

PACIFIC CREST TRAIL ASSOCIATION

WORK PROJECTS - 2013

REGION 1 NEWSLETTER

"TRAIL GORILLAS" (CAMPO TO KENNEDY MEADOWS)

the FIRST 700 miles



Our partners:



Hello Volunteers.....

Well, here we are....2013!! We are once again putting together numerous projects together to kick off the year. If you missed out on joining us in the past, now is the time to make new friends and make plans on helping us out in 2013! For you "regulars" sign up for a project soon! Take a look at the list below and start making plans on joining us for some fun and comradery. If you have any questions or need additional information, call the project leader listed at the end of the project information.

See you out on a project soon,

John

Trail Projects - What to bring? For all trail projects, unless otherwise indicated, bring car/tent camping gear, heavy gloves, eye protection, sun protection (hat and sunscreen), brush protection (long sleeves & long pants), sturdy boots, daypack, flashlight, and water bottles. Warm clothes and rain gear are in order especially for spring and fall projects. Please let us know if you are coming so we can arrange food, equipment, and supervision, and to receive any last minute instructions. By all means come out even if you can't stay the entire time. We have lots of ongoing projects or new ones coming up all the time.

Adventure Pass – don't forget to bring one if project is in a So. Cal. Nat. Forest. If you don't have one, let us know beforehand and the leader will arrange for one.

What is involved? Moderate to strenuous physical activity cutting brush with saws and loppers, pulling and disposing of cut brush out of sight, grubbing out root balls with a Pulaski, shaping tread with a McLeod, re-building rock walls, or repairing water bars to re-establish drainage control. Certified volunteers will be using chain and brush saws and other equipment. A hike in and out of several miles carrying tools or personal camping gear may be required. Some projects involve working with packhorses and mules. We assume you are experienced in mountain travel, camping out, safety, working on a crew under direction, and wilderness hygiene. If you have questions about these subjects or if you have health concerns be sure to bring them up with the leader prior to the trip. We ask all volunteers to fill out our "volunteer" form. This gives us an idea of your experience, special aptitude, physical limitations or concerns, and emergency contact person. *Every volunteer must sign up each day with the Crew Leader to be covered for Workman's Compensation*, and to make sure that no one gets left behind at the end of the day.

What does PCTA provide? Don't worry if you have not been out with us before. We provide food (unless indicated otherwise), water, tools, hard hats, orientation/instruction, supervision and a GREAT time.

To Schedule trail information or ADD your project(s) to this list, contact;

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Definitions....

FALC = Fast Attack Light Calvary (our packers)

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FOOT = The rest of us. Assume FOOT included in ALL projects.

MISC. INFORMATION

13-10. Jan. 1 - Dec. 30. ‘Fannypack’ Projects on (SBNF, ANF, CNF, and BLM). Swat teams to inventory trail, clear trees and boulders, and repair slides on short notice. Open to qualified volunteers. Contact Pete Fish 805-658-6540 or e-mail @ pickaxepete@sbcglobal.net or John Hachey 909-605-3219 or e-mail @ goaliejhachey@msn.com

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JANUARY 2013

13-11. Jan. 4 - 6. Fri. thru Sun. **Section "B". Highway 74.** (SBNF) We will be doing tread work and brushing on this project trail North from Highway 74. Contact Don Line (619) 520-9431 or e-mail @ donline41@gmail.com

13-12. Jan 4 - 6. Fri. thru Sun. **Section "D". Station Fire PCT Rehab** *continued.* **(POSTPONED / weather)** (ANF). Map D – 9. We will be repairing tread and excavating a wider path across a cliff face using Pionjar hammer drills. AVC crew will be working with us. Meet each day at 0730 at Mill Creek Summit Fire Station. Bring PPE, lunch, and warm clothes. Park behind the fire station. From Hwy 14 take Angeles Forest Hwy exit and follow AFH 10 miles south to summit, turn left to fire station. From La Canada-Flintridge Hwy 210 take CA SR 2, then Angeles Forest Hwy 23.9 miles to MCS Fire Station. Contact Pete Fish (805) 658-6540 or e-mail @ pickaxepete@sbcglobal.net

13-12A. Jan 4-6. Fri. thru Sun. **Section "D". Mattox Canyon.** (ANF). Map D-12. Tread repair and brushing. We will be working with the AVC Firefighter crew. Meet at Soledad Canyon Trailhead 0730 each morning. Contact Pete Fish (805) 658-6540 or e-mail @ pickaxepete@sbcglobal.net

