

ArrowCorps⁵

Promotional Resource Packet

Who Should Use this Packet?

This packet should be used by lodges, sections, and councils to assist in providing information and promoting *ArrowCorps⁵*. Communication committees should use this information as part of their publications.

Lodge officers and contingent coordinators should use the step by step guide to assist in planning.

How to Use this Packet?

This packet is divided into several sections to better provide information and promotional material.

Section 1 contains a step by step guide for the contingent coordinators that outlines the entire process for attending *ArrowCorps⁵*.

Section 2 contains *Frequently Asked Questions* to assist in answering questions, followed by responsibility lists for lodge advisers, lodge chiefs, contingent coordinators, section chiefs, and section advisers.

Section 3 contains promotional ideas, the 5@5 attendance program, and travel ideas.

Section 4 contains presentation talking points.

Section 5 is material that can be printed and used in newsletters and other publications. *An overview of what every Arrowman needs to know about ArrowCorps⁵* is included in a simple one page document. Each site is also detailed on separate pages so that a council may select the appropriate site to include in a publication.

When should this Packet be used?

Lodges, sections, and councils are encouraged to immediately start using this information.

Where are Updates Available?

Updates to this packet and all *ArrowCorps⁵* information will be posted online.

ArrowCorps⁵: Getting Started

General Information

The Order of the Arrow and the U.S. Forest Service are joining together to create a national program titled *ArrowCorps⁵*. *ArrowCorps⁵* is a chance for Arrowmen to serve in five different U.S. National Forests across the United States. Each site will be offered for one week during the summer of 2008, and each site will conduct a different service project. Visit www.event.oa-bsa.org and the rest of this packet for more detailed information about sites, national forests, service projects, dates, and recreational activities.

Below are some steps that may help you to get started. Please see *Responsibilities for Lodge Chiefs* and *Responsibilities for Lodge Advisers* to see who would be responsible for completing each step. There is also a Frequently Asked Questions sheet for additional information.

Step 1: Promote *ArrowCorps⁵*

Each council needs to begin promoting *ArrowCorps⁵* in August of 2007. The lodge chief will work with the adult and youth *ArrowCorps⁵* Contingent Coordinator, (*ArrowCorps⁵* Coordinator) who will be responsible for registering and arranging transportation for all participants from their council. This packet, as well as the *ArrowCorps⁵* website (www.event.oa-bsa.org), will have promotion materials including speeches, flyers, presentations, and short films.

Step 2: Organize Council Contingent/Select AC5 Coordinators

Each council is asked to send a contingent to at least one site. There is no limit to how many members a council can bring. The lodge chief and adviser are strongly encouraged to participate. Youth age 14 and older and adults are allowed to attend, but each participant must be physically fit and must meet the Philmont height and weight requirements. There will be no limits or ratios for youth to adults, but youth involvement is highly encouraged.

Councils will receive information from the national office by September, 15, 2007 detailing registration information. With this packet, councils are requested to turn in the "Contingent Coordinator Contact Transmittal" immediately so region coordinators can contact councils. One youth and one adult should be selected as coordinators. If the form is not submitted, the Region and Section Coordinators will contact the lodge Key 3. Contingent coordinators are not required to attend *ArrowCorps⁵*, but many will serve as contingent advisers to their council's most popular site. This form needs to be received by November 15, 2007!

Step 3: Select Service Site

A council may choose to select a site and then begin promotion, or select the site after a contingent has been organized. Most councils will select one site to travel to, but councils can send contingents to as many sites as they desire. If a participant's council is not traveling to a site they desire to attend (and participants may attend more than one site), the contingent coordinator still needs to register them, and should work with the participant to arrange transportation. The *ArrowCorps⁵* website contains detailed information for each site to help councils make a decision. A council may choose to select its site based on location, service project, or recreational activity. Transportation guidelines and resources will be released on the web and mailed to contingents in the future.

Step 4: Send in Registration Transmittal (by February 1, 2008)

Councils should return their registration transmittal (received in the September 15 mailing) *before* February 1, 2008 or earlier. Councils must send in the names of their participants and a \$100 deposit per participant, per site. Sites are filled on a *First Come, First Served Basis*, so councils should register and send in their deposits immediately to reserve their spaces. There are only 1,000 spaces per site.

Step 5: Arrange Contingent Transportation

Transportation from major airports to the *ArrowCorps⁵* service site varies by site (see website). Depending on the size of each contingent and service site, several councils may want to arrange transportation together, such as carpooling or renting a bus. Specific travel information, including how participants not traveling with their council contingents can attend, will be released through the *ArrowCorps⁵* website (www.event.oa-bsa.org).

