

**The Colorado Trail Foundation invites you to sign up for one or more of our Volunteer Trail Crews and help us improve and preserve The Colorado Trail. We promise lots of fun, rewarding work, fresh air and new friends!**

**Overview:** Volunteer Trail Crews vary in length from one to eight days. We provide training, tools, hardhats, meals (except for vehicle-supported hike-in and backpack crews), group camp equipment, and leadership. Volunteers are responsible for their own transportation to the crew location and for their personal equipment, including tent or camper, sleeping bag, sleeping pad, dishes and eating utensils, work clothes, and other personal items, as applicable. Crews typically involve a hike to the project site but basecamp crews may require a drive and a hike each day if the campsite is not within reasonable hiking distance of the project site. Weeklong (7- or 8-day) crews typically include a day off mid-week. Contact the Crew Leader for crew specifics.

**Participants:** To work on a trail crew, you must be at least 16 years of age (unless approved by crew leader) and in good physical condition. No previous trail building experience is required.

**Registration:** Crews are filled on a first-come, first-served basis upon receipt of your fully completed registration materials. Deliver a completed registration form and waiver plus fee(s) to the CTF. You can register on paper through the mail or electronically via ColoradoTrail.org. We'll confirm your registration within 30 days. A month before the crew start date, travel instructions and participant roster will be mailed to you to assist with planning, carpooling, etc.

**Refund Policy:** Registration fees are non-refundable once you are confirmed for your requested crew.

**Thank you!** We need your help in caring for The Colorado Trail, all 567 miles, and truly appreciate your involvement.

**Subject to Change:** Due to the uncertainty around planning during Covid, there is potential for changes on these crews. We appreciate your flexibility and understanding.

## COVID VACCINE REQUIREMENT:

All CTF Crew Members will be required to show proof of COVID-19 vaccination. Attendees who cannot provide the required information will not be allowed to join Crew. Please email or send in your vaccine card to [ctf@coloradotrail.org](mailto:ctf@coloradotrail.org) as soon as possible after completing Crew registration.

## Crew Terms

**ONE-DAY:** Food for preparing a sack lunch is provided on one-day crews.

**WEEKEND BACKPACK:** Weekend Backpack crews are self-supported with each crew member bringing their own food and cooking equipment.

**WEEKEND BASECAMP:** Weekend Basecamp crews offer meals. **BASECAMP:** Basecamp crews meet at a camping location accessible by vehicle. Crew members assist with camp setup, preparing meals, kitchen cleanup, camp take-down, and other camp tasks.

**VEHICLE-SUPPORTED HIKE-IN:** Due to very technical 4WD access and limited campsite parking, crew members will hike with a daypack to the campsite while backpacks, tools, and group gear are transported by vehicle to (and from) the campsite. Crews are self-supported with each crew member bringing their own food, cooking equipment, and water treatment method. The CTF provides food-hanging equipment (hang cord and carabiners) and a group tarp; crew members will construct a backcountry toilet facility.

**BACKPACK:** Crew members backpack to camp, carrying personal gear and one or more tools and group gear. Crews are self-supported with each crew member bringing their own food, cooking equipment, and water treatment method. The CTF provides food-hanging equipment (hang cord and carabiners) and a group tarp; crew members will construct a backcountry toilet facility.

**2WD:** Crew meeting location is accessible by 2-wheel drive (2WD) vehicles via a paved or maintained gravel or dirt road. Road conditions may change with significant precipitation.

**HCV:** Access to meeting location involves rougher unpaved roads than 2WD crews. High clearance vehicles (HCVs) are recommended, but 4WD is not required. Road conditions may change with significant precipitation.

**4WD:** Access to meeting location involves very rough and steep roads of varying length. A high clearance vehicle with low range four-wheel drive (4WD) is recommended.

## CHALLENGING CREW AT HIGH ELEVATION:

Volunteers considering this type of crew should be physically active and acclimated to elevations above 9,000 feet. Volunteers living below 5,000 feet should plan on acclimating for several days to a week above 9,000 feet prior to the crew. While most active hikers should be fine participating in this type of crew, please contact the crew leader if you have questions regarding your fitness.

