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The A.T. Guide 2026 TRAIL Updates

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NOBO MILE: 241.8 Green Corner Road Detour

There is a 0.5 mile detour along Green Corner Road, near I-40. Volunteers with the Carolina Mountain Club, Georgia Appalachian Trail Club, and the Jolly Rovers will be replacing the masoned set of stone stairs that were damaged during the microburst storm in June, with funding from the ATC.

Detour Map: <https://awol.site/gmrdetour>

NOBO MILE: 433.3 Wilbur Dam Parking Impacts

Parking is being impacted by construction going on at Wilbur Dam Rd.

<https://appalachiantrail.org/trail-updates/tennessee-wilbur-dam-road-construction/>

NOBO MILE: 476.6 SW Virginia: VA Creeper Trail Closure & Detour

To facilitate repairs on the Virginia Creeper Trail, The U.S. Forest Service has closed the A. T. from Highway 58 at Straight Branch to Grassy Ridge Road/VA 859 (NOBO miles 476.6 to 485.8). Please see <https://awol.site/sbdetour> for details. This detour is likely to be in place for all of the 2026 hiking season.

NOBO MILE: 492.8 Whitetop Parking Closed

Due to Hurricane Helene Recovery efforts, the Whitetop parking area is closed for the foreseeable future.

NOBO MILE: 1197.4 501 Shelter is closed

501 Shelter is currently closed. Camping, the privy, and water are no longer available at the site.

The closest nearby designated camping options are the Applebee Campsite 0.5 miles to the north, and William Penn Shelter and Blue Mountain Campsite 4.1 miles to the south.

NOBO MILE: 1409 Bear Mountain Park Detour

Link to Bear Mountain Park Detour map: <https://awol.site/bmpdetour>
