

Arizona Trail ASSOCIATION NEWS

News and Information on the State's border-to-border Arizona Trail project

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Summer of Fire!

Due to the lack of rain and snow in Arizona during the past year, and the warm, dry, windy conditions of the last few months, federal land managers enacted forest closures and restrictions across the state throughout the summer.

During June, 10% of the Tonto National Forest, 52% of the Coconino National Forest, and 83% of the Kaibab National Forest, were closed to public access. Virtually all public lands were under fire restrictions, which prohibit campfires, charcoal grills, and smoking outdoors. What did this mean for trail users? Trails and forest roads within the closure areas were off limits. While late to arrive, the monsoons finally brought much needed rain. This brought relief to all who feared a repeat of the Los Alamos and Montana fires in Arizona.



Lightning caused Pumpkin Fire on Kendrick Mountain on the Kaibab and Coconino Forests.

Millennium Legacy Trails Day Celebrated Statewide

Thousands of people throughout Arizona were out on the Arizona Trail or participating in events to celebrate Millennium Legacy Trails Day on Saturday, June 3, 2000. It was the largest statewide series of activities ever scheduled in the history of the Arizona Trail Association.

Events were held in Oracle, Tucson, the Coronado National Memorial, and in Flagstaff, Superior, Payson, Patagonia, and Sierra Vista the mayors announced special Trails Day

proclamations. Only one event planned for the Payson/Pine Rim Country area had to be postponed due to last minute fire closures by the U.S. Forest Service.

To all of those individuals, sponsors, organizations, and participants who joined together to help make these special events so memorable, the Arizona Trail Association extends its appreciation to you, and expresses its gratitude for your outstanding support.

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Hikers celebrate National Trail Day 2000 along Joe's Canyon Trail in Coronado National Monument

The Arizona Trail

Our Vision...

a continuous, non-motorized trail traversing the state nearly 790 miles from Mexico to Utah, linking deserts, mountains, canyons, communities, and people.

The **Arizona Trail Association** coordinates the planning, development, management and promotion of the Arizona Trail for recreational and educational experiences for non-motorized trail use.

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President's Pride

by Jan Hancock

As the photographs, stories, registration forms, and contributions began to arrive following our spectacular Millennium Legacy Trail celebrations from around the state, our mailbox was overflowing with the good news about all of the community support for the Arizona Trail. When thousands of wonderful people join together to celebrate the Arizona Trail, pride takes over in a big way!

The pride is directed toward each and every Arizona Trail fan, particularly our members and volunteers, who helped to make our statewide celebrations so much fun and so successful. When the White House Millennium Trails Council invited us to hold a big National Trails Day Millennium event, we were amazed at the quantity and quality of effort and support that our state's outdoor organizations and communities volunteered.

People we had never known before came forward and offered to help plan and manage their community's celebrations on National Trails Day. We were amazed at the talent, leadership, and spirit of people in these communities who wanted to help our members and our organization have successful and well-publicized events.

Our many sponsors who partnered together with the Arizona Trail Association were totally engaged in planning meetings, press releases, radio and television promotions, banners, commemorative bandannas, water bottles, T-shirts, proclamations, prizes, gifts, and more.

To each and every one of you who worked so hard to make this one of the most memorable days in the history of the Arizona Trail Association, I take pride in everything you did and thank you for your wonderful, willing and continuing support!

Executive Director's Report

by Larry Snead

Great news from Washington! The American Hiking Society has informed us that the National Park Service, USDA Forest Service, and Bureau of Land Management have formed the Federal Interagency Team on Volunteerism with six other federal agencies. These agencies are all Arizona Trail Partners and we have established a great working relationship with them. The Team will develop a system of formal partnerships between federal agencies and volunteers that will encourage agency staffers to use volunteers for more activities.

The Arizona Trail Association, with the financial support of the National Park Service Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance Program, is conducting a series of trail construction and maintenance workshops to prepare our volunteers to accept and perform trail work that will meet agency standards.

