

Hello Everyone,

Here is the general schedule for this Sunday's trail project. We hope you can attend and *bring a friend if possible*.

Meeting place and time: Kokanee Cr. Nature Centre (formerly the Visitor Centre, the name used on the map) at 9:00 AM

Meet and greet and an overview of the general logistics will be followed by a Safety Talk: 9:15

Trail Work: 9:30 to lunch time

Objectives: Clearing of Woodland Loop trail and the Canyon-Pine trails, as time allows. No tread work is needed.

Lunch hour: Everyone will gather back at the Nature Centre for lunch. Friends will supply cold beverages of juice and soft drinks, but please bring your own food. A brief Q & A about the Friends, past and current projects and what's ahead for us this summer will be held while we eat. Once lunch is finished, feel free to head home. Some of us will put a couple more hours in finishing up the work, if it's needed. It depends on how many hands show up in the morning. If we do resume work in the afternoon, you are welcome to join us.

Safety equipment: All participants need to have safety glasses and leather work gloves. There will be a small cache of each available to borrow if you don't have any. Only one chain saw operator is needed and that person will have all the required safety gear. We won't be using power brush cutters.

Clothing and personal comfort: generally bring old work clothes, but also have protective clothing available for the vagaries of the weather. We are currently forecast for cloudy weather in the 20's, and no precipitation, but don't count on it. A stout pair of boots is preferable to low-cut soft trail shoes, to protect your feet. Bring a full water bottle for the trail work. The bugs aren't too bad yet, but insect repellent might be handy just in case. If the sun does come out, a sun hat and sun cream is also a good idea. A small day pack is useful to carry the extras, especially water and snacks.

Tools: We will need several loppers and a couple of pruning saws, but a lot of the work will be removing debris from the trail, so not everyone will need a tool. With the exception of the chainsaw operator, we can switch off, so no one is stuck doing one job.

The trails are pleasant, with minor elevation gain and generally are in good shape. It should be a satisfying morning for everyone involved.

Attached is a map of the area, showing the trails and the location of the meeting place. It's a short walk of a couple of hundred meters from the Nature Centre to the start of the Woodland Loop Trail.

Thank you and hope to see you there.

FWKP Trail Committee