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Dear Prospective Volunteer:

Welcome to the Volunteer Program of the USDA Forest Service – Angeles National Forest!

The Angeles National Forest, located right next door to the city of Los Angeles, California, is an invaluable public treasure. For literally millions of people, this mega-urban national forest is a favorite “go-to” place for recreation, solitude, renewal, and relief from city-life stresses. And for many – adults and children alike – it serves as an outdoor classroom where they can learn about their natural and cultural heritage, and the importance of natural resource conservation.

The USDA Forest Service is mandated to care for this 655,387-acre forest, and to serve its millions of visitors. For decades, the agency has relied on dedicated volunteers and partners to accomplish this. In 2012 alone, volunteers contributed over 75 thousand hours of their time (valued at over 1.7 million dollars) to vitally important activities on the Angeles National Forest, such as maintaining trails, hosting campgrounds, staffing visitor centers and environmental education activities, and restoring valuable wildlife habitat.

If you're already a volunteer, I want to thank you for all that you've done. Your contribution of time and effort, combined with those of thousands of other volunteers, is what makes it possible to achieve the mission of the Forest Service: *“to sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of the National’s forests and grasslands to meet the needs of present and future generations.”*

And if you've never volunteered, but you're interested in getting involved, I invite you to take a few minutes to explore this directory of volunteer projects. You will find a variety of activities on these pages. Some projects will provide you with an opportunity to use a favorite skill; others may introduce you to a new career interest. Regardless of which project you select, we will do our best to ensure that you and your organization have a volunteer experience that is safe, rewarding and challenging.

Once you have read the directory and found a project that interests you, the next step is to contact the person listed for that project to get answers to any questions you might have. Then, if you decide you want to apply, you’ll need to complete the application found in the back of the directory, and mail it to the contact person; or you may choose to scan and e-mail it to AngelesNFVolunteers@gmail.com . The directory and application are also available online at <http://www.fs.usda.gov/main/angeles/workingtogether/volunteering> .

While you’re at the website, you can also click on the “additional opportunities” link to access information about more than 40 volunteer groups who are currently and very actively involved with us. Please feel free to contact any of them directly about volunteering with them.

Thank you for your interest in volunteering for the Angeles National Forest. We look forward to hearing from you soon!

Sincerely,

Thomas A. Contreras

THOMAS A. CONTRERAS
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Angeles National Forest





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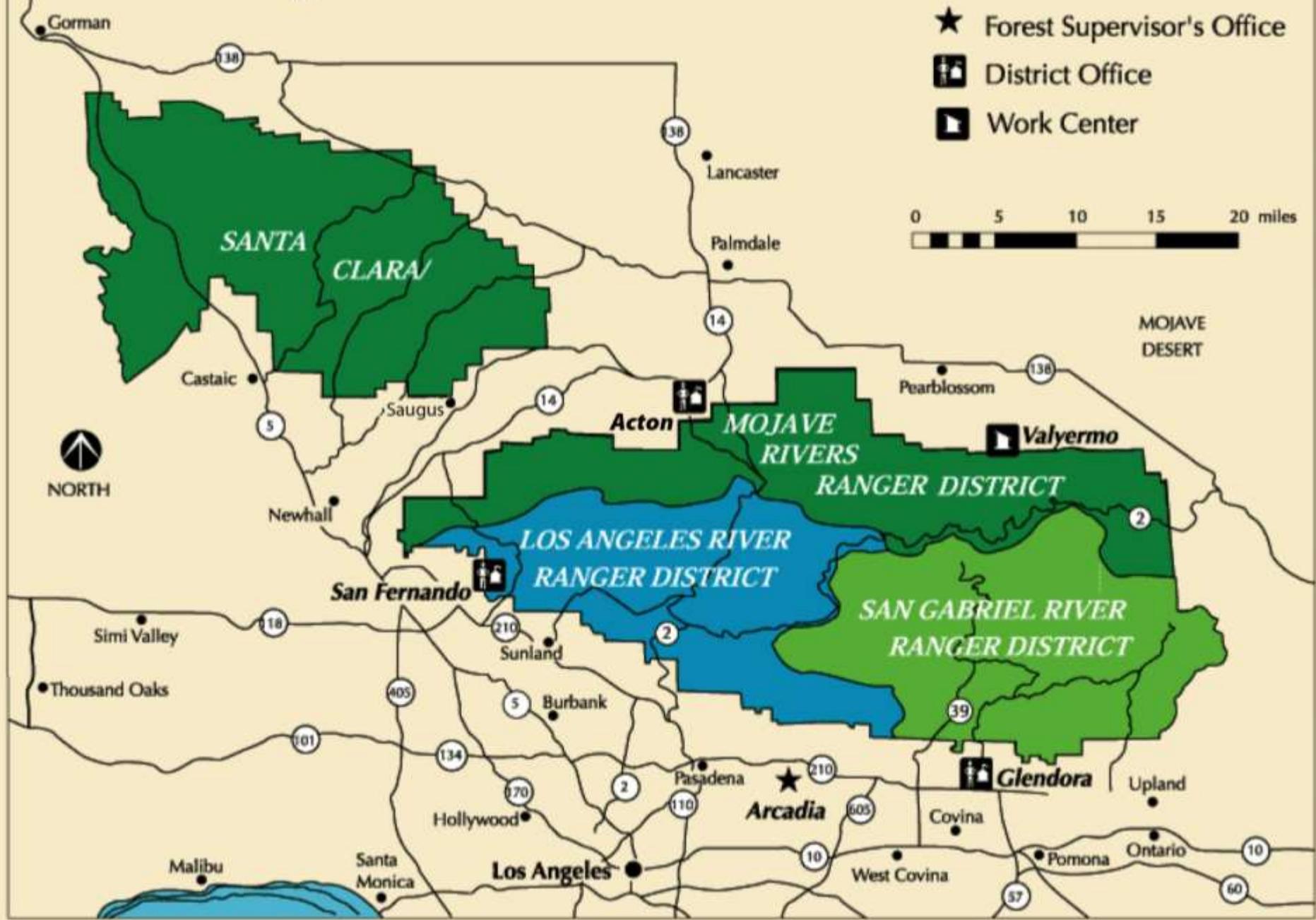
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*"Don't underestimate the power of people who join together...
they can accomplish amazing things."*

