



# JPL HIKING +

<http://www.jplrecclubs.caltech.edu/hiking/>

# JPL TRAILBUILDERS

TRAIL MAINTENANCE Saturdays

November 13 , 2004

December 4

**LEADERS:** Kathie Reilly 818-354-8321 (JPL) 626-798-7256 (home)  
Jack Russell 562-861-3187

**CLASSIFICATION:** Easy to strenuous, up to you. **COST:** none **TRIP LIMIT:** none

**DESCRIPTION:** WHAT HAPPENED:

Due to the fire danger (remember when it was so dry?) the weekend before the forest was closed, we worked the Dark Canyon Trail north of Angeles Crest where we were close to our vehicles just in case. Our other trail maintenance outing was cancelled since the forest was closed, so we surveyed the Crosstown Trail above La Canada to see where water bars were needed. The county maintains that trail but doesn't necessarily build water bars. The trail, being a multi-use trail is nice and wide. It will be interesting to see how it survived these torrential rains.

We are sad to report that one of our enthusiastic trail builders, Elmer Eddy, passed away after several severe strokes. We will miss his energy, and his special joy in digging up stumps. We'll also miss Elmer's lectures on healthy foods. We offer condolences to his wife Patty, our fellow trailbuilder, and his family.

**WHAT'S HAPPENING:**

We will finish maintenance of the Mt Lowe West Trail, and probably do our annual maintenance of the Muir Peak Trail if the Mt Lowe fire road is clear. Otherwise we will find some trails that need repair from the rains.

**BRING:** Dayhike gear (daypack, lunch, lots of water), sun screen, bug repellent, hat, sturdy shoes, and work gloves. You can bring your own tools or are welcome to use those from our group supply.

**MEET** Meet at 8:15 AM at ball diamonds parking lot in the lower part of Hahamonga Park. Get off the 210 freeway at the Berkshire off-ramp and follow the signs for JPL and Hahamonga Park. Once you turn into the park, go down the road to the left, make a right at the bottom stop sign and look for us in the parking lot by the ball diamonds. We will sign in and form carpools, leaving at 8:30 AM sharp, returning by 4 PM. The leaders take passengers, but make sure you have plenty of gas in case we need more drivers (riders can give drivers \$1 towards gas). If you need to leave early, notify the leaders at sign-in time.

Tentative next outings January 8 & 29, and February 19