

## Trail Boss Responsibilities

Primary tenant for participants is maintaining safety and creating an environment and culture that is supportive and welcoming in-line with WRTC's Mission and Values. A successful candidate for the program will show not just critical thinking skills but an ability to engage and manage individuals and projects as a whole.

### Experience Needed:

- Previous attendance at WRTC Volunteer Trail Work Parties
- A desire to learn and do more to work on and support the trails that we all enjoy
- Willingness to learn about how all users engage with trails and how we can support all users through our work

### Time Commitment:

- Spring Training - safety and technical skills (2-3 days)
- Minimum of 3 events a year acting in a Trail Boss/Assistant Trail Boss Capacity
- Preferably able to attend our Forbidden Fruit Event at the beginning of June

### Leadership:

- Set an excellent example for trail etiquette and user stewardship
- Maintain a safe and engaging environment for participants
- Maintain good working relationships with partners
- Safety minded and able to adapt to changing situations

### Technical Knowledge:

- A willingness to learn and invest time to improve your skill set
- Adaptability to different needs based on evolving conditions
- Working within your scope of knowledge
- Teach skills to other volunteers and participants
- Critical thinking skills

### Safety:

- First Aid/CPR certification required
- Ability to clearly communicate needs
- Critical thinking to keep yourself and a group of individuals safe in "remote" settings
- Ability to follow WRTC and partner safety protocols

### Preparation & Planning (Trail Boss - independent projects):

- Working/coordinating with another Trail Boss or Assistant Trail Boss to lead independent events
- Pre-event project scouting
- Event coordination with WRTC staff
- Vehicle to get to events and transport tools and equipment
- A background check may be required

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### Participation Benefits:

- A chance to understand your trails and what it takes to keep them fun for all
- Meeting other people that are invested in reinvesting in the trails they use
- Opportunities for learning new skills
  - Chainsaw certification
  - Group management
  - Project planning
  - Leadership
  - Technical trail skills