President Barack Obama



Supervisor's Office

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The Angeles National Forest is located mainly in the San Gabriel Mountains just north of Los Angeles. It is considered to be one of the most urban national forests in the nation, with more than 17 million people living within an hour's drive and approximately 4 million visitors each year.

The Forest is divided into three Ranger Districts oriented around watershed boundaries: the Los Angeles River Ranger District, the Santa Clara/Mojave Rivers Ranger District, and the San Gabriel River Ranger District. Elevations range from 1,200 feet to 10,064 feet, with dense chaparral and oak covering the lower- to mid-elevation slopes and various conifer species in the higher elevations.

The Angeles provides 72 percent of all open space in Los Angeles County, and a third of all downstream water in the Los Angeles basin. The major infrastructure for the basin is located within the Forest. This includes power lines, water conveyances, telecommunications, natural gas and oil pipelines, and flood control facilities.

Recreational opportunities on the Forest include: hiking, biking, winter sports, fishing, boating, water-play, off-highway vehicle use, picnicking, camping, scenic driving, and horseback riding. The Forest has approximately 550 miles of recreational trails, including 73 miles of National Recreation Trails and 176 miles of the Pacific Crest Trail.



Forest Supervisor's Office/Forest-Wide Projects

Project Name: 2013 Los Angeles County Fair – America's Great Outdoors			Date/Time: Aug. 30 – Sep. 29, 2013
Project Location	Project Description		
America's Great Outdoors Los Angeles County Fairplex 1101 W. McKinley Ave. Pomona, CA 91768 [Lat/Long: 34.08107,- 117.766782]	Volunteers will help to host interactive public interpretive activities related to America's Great Outdoors site, including set up, tear down, interacting with the public, participating in daily parade, working with partnering agencies, and representing the USDA Forest Service in a professional capacity. Volunteer shifts are as follows (sign up for as many as you like): Wednesday, Thursday, Friday - 8:30 am-2:30 pm or 2:30 pm-8:00 pm; Saturday and Sunday - 9:30 am-2:30 pm or 2:30 pm-8:00 pm.		
	Type of Work	Pre-qualifications/ Skills Required	
	Conservation education, interpretation, visitor information		
Project Manager/ Contact	Level of Difficulty	Accessibility	Pre-Registration
Nathan Judy, Forest Service Coordinator 626-297-4195 njudy@fs.fed.us	Easy to moderate	Passenger car	Please call or e-mail Nathan Judy to add your name to the volunteer schedule.
	Suitability	Housing Information	Other Project Information
	Adults, seniors, youth, families	n/a	Partners: Bureau of Land Management; Los Angeles County Fire Department/Forestry Division. What to bring: Lunch and plenty of water to stay hydrated. All other items will be provided.