The Interagency Team on Volunteerism hopes to lift obstacles to volunteer service. They'll work together to enhance funding for volunteer programs and provide land managers the resources they need to effectively encourage and use volunteer service. ATA is meeting this goal by training our volunteers to meet the maintenance and construction needs of these land managers.

National Public Lands Day Saturday, September 23

Walnut Canyon Passage trail maintenance. 9 am, FR 303 trailhead (approx. 3 miles south of Country Club area). Contact Abby Spotskey at the Peaks Ranger District 526-0866 for more info. Lunch will be provided.

Blue Ridge Passage new trail marking east of Happy Jack. Help sign a 15 mile section of new trail. Work will include hiking, building rock cairns, clearing initial path, and installing trail signs. Come for 1 day or stay and camp out Saturday night. Contact Larry Snead: larrysnead@juno.com or 800-678-3929.

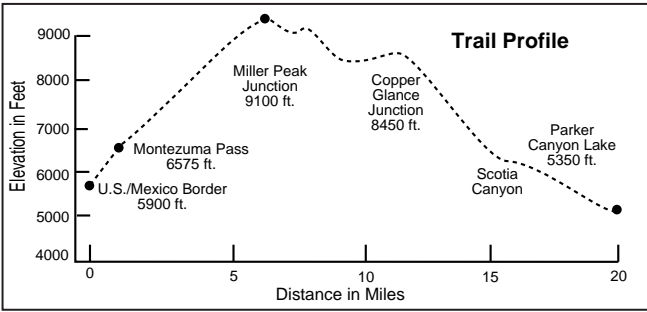
Buckskin Passage Trailhead Dedication/Grand Opening Celebrate the dedication of the Arizona Trail's outstanding new trailhead at the Utah border. Visit the top of the trail where the AZT ends (or begins) on the state line - adjacent to the beautiful red rocks of the eastern edge of the Paria Plateau. Join volunteers and officials for ceremony and barbeque. Contact Tom Folks for more info: Tom_Folks@blm.gov or 435-688-3264.

