









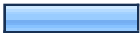









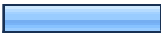







1. Category of your agency or affiliation:

		Response Percent	Response Count
Federal agency		15.4%	160
State agency		11.4%	119
Local government		14.1%	147
Park district or other special district		3.9%	41
National trail organization		6.0%	62
Regional or local trail organization		24.1%	251
Land conservancy		2.6%	27
Private landowner/Developer		1.7%	18
Business/Contractor/Consultant		5.1%	53
Other (please specify)		15.7%	164
		answered question	1,042
		skipped question	9




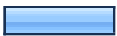





2. Your current position type:

		Response Percent	Response Count
Trail manager		19.7%	186
Other professional		31.3%	295
Trail worker		4.1%	39
Trail contractor/builder		2.3%	22
Volunteer		29.4%	277
Trail advocate		13.1%	124
	Other (please specify)		219
answered question			943
skipped question			108

3. Category of trails that you administer, oversee, and/or maintain:

		Response Percent	Response Count
Backcountry trails		48.9%	480
Greenway/urban trails		33.5%	329
Individual trail (e.g. rail trail)		23.2%	228
Nature trails/Conservation area		37.7%	370
Off-Highway Vehicle trails		19.2%	189
Snowmobile trails		8.9%	87
Water/Paddling trail		9.9%	97
National Scenic Trail		17.3%	170
National Historic Trail		10.5%	103
Other (please specify)		16.6%	163
		answered question	982
		skipped question	69

4. How did you learn the skills you use in your trail-related work?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Webinars		9.4%	93
On the job		80.9%	797
Site visits with contractors/consultants		22.4%	221
College		16.0%	158
Workshops and seminars		52.3%	515
Conferences		36.2%	357
Formal computer-based training		3.1%	31
Informal research and reading		41.9%	413
Other (please specify)		14.4%	142
answered question			985
skipped question			66

5. Rate your level of satisfaction with the following:

	Strongly Disagree				Strongly Agree	Rating Average	Response Count
Existing trail-related training is adequate for your needs	6.3% (51)	25.3% (204)	37.7% (304)	25.1% (202)	5.6% (45)	2.98	806
Poor or inadequate levels of skill are a serious problem with your trail or project	13.0% (102)	31.0% (243)	29.7% (233)	19.7% (155)	6.6% (52)	2.76	785
answered question							830
skipped question							221

6. Rate the following topics as to whether you (or your work unit) need more or better training:

	Not Needed				Most Needed	Rating Average	Response Count
Accessible trails: Creative design, surfaces, maintenance, user satisfaction	9.0% (73)	12.1% (98)	25.1% (203)	39.4% (319)	14.4% (117)	3.38	810
Accessible trails: Complying with regulations, legal issues, public notice	10.0% (81)	14.0% (113)	26.7% (215)	33.9% (273)	15.4% (124)	3.31	806
Acquisition: Trail corridor preservation, land purchase, railbanking	17.8% (142)	14.9% (119)	24.5% (195)	25.5% (203)	17.2% (137)	3.09	796
Adjacent Land: Overcoming opposition, corridor management	14.4% (116)	15.0% (121)	25.2% (203)	28.1% (226)	17.2% (138)	3.19	804
Advocacy: Understanding legislation, public policy	8.7% (69)	16.1% (128)	32.5% (258)	29.1% (231)	13.5% (107)	3.23	793
Bridges and Structures: Selection, design, costs, project management	9.7% (78)	13.9% (112)	27.0% (218)	37.5% (303)	11.9% (96)	3.28	807
Certification: Chain saw use	27.3% (221)	19.3% (156)	22.1% (179)	17.9% (145)	13.3% (108)	2.71	809
Certification: Helicopter long line cargo transport	66.2% (524)	15.2% (120)	11.0% (87)	5.3% (42)	2.4% (19)	1.63	792
Certification: Explosives and blasting	65.6% (521)	13.2% (105)	10.3% (82)	7.8% (62)	3.0% (24)	1.69	794
Certification: Hazardous materials training and certification	55.6% (440)	18.8% (149)	15.8% (125)	7.7% (61)	2.1% (17)	1.82	792
Construction: Basic skills, hand tools	25.5% (204)	17.4% (139)	27.2% (217)	20.8% (166)	9.1% (73)	2.71	799
Construction: Advanced hand techniques such as rigging, rockwork	23.1% (184)	15.2% (121)	23.8% (190)	25.5% (203)	12.4% (99)	2.89	797
Construction: Erosion and sediment control techniques	10.8% (86)	9.0% (72)	22.9% (183)	35.6% (284)	21.7% (173)	3.48	798

