

## **“Long Range Face” Photo**

January 22, 2014

Moon 60% light

XX Site, late afternoon

Mid 30's bright sunshine, rain two days previous, overcast the night before

Approximate position 00° 00' 00.0" N. by 00° 00' 00.0" W.

Area is on a magnetic anomaly with local variation of 5° to 10°



Taken on 12/21/14.

### **Description of incident**

I was following noises, footsteps in dry leaves mostly, on a long ridgeline, roughly south to north. This is an area of rolling hills with some steep little valleys. To the right and behind of my position taking the photograph is a large stand of white pine with thick undergrowth, very hard to see into even with the leaves off the trees in January.



Photograph zoomed and cropped

After following the noises for about twenty minutes I was noticing other noises, footsteps and light limb snaps, behind and to my right in the stand of pines. These were obvious and I'm sure were meant to distract me. I wasn't following as much as being herded. I was getting to an area where the Bigfoot I was behind would be pushed up out of the woods into an open field; his only escape route was to the left through a narrow strip of woods that connects

to another large area of forest. I stopped at this point, so as to not crowd him so close, set up my tripod, changed lenses quickly and took still photos in an arc across the top of the hill where I thought he was and got what you see. Unfortunately I only got one clear photo and a few blurry ones. I did not see anything but slight movement on the hill which could have been anything, but I thought there was a good chance that he was there somewhere. This was done quickly and as I knew there was another one behind me I folded up my tripod, ducked below the ridgeline, and moved in an arc around to another position to my left to look back over my previous route. Got nothing for this effort though; except for the lesson that moving fast through the woods with a tripod mounted camera with two feet of lens is not a good idea. Both subjects completely disappeared at this point no noises or movement observed after this incident.

### **Summary**

The photograph was taken with a Sony DSLR with a 650 mm to 1300 mm manual focus lens mounted on a sturdy tripod. The lens was locked a 900 mm and the camera was set for automatic functioning. As this was a new lens at the time and a manual focus one at that, I did not try to take any video, I have since learned to take quite good video with it though. In fact I was out on this day mostly to get some experience with a new camera set up. The subject was approximately 300 yards from me and almost in direct line of site across a steep sided small valley. When I first saw this image I was suspicious as to why he appears to be up in the air a little bit, but when I went into this area a few days after it looks like the steepness of the hill accounts for this. Though I could not locate the exact tree, there were 17 inch tracks, more just impressions, very close to this spot. This was the second incident of “following” behavior on this hilltop/ridge area. I get the impression, or gut feeling if you will, that my presence is not wanted in

the stand of thick pines close to here. This event was unusual in that it was in the middle of the day and in the fact that the second assumed Bigfoot was being very obvious about distracting me from following the other one. I have experienced this type of behavior before but usually in twilight/dawn conditions or after dark. In early November previous to this incident there was a population change in this area, probably four individuals leaving 13 to 16 inch tracks (with a good possibility of a young one), to two individuals leaving 17 and 14 inch tracks.

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