Huachuca Mountain Passage

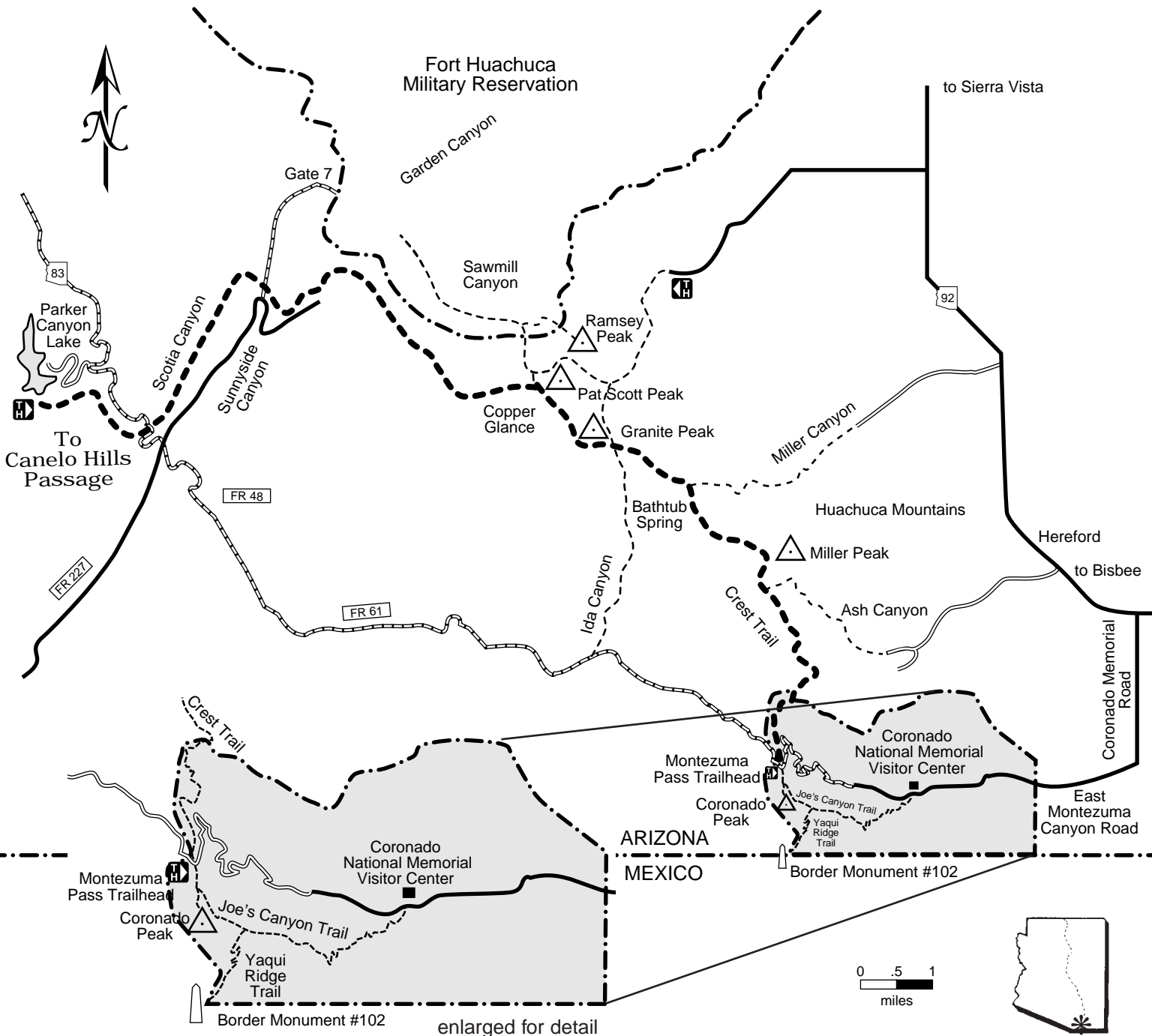
US/Mexico Border to Parker Canyon Lake



Look for this logo on various types of signage to indicate The Arizona Trail.



	The Arizona Trail		Trail (TR)
	AZ Trail Route		Forest Road
	4-W Drive Road		Trailhead
	Dirt Road		Mountain
	All-Weather Road		Recreation Site
	Paved Road		



Arizona Trail Merchandise



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TRAIL MUGS



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<i>"On the Arizona Trail: A Guide for Hikers, Cyclists, and Equestrians"</i> by Kelly Tighe and Susan Moran, Pruett Publishers _____ x 19.95 _____			
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Become an Arizona Trail Member

The Arizona Trail needs *your* active support. Help build this resource for today and a legacy for future generations. Join *The Arizona Trail Association* and become a volunteer!

Would you like to volunteer in any of the following ways?
(check all that apply)

- Help build and maintain The Arizona Trail
- Become a Segment Steward
- Assist in Phoenix office
- Distribute Trail and event information in your area
- Donate materials or professional services
Specify: _____
- Help raise funds for The Arizona Trail
- Recruit additional volunteers
- Membership services and development
- Other: _____

What are your primary non-motorized trail activities?
(check all that apply)

- Hiking
- Horseback Riding
- Mountain Biking
- Cross-Country Skiing
- Other: _____

Types of Membership (please check one)

- Individual Family \$25/year
- Student Senior \$15/year
- Organizations with budgets *less* than \$25,000 \$50/year
- Organizations with budgets *greater* than \$25,000 \$100/year
- Trailblazer Member \$100/year
- Trail Patron \$500
- Lifetime Member \$1000
- New Member Renewal Membership

Additional Information: (please fill in any that apply)

- I am sending an additional contribution of \$_____ for Trail Development.

- This is a Gift Membership.

- Referred

by: _____

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