



Spring 2025 Gila Trail Projects

**All trail users welcome
No trail work experience necessary**

Mimbres River Trail #77 *Day Project*

Date: March 19th, 2025

Trail Work Description: mostly brushing with some logging, spot tread and trail markers

Project Difficulty: Moderate due to elevation change

Map of project: <https://caltopo.com/m/R1FNG15>

Hike/ riding during the day: up to 6 miles

Meeting time and place: 8:30 at the Mimbres River Trailhead. See directions below.

Project contact: Melissa Green – groundworktrails@gmail.com

What you will need to bring:

- Closed-toed shoes,
- at least 3 quarts of water,
- food (more than you think you will need)
- long-sleeve shirt (for sun protection and protection from the brush),
- raincoat,
- daypack (preferably one that can carry a lopper and hand saw safely),
- extra layer,
- long pants,
- sunscreen,
- heavy-duty work gloves,
- eye protection (can be sunglasses that cover eyes well)
- hand sanitizer

We will provide: Tools, hard hats, trail and safety training, project supervision, and first aid kit with Wilderness First Responder trained personnel.



Phone service: Spotty cell service at the trailhead. No cell service where we are doing trailwork.

Vehicle Requirement: 2wd medium clearance unless the road is muddy

Elevation: 7000 - 7600

Nearest Town: Silver City- has a hospital. Mimbres/San Lorenzo is closer but only has a small urgent care with limited hours

Weather: Be prepared with layers. Rain is possible. Mornings and evenings may be chilly.
Days will likely be warm.

Why These Trails: These trails were affected in the 2022 Black Fire. They can be a great way to access the Aldo Leopold Wilderness without having to drive on the narrow and bumpy FS 150 road.

Directions: From Silver City: Take 180 east about 7.5 miles to hwy 152. Take a left onto hwy 152 and travel about 14 miles to hwy 35. Take a left on to hwy 35. Stay on hwy 35 until just past mile marker 15. Turn on to forest road # 150. Travel on this dirt road for 7.8 miles. Turn right through a big parking area/pull off. There are 2 signs at this turn. One is a big brown forest service sign that Mimbres River and Continental Divide trail (turn right arrow). There is also a hiking sign with # 77 above. **Do NOT turn off on an earlier road that says mimbres river.**

Take the side road though the big pull off parking area. Stay on this road .3 mile. This section is graveled. After this the road becomes worse and is not graveled. This is where you will need a medium clearance vehicle. Continue on the road .5 mile to the trailhead and corrals. This is where we will be meeting. (the medium clearance part of the road is not very bad)

Schedule:

Schedules are flexible and dependent on the condition and energy level of the volunteers. Frequent breaks are encouraged. Gila BCH encourages volunteers to work within their limitations and take care of themselves during the project. Please check the weather in your project area prior to leaving for the project and pack accordingly.

Wednesday, March 19, 2025

8:30 am –Work objectives/safety talk, paperwork, hand out tools

9 am - 12 pm Trail training and trail maintenance

12–12:30 pm - Lunch

12:30–3:00 pm - Trail maintenance

3:30 pm- return to the trailhead

RSVP required - Melissa Green – groundworktrails@gmail.com