Construction: Urban trails, shared-use paths, bikeways	20.3% (161)	14.5% (115)	24.8% (197)	26.2% (208)	14.3% (114)	3.00	795
Contracts: Preparation, administration	18.7% (147)	14.2% (112)	30.6% (241)	27.3% (215)	9.3% (73)	2.94	788
Cost Estimating: Selecting and specifying materials, surfacing, facility types	13.6% (108)	15.6% (124)	30.6% (243)	29.6% (235)	10.6% (84)	3.08	794
Crew leadership: Managing groups, safety, teaching basic skills, supervision	13.3% (105)	16.3% (129)	28.2% (223)	29.2% (231)	13.0% (103)	3.12	791
Developers: Trail dedication requirements, planning trails in new communities, public/private trail systems, policies for cities/counties	19.1% (151)	14.9% (118)	29.3% (232)	23.5% (186)	13.1% (104)	2.97	791
Design: Trail routing, layout, grades	11.2% (90)	11.6% (93)	24.8% (199)	32.5% (261)	19.8% (159)	3.38	802
Design: Specifications and standards	9.1% (72)	12.7% (101)	27.3% (217)	34.0% (270)	16.9% (134)	3.37	794
Environment: Planning trails with wildlife in mind, minimizing resource impacts, compatible uses, site restoration	8.9% (71)	13.4% (107)	23.4% (186)	34.2% (272)	20.1% (160)	3.43	796
Environment: NEPA training, complying with regulations	13.9% (109)	17.3% (136)	30.9% (242)	26.8% (210)	11.1% (87)	3.04	784
First Aid: Basic and advanced skills for wilderness	23.4% (185)	20.8% (164)	25.2% (199)	20.5% (162)	10.0% (79)	2.73	789
Funding: Raising funds, events, corporate sponsorships, foundations, community involvement	9.7% (77)	11.5% (91)	21.0% (167)	29.6% (235)	28.2% (224)	3.55	794
Grants: Applications, budgets, reporting, documentation	9.7% (77)	12.4% (98)	22.4% (177)	29.9% (236)	25.6% (202)	3.49	790
Historic trails: Visitation and resource management	19.6% (153)	18.8% (147)	31.9% (249)	22.0% (172)	7.7% (60)	2.79	781
Interpretation: Displays, signs, programs, environmental education	9.8% (77)	14.4% (114)	31.8% (251)	31.4% (248)	12.5% (99)	3.23	789

Liability: Risk management, insurance, recreational use statutes	12.9% (101)	15.8% (124)	32.6% (256)	27.6% (217)	11.1% (87)	3.08	785
Management: Visitors, trail users, corridor activities	11.0% (86)	14.6% (114)	34.6% (271)	29.8% (233)	10.1% (79)	3.13	783
Management: Cultural, historic, and natural resources	13.8% (107)	16.7% (129)	35.8% (277)	25.2% (195)	8.5% (66)	2.98	774
Maintenance: Trail tread, surfaces, and facilities	9.4% (74)	12.6% (99)	27.7% (217)	32.4% (254)	17.9% (140)	3.37	784
Mechanized: Trail building equipment operation and construction techniques	15.9% (125)	16.2% (128)	25.5% (201)	27.0% (213)	15.4% (121)	3.10	788
Monitoring: Developing and implementing resource programs	14.0% (107)	18.8% (143)	32.7% (249)	24.9% (190)	9.6% (73)	2.97	762
Organizational Development: fundraising, administration, leadership, memberships, capacity building	12.2% (96)	12.6% (99)	27.7% (217)	27.4% (215)	20.0% (157)	3.30	784
Partnerships: Coordinating with multiple agencies and jurisdictions and gaining support	9.2% (72)	12.1% (95)	28.1% (220)	30.8% (241)	19.7% (154)	3.40	782
Partnerships: Developing and sustaining shared management among organizations, communities, user groups	9.7% (76)	13.2% (104)	24.9% (196)	32.8% (258)	19.4% (153)	3.39	787
Planning: Conceptual, regional, statewide	15.4% (121)	17.6% (139)	28.6% (225)	26.3% (207)	12.2% (96)	3.02	788
Planning: Feasibility studies, project analysis, problems/opportunities	15.1% (118)	15.1% (118)	32.0% (251)	26.7% (209)	11.2% (88)	3.04	784
Planning: Transportation-oriented programs and bicycle/pedestrian facilities	23.8% (186)	16.3% (127)	30.2% (236)	18.8% (147)	10.9% (85)	2.77	781
Planning: Assessing user needs, existing routes, trail system opportunities	12.2% (95)	13.4% (104)	30.6% (238)	28.4% (221)	15.5% (121)	3.22	779
Private Facilities: Trail system development at OHV parks, horse parks, ski areas, timber lands, etc.	34.6% (269)	15.8% (123)	20.8% (162)	17.1% (133)	11.7% (91)	2.56	778