13-13. Jan. 12. Sat. **Section "C". Horsethief Canyon.** (SBNF) Come join us as we continue this stretch of trail maintenance doing brushing, tread repair and tree removal. We will meet at the Mormon Rocks fire station/cache at 7:30 am. Lunch, drinks and snacks will be provided. Contact John Hachey (909) 605-3219 or e-mail @ goaliejhachey@msn.com

13-15. Jan. 18 - 27. Fri./Sun. **Section "A" Catch-up. Laguna Mtns.** (CNF) Maps A 6-8. Log-out, brushing, and tread repair project in the Lagunas and perhaps Chariot-Rodriguez Canyons. Come for a day or all ten. Need 10-15 people working – *Trail Gorillas*. This will be another opportunity to pay back for using my (George's) trail – *join us for a good cause and meet interesting people*. Think about it! – *some people pay to go the gym!*. Details to follow. Contact George Boone (619) 994-8729 or e-mail @ george4horses@gmail.com or Pete Fish (805) 658-6540 or e-mail @ pickaxepete@sbcglobal.net

Meet Friday January 18 at 0800 at the Roost for a half-day of work, or later that afternoon at George's place. If you are a day worker, contact George Boone the evening before to find the meeting spot. For the Roost, Exit I-8 just east of Pine Valley, take Road S-1 (Sunrise Highway) about 8 miles north to Mt. Laguna, Red Tailed Roost Volunteer Center which is on the left 0.4 miles beyond milepost 22, and opposite the County fire station on the right.

PCTA – Jan. 25 - 27. Fri-Sun. Southern California Crew Leadership Weekend: The Roost in the Laguna Mts. This weekend will offer Trail Skills College courses 304 "Leadership: Managing a Crew" and 400 "Advanced Leadership". Courses will be taught by PCTA. For information, go to "www.pcta.org". Registration will be through Merrit Hoeh @ www.pcta.org.

FEBRUARY 2013

13-21. Feb. 2. Sat. Section "C". Horsethief Canyon. (SBNF) Come join us as we continue this stretch of trail maintenance doing brushing, tread repair and tree removal. We will meet at the Mormon Rocks fire station/cache at 7:30 am. Lunch, drinks and snacks will be provided. Contact John Hachey (909) 605-3219 or e-mail @ goaliejhachey@msn.com

13-25. Feb. 14 - 18. Thu. thru Mon. Section "B". Anza. (CDP&R) Come join us as we will be doing brushing, tread and slide work. We will be camping at "camp Anza". Contact Don Line (619) 520-9431 or e-mail @ donline41@gmail.com

13-27. Feb. 23. Sat. Section "B". Snow Creek. (BLM) Come join us as we will be doing brushing and tread repair. Meet at Snow Creek Rd. trailhead at 7:30 am. Contact Don Line (619) 520-9431 or e-mail @ donline41@gmail.com

MARCH 2013

13-31. March. 2. Sat. Section "B". Snow Creek. (BLM) Come join us as we will be doing brushing and tread repair. Meet at Snow Creek Rd. trailhead at 7:30 am. Contact Don Line (619) 520-9431 or e-mail @ donline41@gmail.com

13-35. March 14 - 21. Thu. thru Thu. Section "C" & "D". Mormon Rocks. (SBNF) Come join us on this annual event! We will be able to occupy the Fire Station at Mormon Rocks for this project. If you wish to camp out under the stars, RV or car camp, that is fine as well. Come join us on Thursday night (14th) for first meal as we start work on Friday morning the 15th. "Day" volunteers need to be at the fire station by 7am to pack your lunch each day. Leave Thursday the 21st after work or Friday morning the (22nd). The Fire Station is located approx. 1 ½ miles West of Interstate 15 on Highway 138 (South side of the Highway). For further info. and sign-up please call or e-mail John Hachey 909-605-3219 or @ goaliejhachey@msn.com

13-37. March. 23. Sat. Section "B". Snow Creek. (BLM) Come join us as we will be doing brushing and tread repair. Meet at Snow Creek Rd. trailhead at 7:30 am. Contact Don Line (619) 520-9431 or e-mail @ donline41@gmail.com

13-39. March. 30. Sat. Section "B". Snow Creek. (BLM) Come join us as we will be doing brushing and tread repair. Meet at Snow Creek Rd. trailhead at 7:30 am. Contact Don Line (619) 520-9431 or e-mail @ donline41@gmail.com

APRIL 2013

PCTA. April 12 - 14. Fri. thru Sun. This is an "Environmental Charter Middle School" event.

