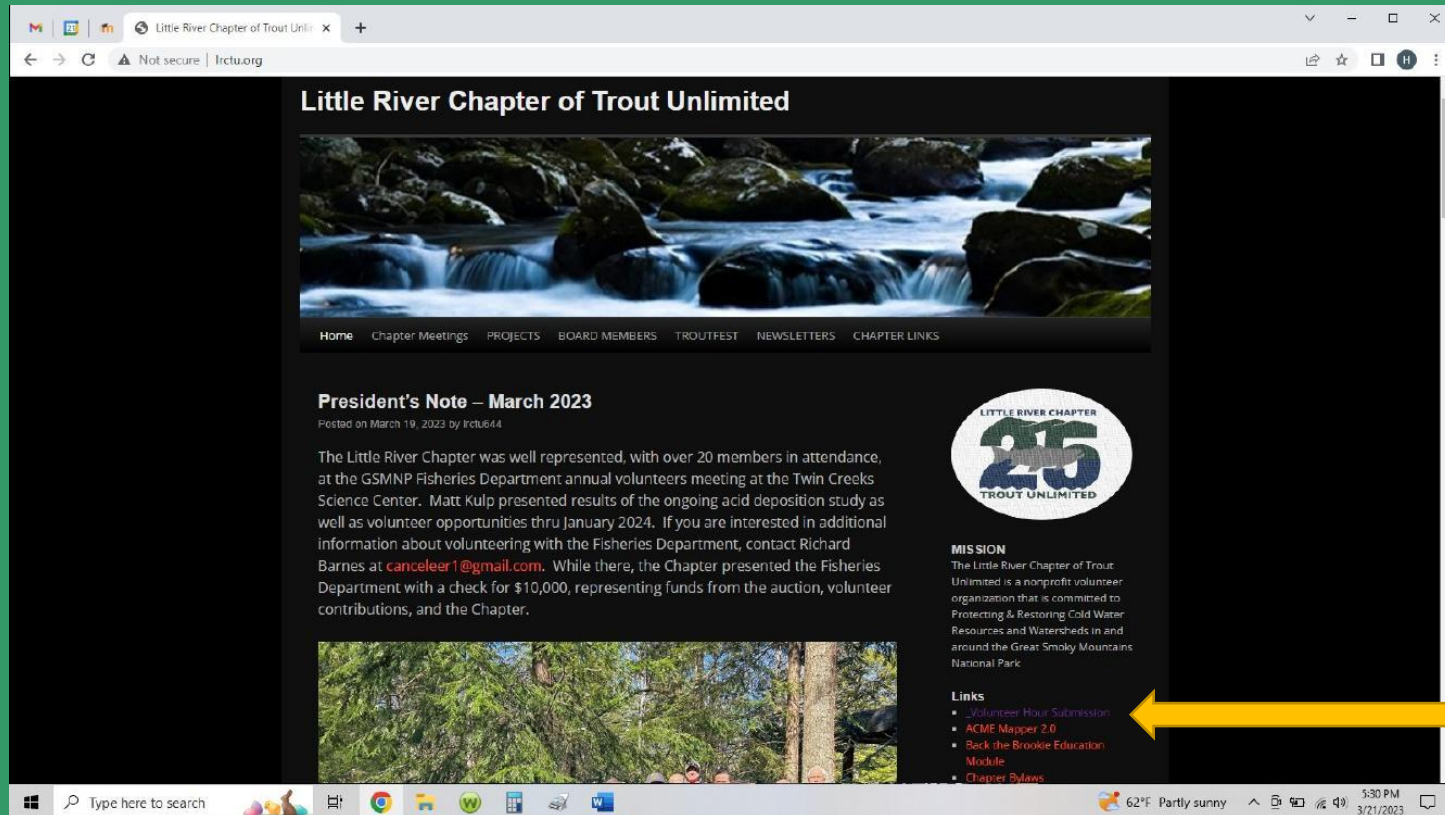
# Upcoming Events

- Ongoing: Stream Barrier Surveys
- 27 Mar: Tie & Lie
- 21–23 Apr: Camping Trip – Deep Creek Campground
- 27 Apr: Chapter Meeting – Water Resources, Knoxville Field Office
- 20 May: Bi-Monthly Acid Deposition Water Sampling
- 25 May: Chapter Meeting – GSMNP Supervisory Wildlife Biologist