# 2022 CREW SCHEDULE

## CREW 0122, CLEAR CREEK RESERVOIR .....\$40

- May 13-15 (3 days)
- Darin Radatz: [darin@coloradotrail.org](mailto:darin@coloradotrail.org) or (810) 990-9748
- WEEKEND BASECAMP 2WD
- Elevation 9,000 ft, Segment 12, Leadville RD

*This Crew will fix a confusing section of trail near the busy Clear Creek Reservoir Campground. Crew will build 1500 feet of new trail and also work on replacing rotting wood steps on the bridge crossing Clear Creek. Additional work will include drainage work on switchbacks. The worksite will be a short walk from the campsite.*

## CREW 0222, BUFFALO CREEK.....\$40

- May 20-22 (3 days)
- Darin Radatz: [darin@coloradotrail.org](mailto:darin@coloradotrail.org) or (810) 990-9748
- Ed Pfromer: [epfromer@gmail.com](mailto:epfromer@gmail.com) or (720) 666-9776
- WEEKEND BASECAMP 2WD
- Elevation 8,000 ft, Segment 3, South Platte RD

*Join this crew to build your trail skills in tread and drainage in the unique Buffalo Creek area. Crew will focus on making improvements to eroded sections of trail in this geologically diverse decomposed granite soil type. Hike from campsite to worksite will be up to 3 miles round trip.*

## CREW 0322, LOST CREEK WILDERNESS.....\$30

- June 10-12 (3 Days)
- Darin Radatz: [darin@coloradotrail.org](mailto:darin@coloradotrail.org) or (810) 990-9748
- WEEKEND BACKPACK 2WD
- Elevation 10,000 ft, Segment 5, South Park RD

*Come work in the Lost Creek Wilderness area on a section of trail hit hard by an unusual wind event called a derecho. This wind event took out hundreds of trees in a matter of minutes taking the trail off the original alignment. Join us to reestablish the original trail line. The crew will backpack in about 2 miles to the campsite from the trailhead with the worksite in close proximity to the campsite.*

## CREW 0422, WOMEN'S-ONLY, GURNSEY CREEK \$60

- June 23-26 (4 Days)
- Cindy Johnson: [ci\\_johnson@msn.com](mailto:ci_johnson@msn.com) or (303) 507-7762
- Robin Mino: [robin.mino8@gmail.com](mailto:robin.mino8@gmail.com) or (720) 841-5015
- BASECAMP HCV
- Elevation 10,000 ft., Segment 6, South Park RD

*This Women's Only Crew will be working on building new trail to replace a deeply eroded and braided section. Help build 1500 feet of new trail. The worksite will be a short walk from the campsite. Road is HCV only but 2WD vehicles can be parked and volunteers shuttled in.*

## CREW 0522, WHEELER AVALANCHE.....\$40

- July 1-3 (3 Days)
- Darin Radatz: [darin@coloradotrail.org](mailto:darin@coloradotrail.org) or (810) 990-9748
- WEEKEND BASECAMP 2WD
- Elevation 10,000 ft, Segment 7, Dillon RD

*Join this crew to help replace a bridge destroyed by an avalanche on this part of trail near Copper Mountain Ski Resort. The crew will remove the old bridge and build a new one while also clearing the trail corridor of avalanche debris and also reclaiming the original trail alignment. A daily hike of up to 1 mile each way will be required to reach the project location.*

## CREW 0622, LITTLE MOLAS LAKE.....\$40

- July 8-10 (3 Days)
- Brooks Lord: [brooks.lord@okstate.edu](mailto:brooks.lord@okstate.edu) or (918) 527-6370
- Paul Smith: [pksmitty@gmail.com](mailto:pksmitty@gmail.com) or (719) 964-7488
- WEEKEND BASECAMP 2WD
- Elevation 10,500 ft, Segment 25, Columbine RD

*Join this crew to learn to build out your trail skills in tread and drainage in the beautiful San Juan Mountains. Crew will focus on making improvements to eroded sections of trail in this very popular section. Hike from campsite to worksite will be up to 4 miles round trip. Camping will be located at the Little Molas Lake Campground. This will be a challenging high-altitude crew.*

## CREW 0722, FOOSSES CREEK I.....\$40

- July 10-15 (6 days)
- Ed Pfromer: [epfromer@gmail.com](mailto:epfromer@gmail.com) or (720) 666-9776
- BACKPACK 2WD
- Elevation 11,500 ft, Segment 15, Salida RD

*Continue construction on a 2.25-mile trail realignment to replace an eroding and very steep section of trail below the popular Monarch Crest. The campsite will be reached via a stout 5-mile hike from the trailhead. This is a challenging, high-altitude crew. Join Crew 1122 for twice the fun!*

