## **USDA Forest Service Los Angeles River Ranger District**

# California Trails Day 2017

**DATE:** April 8, 2017, meet at 8:00 AM / Registration: 8:00 to 8:30 AM **LOCATION:** Vogel Flat Picnic Area (directions attached)

**EVENT:** The USDA Forest Service, National Forest Foundation (NFF) and associated Los Angeles River Ranger District (LARRD) volunteer organizations will celebrate California Trails Day on April 8, 2017. The celebration will include 4-6 hours of trail work on a trail system to be announced. This event is a partnership between the volunteer groups of the US Forest Service Los Angeles River Ranger District and the NFF. We will break for lunch and a short ceremony about California Trails Day at 1:00 PM in the Vogel Flats picnic area. Activities will end at 3:30 PM. A COMPLIMENTARY LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE NATIONAL FOREST FOUNDATION.

This activity is open to all volunteers, including sponsored groups. For those volunteering for trail work for the first time, please identify yourself to the registrar so we can arrange for a Trail Boss to provide instruction and proper tools. Please bring your personal protective equipment listed below.

## Personal Equipment to Wear while Working:

Work gloves, work shoes, work clothes (long sleeve shirts and long pants), sun protection hat, hard-hat (can be provided if needed), Ten Essentials (include a personal First Aid kit), Water (2 quarts), high energy snacks. Be prepared to hike about a mile and work until 12:30.

#### **DIRECTIONS:**

## For Additional Information, Please Contact one of the Following:

USDA Forest Service, Los Angeles River Ranger District, Little Tujunga Ranger Station

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(Evenings): David Ledford, Volunteer Leader, Training

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<u>Additional Training Opportunities Scheduled for the Future:</u>

May 6, 2017, Advanced Leader Training (Front Country)
June 3, 2017, National Trails Day (Basic Techniques)
September 2, 2017, Advanced Leader Training (High Country)
California Trails Day and National Trails Day training activities are open to all

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## **Directions to Vogel Flat Picnic Area**

- Take the Sunland-Tujunga exit off the 210 Freeway and drive east on Foothill Blvd
- Turn left at the intersection of Foothill and Oro Vista (Jack-in-the-Box on one corner and 7-11 on the other Shell station across the street)
- Stay on Oro Vista which turns into Big Tujunga Canyon Road
- Vogel Flat Picnic Area is located approximately 4.5 miles up Big Tujunga Canyon Road (brown and yellow Forest Service sign says Big Tujunga Fire Station)
- Turn right onto Vogel Flat Road then right again onto Stonyvale Road
- Drive past Big Tujunga Fire Station on your right
- Vogel Flat Picnic Area is located approximately ¼ mile west on Stonyvale Road
- Look for another brown and yellow Forest Service sign saying Vogel Flat Picnic Area
- Turn right at the sign and drive through yellow gate into the parking lot