



Spring 2026

Gila Trail Projects

All trail users welcome
No trail work experience necessary

East Railroad #130, Gallinas # 129, Railroad # 128 & Crest #79 ***Equine Riders Day Project***

Date: May 9-10, 2026

Trail Work Description: Logging

Project Difficulty: Moderate

Map of project: <https://caltopo.com/m/QB3ESE4>

Ride during the day: up to 14 miles

Meeting Place /Time: 9 am at [Upper Gallinas Campground](#) both days

RSVP: Melissa Green at groundworktrails@gmail.com

Food and Water: There is no potable water at the campgrounds. Please bring water jugs, if camping. Upper Gallinas campground has a creek next to it that is hopefully running. The water would need to be treated.

- For parts of the trail work - there is no water along the trail so bring water capacity for the day (at least 4 quarts).
- If you are camping, please bring your own food.

Camping optional: [Upper Gallinas Campground](#). There are pit toilets but no potable water at the campground. The Campground is first-come, first-served.

What you will need to bring: See packing list below



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

Phone service: There is some cell reception at Emory Pass Overlook, and there may be some on the Crest Trail, but not during the entire trail project.

Vehicle Requirement: 2wd - all the driving is on the highway.

Nearest Town: T or C and Silver City

Elevation: 7,000 to 9,660

Weather: Be prepared with layers.

Why this Trail: This trail loop is easy to access since it starts at the highway. It is located close to multiple towns and cities, including Las Cruces, Silver City, T or C, Mimbres, Deming, and others. These trails can be used by hikers, backpackers, hunters, horse riders, fishermen, and more.

Directions: From Silver City: Take HWY 180 east. Turn left on Hwy 152. Stay on HWY 152 for about 26.8 miles to go to Upper Gallinas Campground which is on the left.

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.

Saturday, May 9 – Sunday, May 10

9:00 - 9:30 am – Intros, Work Objectives/Safety Talk
9:30 am – 12 pm – Trail training and trail maintenance
12 - 12:30 pm - Lunch
12:30 - 4:00 pm - Trail maintenance
4:00 – Return to Trailhead

Packing List for day work:

- sturdy boots (no tennis 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),
- riding helmet (if you have one)
- raincoat,
- extra layer,
- long pants,
- sunscreen and sunhat,
- heavy duty work gloves,
- eye protection (can be sunglasses that cover eyes well)
- hand sanitizer