Project Management: Budgets, records, compliance, supervision, quality control	19.2% (150)	20.5% (160)	31.4% (245)	20.4% (159)	8.5% (66)	2.78	780
Regulations: Understanding and complying with laws and policies (Federal, State, environmental, etc.)	12.5% (97)	18.3% (142)	31.2% (242)	26.3% (204)	11.7% (91)	3.06	776
Safety on the Job: Hazard analysis, safety equipment, promoting safety, tool use	21.0% (165)	21.2% (166)	28.6% (224)	20.3% (159)	8.9% (70)	2.75	784
Safety for Visitors: Identifying risks, warning visitors, reporting hazards, trail patrols, law enforcement	15.2% (119)	18.9% (148)	30.4% (238)	24.9% (195)	10.7% (84)	2.97	784
Snow Trails: Management, operations	48.9% (379)	16.3% (126)	20.1% (156)	10.5% (81)	4.3% (33)	2.05	775
Studies: Economic analysis, community benefits, land use impacts	15.9% (123)	14.2% (110)	26.5% (205)	25.2% (195)	18.3% (142)	3.16	775
Surveys: User needs and satisfaction, use analysis, administering surveys	15.0% (117)	13.1% (102)	31.1% (242)	25.3% (197)	15.4% (120)	3.13	778
Volunteers: Developing programs and improving effectiveness	9.3% (73)	8.8% (69)	26.0% (204)	35.1% (275)	20.8% (163)	3.49	784
Water Trails: Planning, access, facilities, mapping, program development	36.2% (280)	13.6% (105)	21.3% (165)	18.6% (144)	10.3% (80)	2.53	774
Youth and Conservation Corps: Project development, effective use, funding	20.6% (159)	13.3% (103)	30.7% (237)	22.4% (173)	13.1% (101)	2.94	773
					Other or Comments		60
					answered question		827
					skipped question		224





7. Do you or your work unit need more/better training for specific types of trails:

	Not Needed				Most Needed	Rating Average	Response Count
Backcountry/wilderness hiking trails	32.5% (249)	11.5% (88)	19.0% (145)	20.4% (156)	16.6% (127)	2.77	765
Equestrian/horse trails	27.5% (212)	11.7% (90)	18.1% (139)	22.7% (175)	20.0% (154)	2.96	770
Mountain biking trails	29.1% (221)	11.7% (89)	20.3% (154)	24.2% (184)	14.7% (112)	2.84	760
Motorcycle/ATV trails	55.3% (412)	11.3% (84)	11.9% (89)	11.9% (89)	9.5% (71)	2.09	745
Four-Wheel Drive routes and roads	62.2% (466)	10.5% (79)	13.2% (99)	8.1% (61)	5.9% (44)	1.85	749
Rails to Trails projects	37.0% (279)	12.7% (96)	21.7% (164)	17.0% (128)	11.7% (88)	2.54	755
Snowmobile trails	67.2% (500)	10.2% (76)	12.1% (90)	7.0% (52)	3.5% (26)	1.69	744
Snowshoe/Cross-country ski trails	55.9% (418)	10.7% (80)	17.2% (129)	11.2% (84)	4.9% (37)	1.99	748
Water/paddling routes	52.0% (386)	11.3% (84)	15.2% (113)	14.3% (106)	7.3% (54)	2.14	743
Multiple-use nonmotorized trails	19.8% (152)	6.6% (51)	19.7% (151)	25.9% (199)	27.9% (214)	3.35	767
Multiple-use motorized routes	54.4% (405)	10.3% (77)	14.5% (108)	11.5% (86)	9.3% (69)	2.11	745
Multiple-use combined motorized/nonmotorized routes	47.7% (354)	9.3% (69)	18.2% (135)	13.7% (102)	11.1% (82)	2.31	742
					Other or Comments		34
					answered question		788
					skipped question		263




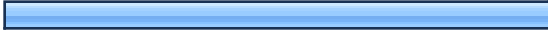



8. Select the types of training and delivery methods you feel are most effective in the current economic climate. Please provide comments as appropriate.

