



## **VOLUNTEER SERVICES MODEL**

### **TRAMPS – Trails Restoration And Maintenance Program Specialists**

- Self-Contained Unit:
  - Squad Leader serving as Liaison with Agency and as Crew Supervisor
  - Crew Size Ranges from 2 to 12 Depending on Project Needs
  - Work with or without Agency Representative on Project - Agency Discretion
  - Provide own Food and Kitchen Kit - Cooking & Eating Utensils
  - Week-long projects unless otherwise determined by the Agency and TRAMPS
  - Provide own Transportation to and from the Work Site or Trail Head
- Volunteer Skills:
  - Forest Service Certified Crosscut and Chainsaw Operators
  - First Aid Trained with First Aid Kit & a Designated Crew "Doc"
  - Knowledge of & Experience with FS Trail Maintenance Standards
  - Basic to Intermediary Carpentry Skills
- Work Performed:
  - Trail Clearing & Construction
  - Trail Tread Maintenance includes Water Bars, Boardwalks, etc.
  - Fence Construction - Wire and Rail (including various designs)
  - Corral and Kiosk Construction
  - Cabin Roofing, Flooring, Siding, Painting, etc. (log or stick)
  - Lookout Tower Maintenance - Operational as well as Historic Log Towers
  - Trail Bridge Construction
  - Campground Facility Reconstruction & Maintenance
  - Drive-to and Hike-in (as many as 15 miles) Projects Accepted
  - Travel to the Project Site or Trailhead at their Expense
  - Projects are Categorized by Difficulty of Work
  - Volunteers sign up for Projects based on Skill & Physical Ability
- Project Timeline:
  - December, January, & February -- Projects Submitted by Agencies
  - March to mid-April-- Volunteers Register for Projects
  - May through September -- Project Performance
  - December 31 -- Trails Program Annual Report Published on Website
- Request:
  - Pack String Support for Packing Personal Gear, Food, & Kitchen Kit
  - \$30 per day per Volunteer to cover food and other expenses – may be paid by the Agency, contributed by a Foundation, or third-party donation
  - Project Volunteer Agreement (OF-301a & b) signed by Squad Leader & Agency Official -- for Liability, Medical Coverage, & Payment to NSA
- NSA Trails Website is [www.nsatrails.org](http://www.nsatrails.org)