

Location: Lower Gray Wolf (834), ONF

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Hours on job: 72

- Objectives for the crew:
 - Team 1: Address issues in the last 1.5 miles of the trail.
 - Loss of tread where erosion has filled the previous tread and hikers have started traversing the unstable slope several feet below the original tread.
 - Improve the trail through the small slide so hikers stop creating alternate paths and undermining the proper tread.
 - Remove trees that have fallen into the trail or across the trail corridor.
 - Team 2. Address any issues on the Cat Creek loop.
- Task(s) accomplished:
 - This work party was scheduled as a two-day effort. Due to the hard work and willingness to work a long day, just about all the work was accomplished in the first day. The second day was canceled though a later short work party will be scheduled to finish some work on the Cat Creek loop.
 - Team 1 addressed three major areas of tread failure along with several minor areas. The team cut back brush that was intruding into and above the original trail corridor, then removed duff and dirt that had fallen onto the old trail and pushed users down the slope. Besides rebuilding several hundred feet of trail, the team cleaned a 25-foot puncheon of organic debris, removed at least four trees that had fallen onto the trail or were intruding into the trail corridor, and cleared several drainage features.
 - Team 2 brushed the first $\frac{3}{4}$ mile of the Lower Gray Wolf trail and the Cat Creek loop plus removing at least two logs that had come down on the trail. Clay that had flowed next to and then both underneath and onto a puncheon was removed from the top puncheon surface.
- Task(s) remaining:
 - Clear clay blocking drainage under Cat Creek Loop puncheon.
 - Repair rotted/broken decking on puncheon just past small slide (~3.5miles).
 - Rebench trail between first and second river camps.
 - Restore tread width on first 1.5 miles of trail and restore proper outslope as needed.. Return tread from side of slope back to former roadbed.

David Graves
Gray Wolf Trail Crew

Tread Restoration





Trees Removed



A hiker's testimonial received two days after the crew

“Yesterday, October 14, I was the hike leader for the Monday Ramblers on this trail. We all would like to GREATLY praise you for the OUTSTANDING job you’ve done on the trail. That slide area has always been a little dicey and then there were two other parts towards the end of the trail that were a little sketchy also...but now, it’s perfect!
Thank you so much!”