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SAWYER CREEK

GRAHAM COUNTY

Acreage: 300

Year: 2014

Mainspring's Land Protection Manager, John Culclasure, worked with landowner Venice Lance and her sons to permanently conserve her father, Clyde Garland's, hard-earned land in Graham County. Through the resulting partnership, almost 300 acres in the Cheoah Mountains will forever be available for timber harvest and agriculture. The property contains a portion of Sawyer Creek, which flows to Fontana Lake, and Appalachian Trail hikers can enjoy the unspoiled beauty of the property as they hike along its northern border in the Nantahala National Forest. Mainspring is grateful to the Appalachian Trail Conservancy and the Conservation Trust for North Carolina for funding the transaction costs of this project.

