Volunteer Opportunities
New Mexico Volunteers for the Outdoors
2016 Project Season

**Piedra Lisa Trail (Sandia RD)**
Saturday, March 5
Leader: Bill Velasquez, 505-225-5774, nmvfo@live.com
Help the Friends of Piedra Lisa with trail maintenance and erosion control and enjoy the stunning views

**Mineral Creek Backpack** (Memorial Day)
Thursday, May 26 thru Monday, May 30
Leaders: Deborah Radcliffe, 505-255-4960, nmvfotrailworker@gmail.com
Join us as we continue to restore this lovely trail in the Gila National Forest. Limited to 12 volunteers preference to NMVFO members

**Trail Workshop Class**
Thursday Evening, March 17
Leaders: Larry Benson, 505-821-7999, lawrbenson@aol.com
Chris Fritzsche, 505-504-3768, fritzsche.christopher@gmail.com
Join us at 6:00 PM at REI Albuquerque for a classroom introduction to trail construction and maintenance

**Trail Workshop Practical**
Saturday, March 19
Leaders: Larry Benson, 505-821-7999, lawrbenson@aol.com
Chris Fritzsche, 505-504-3768, fritzsche.christopher@gmail.com
Hands-on training in trail construction, maintenance, and repair.

**Valle de Oro National Wildlife Refuge**
Saturday, April 2
Leader: Chris Fritzsche, 505-504-3768, fritzsche.christopher@gmail.com
Gena Robertson, 573-300-0853, genarobertson@hotmail.com
Help us restore and maintain the largest, undeveloped space in Albuquerque as we continue our efforts to make it a wildlife refuge.

**Datil Well Campground**
Saturday April 30 thru Sunday May 1
Leader: Chris Fritzsche, 505-504-3768, fritzsche.christopher@gmail.com
Gena Robertson, 573-300-0853, genarobertson@hotmail.com
Trail re-route at this scenic, historic landmark near the Very Large Array in west central New Mexico.

**Sevilleta National Wildlife Refuge**
Saturday, May 7
Leaders: Larry Benson, 505-821-7999, lawrbenson@aol.com
Jon Blakey, 734-255-5251, jblakey102@gmail.com
Help construct a new, more natural-looking "drinker" to provide water for a variety of wildlife in the area.

**St Peter’s Dome (Jemez RD)**
Saturday, May 14
Leader: Larry Benson, 505-821-7999, lawrbenson@aol.com
We'll hike in a few miles and work on the middle portion of this scenic trail in the Dome Wilderness, adjacent to Bandelier National Monument affected by the Las Conchas Fire

**Sugarite State Park**
Saturday, August 13 thru Sunday August 14
Leader: Chris Fritzsche, 505-504-3768, fritzsche.christopher@gmail.com
Camp two nights. Install water bars, clean up and fill washed out areas. Re-work trail bed, divert run-off, cut down hazard trees

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2016 Project Season (Continued)

Kasha-Katuwe Tent Rocks National Monument

Saturday, August 27 thru Sunday, August 28
Leader: Gena Robertson, 573-300-0853, genarobertson@hotmail.com
Camp Saturday night then help us fix up the National Recreation and Veterans' Memorial Loop Trails among the slot canyons and hoodoos

Hermit's Peak (Pecos RD)

Thursday, September 8 thru Sunday September 11
Leader: Mark Kimmel, 505 239-8240, m_kimmel@q.com
Drive up for 1 day or all 5 and camp at the USFS El Porvenir campground near Las Vegas, NM. Help us maintain the Hermits Peak trail named for a 19th century religious recluse who lived in a cave near the peak.

Capulin Trail (Jemez RD)

Saturday, September 17
Leader: Gena Robertson, 573-300-0853, genarobertson@hotmail.com
After camping (optional) Friday night at Graduation Flats, we’ll carpool to the trailhead and finish restoring the trail to Bandelier in scenic Capulin Canyon.

Via Posada Open Space Trail Network

Saturday, September 24
Leader: Gena Robertson, 573-300-0853, genarobertson@hotmail.com
Enjoy a one-day project within Albuquerque city limits. Help maintain trails & reroute badly eroded trails in this 40-acre open space.

Pino Trail

Saturday, October 15
Leader: Chris Fritzsche, 505-504-3768, fritzsche.christopher@gmail.com
Join us for our annual maintenance and repair of NMVFO’s Adopt-A-Trail in the Sandia Wilderness

Last Chance Canyon

Friday, October 28 thru Sunday, October 30
Leader: Jim Scanlon, 505-385-0517, Scanlon.jim@gmail.com
There’s nothing like clear and cool water running through these desert vistas. Help maintain this historic and scenic trail during the last project for the 2016 season.

Volunteer Appreciation Night

Saturday, November 12 (tentative)
Leader: TBD
Location and time of event (evening) TBD

For more information and updates about projects, visit www.nmvfo.org/projects. Visit our Frequently Asked Questions page, www.nmvfo.org/volunteer-faq for what to expect on a project. A parent or guardian must accompany all minors. Pets are not permitted on projects. Contact the Project Leader for more information about a specific project.

Pulaski ratings: These ratings are general guidelines; project work requirements may vary widely. A Pulaski is a firefighting tool that we use often in trail maintenance and construction.

- Project is suitable for a wide range of abilities, with a moderate work level, may include a short hike, usually something for almost everyone.

- Project has more physically challenging work activities, may require hiking with some elevation change.

- Project will require a more strenuous hike with significant elevation change and more physically challenging activities.

Since 1982 the New Mexico Volunteers for the Outdoors (NMVFO) have been recruiting people like you to volunteer for service projects that benefit trails and other recreational sites in national and state parks, forests, monuments, wilderness areas, city open space areas, and other public lands. The projects scheduled this year help maintain these valuable resources. NMVFO is a 501(c) all volunteer nonprofit organization.