



JPL HIKING + JPL TRAILBUILDERS

TRAIL MAINTENANCE Saturdays July 13
August 10
August 31, 2002

(Rain cancels any outing)

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

DESCRIPTION: WHAT HAPPENED:

We did some of our annual maintenance on San Gabriel Peak Trail, doing trail widening and tread repair. Some parts of that trail get some bad slides. We are able to get back to annual maintenance on Mt Lowe East since the fire road from Eaton Saddle has been cleared. This involves mainly cutting back brush.

National Trails Day, June 1 started in Switzer's camp. Several work areas were tackled. JPL Trailbuilders and Boy Scouts did general trail repair on the trail to Red Box, another group did maintenance near the waterfall, and another group went to Bear Canyon Campground where they painted picnic tables and did trail repair. Around 1pm all were treated to a great barbecue of hamburgers, hot dogs, and carne asadas, with macaroni salad and home-made baked beans. It was a beautiful day up there.

WHAT'S HAPPENING:

We will continue our annual maintenance of Mt Lowe East Trail, cutting back brush. We are working our way up from the middle. We can tell that the brush is very dry already this year.

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 the Oak Grove Ranger Station. Get off the 210 freeway at the Berkshire off-ramp and follow the signs for JPL and Hahamonga Park. Follow the signs in Hahamonga Park to the Ranger Station. We will sign in and form carpools, leaving at 8:30 sharp, returning around 4 PM. The leaders always 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.

Next outings tentatively September 21 and October 12
Tentative next outing dates July 13, August 10 and August 31