Project Name: National Trails Day			SAVE THE DATE!	Date/Time: June 1, 2013
Project Location	Project Description			
Project locations are yet to be determined. We plan to host NTD trail projects throughout the Angeles NF. Check our website for specific locations as June 1 gets closer.	National Trails Day® (NTD) is a celebration of America's magnificent trail system, occurring annually on the first Saturday in June. NTD features outdoor activities designed to promote and celebrate the importance of trails in the United States. Individuals and organizations from around the country host NTD events to share their love of trails with friends, family, and their communities. Check our website for project details as June 1 gets closer: http://www.fs.usda.gov/main/angeles/workingtogether/volunteering .			
	Type of Work	Pre-qualifications/ Skills Required		
	Trail Maintenance	TBD		
Project Manager/ Contact	Level of Difficulty	Accessibility	Pre-Registration	
Kathy Peterson, Volunteer/Partnership Coordinator AngelesNFVolunteers@gmail.com	TBD	TBD	TBD	
	Suitability	Housing Information	Other Project Information	
	TBD	n/a	Visit American Hiking Society's website to learn more about National Trails Day & planned events: http://www.americanhiking.org/national-trails-day/ What to wear/bring: Long sleeve shirts, long pants, gloves, boots, hat, sunscreen, plenty of water & snacks.	

Forest Supervisor's Office/Forest-Wide Projects

Project Name: 20 th Annual National Public Lands Day		SAVE THE DATE!		Date/Time: September 28, 2013
Project Location	Project Description			
<p>Project locations are yet to be determined.</p> <p>We plan to host NPLD projects throughout the Angeles NF. Check our website for specific locations as September 28 gets closer.</p>	<p>National Public Lands Day (NPLD) is the nation's largest, single-day volunteer effort for public lands. NPLD educates Americans about the environment and natural resources, and the need for shared stewardship of these valued, irreplaceable lands. NPLD improves public lands for outdoor recreation, with volunteers assisting land managers in various hands-on work activities. In 2012, about 175,000 volunteers worked at 2,206 sites in every state. Check our website for details about NPLD events on the Angeles National Forest as September 28 gets closer: http://www.fs.usda.gov/main/angeles/workingtogether/volunteering</p>			
	Type of Work	Pre-qualifications/ Skills Required		
	Trail maintenance – and more!		TBD	
Project Manager/ Contact	Level of Difficulty	Accessibility	Pre-Registration	
<p>Kathy Peterson, Volunteer/Partnership Coordinator AngelesNFVolunteers@gmail.com</p>	TBD	TBD	TBD	
	Suitability	Housing Information	Other Project Information	
	Families, youth, adults	n/a	2013 marks the 20 th anniversary of National Public Lands Day. Visit their website http://www.publiclandsday.org to learn more about planned events for this significant year.	

Project Name: Additional Volunteer Opportunities with our Partners		Date/Time: Year Around		
Project Location	Project Description			
<p>Various locations throughout the Angeles NF. Check out the website listed under "Project Description."</p>	<p>The Angeles National Forest partners with many organizations who share similar goals of recruiting, training, and working with volunteers. Visit this website http://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/angeles/workingtogether/volunteering/?cid=stelprdb5315650 to see more than 40 organizations who are actively recruiting volunteer support. Feel free to contact any of these organizations directly to volunteer.</p>			
	Type of Work	Pre-qualifications/ Skills Required		
	Trail/campground/recreation site maintenance, visitor information, habitat restoration, conservation education – and more!		See partner organizations' websites	
Project Manager/ Contact	Level of Difficulty	Accessibility	Pre-Registration	
<p>Project contact information for each organization is show on the website listed under "Project Description."</p>	Various	Various	See partner organizations' websites	
	Suitability	Housing Information	Other Project Information	
	Various	n/a	Please visit the websites of our partners to read about scheduled projects, meeting dates, etc.	