# Documenting Volunteer Hours

- Keep Log of ALL Your Volunteer Hours
  - Includes Time “To” and “From” Personal Residence
  - Starting January 2023
- Electronic Form Available on LRCTU.org

A screenshot of a web browser displaying the website for the Little River Chapter of Trout Unlimited. The page has a dark background and features a header with the organization's name and a navigation menu. The main content area includes a "President's Note - March 2023" with a text block and a photograph of a forest. On the right side, there is a circular logo with the number "215" and the text "LITTLE RIVER CHAPTER TROUT UNLIMITED". Below this is a "MISSION" section and a "Links" section. A yellow arrow points to the "Links" section, specifically to the "Volunteer Hour Submission" link.

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**President's Note – March 2023**  
Posted on March 19, 2023 by IrctU644


The Little River Chapter was well represented, with over 20 members in attendance, at the GSMNP Fisheries Department annual volunteers meeting at the Twin Creeks Science Center. Matt Kulp presented results of the ongoing acid deposition study as well as volunteer opportunities thru January 2024. If you are interested in additional information about volunteering with the Fisheries Department, contact Richard Barnes at [canceler1@gmail.com](mailto:canceler1@gmail.com). While there, the Chapter presented the Fisheries Department with a check for \$10,000, representing funds from the auction, volunteer contributions, and the Chapter.

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**Links**

- [Volunteer Hour Submission](#)
- [ACME Mapper 2.0](#)
- [Back the Brookie Education Module](#)
- [Chapter Bylaws](#)

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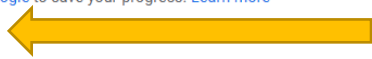
**Donation**  
Help by giving today.

**Links**

- [\\_Volunteer Hour Submission](#)

### LRCTU Volunteer Hours

[Sign in to Google](#) to save your progress. [Learn more](#)


\* Required  IGNORE

What is your name? Enter answer as LASTNAME, FIRSTNAME \*

Your answer \_\_\_\_\_

What is the date of your volunteer effort? \*

Date

mm/dd/yyyy 

What was the duration of your volunteer effort? Use decimal format as your answer (1.25, 1.5, 1.75, etc) \*

Your answer \_\_\_\_\_

What is the category of your volunteer effort? \*

- Admin
- Communications
- Fundraising
- Miscellaneous
- Park Fisheries
- Pistol Creek Clean Up
- Trout Camp
- Veterans/First Responders
- Youth Education

**Submit**

# Stream Barrier Surveys



- Determine Effect of Stream Barriers on Aquatic Organism Passage
  - Quantitative Evaluation
  - Ranks Severity of Stream Barriers (Culverts, Bridges, Fords)
- Teams: 6
- Volunteers Trained: 12
- Phase I
  - High Priority for GSMNP & TU Southeast Region
  - Complete by April 2023
  - 34 Locations Remaining
- Future Phases – Hundreds of Sites



