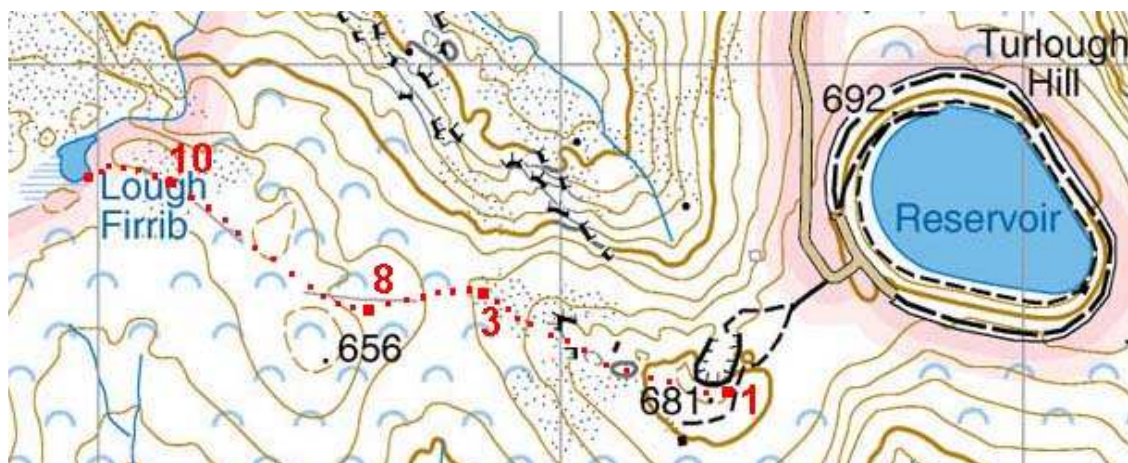




## Wicklow Mountains Path Survey

<b>Turlough Hill – Lough Firrib</b>	
Start to Finish:	T 0639 9830 to T 049 988
Altitude (lowest – highest):	633m - 681m
Weather:	Sunny, after rain
Access:	Turlough Hill service road, Wicklow Gap
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1	0639 9830	Start where single-file path joins service track at SE corner of quarry; path goes W towards Lough Firrib

2	same	<p data-bbox="430 136 1031 178">single-file path south of quarry, near Pt.681m</p>  <p data-bbox="430 850 1291 913"><u>pic36</u> shows the beginning of the path; looking W towards Lough Firrib; the path is a watercourse after rain</p>
3	0585 9850	<p data-bbox="430 976 1307 1050"><u>pic37</u> looking W shows the path winding through large stones and boulders</p> 

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pic38 looking ahead down the slope to the col or saddle between Pt.681 and Pt.656





the trampling damage on the path is only a small addition to the natural erosion taking place in this area in the blanket bog

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pic41 shows a closeup of the muddy nature of the track after the recent rain

6	same	<p>pic42 (close to pics 38 and 41) shows a general view across the saddle</p>  A wide landscape view of a mountain saddle. The terrain is covered in green and brown vegetation, with numerous large, grey rocks scattered across the ground. A path of smaller rocks leads from the foreground towards the saddle. In the distance, a person can be seen walking across the saddle. The sky is blue with scattered white clouds.
7		<p>pic43 shows a closeup of an eroding bank, where walkers ascend and descend</p>  A close-up view of a dark, eroding bank. The soil is dark brown and appears to be composed of peat or silt. Sparse green and brown vegetation is growing on the bank. Large, grey rocks are visible in the foreground, partially covered by the eroding soil. The background shows a hazy landscape with distant hills.
8		<p>no path as such across the low saddle where the going is rough and wet</p>

9	05600 98480	<p data-bbox="430 142 998 178">picked up a path at the bottom of the slope</p>  <p data-bbox="430 850 1274 913"><u>pic44</u> looking up the slope, shows a not-well defined path going towards Lough Firrib</p>
10	same	<p data-bbox="430 987 1274 1050"><u>pic45</u> looking back across the saddle; Turlough Hill top left, and quarry out of sight top centre</p> 

11	05166 98747	close to Lough Firrib; <u>pic58</u> looking ahead, shows the path 
12	same	 <u>pic59</u> looking behind, shows the path

13	049 988	<p data-bbox="430 142 766 176"><u>pic56</u> shows Lough Firrib</p> 
		<p data-bbox="430 884 496 917">END</p>