	Least Effective		Most Effective		Rating Average	Response Count
On-the-job training with a qualified instructor	2.2% (17)	7.5% (58)	26.4% (203)	63.9% (492)	3.52	770
Field workshops and seminars	2.0% (15)	6.1% (47)	42.0% (322)	49.9% (382)	3.40	766
National symposiums and conferences	24.2% (182)	36.0% (270)	31.8% (239)	8.0% (60)	2.24	751
State/Regional symposiums and conferences	9.9% (75)	27.9% (212)	45.2% (343)	17.0% (129)	2.69	759
Traveling trainers	5.6% (42)	16.5% (125)	50.3% (380)	27.6% (209)	3.00	756
Webinar or satellite broadcast	20.8% (157)	37.0% (279)	30.2% (228)	11.9% (90)	2.33	754
Internship with agency or organization	16.6% (123)	26.7% (197)	34.9% (258)	21.8% (161)	2.62	739
Community college classes	23.9% (179)	35.7% (268)	32.1% (241)	8.3% (62)	2.25	750
College and university classes	26.0% (195)	35.9% (269)	29.9% (224)	8.3% (62)	2.20	750
Private vendor workshops and training	19.3% (144)	34.7% (259)	36.5% (273)	9.5% (71)	2.36	747
Computer training by CD or DVD and workbook	20.9% (157)	38.5% (289)	31.6% (237)	9.1% (68)	2.29	751
Computer training through a web site	21.6% (163)	39.5% (298)	27.9% (211)	11.0% (83)	2.28	755
Reading job aids, manuals, and other written resources	12.4% (93)	36.8% (276)	40.3% (302)	10.4% (78)	2.49	749
					Comments	48
					answered question	783
					skipped question	268

9. Combining training with actual trail work (e.g. assessment, field design, construction) is another way to improve skills. Check all that apply:

		Response Percent	Response Count
We have hosted training combined with trail work		53.5%	386
We plan to pursue this type of training		28.0%	202
This is an area that needs more research		28.7%	207
I would like to know more about it		32.0%	231
		Suggestions	45
		answered question	721
		skipped question	330

10. Which of these would be effective in making training more available in your area:

		Response Percent	Response Count
Webinars		31.8%	248
Provide funding/scholarships for training		49.1%	383
Internet access to training websites		36.8%	287
Regionally or locally organized workshops and training sessions		81.9%	639
State-sponsored training programs		51.9%	405
Webinars		19.9%	155
Traveling trainers		53.7%	419
		Suggestions	34
		answered question	780
		skipped question	271

11. How far are you willing to travel to get training?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Over 500 miles		10.5%	81
Up to 500 miles		16.5%	128
Up to 100 miles		57.9%	449
Up to 10 miles		8.6%	67
Only on my worksite/trail		3.9%	30
Unable/unwilling to travel		2.6%	20
	Other or Comments		65
answered question			775
skipped question			276

12. What time of the year is the best for you to get training?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Winter		36.1%	267
Spring		27.6%	204
Summer		15.7%	116
Fall		20.7%	153
	Other or Comments		75
answered question			740
skipped question			311

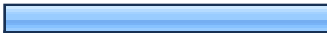

13. What would be your preferred duration of training sessions?

		Response Percent	Response Count
1 to 1.5 hours		2.2%	17
Half day		19.2%	146
Full day		37.4%	285
Two days		30.7%	234
One week		8.5%	65
Series (e.g. weekly classes over a semester)		2.0%	15
	Other (please specify)		63
		answered question	762
		skipped question	289



14. Has your group/agency hosted or sponsored training on your own?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		54.6%	425
No		45.4%	353
		answered question	778
		skipped question	273










15. Does your group or agency plan to host or sponsor training in the next two years?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		49.0%	375
No		51.0%	391
answered question			766
skipped question			285

16. With other partners?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		51.6%	384
No		48.4%	360
answered question			744
skipped question			307

17. On which of these areas should the National Trails Training Partnership focus additional attention (check all the apply):

		Response Percent	Response Count
Publicizing and promoting training opportunities		65.6%	493
Expanding website resources on planning, building, and managing trails		49.5%	372
Hosting webinars on current issues		35.4%	266
Coordinating workshops and instructors for local host sponsorship		64.4%	484
Helping States sponsor more training locally		55.3%	415
Helping groups/agencies develop local training programs		59.8%	449
Researching and developing college-level curricula on trails		20.5%	154
Identifying sources of funding/scholarships for training		46.1%	346
Other (please specify)		3.3%	25
		answered question	751
		skipped question	300