## CREW 0822, MINERS CREEK I.....\$40

- July 13-17 (5 days)
- Scott Smith and Laura Brieser-Smith: [scott.smith@q.com](mailto:scott.smith@q.com), [hlthysign@aol.com](mailto:hlthysign@aol.com), or (303) 410-0355
- VEHICLE-SUPPORTED HIKE-IN 2WD
- Elevation 10,500 ft., Segment 7, Dillon RD

*This crew will continue construction on realignment of an unsustainable section of the co-located CDT/CT in the Miners Creek drainage. Note that this is a vehicle-supported hike-in crew, with a moderate hike of approximately 3.5 miles and 1,500 ft of elevation gain to the campsite. Worksite will be located a moderate hike of up to 2 miles each way from camp. Join Crew 1422 for twice the fun!*

## CREW 0922, ALPINE TUNNEL.....\$75

- July 24-30 (7 days)
- Glenn Kepler: [glennwkeplersr@msn.com](mailto:glennwkeplersr@msn.com) or (303) 278-7795 (h) or (303) 704-7109 (c)
- Brooks Lord: [brooks.lord@okstate.edu](mailto:brooks.lord@okstate.edu) or (918) 527-6370
- BASECAMP HCV
- Elevation 11,800 ft., Segment CW04, Salida RD

*This crew will be building a new trail alignment around deep fissures in the trail tread. Camping will be located near the ghost town of Hancock and the hike to the work site will be on the historic Alpine Tunnel Train Line. Parking is available nearby for those without HCVs. A daily hike of up to 2.5 miles each way will be required to reach the project locations. This is a challenging, high-altitude crew. Check out the historic town of St. Elmo or soak in the Mt Princeton hot springs on your day off.*

## CREW 1022, ILLINOIS CREEK I.....\$40

- July 25-29 (5 days)
- Daniel Zier: [zierde.dz@gmail.com](mailto:zierde.dz@gmail.com) or (303) 518-5993
- BACKPACK HCV
- Elevation 12,000 ft., Segment CW02, Gunnison RD

*Help complete building new trail through a talus field in the Collegiate Peaks Wilderness to move the trail off of the motorized Timberline Trail. The new trail will be located below the Three Apostles with stunning views of Taylor Park and will become a new portion of the CDT/Collegiate West CT when completed. Camp will be located approximately 3 miles and 1,500 ft of climbing from the end of the Illinois Creek road and will include some off-trail hiking. This will be a challenging crew at high elevation, much of it above timberline. Sign up for Crew 1222 for twice the fun!*

## CREW 1122, FOOSSES CREEK II.....\$40

- July 31-August 5 (6 days)
- Ed Pfromer: [epfromer@gmail.com](mailto:epfromer@gmail.com) or (720) 666-9776
- BACKPACK 2WD
- Elevation 11,500 ft, Segment 15, Salida RD

*See description for Crew 0722.*

## CREW 1222, ILLINOIS CREEK II.....\$40

- August 3-7 (5 days)
- Daniel Zier: [zierde.dz@gmail.com](mailto:zierde.dz@gmail.com) or (303)518-5993
- BACKPACK HCV
- Elevation 12,000 ft., Segment CW02, Gunnison RD

*See description for Crew 1022. Crew work will also include building rock retaining walls along trail tread on this steep and sandy section of new trail.*



**CREW 1322, DEER CREEK .....\$40**

- August 8-12 (5 days)
- Brent Adams and Anne Englert:  
brent.adams261@gmail.com or (719) 530-1028
- BACKPACK HCV
- Elevation 11,000 ft, Segment 27, Columbine RD  
Help build a 60-ft turnpike and other tread improvements on this popular section of the CT near Cape of Good Hope. HCV vehicles will be needed to reach the parking spot. A moderate 2-mile hike, some off trail, is required to reach the project site with camping nearby. This is a challenging, high altitude crew.

**CREW 1422, MINERS CREEK II.....\$40**

- August 14-18 (5 days)
- Greg Speights: gcspeights@gmail.com or (719) 799-3199
- VEHICLE-SUPPORTED HIKE-IN 2WD
- Elevation 10,500 ft., Segment 7, Dillon RD  
See description for Crew 0822.

