

Mill Creek Climbing Patrols – Adam Washebek 2016

To monitor use and developments of the access trail and climbing on the north side rim of Mill Creek I spent 3 days in early August performing a large inventory of the area and two single days to look for any new developments. Here is what I found.

August 1st-3rd Climbing Patrol and inventory

Juraj Sovick and I scoured the north and south rim of Mill Creek canyon. During thin inventory zero climbers were encountered. We inventoried the bolted routes and compared the current bolted routes to the routes on the 2012 Mill Creek Climbing Guide 3rd Edition. We found that in the main climbing area, which is the area in the Third Edition climbing guide from 2012, there have been three routes with bolts installed and two new sets of anchors installed since the 2012 guide was published.

The guidebook from 2010 has information on the Lower Tier/Pie and Eagle Head Buttress section. In 2010 the climbing guide showed one sport climbing multi pitch route named Pie for Strength. Currently there are four bolted multi pitch routes, one mixed gear single pitch line and one set of anchors on a traditional climbing line.

Throughout this inventory we searched for any refuse left by the climbers. One water bottle and some lost climbing gear was found, one rusty can was packed out.

Saturday October 1st Climbing Patrol

No new developments, no trash found, 3 recreational climbers present.

Monday October 31st Climbing Patrol

Erosion Control/belay footing station set up, pieces of a broken ceramic dish (possibly a dog water bowl) found, no climbers present.



Broken pieces of a ceramic dish



Belay footing station at Tick Wall Route Ticktastic. 1' long treated 4"x4" set with 2 rebar pieces.