18. Which areas of the NTTP website (www.TrailsTraining.net) are most helpful to you?

	Least Helpful				Most Helpful	Rating Average	Response Count
Project descriptions and examples	3.8% (23)	5.3% (32)	34.4% (208)	34.4% (208)	22.0% (133)	3.66	604
Photos and galleries on trail development/management topics	3.3% (20)	6.5% (39)	32.4% (194)	37.5% (224)	20.2% (121)	3.65	598
Articles on technical topics	3.0% (18)	5.9% (36)	26.1% (158)	39.9% (242)	25.1% (152)	3.78	606
Accessibility issues and projects	6.2% (37)	12.9% (77)	35.7% (213)	32.9% (196)	12.2% (73)	3.32	596
Legislation and funding issues	7.0% (42)	18.6% (111)	33.8% (202)	23.9% (143)	16.7% (100)	3.25	598
New publications and resources	4.0% (24)	9.4% (56)	41.5% (247)	28.7% (171)	16.3% (97)	3.44	595
Economic benefits studies	8.0% (48)	13.0% (78)	33.2% (200)	24.9% (150)	20.9% (126)	3.38	602
Examples of regulations and policies from trail managers	4.3% (26)	11.4% (68)	33.6% (201)	33.6% (201)	17.1% (102)	3.48	598
PDFs of plans, feasibility studies, and other documents	4.7% (28)	8.5% (51)	28.8% (172)	36.9% (220)	21.1% (126)	3.61	597
Online Training Calendar	5.4% (31)	12.4% (71)	37.6% (215)	26.7% (153)	17.8% (102)	3.39	572
Other (please specify)							59
answered question							624
skipped question							427






19. In which areas of the NTTP website (www.TrailsTraining.net) would you like to see more resources?

	Least Improvement Needed					Most Improvement Needed	Rating Average	Response Count
Project descriptions and examples	3.8% (20)	8.0% (42)	39.0% (205)	34.1% (179)	15.0% (79)	3.49	525	
Photos and galleries on trail development and management topics	4.2% (22)	11.7% (61)	39.2% (204)	31.3% (163)	13.5% (70)	3.38	520	
Articles on technical topics	3.5% (18)	8.8% (46)	39.7% (207)	30.3% (158)	17.7% (92)	3.50	521	
Accessibility issues and projects	6.7% (34)	15.2% (77)	44.1% (223)	21.3% (108)	12.6% (64)	3.18	506	
Legislation and funding issues	7.1% (37)	16.5% (86)	41.3% (215)	21.0% (109)	14.0% (73)	3.18	520	
New publications and resources	5.0% (26)	11.6% (60)	46.9% (242)	24.4% (126)	12.0% (62)	3.27	516	
Economic benefits studies	6.3% (33)	15.0% (79)	38.1% (201)	22.3% (118)	18.4% (97)	3.32	528	
Examples of regulations and policies from trail managers	4.1% (21)	11.9% (61)	42.7% (219)	26.1% (134)	15.2% (78)	3.36	513	
PDFs of plans, feasibility studies, and other documents	3.1% (16)	9.2% (48)	39.3% (205)	28.6% (149)	19.8% (103)	3.53	521	
Online Training Calendar	6.3% (31)	13.1% (65)	46.3% (229)	22.4% (111)	11.9% (59)	3.21	495	
					Other (please specify)		60	
answered question							560	
skipped question							491	

20. How have you found out about training in the past?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Recommendation or other personal contact		52.2%	382
Email list or newsletter		51.5%	377
NTPP website		18.0%	132
Agency/Organization's websites		43.4%	318
Publication through the mail		16.9%	124
Advertisement		7.4%	54
Other (please specify)		8.5%	62
answered question			732
skipped question			319

21. How would you like to be notified of future training, publications, job aids, and other trail resources?

		Response Percent	Response Count
National email list		67.4%	492
Comprehensive national website		34.1%	249
Agency/Organization's websites		38.9%	284
Newsletter through the mail		23.0%	168
Other (please specify)		3.4%	25
answered question			730
skipped question			321

22. Is there a training program, course, or instructor you would recommend as a good example or high quality?

**Response
Count**

184

answered question

184

skipped question

867

23. Additional comments and suggestions:

**Response
Count**

65






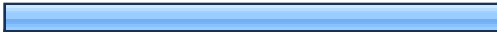

answered question

65

skipped question

986

24. It is helpful to know your specific affiliation and job title, but you may leave these fields blank if you wish to maintain anonymity. If you are willing, we would appreciate your email address for possible follow-up or clarification to your responses.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Your Name		91.9%	441
Your Organization/Agency		95.4%	458
Your Title/Job Category		92.7%	445
Your State (two-letter abbreviation only, please)		96.7%	464
Your Zip Code		94.0%	451
Your Phone		74.2%	356
Your E-mail		92.3%	443
answered question			480
skipped question			571