

## 2010 Trails Forever Project Schedule

To participate in the Trails Forever program, you must apply. The program offers volunteers the opportunity to work alongside a professional trail crew staff for a single day or multiple days. This season we have Friday workdays on the Forney Ridge Trail as well as “Saturday in the Smokies” workdays on different trails parkwide. Great Smoky Mountains National Park will provide all tools and safety equipment needed for the trail work. To view a map of Great Smoky Mountains National Park, visit our website at <http://www.nps.gov/grsm> and click on the “view map” button near the top of the page. Parking is limited at many of the meeting areas, so please carpool.

### *2010 Trails Forever Monthly “Saturday in the Smokies”*

#### **Smokemont Loop Trail**

**Saturday June 19<sup>th</sup> 2010 (9 AM to 3:30 PM)**

You will be working on the Smokemont Loop Trail from the Smokemont campground trailhead at the old concrete bridge. Work will include installing new locuscleaning drains, pruning vegetation, and digging out sloughed off bank to redefine the trail tread. Contact the Trails & Facilities Volunteer Coordinator to RSVP to participate.

#### **Rainbow Falls Trail**

**Saturday July 24<sup>th</sup> 2010 (9 AM to 3:30 PM)**

You will be working on the first few miles of the Rainbow Falls Trail from the Rainbow Falls Parking Area towards Rainbow Falls. Work will include cleaning drains, pruning vegetation, and digging out sloughed off bank to redefine the trail tread. Contact the Trails & Facilities Volunteer Coordinator to RSVP to participate.

#### **Trail out of Cades Cove (Horse & Hiker Trail)**

**Saturday August 21<sup>st</sup> 2010 (9 AM to 3:30 PM)**

The exact trail location of this workday is to be determined. You will be working on a trail that is used by both horse riders and hikers. The project will include improving the trail tread and the drainage structures on the trail. Contact the Trails & Facilities Volunteer Coordinator to RSVP to participate.

#### **Pine Oak Nature Trail**

**Saturday September 18<sup>th</sup> 2010 (9 AM to 3:30 PM)**

You will be working on the Pine Oak Nature Trail that is located in Cades Cove Campground. Work will include improving trail tread and drainage on the 1 mile nature trail. Contact the Trails & Facilities Volunteer Coordinator to RSVP to participate.

#### **National Public Lands Day**

**Saturday September 25<sup>th</sup> 2010 (9 AM to 3:30 PM)**

There will be multiple trail projects to celebrate National Public Lands Day. The trail locations for this workday are yet to be determined. Check back for details. Contact the Trails & Facilities Volunteer Coordinator for more information and to RSVP to participate.

#### **Twentymile Loop Trail**

**Saturday October 16<sup>th</sup> 2010 (9 AM to 3:30 PM)**

You will be working on the Twentymile Loop Trail from the Twentymile Ranger Station. Work will include cleaning drains, pruning vegetation, and digging out sloughed off bank to redefine the trail tread. We will meet at the Twentymile Ranger Station trailhead located off of highway 28. Contact the Trails & Facilities Volunteer Coordinator for more information and to RSVP to participate.

## ***2010 Trails Forever Monthly Friday Workdays***

### **Forney Ridge Trail (8:30am to 3:30pm on one Friday a Month)**

Forney Ridge Trails is a popular route out to Andrews Bald (1.2 miles one way). During the 2009 season the Trails Forever Trail Crew worked on Forney Ridge Trail from Andrews Bald back towards Clingmans Dome. The reconstruction project was a great success, but there is plenty of work left on the trail to complete. Join the Trails & Facilities Volunteer Coordinator, Christine, for a day of trail work on Forney Ridge. Work will include cleaning drains, modifying structures, adding in drainage features and adding fill material to structures when needed. We will meet at the trailhead at Clingmans Dome Parking Lot. Contact the Trails & Facilities Volunteer Coordinator for more information and to RSVP to participate.

### **Friday Workday Dates:**

July 9<sup>th</sup> 2010

August 13<sup>th</sup> 2010

September 10<sup>th</sup> 2010

October 8<sup>th</sup> 2010

\*\*Additional dates may be added

## ***2010 Trails Forever Ongoing Weekday Project***

### **Grassy Branch Relocation Project – Grassy Branch Trail**

This project offers volunteers the opportunity to go out on trail and join a professional park service crew as they work on a re-location on the Grassy Branch Trail. The trail crew works a Monday through Thursday schedule and volunteers are welcome to join them for a single day or more. Contact the Trails & Facilities Volunteer Coordinator for more information and to sign up to volunteer on specific day(s).