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Silvermine Bridge Completed

A new footbridge was recently completed across Silvermine Creek that connects the downstream US Forest Service Silvermine Takeout with the parking lot at Nantahala Outdoor Center's bike shop. Due to the absence of a road shoulder, it was very dangerous for the public to walk upstream along US Highway 19 on the Nantahala River. Wayah Ranger Michael Wilkins explained that it was a cooperative project between the North Carolina Department of Transportation and the US Forest Service. Ranger Wilkins explained that a lot of thanks are also due to Nantahala Outdoor Center and Nantahala Gorge President Sam Hogsed for their efforts on initial planning and coordination

