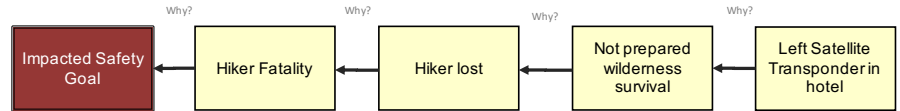


Lost on the Appalachian Trail

Geraldine "Inchworm" Largay was officially declared missing on July 25, 2013. The last entry into her hand-written journal was dated August 18, 24 days after she became lost in the rugged and tangled forests of Maine while hiking the Appalachian Trail (AT). A massive search and rescue (SAR) effort ensued, but was unsuccessful. How can a person remain lost when so much work is put into finding them and them being found?

4-Why Cause Map



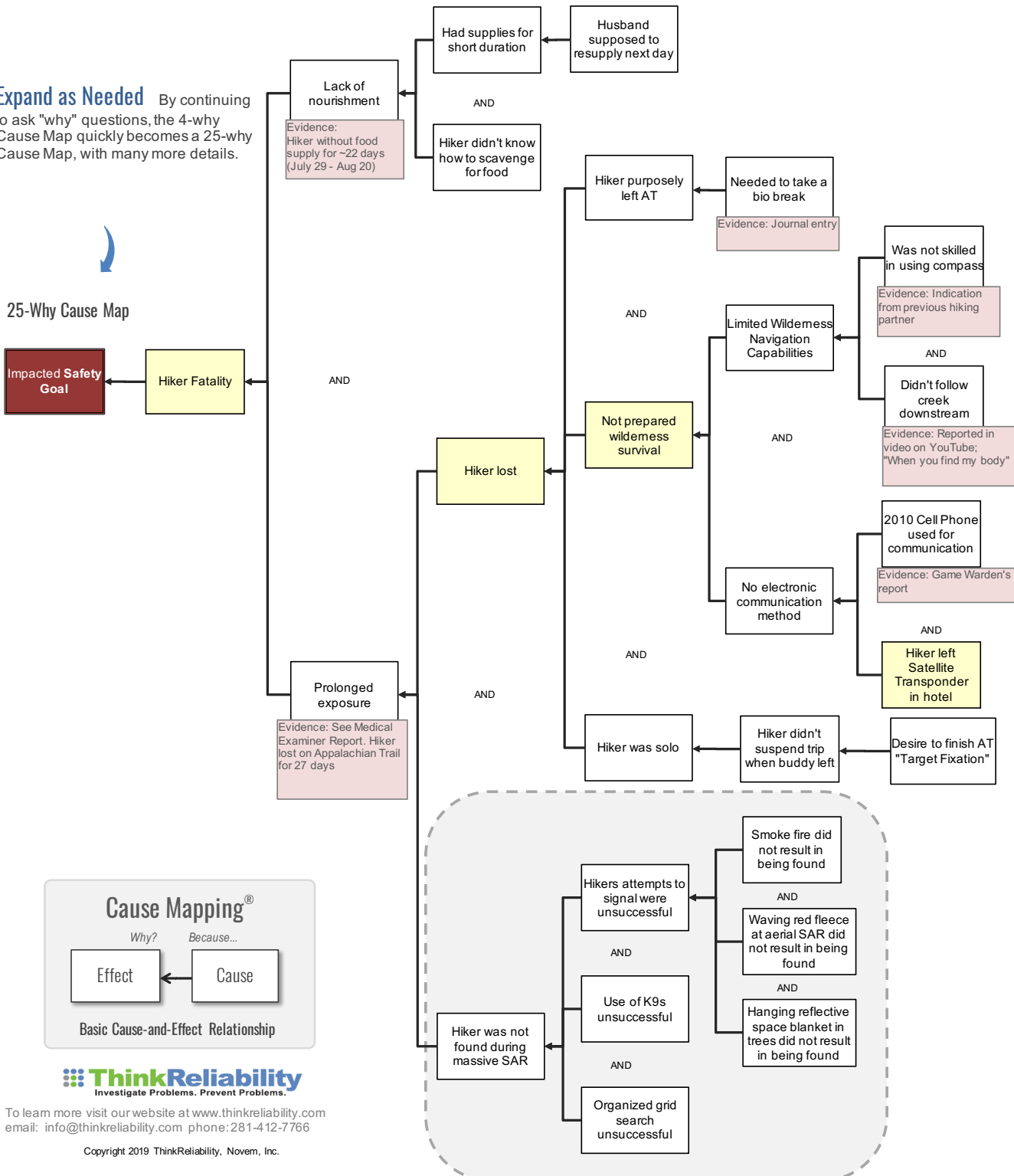
Start Simple

An analysis breaks a problem down into basic cause-and-effect relationships. The 4-Why Cause Map (above) is a simple and quick way to start an investigation, but with the exception of the simplest incidents you need to continue asking questions and expand the Cause Map. Adding more causes naturally leads to a wider range of solutions being considered.

Expand as Needed

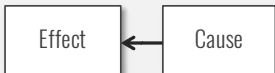
By continuing to ask "why" questions, the 4-why Cause Map quickly becomes a 25-why Cause Map, with many more details.

25-Why Cause Map



Cause Mapping®

Why? Because...



Basic Cause-and-Effect Relationship

ThinkReliability
Investigate Problems. Prevent Problems.

To learn more visit our website at www.thinkreliability.com
email: info@thinkreliability.com phone: 281-412-7766

Copyright 2019 ThinkReliability, Novem, Inc.