# Stream Barrier Surveys – Examples

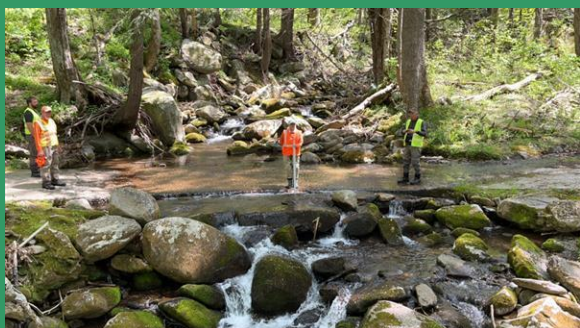
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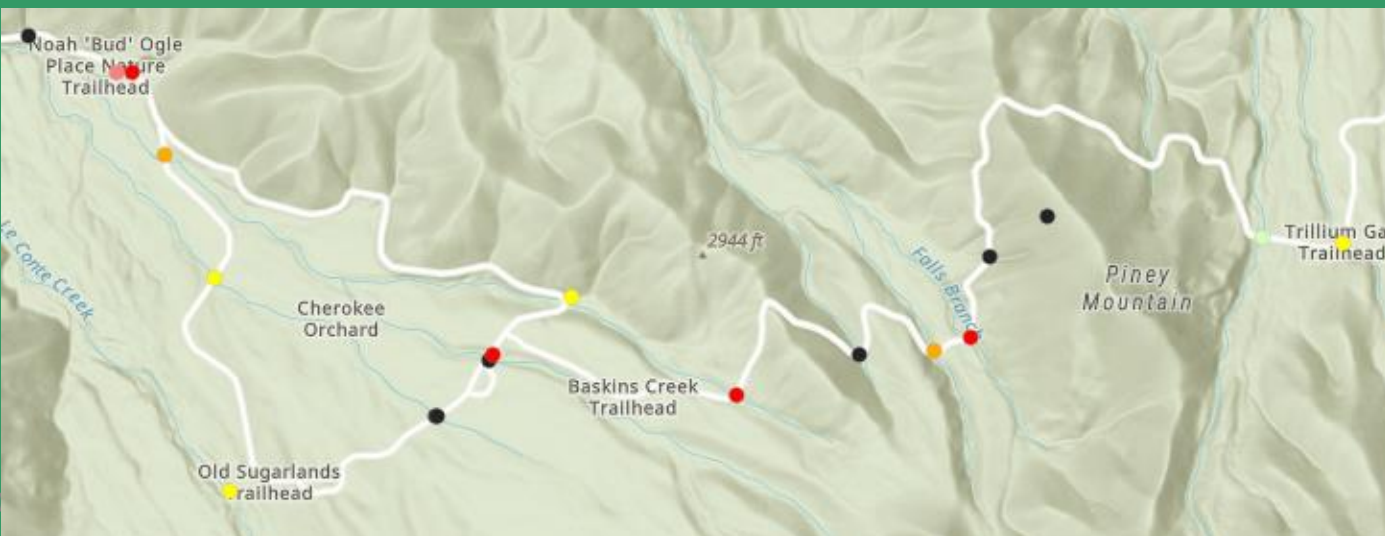
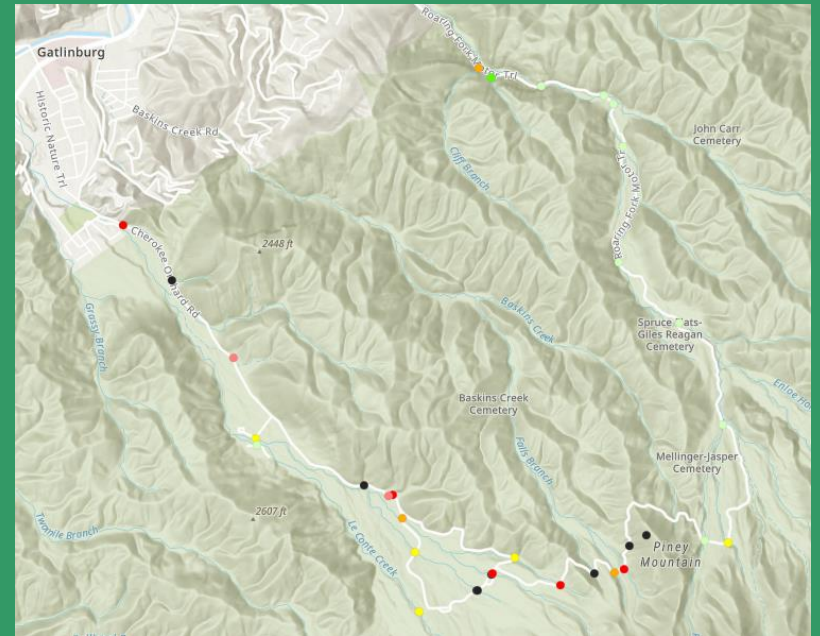
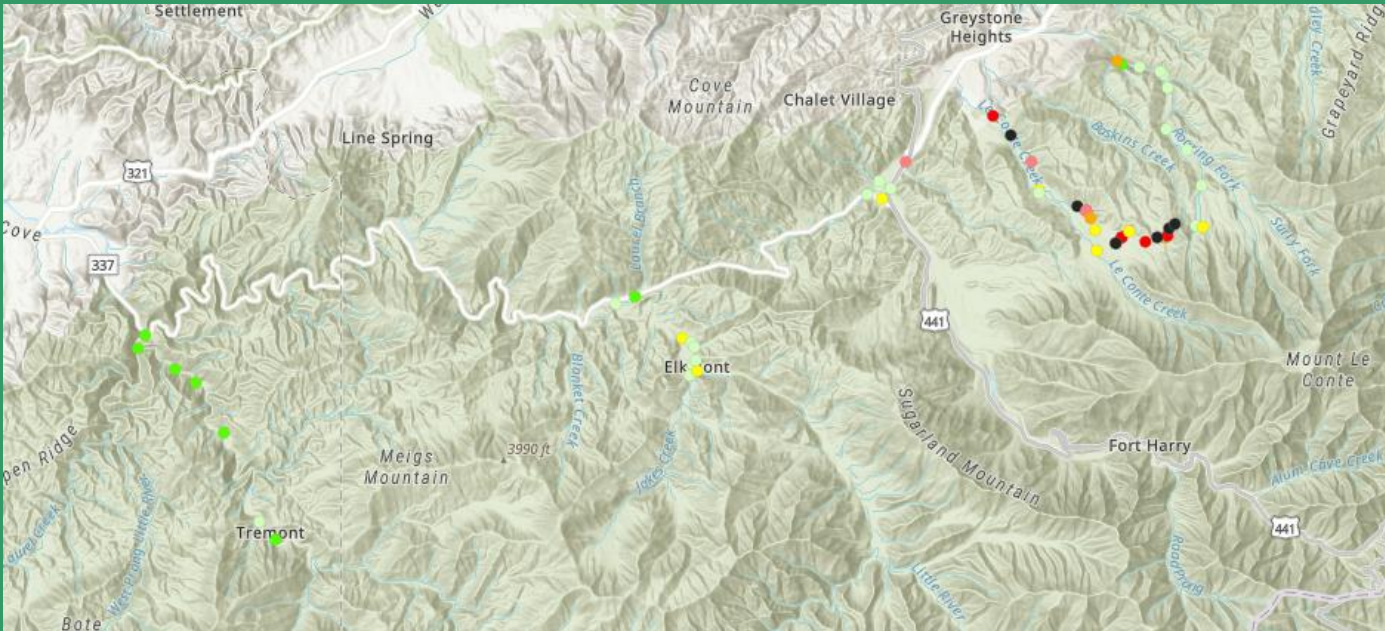
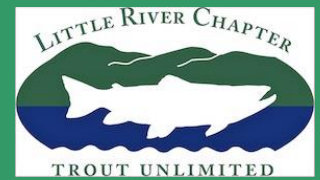
- Bridges



