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Everything you need to know about trail planning and design for long lasting trails.

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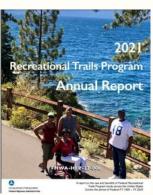
- Low Maintenance
 Lightweight
- Low Cost
 Long Service Life

2021 National Recreation Trail Photo Contest Winners Announced



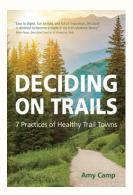
The results are in! Here are our picks from the 466 photos submitted for the 2021 photo contest. *Read more...*

2021 Recreational Trails Program Annual Report



A report on the use and benefits of Federal Recreational Trails Program funds across the United States. *Read more...*

Deciding on Trails: 7 Practices of Healthy Trail Towns



A book review of Amy Camp's 2020 book of ideas to help fulfill dreams of developing a trail town program. *Read more...*

Hike the Hill is Holding Virtual Events February 14-18



Celebrating its 25th year, Hike the Hill® is a joint effort between the American Hiking Society and Partnership for the National Trails System to bring together the trails community to advance shared trail priorities with congressional and federal agency leaders. *Read more...*

Active Transportation Funding and Finance Toolkit



The Federal Highway Administration published a toolkit highlighting innovative funding and finance strategies for effective methods to accelerate project delivery. *Read more...*

The Trail Access Project Removes Barriers to the Outdoors



Their goal is to facilitate the removal of barriers to recreational trail usage through providing information, increasing accessible features, and supporting park managers in making changes. *Read more...*

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Trail News and Notes Click on each article to read more

- (National) Getting Outdoors When You're Disabled
- (National) Staying Safe on the Snowmobile Trails

- (Connecticut) Father, Son Volunteers Repair Trails in New Milford Area: 'Forest lanitors'
- (Florida) Volunteers Serve as the Eyes and Ears of the Pinellas Trail
- (Hawaii) Bill Proposes to Charge for Hiker Rescues on Illegal Trails
- (New Hampshire) Hometown Heroes: Frank Muller, the Man Behind Concord's Community Ski Trails
- (Washington) Parts of Palouse Falls State Park Closing Permanently After Four Visitors Have Died There





Remembering Kay Lloyd

It is with deep regret we inform you of prior American Trails board member Kay Lloyd's passing on January 19, 2022. She was peacefully sleeping away to a better world and smoother trails.

Read more...

Resources and Training

Trail Tools: Brushing Tools

Tools for Trails has updated our resource library with the latest in brushing tools. These are the most commonly used brushing tools with tips on using them safely and effectively. *Read more...*

Technical Aspects of Asphalt Trail Design

A guideline for the design and construction of asphalt pavements for Colorado trails and paths. *Learn more...*

Trails Crossing on Active Railroad Lines

One of the most difficult trail facilities to accomplish is a crossing of an active rail line. Learn more...

New TRAIL BOSS Mugs From American Trails Only \$10!

Showcasing our new logo, we are selling our "seconds" mugs at a big discount with an additional discount on orders of 5 or more and free shipping on orders of 10 or more. Every mug purchase receives complimentary stickers and a Happy Trails coaster. *Learn more...*

Call for Technical Webinar Topics

We are looking to host a handful of webinars on technical topics when it comes to all things trails. If you have a technical topic you are interested in presenting, please email *candace@americantrails.org*.

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American Trails created this Facebook group for trail workers, planners, volunteers, and more to connect, ask questions, and discuss trail related issues. *Join here...*

Training Calendar, Job Board, and Volunteer Opportunities

Looking for upcoming trainings, jobs, or volunteer opportunities? Send us your own opportunities to include (at no cost) at trailhead@americantrails.org.

- Training Calendar
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Featured Trail Industry Organization: Appalachian Mountain Club
The Appalachian Mountain Club's Trails Department is nationally
recognized for their expertise in trail management. They also offer
a variety of trail skills trainings, workshops, and conferences at their
Camp Dodge Trails Center in the White Mountain National Forest
of New Hampshire. Learn more about this organization...



Advancing Trails Webinar Series and Learning Credit Opportunities

Register for these free American Trails webinars today:

Free February Webinars

- February 3: Connecting Across the Continent: How the CDT Gets Us to the Goals of America the Beautiful
- February 17: Walking Towards Peace: Veterans Healing on America's Trails
- February 24: Festivals and Events: The Devil is in the Details

Additional Free Future Webinars

- March 3: Introduction to Trail Assessment Using UTAP and HETAP
- March 10: COVID Conservation Corps: Alaska's Case Studies on Trails Workforce Development
- March 12: 10-Year Shared Stewardship Trail Challenge (registration coming soon)
- March 25: Recreation Impact Monitoring System (RIMS) Mobile Application: How to Measure Resource Impacts From Our Favorite Outdoor Pursuits
- April 7: Creating a SMART Sustainable Safety Sign Initiative Program Update (registration coming soon)
- April 14: Recreation Economy for Rural Communities (registration coming soon)
- April 21: Risk Management for Trails and Bike Parks (registration coming soon)
- April 28: Residential Real Estate and Rail-Trails: An On-the-Ground Reality
- May 12: The Trans Bhutan Trail: Restoring an Ancient Pathway During the Pandemic



- June 2: Engaging Kids on Trails: A National Trails Day Fireside Chat
- June 16: Partnership Development to Solve the Trail Maintenance Backlog *(registration coming soon)*

Learning credits are included for free, and a recording and transcript are available if you missed any of our live webinars. *View all future and archived webinars...*



Additional Free Learning Credit Opportunities

There are currently no upcoming webinars, workshops, or conferences in which credits are being offered by American Trails (outside of the American Trails Webinar Series).

If you are interested in partnering with American Trails to offer learning credits for free to your attendees of an upcoming webinar, conference, or training (virtual or inperson), email *candace@americantrails.org*.



Featured Trail Job: Alaska Trails is Seeking Applicants for Members of Two Crews in Summer 2022!

Alaska Trails is hiring for its Seasonal Trail Crew. Alaska Trails is seeking applicants for members of two crews in Summer 2022. One crew will spend the entire summer in Cordova working on various trail projects. The other crew will work on several different projects in the southcentral region, based out of Anchorage. Alaska Trails is eager to build and maintain trails this summer. *Read more...*

