

Avenger Crash Site / Balancing Rock / Chimney Rock

This trip requires driving at least 100 km on wilderness dirt roads, so pay close attention to the directions, and make sure that your vehicle is prepped for the trip.

These roads are tote roads for wood trucks, so please drive carefully.

The roads are all quite passable with a bit of caution.

Getting back is potentially confusing, so I have included reverse instructions from Chimney Rock at the end of these notes.

Finally, plan to leave enough time to at least get back to paved roads before dark.

Getting There:

From Fredericton North, take highway 105 west to Mouth of Keswick.

Turn right onto NB-104 and drive 31 km through Burt's Corner, Zealand and Upper Hainesville to the junction with NB-610.

Continue straight on NB-104 for another 2.5 km to a wide gravel road at the bottom of a long hill.

Turn right onto the Napadogan road.

Drive for 8.4 km and bear LEFT at a junction onto road D20.

Drive 24.5 km to a road on the left. (46° 18.168'N 67° 9.501'W)

AVENGER CRASH SITE (46° 18.299'N 67° 14.894'W)

Turn left and drive 7 km to a T-junction.

Turn right and drive 150 meters to a sharp LEFT turn.

Turn left and drive about 650 meters to a wide spot in the road.

Park on the right, and follow an orange flagged trail to the nearby crash site and a memorial sign.

***the trail can be quite wet.**

***this is a memorial to a fatal air crash in 1958, so please leave the site as you find it.**



BALANCING ROCK (46° 18.583'N 67° 9.276'W)

Backtrack 7.8 km to Road D20.

Turn left and drive 100 meters to a road on the right with a “Balancing Rock” sign.

Turn right, drive 720 meters and park near where a side road turns left. ***there is an old “B. Rock” sign near the corner.**

Park near the corner, and walk 350 meters up the rough side road to a small shelter called the Prosser Rest Area.

The short trail to Balancing Rock begins to the right of the shelter.

***Balancing rock is a large block of granite left by the last ice age.**



CHIMNEY ROCK (46° 23.223'N 67° 11.104'W)

***The ravine is deep and steep sided, with broken rock at the bottom.**

Return to Road D20, turn right and drive another 8 km north to a side road on the left (between markers 21 + 20) with a sign marked “Chimney Rock”

*there is an orange pipe marked #29, across from this side road.

***near the orange pipe, you can walk down a trail on the right for 270 meters to the Nashwaak River.**



To go to Chimney Rock:

Turn left onto the side road, and drive 2.2 km to a rough road on the right, with a “Chimney Rock” sign. Park and walk 750 meters up this road to a bench and a sign saying Chimney Rock.

The ravine is on your right at this point.

You can make your way down a metal ladder, and go carefully over broken rock to the far end of the ravine to see the chimney rock formation.

Returning from CHIMNEY ROCK towards FREDERICTON:

***when heading south, the km markers on D20 will increase.**

***if in doubt, keep to the widest road.**

From Chimney Rock, return 2.2 km to Road D20.

Turn right and drive south on D20 for 8 km to the side road to Balancing Rock.

Continue south on D20 for about 24.5 km to a road junction.

Keep straight at the junction, and continue south for another 8.5 km to the paved NB-104.

Turn left onto NB-104 and return towards Fredericton.

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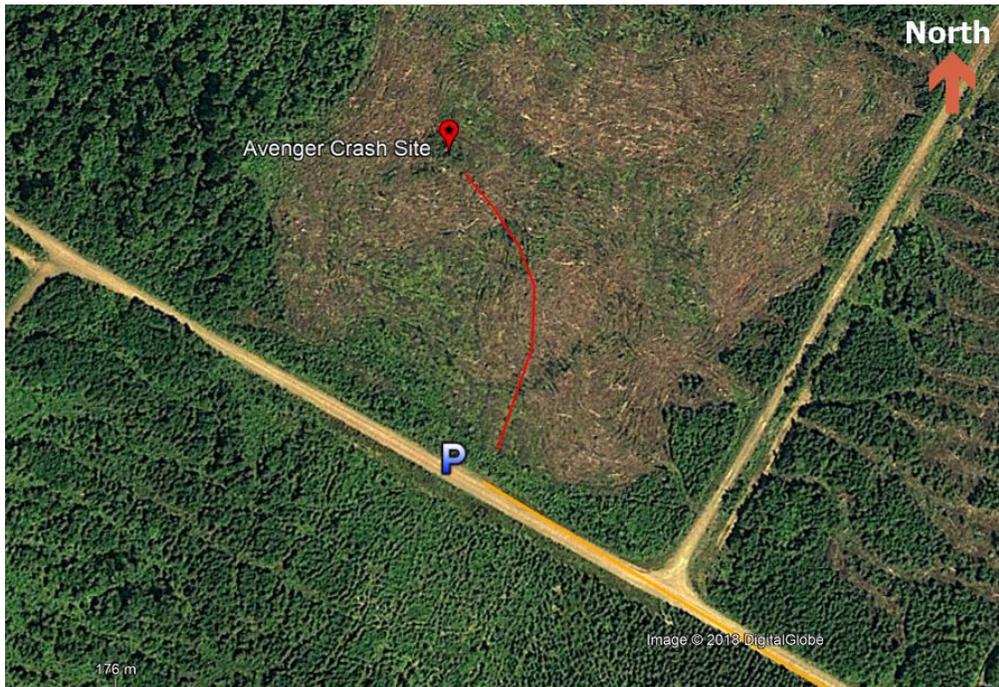
ROAD D20 AREA OVERVIEW



AVENGER CRASH SITE + BALANCING ROCK OVERVIEW



AVENGER CRASH SITE



BALANCING ROCK



CHIMNEY ROCK