**CREW 1522, BOSS LAKE I.....\$75**

- August 14-21 (8 days)
- Dave Fitzwater: fitzwaterdave@comcast.net or (402) 250-2330
- BASECAMP 4WD
- Elevation 10,800 ft., Segment CW05, Salida RD  
Continue construction on a 0.5-mile trail realignment to replace an eroding and steep section of trail near scenic Boss Lake. A daily hike of up to 0.5-miles each way from the campsite to reach the project site. Road is 4WD only but potential to park 2WD vehicles by access road and shuttle in. Coordinate shuttle with Crew Leader. Hike to Boss and Hunt Lakes on your day off. This is a challenging, high altitude crew. Join Crew 1622 for twice the fun!

**CREW 1622, BOSS LAKE II.....\$75**

- August 21-27 (7 days)
- Tom Schutter t.schutter@comcast.net or (303) 349-4374
- Paul Smith: pksmitt@gmail.com or (719) 964-7488
- BASECAMP 4WD
- Elevation 10,800 ft., Segment CW05, Salida RD  
See description for 1522.

**CREW 1722, WEMINUCHE WILDERNESS...\$40**

- August 21-27 (7 days)
- Connie Wian: cjwian@frontier.net or (970) 259-8840

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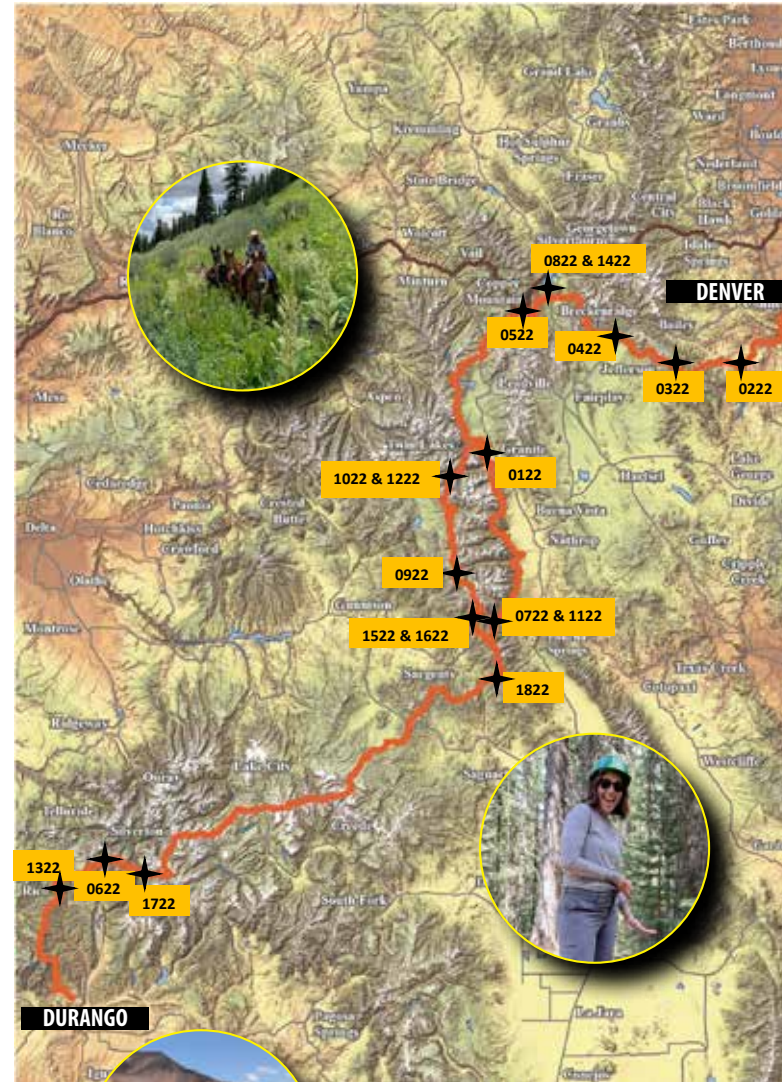
- BACKPACK 2WD
- Elev. 10,500 ft, Seg. 24, Columbine RD  
Help re-establish a section of trail impacted by an avalanche in the beautiful Weminuche Wilderness. The project will mainly be focused on reconstructing damaged tread with light tree removal. Camp will be a strenuous 8-mile hike from the Molas Pass trailhead with a daily hike of up to 2 miles each way to reach the avalanche sites. Camp may be moved throughout the week to be closer to worksites. This is the most challenging high altitude, self-supported backpack crew offered on the Crew schedule for 2022.

