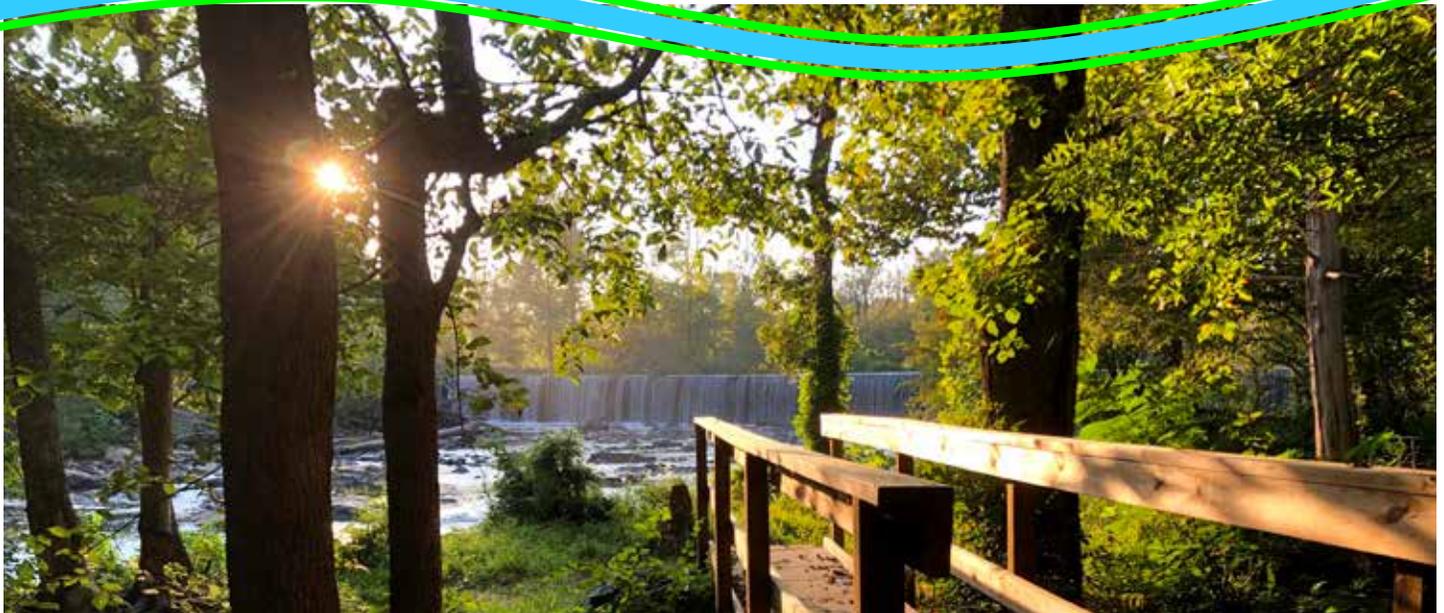




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The Newsletter of the Haw River Trail Partnership



Above: A beautiful day along the trail at Great Bend Park in Glencoe.

Happy New Year from the Haw River Trail Partnership!

2019 was a busy year for the Haw River Trail with over 360,000 visitors enjoying the trail. The partnership continues to develop the trail system and acquire trail easements along the length of the river working to protect the natural resources and provide public access. Now in its 14th year of existence, the Haw River Trail Partnership continues to make meaningful progress toward our mission of "Conservation through Recreation".



We Want to Hear From You!

Haw River Trail recently launched a new Instagram page. We would love for you to connect with us on social media for trail updates, photos, and more.

See something interesting along the trail?
Please send us your photos!

Tag #HawRiverTrail on Facebook & Instagram or
email info@thehaw.org

Geologists Study Great Bend Park

In December, Geologists from the North Carolina Geological Survey visited with our team at Great Bend Park in Glencoe. The group is studying the Geological history of The Haw River.

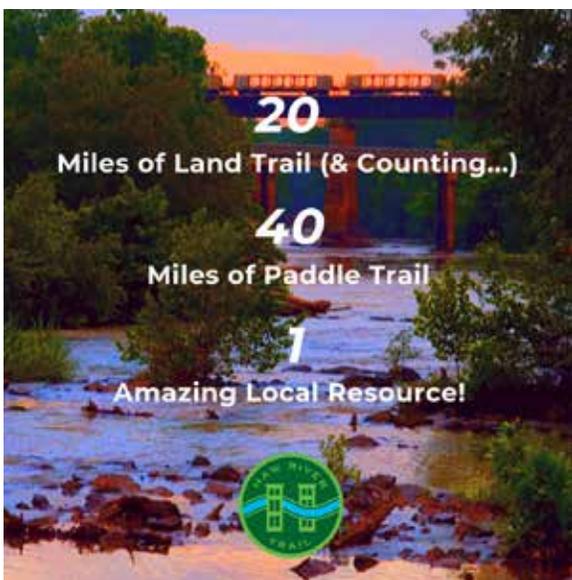
The rock in the river is very hard metamorphosed granite, granodiorite, and diorite. These rock types formed from the slow cooling of molten rock (called magma) when this part of North Carolina was part of a chain of volcanic islands. When the rock weathered, it formed resistant areas of rock that were perfect to use as the foundation for the first mill dam.



Left: Phil Bradley, Senior Piedmont Geologist and Guil Johnson, Haw River Trail Coordinator observe the Glencoe dam.



Above: Natural outcrops of granite, granodiorite, and diorite in the Haw River at Glencoe.



Sellers Falls Section Update

Please be advised that the Highway 70 bridge crossing is now marked for pedestrian use.

Altamahaw Paddle Access Remains Closed Due to Bridge Construction & Dam Breach

Due to Highway 87 bridge construction, the Altamahaw Paddle Access remains closed for an indeterminate time.

Additionally, in June 2019 a leak was reported in the Altamahaw dam, making the dam at risk for failure. In the event of a dam failure, water levels will rise quickly and create dangerous conditions. We encourage paddlers using accesses downstream to use caution and stay aware for changing conditions.

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