

Paid Trail Crew Positions Available!

Are you passionate about building and maintaining sustainable trails? Alaska Trails is seeking applicants for trail crew members crews in Summer 2023! Trail Crew members will play a pivotal role in trail maintenance and construction projects throughout Alaska. Applicants will serve on one of the trail crews listed below:

Trail Crew Member - Southcentral Crew - South Fork Eagle River (SFER)

Employment Dates: TBD - August 30 - with possible extension

Work Schedule: 4x10 hour weekly schedule

Wage: \$22/hr

Position Description: Four Trail Crew members are needed for trail construction and maintenance projects on the South Fork Eagle River Trail in Southcentral Alaska. This backcountry camp-based crew will generally work four ten-hour days a week. Crew members will be provided a per diem while working in the field. Duties include daily hiking in steep, rocky terrain, structure work, and using hand tools to maintain and construct sustainable trails. Roadbased travel will be necessary on this crew, including week-long hitches.

Trail Crew Member – Chugach National Forest Travel Crew

Employment Dates: TBD - August 30 – with possible extension

Work Schedule: 4x10 or 8x10 hour hitch-based schedule, travel/camping required

Wage: \$22/hr

Position Description: Four Trail Crew members are needed to work on a crew based in the Glacier and Seward Ranger Districts after completing all required training. This crew will be based out of a central camp while completing work in coordination with the USFS. Crew members will be provided a per diem while working in the field. Projects may include brushing, structure work, new trail construction, and general trail maintenance.

Requirements for all crews:

- Must be 18 years or older to apply
- Must be able to lift 50 lbs, travel on uneven terrain, and willing to work in remote settings
- Enthusiastic about hard work and spending time in the backcountry
- Capable of performing physically demanding work for 10 hours a day
- Willingness to work in inclement weather
- Ability to work closely with other team members and Crew Leaders

Preferred Qualifications:

- Previous experience with physical labor
- Previous backcountry travel experience
- Previous experience working as a member of a team
- Previous experience on a trail crew
- Current WFA or WFR certification and CPR certification
- Current S212 or other equivalent chainsaw training
- Knowledge of, and willingness to exercise and promote Leave No Trace practices

Training Opportunities:

(Applicants with current chainsaw and/or medical training will not have to spend stipend on courses)

- Chainsaw use and maintenance
- WFA or CPR
- Proper tool use and maintenance practices TO APPLY:

Email the following to office@alaska-trails.org:

- 1. Resume
- 2. A brief cover letter describing your experience and qualifications
- 3. Three references

Reference the job title "Seasonal Trail Crew - (Applicant's Preferred Crew Choice Here)" in the subject line. The positions are open until filled, but priority will be given to resumes received by June 30th, 2023.