**CREW 1822, HEADWATERS HILL \$40**

- September 5-10 (6 days)
- Tom Schutter t.schutter@comcast.net or (303) 349-4374
- VEHICLE-SUPPORTED HIKE-IN 2WD
- Elevation 11,500 ft, Seg. 16, Gunnison, Salida and Saguache RDs  
Build turnpike on an extended muddy section of co-located CT/CDT south of Marshall Pass. Camp will be a moderate 2-mile hike from the meeting location. The worksite will be up to a 1-mile hike each way from the campsite. This is a challenging, high altitude crew.

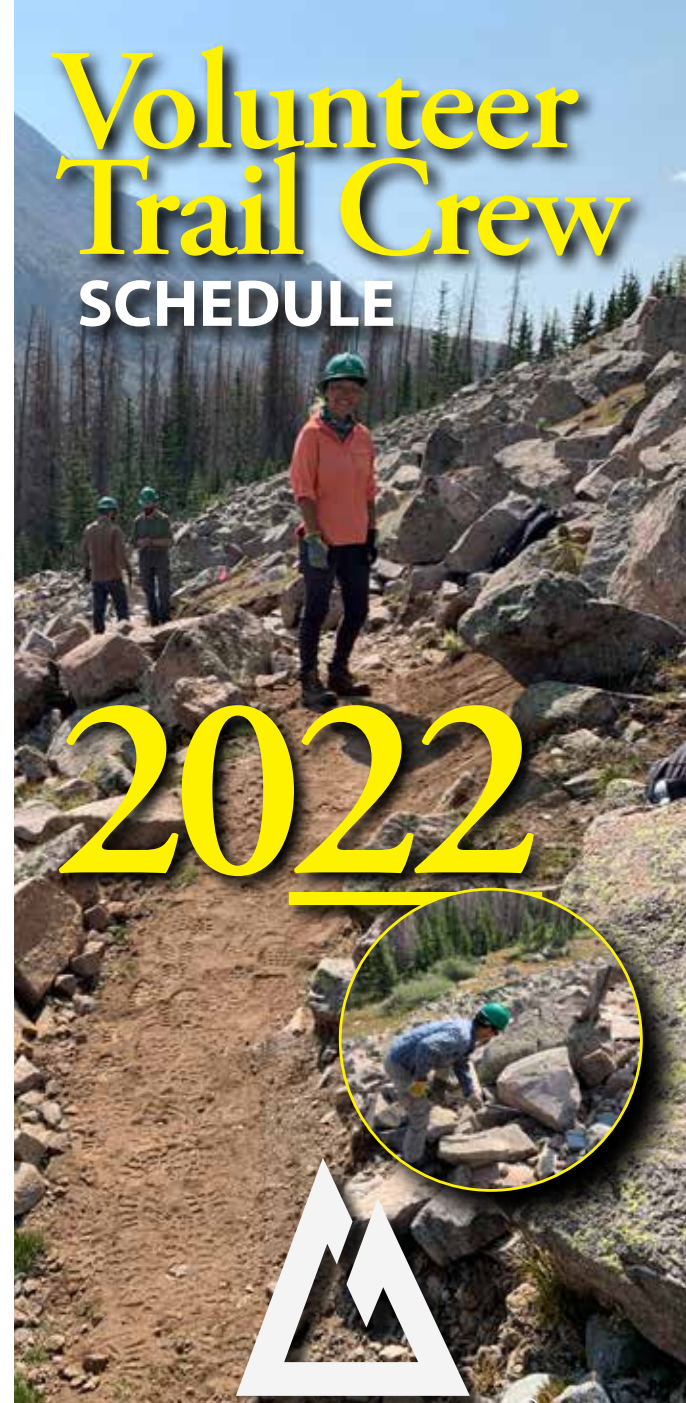
**CREW 1922, GUDY GASKILL BRIDGE—\$40**

- September 16 –18 (3 days)
- Darin Radatz: darin@coloradotrail.org or (810) 990-9748
- WEEKEND BASECAMP 2WD
- Elev. 6,000 ft., Seg. 2, So. Platte RD  
Come help maintain the Gudy Gaskill Bridge named after The Mother of The Colorado Trail. The project will involve removing the worn and broken running boards on the bridge and replacing them with new wood. Crew will also be working on tread and drainage projects nearby. Worksite will be a short walk from the campsite.



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