## Citizen Science – Collecting Road Condition Data

**NOTE:** These instructions assume: 1) you have a Boise National Forest Citizen Science AGOL account; 2) you have downloaded the Arc Collector and Arc Survey123 apps; 3) have downloaded the Beaver Pond Road Condition map; and 4) have downloaded the Road Condition Survey form.

## To Collect Data

- Open the Arc Collector application
- From the maps page, tap the Beaver Pond Road Condition map to open it
- First walk or drive the road and determine the road segment locations
  - To record a segment marker, tap the blue add icon in the lower right corner of the map
  - Tap Road Segment from the layer list
  - Tap Update Point your GPS location will be recorded as the point
  - Enter the Segment Number
  - Tap the Submit button in the upper right corner of the screen

## Numbering Road Segments

- The start of the spur road (i.e. it's junction to the leading road) is the start of Segment 1
- Add segment indicators as needed
  - In the example to the right, the road is broken into 3 segments:
    - Segment #1 starts at the junction (Segment #1 marker) and extends to the Segment #2 marker
    - Segment #2 starts at the Segment #2 marker and extends to the Segment #3 marker
    - Segment #3 starts at the Segment #3 marker and extends to the end of the spur

## **Collecting Road Condition Data**

- To collect a road condition point:
  - Zoom into the road at the GPS indicator and tap the road
  - This brings up the Feature dialog box, tap the dark triangle in the lower right part of the Road listing
  - Note the road id value then tap the Enter Road Condition Data link
  - This brings up the Survey 123 My Surveys page, tap the Rd Condition Survey
  - Tap the Collect icon in the lower left corner of the screen
  - This brings up the Road Condition Survey form
  - Enter the full name of the surveyor(s)
  - Ensure that the road number is correct (e.g., 643S), if not, correct the value
  - Assign a segment value
  - Select the appropriate value for the road surface, hill slope position, road gradient, hill slope gradient and surface material questions
  - Answer all of the Road Condition Evaluation questions
    - At the end of the section you will see the number of questions that were indicated as being functioning and at risk
    - If the number of functioning responses is greater than the number of at risk, then indicate that the segment condition is **Functional**



- If the number of at risk responses is equal to or greater than the number of functioning, then indicate that the segment condition is At-Risk
- If the number of at risk responses is twice (or more) than the number of functional responses, then indicate that the segment condition is **Impaired**
- Select the Is sediment transport occurring value, if yes, then the 5 additional questions will appear, if not proceed to the photos
- Take at least one photo with your smart device and provide a caption for the photo
- If needed, take up to 2 additional photos to document the site; be sure to include captions for each additional photo
- Add any additional comments you feel are needed
- When done, tap the green check  $\checkmark$  in the lower right hand corner
- If you are using one of the Boise National Forest Samsun tablets, you will not be able to upload your data until you have a WiFi connection.
- If you are using a personal device that has a cellular data plan, and you are out of cell coverage, be sure to upload your data when you return to a location with cell coverage
- Regardless, always ensure you have uploaded both segment markers and survey forms at the end of the day