- Fords



# Stream Barrier Surveys – Results



Western\_SARP\_AOP\_Stream\_Crossing\_Survey\_Form\_-\_Stakeholder\_View

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- Insignificant Barrier
- No Barrier
- Minor Barrier
- Severe Barrier
- Moderate Barrier
- No Crossing
- Significant Barrier
- Inaccessible
- Buried Stream
- Not Scored
- No Upstream Channel
- Other



# Trout In The Classroom Spring Releases

- Eleven (11) Schools Participating in Spring 2023 Program
- Mike Kesselring – Release Coordinator
- Over 400 Students Involved



# Spring Camping Trip

- Deep Creek Group Campground: Group Site 201
- April 21 - 23
- Check In: Friday, 21 April After 1:00 p.m.
- Check Out: Sunday, 23 April Before 11:00 a.m.
- Contact Larry Davis ([ledavis97@gmail.com](mailto:ledavis97@gmail.com)) if Planning to Attend

# April Chapter Meeting

- Annual Business Meeting
  - Election of Officers & Board Members
    - 5% of Membership (15 Members) Constitutes a Quorum
    - List of Nominees Provided to Membership At Least 30 Days Prior to Election
  - Financial Report
- Volunteer Recognition Program Announcement
- Feature Presentation
  - Water Resources, Knoxville Field Office
  - Larry Everett – Environmental Consultant