Forest Supervisor's Office/Forest-Wide Projects

Project Name: Pacific Crest Trail Maintenance: ANF 2013		SAVE THE DATE!		Date/Time: 2013 Field Season
Project Location	Project Description			
<p>Specific project location information will be published as projects are identified and scheduled.</p> <p>Contact Pete Fish for further directions.</p>	<p>The Pacific Crest Trail runs east to west across much of the Angeles National Forest. Throughout the 2013 field season, PCTA volunteer crews will be repairing tread and brushing along the length of the trail; clearing dead/fallen trees; and trail rehabilitation through Station Fire burn area. We will be adding these projects to the directory as they are scheduled.</p> <p>Each year, dedicated Pacific Crest Trail Association volunteers and staff flock to the woods with picks, shovels, saws and spirit to rebuild washed-out bridges, cut away fallen trees, and restore eroded portions of the trail. They recruit young and old by the hundreds to give time and energy to fix what needs to be fixed from Mexico to Canada. PCTA volunteers and corps crews devote tens of thousands of hours to keep the trail open. As a result, hikers and equestrians alike will tell you that the PCT is one of the finest trail experiences in existence.</p>			
	Type of Work	Pre-qualifications/ Skills Required		
	Trail maintenance	None. Most projects do not require prior trail maintenance experience. Knowledgeable and experienced crew leaders are on site to teach you the necessary skills.		
Project Manager/ Contact	Level of Difficulty	Accessibility	Pre-Registration	
<p>Pete Fish Section Chief Pacific Crest Trail Assoc.</p> <p>(805) 658-6540 pickaxepete@sbcglobal.net</p> <p>(PCTA Volunteer group: Trail Gorillas)</p>	Typically moderate to strenuous physical work activities.	Typically, passenger car plus hike to work site.	Yes. Contact Pete Fish at (805) 658-6540 or email pickaxepete@sbcglobal.net	
	Suitability	Housing Information	Other Project Information	
	Youth, adult.	n/a	<p>All tools will be provided. Bring lunch, snack, and drinking water. Wear long pants and long sleeved shirt; bring gloves, sunscreen and hat.</p> <p>Specific projects will be scheduled once the snow has melted later this spring. Follow the PCTA online schedule for current projects and updates: http://www.pcta.org/volunteer/project-schedule/</p>	



Los Angeles River Ranger District (LARRD)

12371 N. Little Tujunga Canyon Road
San Fernando, CA 91342
(818) 899-1900

The Los Angeles River Ranger District is in the central section of Angeles National Forest. Comprising about 200,000 acres, it offers a host of recreational opportunities including hiking, camping, water play in the creeks, picnicking and mountain biking.

Elevations in the district range from 1,200 to 8,700 feet. The higher area includes the upper reaches of the San Gabriel River canyons and the 5,700-foot Mount Wilson. The lower elevations are covered with chaparral, oak, sycamore and alders, while elevations above 5,000 feet feature pine, cedar and fir.

Top recreational areas include Chantry Flat Picnic Area and Trailhead, Cobb Estate Trailhead, Switzer Picnic Area and Trailhead, Buckhorn Campground and Lower Big Tujunga Canyon. The district has more than 150 miles of trails including sections of the Pacific Crest, Gabrielino, Silver Moccasin and High Desert trails.

Besides recreation, the district is used for movie filming, 50-K and 100-mile bicycle events, forest-product sales, TV and radio broadcasting and astronomy studies.



Los Angeles River Ranger District Projects

Project Name: 2013 Angeles Forest Restoration (Tree Planting)		Date/Time: Feb. 23 – Apr. 28, 2013; Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday	
Project Location		Project Description	
Specific planting locations will be assigned when you register (see “Pre-Registration”).		<p>Join ForestAid – a massive volunteer effort in partnership with TreePeople – to replant and restore fire-damaged areas of the Angeles National Forest with approximately 15,000 trees (Jeffrey pine, Coulter pine, and Douglas-fir seedlings grown from native seeds harvested on the Angeles National Forest), under the supervision of TreePeople and trained crew leaders.</p> <p>The USFS and TreePeople are partnering to restore the fire damaged areas of the National Forest. This partnership is based on a simple belief: That a single person planting a single tree can help revitalize fire-damaged areas, effect climate change, clean the air, capture rainwater and build a sense of community.</p>	
		Type of Work	Pre-qualifications/ Skills Required
		Reforestation	None
Project Manager/ Contact		Level of Difficulty	Accessibility
Amy Kussman ackussman@fs.fed.us		Easy to moderate	Passenger car
		Suitability	Housing Information
		Adult, youth, families, friends, colleagues	n/a
			Pre-Registration
			YES. Register online with TreePeople at http://www.treepeople.org/volunteer-search
			Other Project Information
			<p>We encourage you to wear long pants, dress in layers, and bring a jacket. All volunteers must wear closed-toe shoes (hard sole boots strongly recommended). Also, bring sunscreen, a full water bottle, your own snacks and a sack lunch. Bulk water will be available to refill your water bottle. Please remember: Tree planting at high elevations can be rigorous work, so enjoy a hearty breakfast before you arrive.</p> <p>If you are under the age of 16, you must have a parent or guardian attend the event with you. If you are over 16 but under 18, you must have a parent consent form signed and turned in at the beginning of the event. (http://www.treepeople.org/are-minors-able-volunteer-treepeople)</p> <p>Please check TreePeople’s Mountain Forestry Hotline for event location and last minute changes due to rain, fire, etc. (818) 623-4871.</p> <p>There will be locked gates so please be on time to get into the planting site! Also, remember to fill your gas tanks for the round trip up and down the mountain.</p>

