



# Tuck Tales

*Newsletter of the Tuckaseegee Chapter #373 of Trout Unlimited serving the western North Carolina counties of Haywood, Jackson, Macon and Swain*

**A Monthly Newsletter**

**November, 2010**

**Rod Raffle**

*We've started back the raffle for one of Jim Mill's custom graphite rods. There was no winner last month!*

**November Meeting**

*The November meeting will be Tuesday evening, Nov. 2nd.*

**Jackson County Receives Grant**

*See below.*

**Stream Clean-Up**

*There will be a clean-up on the Delayed Harvest section of the Tuck Saturday, Nov. 13th at 8:00 AM. Be There!*

**Email addresses needed**

*Your editor requests that everyone please provide updated email addresses so we can make certain our data base is up-to-date and you won't miss notification of newsletter and event emails!*

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Tuckaseegee Chapter of Trout Unlimited meets the first Tuesday of every month, with the exception of June, July and August, in the Community Room at the rear of the United Community Bank of Highway 107 South in Sylva at 6:30 PM. A meal is provided by the Grub Committee at a cost of \$5 per person. Guest are invited to join us at no charge.



## Jackson County Receives Greenway Grant

The Jackson County Recreation Department has recently been notified by the North Carolina Clean Water Trust Fund that it has been awarded a \$415,000 grant to be used for right of way purchases for the Jackson County Greenway project.

The grant money will be used to acquire easements and/or property purchases from property owners along the corridor to allow for the construction of the greenway.

The proposed greenway will create a pathway on the south side of the Tuckaseegee River that will follow the old Blackrock Lumber Company railroad bed from the mouth of Cullowhee Creek almost five miles downstream to the NC 107 bridge at Rolling Green. Tuckaseegee Water and Sewer Authority currently has a sewer line running almost the entire length of the corridor.

This path will be open to walking, biking, strollers and wheel chairs. The preliminary master plan calls for several small nature

parks, interpretive signs, access points, picnic areas and most important to TCTU, fishing and stocking access points. This will present an opportunity in the future for TCTU to consider projects such as informational kiosks and handicapped fishing platform construction.

One section of the greenway is proposed to be designated as the Tuckaseegee Environmental Educational Corridor. It could provide interpretive signage including information on invasive plants, the importance of riparian corridors, storm water management and rare and endangered species. Visit TU's Trout in the Classroom website at [www.troutintheclassroom.org](http://www.troutintheclassroom.org) and I think you'll see another opportunity for our chapter to expand our outreach to the community.

The construction of this greenway could provide one of the longest uninterrupted stretches of easy public fishing access on the entire river!

At the time of this writing a detailed map is available for view on the tuckreader.com website along with several informational articles by Giles Morris. Check it out!

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