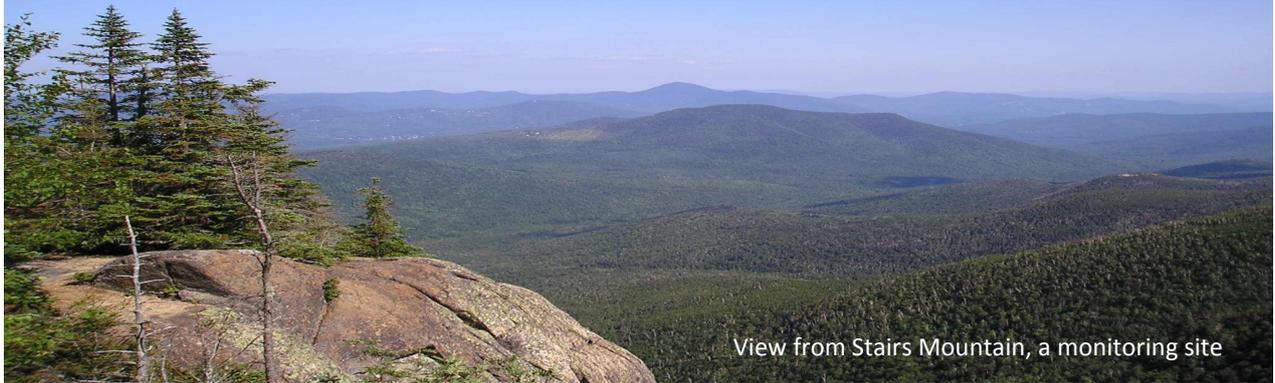


Wilderness Monitoring Volunteers Needed



View from Stairs Mountain, a monitoring site

Who: You! Do you enjoy hiking and spending time (more specifically, relaxing for 4 hours in a beautiful and remote on-trail location) in Wilderness? This might be a good fit for you.

What does a Volunteer Monitor do: Hike to a pre-selected location on a trail accessing one of six Wilderness Areas within the White Mountain National Forest (round-trip hiking distances are between 6 and 12 miles). Observe and record the number of people encountered at a given location for a four-hour period, from 11am to 3pm. Hike back to your car. (See attached Duties Guide for more information.)

When and Where: There are a host of dates available throughout July and August that we could use your help with, both mid-week and weekend. Monitoring sites are dispersed throughout the Wilderness areas of the WMNF with six sites per Wilderness area. (See attached or request schedule and map) Hiking distance, landscape, visitors, and - of course - weather vary from site to site but all provide a unique opportunity to spend a day in the woods!

Why: Wilderness areas are special places that are managed to protect the pristine, undeveloped, and primitive qualities for which these exemplary areas were selected. Every year the WMNF conducts monitoring in our wilderness areas to help identify how they are being impacted and to what extent so we can be the best stewards we can be of these special areas.

How To Get Involved: Contact us and we'll get you all the information you need and answer your questions.

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