13-45. April. 19 thru 21. Fri. thru Sun. Section "B". Fobes Saddle. (SBNF) Come join us as we will be doing brushing and tread work. We will be camping at Fobes Ranch during this project. A hike of 2 to 3 miles each day to work site. Contact Don Line (619) 520-9431 or e-mail @ donline41@gmail.com

13-46. April 26 - 28. Fri. thru Sun. **Section "A". Lake Moreno.** (CNF) Annual "kick-off" weekend for the through hikers. Work project TBD.

13-47. April 27 - May 4. Sat. thru Sat. **Section "F". Golden Oak Spring.** (BLM)

We will be brushing trail north from the spring where we will be camping.

Hope to clear 3 miles of intermittent moderate brush and any downed trees or tread repair needed. Also could use a FALC team to ride north into the burn area to scout and remove any trees on the trail. Request 10 volunteers including a cook. We are behind locked gates so entry and exit for other than the project dates will need coordinated meeting times. Further details for interested parties call or e-mail Jerry Stone 661-273-1059 or @ trailstone@sbcglobal.net

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MAY 2013

13-54. May 11. Sat. **Section "C". Work location TBD.** We will meet at the Mormon Rocks fire station/cache at 7:30 am. Lunch, drinks and snacks will be provided. Contact John Hachey (909) 605-3219 or e-mail @ goaliejhachey@msn.com

13-55. May. 17 thru 19. Fri. thru Sun. **Section "B". Fobes Saddle.** (SBNF) Come join us as we will be continuing doing brushing and tread work. We will be camping at Fobes Ranch during this project. A hike of 2 to 3 miles each day to work site. Contact Don Line (619) 520-9431 or e-mail @ donline41@gmail.com

JUNE 2013

13-61. June 1. Sat. **Section "C". Work location TBD.** Come join us for "**National Trails Day**". We will meet at the Mormon Rocks fire station/cache at 7:30 am. Lunch, drinks and snacks will be provided. Contact John Hachey (909) 605-3219 or e-mail @ goaliejhachey@msn.com

PCTA – June 7 - 9. Fri. thru Sun. This is an "Environmental Charter High School" event.

JULY 2013

AUGUST 2013

SEPTEMBER 2013

13-95. Sept. 14. Sat. **Section "C". Work location TBD.** We will meet at the Mormon Rocks fire station/cache at 7:30 am. Lunch, drinks and snacks will be provided. Contact John Hachey (909) 605-3219 or e-mail @ goaliejhachey@msn.com

OCTOBER 2013

13-105. Oct. 12. Sat. **Section "C". Work location TBD.** We will meet at the Mormon Rocks fire station/cache at 7:30 am. Lunch, drinks and snacks will be provided. Contact John Hachey (909) 605-3219 or e-mail @ goaliejhachey@msn.com

NOVEMBER 2013

13-115. Nov. 16. Sat. Section "C". Work location TBD. We will meet at the Mormon Rocks fire station/cache at 7:30 am. Lunch, drinks and snacks will be provided. Contact John Hachey (909) 605-3219 or e-mail @ goaliejhachey@msn.com

DECEMBER 2013

On our radar: (future work to be scheduled)

Section A. Contact George Boone @ 619-994-8729 or george4horses@gmail.com

None

Section B. Contact Don Line @ 619-520-9431 or donline41@gmail.com

Chihuahua Valley Rd. (SOUTH) We will be brushing and doing tread repair going trail South from Chihuahua Valley Rd.

Section C. Contact John Hachey @ 909-605-3219 or goaliejhachey@msn.com

Silverwood Lake. We will be re-routing the trail away from the shooting range as soon as we receive approval from the Forest Service. This will entail building a "new" trail and also building a retaining wall approx. 100' in length in the riverbed.

Horsethief Canyon. We will be continuing this 5 mile stretch of trail attempting to finish it before the 2013 through hikers come by.

Section D. Contact Frank Trujillo @ 760-217-5697 or ftrujillo2@man.com (Interstate 15 to Three Points). Contact Pete Fish @ 805-658-6540 or pickaxepete@sbcglobal.net (Three Points to Agua Dulce).

Station Fire PCT Rehab. Sulfur Spring to North Fork Saddle Station. Ongoing project requiring a lot of volunteer help to repair the trail along the 28 miles that was burned. Dates: See above schedule.

Section E. Contact Dave Fleischman @ 310-560-8299 or owldave57@gmail.com Or Area Co-ordinator Kevin Corcoran @ 661-816-9196 or hikevv@gmail.com

None

Section F. Contact Jerry Stone @ 661-273-1059 or trailstone@sbcglobal.net

None

Section G. Contact Chris Ryerson @ 661-873-7188 or roguephotonic@lycos.com

Annual spring **inventory** of this 50 mi. section will dictate trail project(s) to follow.