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JPL TRAILBUILDERS

TRAIL MAINTENANCE Saturdays July 16

August 6

August 27, 2005

(Rain cancels any outing)

Monthly Volunteer meetings are held the third Wednesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. in the volunteer house at Wildwood picnic area. Call Kathie for directions.

LEADERS: Kathie Reilly 818-354-8321 (JPL) 626-798-7256 (home)
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CLASSIFICATION: Easy to strenuous, up to you. **COST:** none **TRIP LIMIT:** none

DESCRIPTION: WHAT HAPPENED:

We did a maintenance pass on Colby Canyon Trail, the bottom half. Only minor brushing was needed, the contractor last year had done a good job on the trail.

We had another outing on Mt Lowe East widening the trail tread and cutting back the brush heading toward the midpoint from Eaton Saddle. The winter rains has really provided an abundance of overhanging brush to clear.

107 volunteers came for National Trails Day at Chilao. There were major projects rebuilding trails that had been washed out in the winter rains, brush cutting the nature trail around the Visitor Center, and fuel hazard reduction at Vetter Mountain Lookout. The Forest Service provided a delicious catered lunch from Newcomb's Ranch. The volunteers were introduced to their new Recreation Officer Dana Higgins.

WHAT'S HAPPENING:

We will continue work on the Mt Lowe East Trail from Eaton Saddle, unless other trail work is requested. The brush seems to grow faster then we can cut it back.

BRING: Dayhike gear (daypack, lunch, lots of water), sun screen, bug repellent, hat, sturdy shoes, and work gloves. You can bring your own tools or are welcome to use those from our group supply.

MEET: Meet at 8:15 AM at ball diamonds parking lot in the lower part of Hahamonga Park. Get off the 210 freeway at the Berkshire off-ramp and follow the signs for JPL and Hahamonga Park. Once you turn into the park, go down the driveway, make a right at the bottom and look for us in the parking lot by the ball diamonds. . We will sign in and form carpools, leaving at 8:30 sharp, returning around 4 PM. The leaders always take passengers, but make sure you have plenty of gas in case we need more drivers (riders can give drivers \$1 towards gas). If you need to leave early, notify the leaders at sign-in time.

Next tentative dates September 17 and October 15, 2005