

Join Us!



All trail users welcome No trail work experience necessary

Little Whitewater Trail #214

Date: Oct 19-23, 2023

Trail Work: tread work, logging, brushing,

& trail markings

Project Difficulty: moderate work but

some of the backpack is steep.

Map of project:

https://caltopo.com/m/AN1TT

Hike to basecamp: 3.5 miles but steep trail

with lots of elevation gain.

Hiking during the day: up to 4.5 miles



Meeting time and place: 8:30 am at the Glenwood Community Park – this has more parking options than the trailhead. See directions below.

Project contact: Melissa Green – <u>groundworktrails@gmail.com</u>

Plan for Trail work: We will meet at Glenwood Community Park. Here we will give the packers our food and some gear. Then we will carpool to nearby the trailhead. The last ¼ mile on the road to the trailhead is in bad condition. We will park at a small pull-off at a gate and then walk from there. People with high-clearance vehicles are welcome to drive all the way to the trailhead. From there, we will hike to base camp, set up camp, and start doing trail work. The camp is a dry camp, so water will be packed in. We will have our hot tent with us for the cool mornings and evenings. Day temperatures should be pleasant.

Food and Water:

- **Food:** Gila BCH homemade vacuum-sealed meals (breakfasts and dinners) will be available for this project. We can accommodate meat eaters, vegetarians, and some gluten-free diets. But you can also bring your own breakfasts and dinners if you prefer.
 - o Everyone will need to provide their own lunches and snacks.
- Water: Please bring water for the backpack to base camp. We will provide jugs of water at base camp. There is no water on the trail where we will work, so bring a 3-quart water capacity.

What you will need to bring: See packing list below – last page

We will provide: Tent with a wood stove, tools, hard hats, trail, and safety training, project supervision, and a first aid kit with Wilderness First Responder trained personnel.

Phone service: There are likely spots of cell service along the trail where we will be working.

Vehicle Requirement: 2wd to Glenwood Community Park.

Elevation: 5000 – 9000 ft

Nearest Town: Glenwood and Cliff have limited amenities. Silver City is the nearest town with a hospital.

Weather: Come prepared with layers. Mornings and evenings may be chilly. We will have the tent with the wood stove with us. Days will likely be warm and sunny. There is lots of sun on this trail.

Why This Trail: This trail is close to Glenwood, making it pleasant for tourists and locals. It has excellent views along the climb toward Nabours Mountain. It has significant deferred maintenance and was affected by the Whitewater Baldy Fire in 2012. Our trail work will also tie into later work of reopening loops in the Glenwood District.

Directions to Glenwood Park

From Silver City – 1.25-hour drive. At the junction of Highway 180 and Highway 90 in Silver City, take Highway 180 a little over 62 miles west. You will drive through Pleasanton and mostly through Glenwood. Just past the Glenwood Trading Post and gas station, turn right onto NM Highway #174 (also the turn-off for the Catwalk). Stay on this highway for 0.9 miles and then turn right into the Glenwood Community Park (93 Cat Walk Road)

Schedule:

Schedules are flexible and dependent on the condition and energy level of the volunteers. Frequent breaks are encouraged. Gila BCH encourages volunteers to work within their limitations and care for themselves during the project. Please check the weather in your project area before leaving for the project and pack accordingly.

Wednesday, Oct 18th

Optional camping at a nearby campground the night before. Please bring your own food and water. Camping options include

- o <u>Bighorn Campground</u> is just off 180, only a few minutes from the meeting place.
- o Cosmic Campground north of Alma on 180. 20-minute drive to the meeting place

Thursday, October 19th

8:30 am – 9:00 am – Meet at Glenwood Community Park. Introductions, work objectives, safety talk, and gear check. Turn in food and some gear to horse packers.

9:00 - 9:30 am - Carpool to the trailhead

9:30 am - Begin a 3.5-mile hike to basecamp

11:30 am - 1 pm- Set up camp and lunch

1 - 4 pm – trail maintenance training and trail maintenance

Friday, October 20th - Sunday, October 22nd

7:30 -8 am - Breakfast

8:30 – 9 am - Work Objectives/Safety Talk

9 am – 12 pm - Trail maintenance

12 - 12:30 pm - Lunch

12:30 - 4:00 pm - Trail maintenance

4:00 – Return to camp

Monday, October 23rd

7:30 -8 am - Breakfast

 $8:00 \ am$ - $9 \ am$ - Pack up camp and personal gear

9:00 am - Begin 3.5-mile hike to the trailhead and shuttle back to Glenwood Community Park. For those who have gear on the horses, you may need to wait a bit for the gear to arrive.

1 pm – Drive home

RSVP required - Melissa Green - groundworktrails@gmail.com

Pack List for Little Whitewater Trail Project

Waterproofing for all gear (trash bags	2 pairs of work pants (must be long pants)
and ziplocks)	(extra is in case other is wet or ripped)
Tent &/or tarp	Sleep socks (always stay dry)
ground pad	
Sleeping pad	Camp shoes/sandals
personal toiletry items & TP	sturdy work boots (preferably leather – no
long underwear top and bottom	tennis shoes)
Warm hat	personal drink cup/coffee mug
warm gloves (for cool mornings)	Food (see project description above)
Warm Sleeping bag	Lunches and snacks
Knife / Leatherman	3-quart water capacity minimum
Lighter	heavy-duty work gloves
durable Raincoat	
Sunscreen	
Headlamp	eye protection/sunglasses
Extra headlamp batteries	
Hand sanitizer	

Socks & underwear Rain pants A few short sleeve shirts Sleep clothes	Optional Bowl and utensil Book Shorts (for camp) Chapstick
 2 Long sleeve work shirts (for thick brush, sun protection & sudden temperature drops) Warm top and bottom layers – No Cotton – Wool or synthetic only 	 whistle maps and GPS 1st aid kit Camera Bandanas (for cleaning, headwear)
Warm Jacket Backpacking Backpack	Alarm clock Camp chair Soap (Biodegradable) Hiking Poles Backpacking pillow

Please let us know if you don't have something on the list or ask questions if you are unsure what you have is adequate.