Los Angeles River Ranger District Projects

Project Name: National Trails Day		SAVE THE DATE!		Date/Time: June 1, 2013
Project Location	Project Description			
<p>Project locations are yet to be determined.</p> <p>Check our website for specific locations as June 1 gets closer.</p>	<p>American Hiking Society's National Trails Day® (NTD) is a celebration of America's magnificent Trail System, occurring annually on the first Saturday in June. The Los Angeles River Ranger District and several partners plan to host a NTD trail maintenance event on one of the district's popular trail systems. Check our website http://www.fs.usda.gov/main/angeles/workingtogether/volunteering for project details as June 1 gets closer.</p>			
	Type of Work	Pre-qualifications/ Skills Required		
	Trail maintenance	TBD		
Project Manager/ Contact	Level of Difficulty	Accessibility	Pre-Registration	
<p>Dennis Merkel Recreation Officer dcmerkel@fs.fed.us</p>	moderate	Passenger car	TBD	
	Suitability	Housing Information	Other Project Information	
	Youth, adults	n/a	<p>Visit American Hiking Society's website to learn more about National Trails Day & planned events: http://www.americanhiking.org/national-trails-day/ What to wear/bring: Long sleeve shirts, long pants, gloves, boots, hat, sunscreen, plenty of water & snacks.</p>	
Project Name: 20 th Annual National Public Lands Day		SAVE THE DATE!		Date/Time: September 28, 2013
Project Location	Project Description			
<p>Project locations are yet to be determined.</p> <p>Check our website for specific locations as September 28 gets closer.</p>	<p>National Public Lands Day (NPLD) is the nation's largest, single-day volunteer effort for public lands. NPLD improves public lands for outdoor recreation, with volunteers assisting land managers in various hands-on work activities. The Los Angeles River Ranger District plans to host a NPLD trail maintenance event on one of the district's popular trail systems. Check our website http://www.fs.usda.gov/main/angeles/workingtogether/volunteering for project details as September 28 gets closer.</p>			
	Type of Work	Pre-qualifications/ Skills Required		
	Trail maintenance – and more!	TBD		
Project Manager/ Contact	Level of Difficulty	Accessibility	Pre-Registration	
<p>Dennis Merkel Recreation Officer dcmerkel@fs.fed.us</p>	TBD	TBD	TBD	
	Suitability	Housing Information	Other Project Information	
	Families, youth, adults	n/a	<p>Visit the National Public Lands Day website http://www.publiclandsday.org to learn more about events planned for 2013.</p>	

"It is time for a change in the way we view and manage America's forestlands with an eye toward the future. This will require a new approach that engages the American people and stakeholders in conserving and restoring both our National Forests and our privately owned forests. It is essential that we reconnect Americans across the nation with the natural resources and landscapes that sustain us."

Tom Vilsak
USDA Secretary of Agriculture



San Gabriel River Ranger District (SGRRD)

110 N. Wabash Avenue
Glendora, CA 91741
(626) 335-1251

The San Gabriel River Ranger District is one of the most heavily visited districts among national forests with more than 1.5 million visitors each year. The district is in the eastern-most portion of the Angeles, and spans over 182,500 acres providing a scenic backdrop for Los Angeles and San Bernardino counties.

The district offers a wide range of recreational opportunities. Forest visitors will find 95 miles of scenic hiking trails ranging from moderate 5 percent slopes to trails ascending at slopes of more than 60 percent. The trail system rises and falls throughout clusters of peaks surrounding the 10,000-foot Mt. San Antonio, also known as Mt. Baldy. The trail system includes a small portion of the Pacific Crest Trail and the rocky and winding Bear Creek trail into the San Gabriel Mountain Wilderness.

The district also includes the Sheep Mountain and San Gabriel wilderness areas and a portion of the Cucamonga Wilderness area with elevations ranging from 2,400 feet to over 10,000 feet. These wilderness areas offer rushing rivers, rocky gorges, deep canyons, and spectacular vistas.

The district has several developed campgrounds, as well as a 7-mile National Scenic Byway bicycle trail that bounds the West Fork Wild Trout area, and a 24-mile off-highway vehicle trail route. Visitors can also enjoy target shooting, hunting, and winter sports. The district also has an education program that serves area schools with a curriculum that meets State environmental education guidelines.



