Yellow Mountain, Mill Shoals, Connector, Shope Gap, and Cooper Creek Trails

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Trail Summary

Trails are open to hiking
All Trails Blazed Lime Green

Name: Cooper Creek Connector
Length: 0.4 miles
Difficulty: Easy
Use: Light

Name: Shope Gap
Length: 0.6
Difficulty: Moderate
Use: Light

Name: Yellow Mountain
Length: 2.7 miles
Difficulty: Moderate to Strenuous
Use: Moderate

Name: Mill Shoals
Length: 2.4 Miles
Difficulty: Moderate
Use: Moderate

Name: Cooper Creek
Length: 1.7 Miles
Difficulty: Easy
Use: Light

Nearby Facilities

Cooper Creek Recreation Area
Open Year-round
15 sites
$8 to $10/site/night

Mulky Recreation Area
Open Year-round
11 sites
$6/site/night

Use Restrictions

No motorized vehicles or pack stock, including horses, is allowed on the trail system.

Additional Information

The emergency telephone number is 911.
Hunting is allowed on National Forest Lands.

Welcome To the Cooper Creek Trail System!

This trail system begins at the Cooper Creek Scenic Area or Cooper Creek Campground. It offers several short loop opportunities.

Cooper Creek Connector Trail #87
This trail is a connector trail between the Mill Shoals and Yellow Mtn. Trails. This trail can be reached by hiking 0.6 mile from the Mill Shoals trailhead or 1 mile from the Yellow Mtn. Trailhead, both on FDR#236. Various loop hikes can be made by using combinations of the Cooper Creek, Shope Gap, Yellow Mountain, and Mill Shoals Trails.

Shope Gap Trail #193
This trail is accessed via the Yellow Mtn. trail 1.3 miles from the trailhead on FDR #236. The trail continues north and intersects with FDR #39 at Shope Gap.

Yellow Mountain Trail #86
This trail begins 300 yards south from the Cooper Creek Recreation Area on FDR #236. The trail meanders through a forest of hemlock, white pine and hardwoods. The trail crosses Bryant Creek, ending at Addie Gap on FDR #33A.

Mill Shoals Trail #89
This trail begins near the Yellow Mountain trailhead on FDR #236. The trail crosses several small streams. The last mile of this trail runs concurrently with FDR #39, ending at Shope Gap.

Cooper Creek Trail #196
This trail is located on general forestlands south of Cooper Creek Campground on FDR #236. It traverses a variety of wildlife habitats.

Directions to Trailheads:
From Blue Ridge, GA to Cooper Creek Scenic Area Parking take US 515 north for 4 miles to GA Hwy. 60; turn right and go 2 miles to Morganton. In Morganton, turn right on GA 60 south for 15.5 miles. Turn left on Forest Service Road 4 (Cooper Creek Rd.), go 5.2 miles. Turn right on Forest Service Road 236, go 0.5 miles to the Cooper Creek Scenic Area parking lot on left.

From Blairsville, GA to Cooper Creek Scenic Area Parking take US 515 south 2.5 miles to Kiutuestia Rd. Turn left, go 1.3 miles. Turn left on Old 76 for 100 feet and then turn right on Mulky Gap Rd. (Forest Service Road 4), go 9 miles. Turn left on Forest Service Road 236, go 0.5 miles to the Cooper Creek Cooper Creek Scenic Area parking lot on left.

Shope Gap Trailhead - From Forest Service Road 4 turn onto Forest Service Road 39, go 1.5 miles to Shope Gap.

Addie Gap Trailhead - From Forest Service Road 4 take Forest Service Road 39. Go 2.0 miles to Forest Service Road 33A and turn right. Go 1.6 miles to Addie Gap.

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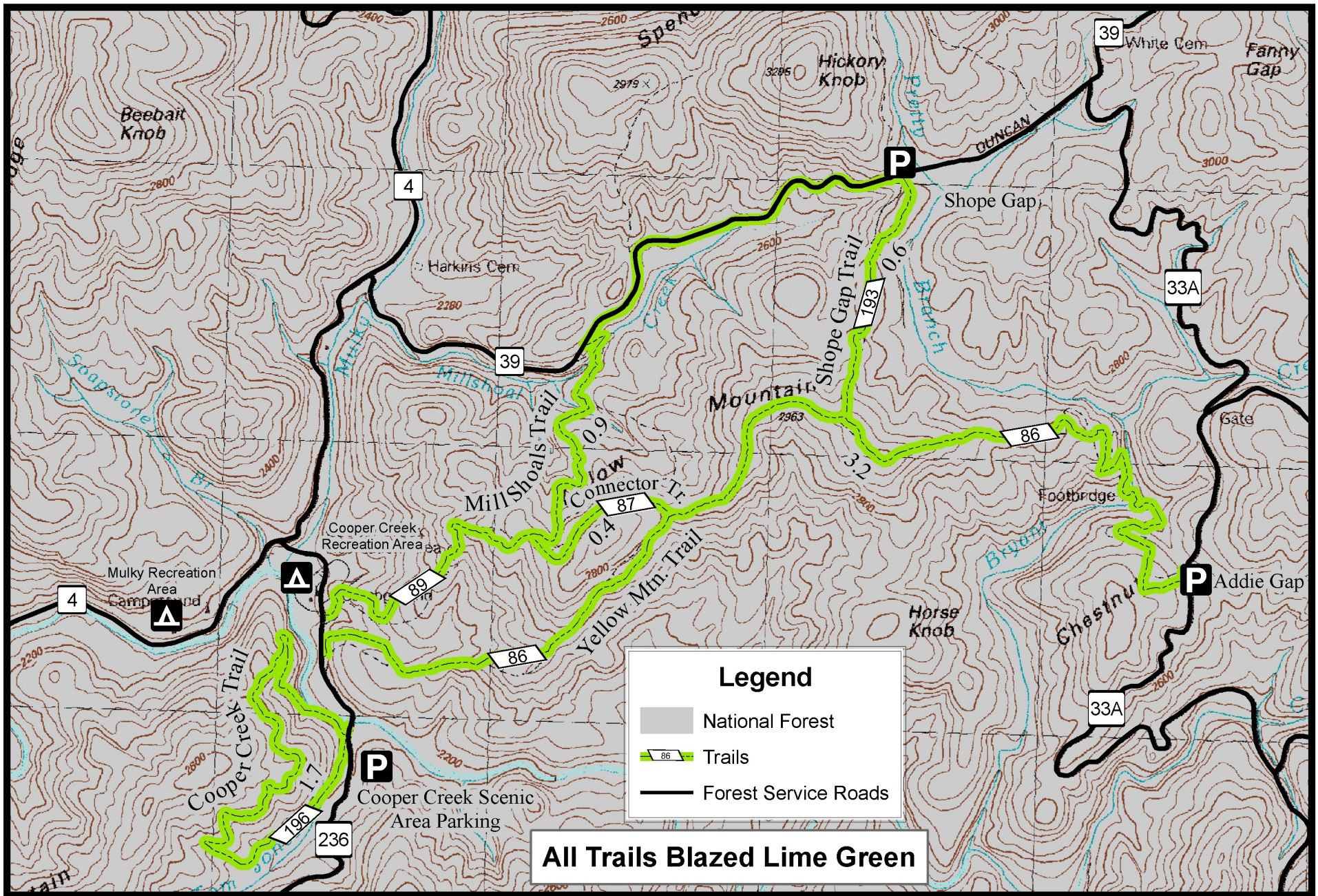

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