VOLUNTEER WORKSHOP

Theme:

Volunteer Associations: Partners in Stewardship

Midpines/Mariposa, California

September 16-17, 2005

Hosted by:
California Wilderness Legacy Project

In partnership with
High Sierra Volunteer Trail Crew, Stanislaus Wilderness Volunteers and Sierra Club

Service Trips

With support from
Forest Service-Pacific Southwest Region

WHO: Volunteer Associations, Board Directors and members, Interpretative Associations, Friends Group, Foundations, new start-ups, and Forest Service employees with volunteer management and related duties. Also, NPS and BLM staff and associations are encouraged and invited to participate.

PURPOSE: To provide a forum for wilderness and trail stewards and volunteer association members to share and exchange successful stewardship efforts and lessons learned along the way.

OBJECTIVES:
- Share and steal ideas.
- Network with other volunteer association members.
- To identify what is needed from the FS to make associations more effective and successful.
- Collaboration on projects in FY06 to be more effective and share resources.
- To potentially create a statewide coalition or network of volunteer organizations.

TUITION: No tuition cost for this Workshop.

Note: Tables will be provided at the workshop to exhibit brochures, products and projects.

REGISTRATION: Contact Peter Keller to register at pckeller@fs.fed.us or 707-562-8837. Please provide your name, organization and contact information.

The hostel has private rooms with shared baths or private paths, tent cabins, tent sites and dorms. We have a building reserved with 22 dorm beds and conference room space. For $15 total, you’ll get two nights in the dorm and all meals included. The first 22 people to register with Peter Keller and reserve these dorm beds will get the great deal. Otherwise, the lodging needs to be reserved through the hostel (1-866-826-7108) at listed prices. Also, the following link, has hotels/motels in the Mariposa area. http://www.yosemite.com/tripplan/SearchResults.asp?fw=1

WHAT TO BRING (optional):

✓ Your association brochures
✓ Table-top display
✓ Hand-outs
✓ Swim suit for river.
✓ Examples of new products
**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2005**

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| 9:00 – 9:30 AM| Welcome                                                              | Tom Tidwell  
Deputy Regional Forester  
Region 5, California                                                               |
| 9:30 – 10:00 AM| Overview:  
Introductions  
History and purpose of meeting                                                  | Peter Keller, Forest Service  
Wilderness Program Leader, CA                                                         |
| 10:00 – 10:15 AM| Break                                                                |                                                                                          |
| 10:15 – 10:40 AM| Work Plans and Identifying Needs  
Incorporating Forest Service Business Plans                                         | Sierra National Forest staff                                                                 |
| 10:40 – 11:20 AM| Line Officer’s Perspective:  
Volunteers – the difference they make                                                | District Ranger, Sierra NF                                                                 |
| 11:20- 11:50 AM| Volunteer Motivation and Incentives:  
Why people volunteer                                                              | Joan Chaplick, Consultant  
Moore Iacofano Goltsman Inc.                                                        |
| 11:50- 1:00 PM| Lunch                                                                |                                                                                          |
| 1:00 – 1:30 PM| How to keep all legal and safe Reporting volunteer hours  
Resources such as partnership guide                                               | Regional Office Rep.                                                                     |
| 1:30 – 3:00 PM| Panel: Volunteer Associations  
Variety of Panelists  
- How organized, inner workings  
- Use of Volunteers as educators  
- Working with Volunteers, agency perspective  
- What volunteers are provided – food, lodging? How fund? | Brent Pettis, member  
Stanislaus Wilderness Volunteers                                                      |
| 3:00 – 3:15 PM| Break                                                                |                                                                                          |
| 3:15– 5:00 PM| Managing volunteers:  
Recruiting and Training                                                  | Joan Chaplick, Consultant  
Moore Iacofano Goltsman, Inc.                                                         |
| 5:00 – 6:00 PM| Optional: Video showing  
American Values, American Wilderness                                            |                                                                                          |
| 6:00 – 8:00 PM| Campfire chat and smores                                               | Hosted by Gordon Johnson  
California Wilderness Legacy Pr.                                                       |
**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2005**

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| 8:30 – 8:45 AM | Welcome  
Agenda Update                                | Peter Keller, Forest Service  
Wilderness Program Leader, CA                           |
| 8:45 – 9:45 AM | Capacity Building  
How to start an organization  
& keep it healthy  
(e.g. foundations, friends group, volunteer association  
Organizational Development, Incorporation questions,  
Board development, Fiscal Sponsorship.) | Joan Chaplick, Consultant  
Moore Iacofano Goltsman, Inc. |
| 9:45 – 10:00 AM | Break                                               |                                                         |
| 10:00 – 11:30 AM | Grant Writing: Part I  
Finding Funds for your projects  
Researching funds, grant writing and proposal development.  
Bring an idea and we’ll help develop your project and ID funding sources. | Joan Chaplick, Consultant  
Moore Iacofano Goltsman, Inc. |
| 11:30 – 1:00 PM | Lunch                                               |                                                         |
| 1:00 – 2:45 PM | Grant writing: Part II  
How to research grant opportunities  
Community Foundations | Joan Chaplick, Consultant  
Moore Iacofano Goltsman, Inc. |
| 2:45 – 3:00 PM | Break                                               |                                                         |
| 3:00 – 4:00 PM | Close Out: Review workshop and recommend further actions:  
Consider a structure for sustaining a network throughout the year. | Group  
Facilitator: Peter Keller, Forest Service  
Joan Chaplick, Consultant |

**ACCESSABILITY:** The workshop location will be fully accessible for individuals with disabilities and wheelchair needs. Please contact Peter Keller if you have specific requirements or concerns.