San Gabriel River Ranger District Projects

Project Name: SGRRD Environmental Education Program		Date/Time: Spring/Fall; Monday thru Friday (8:30 am – 1:30 pm)	
Project Location	Project Description		
Mt. Baldy Visitor Center Mt. Baldy Road, Mt. Baldy, CA 91759/ San Gabriel Cyn Environmental Education Ctr Jct. Hwy 39 & E. Fork San Gabriel Cyn Rd North of Azusa, CA 91702	Volunteers will work with students that attend the District's environmental education program. On-the-job training will be provided to interested volunteers in forestry, wildlife, Native American studies, geology, and California gold mining history.		
	Type of Work	Pre-qualifications/ Skills Required	
	Conservation Education	Background check may be required for volunteers working with students	
Project Manager/ Contact	Level of Difficulty	Accessibility	Pre-Registration
Steve Segreto (909) 982-2879 ssegreto@fs.fed.us	Easy to moderate	Passenger car	Yes
	Suitability	Housing Information	Other Project Information
	Adult	n/a	Interested volunteers will have to make a commitment to the program; a staffing schedule will be set up to cover each location.

Project Name: Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) Program		Date/Time: Sundays; 10:30 am – 3:00 pm	
Project Location	Project Description		
San Gabriel Canyon Off-Highway Vehicle Area; located 11 miles north of Azusa, CA on Hwy 39.	Volunteers will assist in explaining and answering questions regarding OHV laws and regulations and other OHV Area regulations to OHV users, and help with the sale of OHV permits.		
	Type of Work	Pre-qualifications/ Skills Required	
	Public contact	On-the-job training will be provided.	
Project Manager/ Contact	Level of Difficulty	Accessibility	Pre-Registration
Steve Segreto (909) 982-2829 ssegreto@fs.fed.us	Easy	Passenger car	Yes
	Suitability	Housing Information	Other Project Information
	Adult	n/a	

San Gabriel River Ranger District Projects

Project Name: Visitor Information Center Staffing: San Gabriel Canyon Gateway Center and Mt. Baldy Visitor Center		Date/Time: Friday, Saturday, and Sunday; Two four-hour shifts or one eight-hour shift	
Project Location	Project Description		
San Gabriel Canyon Gateway Center 1960 N. San Gabriel Ave. Azusa, CA 91702	Volunteers will staff the front counter, provide information to forest visitors about hiking trails and general information, forest rules, sell Adventure Passes, issue wilderness and fire permits, as well as sell interpretive materials (e.g., books, maps, hiking items, etc.). Duties also include some light maintenance around the visitor center.		
	Type of Work	Pre-qualifications/ Skills Required	
Mt. Baldy Visitor Center Mt. Baldy Road Mt. Baldy, CA 91759	Visitor Information	Volunteers will be given on-the-job training	
Project Manager/ Contact	Level of Difficulty	Accessibility	Pre-Registration
Steve Segreto (909) 982-2829 ssegreto@FS.FED.US	Easy	Passenger car	Yes. Please contact Steve Segreto
	Suitability	Housing Information	Other Project Information
	Adult	n/a	Interested volunteers will have to make a commitment to the program; a staffing schedule will be set up to cover each location. A uniform will be provided to volunteers who make a commitment to the program.

Project Name: Operation Super Canyon Sweep – 2013		Date/Time: Saturday, June 8, 2013; 8:00 am – 3:00 pm	
Project Location	Project Description		
Meet at the San Gabriel Canyon Off-Highway Vehicle Area; located 11 miles north of Azusa, CA on Hwy 39, just north of the East Fork Bridge.	Participate with hundreds of other concerned outdoor enthusiasts in the annual trash cleanup of the West, East, and North forks of the San Gabriel River. For more than 30 years, the California Trail Users Coalition and other partners have sponsored this important annual event.		
	Type of Work	Pre-qualifications/ Skills Required	
	Watershed restoration	None	
Project Manager/ Contact	Level of Difficulty	Accessibility	Pre-Registration
California Trail Users Coalition: Barry Wetherby (818) 957-1455 BHWetherby@aol.com Terry Kaiser (818) 262-0315 hdconcerns@ca.rr.com	Easy	Passenger car	No
	Suitability	Housing Information	Other Project Information
	Youth, adults, and families are welcome!	n/a	Lunch will be provided.

San Gabriel River Ranger District Projects

Project Name: National Trails Day – American Hiking Society			SAVE THE DATE!	Date/Time: June 1, 2013
Project Location	Project Description			
Project locations are yet to be determined.	American Hiking Society's National Trails Day® (NTD) is a celebration of America's magnificent Trail System, occurring annually on the first Saturday in June. The San Gabriel River Ranger District plans to host a NTD trail maintenance event on one of the district's popular trail systems. Check our website http://www.fs.usda.gov/main/angeles/workingtogether/volunteering for project details as June 1 gets closer.			
	Type of Work	Pre-qualifications/ Skills Required		
	Trail maintenance	TBD		
Project Manager/ Contact	Level of Difficulty	Accessibility	Pre-Registration	
Kathy Peterson, Volunteer/Partnership Coordinator AngelesNFVolunteers@gmail.com	TBD	TBD	TBD	
	Suitability	Housing Information	Other Project Information	
	TBD	n/a	Visit American Hiking Society's website to learn more about National Trails Day & planned events: http://www.americanhiking.org/national-trails-day/ What to wear/bring: Long sleeve shirts, long pants, gloves, boots, hat, sunscreen, plenty of water & snacks.	

