



Spring 2025 Gila Trail Projects

All trail users welcome
No trail work experience necessary

CDT near Bullard Peak

Dates: Feb 24 – 27, 2025

Trail Work: brushing and a little logging

Project Difficulty: easy to moderate

Map of Project: <https://caltopo.com/m/1NG7LV9>

Backpack to basecamp: 4 miles

Hiking during the day: up to 6 miles

Meeting time and place: 8:30 am at the Red Rock Trailhead

Project contact: Melissa Green – groundworktrails@gmail.com. RSVP required.

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 4-quart water capacity.

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

We will provide: Tools, hard hats, trail and safety training, project supervision, and first aid kit with Wilderness First Responder-trained personnel.

Phone service: The CDT may have spotty cell service. No cell service at basecamp. There is cell service at the trailhead



Vehicle Requirement: 2wd unless the road is wet.

Elevation: 6200 ft to 6500 ft

Nearest Town: Silver City

Weather: Come prepared with layers. Mornings and evenings will be cold. Days will likely be warm.

Why This Trail: This trail is a part of the CDT

Directions: From Silver City: At junction Hwy. 180 & 90, go west 13.2 miles, then turn left onto Mangas Valley Rd. Go 4.7 miles and turn right onto Red Rock Road. Go 7.2 miles and turn left into a large trailhead parking area. The last 4 miles of this road are sandy but passable by car.

Schedule:

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

Monday, Feb 24th

8:30 – 9 am - Introductions, work objectives, safety Talk, and gear check. Turn in food and some gear to horse packers.

9 – 11am - Backpack to basecamp

11 - 12:30 pm – Lunch and set up camp

12:30 - 4 pm – Trail maintenance

Tuesday, Feb 25th – Wednesday, Feb 26th

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

Thursday, Feb 27th

7:30 -8 am - Breakfast

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

9:00 am - Begin backpack to trailhead

12 pm – Drive home

Packing List: last page

RSVP required - Melissa Green – groundworktrails@gmail.com

Pack List for CDT near Bullard Peak

Camping

- ☐ Waterproofing for all gear (trash bags & ziplocks)
- ☐ Tent &/or tarp
- ☐ Ground cloth
- ☐ Sleeping pad
- ☐ Warm Sleeping bag
- ☐ Headlamp
- ☐ Extra headlamp batteries
- ☐ Backpacking Backpack

Clothing

- ☐ Long underwear top and bottom
- ☐ Warm hat or buff
- ☐ Warm gloves (for cool mornings)
- ☐ Socks & underwear
- ☐ Sleep socks (always stay dry)
- ☐ Short sleeve shirt
- ☐ 2 pairs work pants (must be long pants) (extra is in case other is wet or ripped)
- ☐ 2 Long sleeve work shirts (for thick brush, sun protection & sudden temperature drops)
- ☐ Warm top and bottom layers – **No** Cotton – Wool or synthetic only
- ☐ Warm Jacket
- ☐ Camp shoes/sandals
- ☐ Durable Raincoat
- ☐ Rain pants
- ☐ Sleep clothes (especially if we are working in poison ivy)

Personal

- ☐ Personal toiletry items & TP
- ☐ Knife / Leatherman
- ☐ Lighter
- ☐ Sunscreen
- ☐ Hand sanitizer
- ☐ Personal drink cup/coffee mug
- ☐ Lunches and snacks
- ☐ Food (see project description above)

Work

- ☐ Sturdy boots or trail work appropriate shoes
- ☐ 3-quart water capacity minimum
- ☐ Heavy-duty work gloves
- ☐ Eye protection/sunglasses

Optional

- ☐ Bowl and utensil
- ☐ Book
- ☐ Shorts (for camp)
- ☐ Chapstick
- ☐ Whistle
- ☐ Maps and GPS
- ☐ 1st aid kit
- ☐ Bandana
- ☐ 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