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NATIONAL TRAILS DAY/ADOPT-A-TRAIL PROGRAM KICKOFF ON THE OGDEN RANGER DISTRICT

Ogden, Utah, April 30, 2013 - The Forest Service and Weber Pathways are looking for individuals and organizations that would like to adopt their favorite trail. The kickoff event for the Adopt-A-Trail program on the Ogden Ranger District will be Saturday, June 1, 2013 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Eden Park, 2150 North 5500 East, Eden, Utah.

Adopt-A-Trail agreements will be available at the Eden Park for the public to sign up to adopt their favorite trail. You can obtain information about the Adopt-A-Trail agreements beforehand by contacting Lisa Thompson at lisathompson@fs.fed.us or Rod Kramer at rod@weberpathways.org

The Adopt-A-Trail program is designed for individuals and community organizations that want to make a difference through volunteering to help keep the trail system accessible, clean, and enjoyable. Individuals and organizations will provide basic maintenance on a trail segment for a one-year period. Basic maintenance includes trail clearing, limb and brush removal, trash collection, clean and repair water bars, and trailhead clean-up. Other duties may be available for specific trails. Volunteer opportunities are flexible.

Volunteers are also needed that day for a joint Weeds Day Project. Target weeds include, dyers woad, puncture vine, dalmation toadflax, myrtle spurge, leafy spurge, and hounds tongue. Volunteers should wear protective clothing, including gloves, and bring lots of water. Some tools will be provided, but it is recommended to bring your own shovels.

Please join the Ogden Ranger District and Weber Pathways protecting the trails in Weber County. For more information, contact Lisa Thompson, Volunteer and Partnership Coordinator, Ogden Ranger District, lisathompson@fs.fed.us or (801) 458-1704 or Rod Kramer, Outreach Coordinator, Weber Pathways rod@weberpathways.org or (801) 393-2304

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