Project Name: 20 th Annual National Public Lands Day			SAVE THE DATE!	Date/Time: September 28, 2013
Project Location	Project Description			
Project locations are yet to be determined. Check our website for specific locations as September 28 gets closer.	National Public Lands Day (NPLD) is the nation's largest, single-day volunteer effort for public lands. NPLD improves public lands for outdoor recreation, with volunteers assisting land managers in various hands-on work activities. The San Gabriel River Ranger District plans to host a NPLD trail maintenance event on one of the district's popular trail systems. Check our website http://www.fs.usda.gov/main/angeles/workingtogether/volunteering for project details as September 28 gets closer.			
	Type of Work	Pre-qualifications/ Skills Required		
	Trail maintenance – and more!	TBD		
Project Manager/ Contact	Level of Difficulty	Accessibility	Pre-Registration	
Kathy Peterson, Volunteer/Partnership Coordinator AngelesNFVolunteers@gmail.com	TBD	TBD	TBD	
	Suitability	Housing Information	Other Project Information	
	Families, youth, adults	n/a	Visit the National Public Lands Day website http://www.publiclandsday.org to learn more about events planned for 2013.	



Santa Clara/Mojave Rivers Ranger District (SCMRRD)

33708 Crown Valley Road
Acton, CA 93510
(661) 269-2808

The Santa Clara Mojave Rivers Ranger District is the largest of the three districts in Angeles National Forest. It comprises about 390,000 acres in the north and northwest areas of the forest, offering hiking, picnicking, camping, off-highway vehicle trail riding, and other recreational activities.

Elevations in the district range from 1,286 feet to a high of 9,399 feet at Mt. Baden-Powell, the second highest mountain elevation on the forest. The historic Big Pines Information Office, just outside of Wrightwood sits at 6,862 feet the highest elevation on the San Andreas Fault. Terrain on the district ranges from high rugged mountain peaks and pine forest, to the lower foothills of the Mojave Desert with scrub oak and desert sage.

Top recreational areas include: Jackson Lake in the Wrightwood area for fishing, camping, hiking, picnicking, and snow play; Littlerock Dam for fishing and picnicking; and Pyramid Lake for boating, fishing, hiking and water play. Yearly visitors use the Mt. Baden-Powell trail as training in preparation for high elevation hikes in the High Sierras.

The Santa Clara Mojave Rivers Ranger District is also the home of the Mountain High ski resort, the largest ski resort on the Angeles National Forest. The district has also been used for numerous film and television projects and many commercials. The district contains the Magic Mountain and Pleasant View wilderness areas and includes Piru Creek to the west, designated as a wild and scenic river.



Santa Clara/Mojave Rivers Ranger District Projects

Project Name: Illegal Dump Cleanup			Date/Time: Year around
Project Location	Project Description		
District-wide All locations are within walking distance to vehicles and are along roadsides.	Projects include the cleanup of household trash and other dumped material on the national forest. Does not include handling of any hazardous material.		
	Type of Work	Pre-qualifications/ Skills Required	
	Watershed/habitat restoration	Ability to recognize hazardous materials is important, in the event that new dump sites are encountered. These are only to be handled by those certified to handle hazardous materials.	
Project Manager/ Contact	Level of Difficulty	Accessibility	Pre-Registration
Tasha Hernandez Thernandez@fs.fed.us	Moderate	Passenger vehicles	Yes
	Suitability	Housing Information	Other Project Information
	young adults and adults	None. Camping locations can be recommended.	All project information will be shared by the project leader once final project location & logistics are set. Gloves, long sleeves, pants, boots, hat, and sunscreen are recommended, along with plenty of water & snacks.

Project Name: District Planting Projects			Date/Time: Spring and Fall each year
Project Location	Project Description		
Wrightwood area: Blue Ridge Lake Hughes area: Sawmill/Liebre Ridges All locations within ¼ mile walking distance to vehicles	Projects include planting trees and some project planning, site preparation, and/or follow-up care in the field, e.g., watering seedlings/saplings, pulling weeds, etc. Educational activities associated with the project will be included in the volunteer event.		
	Type of Work	Pre-qualifications/ Skills Required	
	Reforestation/watershed & habitat restoration	None. Enthusiasm and dedication to the health and survival of each tree is all we ask for.	
Project Manager/ Contact	Level of Difficulty	Accessibility	Pre-Registration
Tasha Hernandez Thernandez@fs.fed.us	Moderate	High-clearance vehicles w/ 4-wheel drive recommended.	Yes
	Suitability	Housing Information	Other Project Information
	All ages are welcome; however, tool use is restricted for youth. Therefore some adult presence is required.	None. Camping locations can be recommended.	All project information will be shared by the project leader once final project location and logistics are set. As with all Forest Service projects, gloves, long sleeves, pants, boots, a hat, and sunscreen are recommended, along with plenty of water and food for snacking.

Santa Clara/Mojave Rivers Ranger District Projects

Project Name: Forest Restoration Projects		Date/Time: Year around	
Project Location	Project Description		
Wrightwood area : Blue Ridge Lake Hughes area: Sawmill/Liebre Ridges Recreation or plantation sites throughout the district. All locations within ¼ mile walking distance to vehicles.	Projects include pulling weeds, spreading native plant and tree seed, laying slash over illegal OHV routes, and general restoration of our district plantations and natural stands within high use areas e.g., along trails in recreation areas, etc.		
	Type of Work	Pre-qualifications/ Skills Required	
	Watershed & habitat restoration	Some understanding of native and non-native species; ability to distinguish plants from a plant guide; and map reading skills to interpret illegal versus legal OHV routes.	
Project Manager/ Contact	Level of Difficulty	Accessibility	Pre-Registration
Tasha Hernandez Thernandez@fs.fed.us	Moderate to strenuous (when moving slash piles)	High-clearance vehicles w/ 4-wheel drive recommended.	Yes
	Suitability	Housing Information	Other Project Information
	All ages are welcome; however, tool use is restricted for youth. Therefore some adult presence is required. Adults are preferred for interpreting maps and native plant species.	None. Camping locations can be recommended.	All project information will be shared by the project leader once final project location and logistics are set. As with all Forest Service projects, gloves, long sleeves, pants, boots, a hat, and sunscreen are recommended along with plenty of water and food for snacking.

Santa Clara/Mojave Rivers Ranger District Projects

Project Name: Pacific Crest Trail Maintenance – Section D, Mattox Canyon		Date/Time: March 1 – 3. 2013 (Friday – Monday)	
Project Location Meet at the junction of Soledad Canyon Road and the Pacific Crest Trail at 7:30 a.m. each morning (northeast of Santa Clarita, CA, off of Interstate 14). Contact Pete Fish for further directions.	Project Description		
	Tread repair and brushing. Volunteers will be working with PCTA and Antelope Valley College Firefighter crews.		
	Type of Work	Pre-qualifications/ Skills Required	
	Trail maintenance	None. Most projects do not require prior trail maintenance experience. Knowledgeable and experienced crew leaders are on site to teach you the necessary skills.	
Project Manager/ Contact	Level of Difficulty	Accessibility	Pre-Registration
Pete Fish Section Chief Pacific Crest Trail Assoc. (805) 658-6540 pickaxepete@sbcglobal.net (PCTA Volunteer group: Trail Gorillas)	Moderate. See Other Project Information for details.	Passenger car plus hike to work site.	Yes. Contact Pete Fish at (805) 658-6540 or email pickaxepete@sbcglobal.net
	Suitability	Housing Information	Other Project Information
	Youth, adult.	n/a	All tools will be provided. Bring lunch, snack, and drinking water. Wear long pants and long sleeved shirt; bring gloves, sunscreen and hat. This project is suitable for individuals in good physical condition who participate in a semi-exercise routine. Most people who are physically active can participate at this level. The components of this project may include one or more of the following: hiking 1-5 miles each day, elevation change of 1000 ft. or less over the course of the hike, and moderately physical work activities.

Volunteer Application for Natural Resources Agencies		Instructions: Mark <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in the appropriate boxes, for other items either print or type responses. If extra space is needed use item 18.																															
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<p>16. Specify at least three states or specific locations within a state where you would like to do volunteer work.</p>	
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<p>18. If a volunteer assignment is not available at the location specified in item 16, do you want your application forwarded to another location or Federal agency seeking volunteers with your background/interests?</p> <p> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Please specify) </p>	
<p>19. This is provided for more detailed responses. Please indicate the item numbers to which these responses apply:</p>	
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<p>Notice to Volunteer</p>	
<p>Volunteers are not considered Federal employees for any purposes other than tort claims and injury compensation. Volunteer service is not creditable for leave accrual or any other benefit. However, volunteer service is creditable work experience. By signing this application the volunteer(s) understand(s) s/he may be subject to a reference check, background check, and/or criminal history inquiry.</p>	
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<p>20. Signature (Sign in ink)</p>	<p>20. Date</p>