Step 6: Submit Fees – March, 2007

After councils submit contingent coordinator transmittals and their fee transmittals, councils will receive registration information by mail. Contingent coordinators will need to enter their councils' attendees information into an online web collection tool (access will be emailed to them) following the completion of the web collection, a transmittal will be generated that should be returned with final fees due (\$150 if the reservation fee was already received). Councils will be able to add members of their contingents to *ArrowCorps⁵* sites as room permits. This payment must be received by May 1st.

Step 7: Arrive at *ArrowCorps⁵* Location

Each contingent will need to check in once it has arrived on site. After the council has completed onsite check in, the group should focus on having a great time serving our national forests.

Staff Registration

An electronic copy of the staff registration form will be released on the *ArrowCorps⁵* website that potential staff members can download. Arrowmen interested in becoming staff members will need to fill out the form and mail it to the incident commander of the site(s) they are interested in staffing (contact information will be provided on the form). All staff registrations must be received by February 1, 2008 by the Incident Commanders. Payment information and acceptance letters will be mailed after approval from the Incident Commanders. Staff members must be at least 16 years of age by June 1, 2008 to attend.

In Between Steps

The lodge chief and adviser should always be promoting *ArrowCorps⁵* each step of the way. The youth contingent coordinator should be chairing *ArrowCorps⁵* contingent meetings to communicate and receive information. Both the lodge chief and adviser should be in constant communication with the coordinators to make sure everything is on schedule. Official deadline dates will be published through the *ArrowCorps⁵* website (www.event.oa-bsa.org).

ArrowCorps⁵: Frequently Asked Questions

Where do I find updated information and deadlines?

The ArrowCorps⁵ website (www.event.oa-bsa.org) will have all the current information. You can always call your section chief or section adviser for updated information.

Are adults allowed to attend ArrowCorps⁵?

Yes, both youth and adults are strongly encouraged to attend any ArrowCorps⁵ location. This is the best opportunity for adults to have a high adventure program experience. However, every youth and adult must be physically fit to attend.

What if our Council wants to attend two different service sites?

Councils can send more than one contingent. Council members not going to a site where their council contingent is attending can also attend other work sites by traveling with another local contingent. Section and region coordinators may work with contingent coordinators to arrange transportation for Arrowmen traveling to any ArrowCorps⁵ site they desire.

What should we do, if we are sending a contingent to one site, but only one Arrowman wants to attend a different site?

The Adult Coordinator still should register everyone going in their council. Councils must reserve spaces for everyone from their lodge going to any ArrowCorps⁵ site even if they are not traveling with their contingent.

Can councils travel together? If two or more councils are traveling together, how do they need to register online? Councils still register all their members that are attending an ArrowCorps⁵ site online with their home council. Council coordinators and section coordinators will work together to arrange transportation for all participants. Official travel guidelines for members traveling with other councils will be posted on the ArrowCorps⁵ website in the coming months.

Can a service site fill up? Is there a possibility a site will not accept contingents?

Each site has a maximum capacity of 1,000 participants. The Order of the Arrow is trying to complete large service projects at each site. In order to complete these projects, each site needs a particular amount of participants (i.e. it can not have too many people or too few). All sites are on a *first come, first served* basis, so councils should send their deposits early.

Will I need to bring my own tools?

No, tools will be provided for you onsite. NOTE: Some personal equipment will be required, including gloves and personal work shoes. After registering, council contingents will receive a packing list for each site their council members are attending.

Will shelters be provided? Will I need to bring my own tent?

You will need to bring your own tent. You will be camping in or near U.S. National Forest. So you will need to bring your own tent and everything else you would need to be in the wilderness for a week. A full list of items you need to bring will be given to your contingent coordinator after sending in deposits.

Will food be provided?

Yes, your meals will be provided during the project time period.

ArrowCorps⁵: Responsibilities of Lodge Advisers

- Decide on which site(s) the council contingent will attend. Visit www.event.oa-bsa.org for more information about sites, locations, projects, and dates.
- In consultation with the Scout executive, confirm that the *ArrowCorps⁵* Council Coordinator Transmittal has been returned by the Scout executive by November 15, 2007.
- Advise the lodge chief and contingent coordinator in holding and running *ArrowCorps⁵* contingent meetings. See *Responsibilities for lodge chiefs* for more information.
- Ensure the lodge chief and adult/youth contingent coordinators are fulfilling his responsibilities such as promotion and communication. See *Responsibilities of Lodge Chiefs* for more detailed information. Encourage him to use the promotional materials made available at www.event.oa-bsa.org.
- The lodge chief, lodge adviser, and contingent coordinator should keep in constant communication, through the telephone or personal contact, with contingent members. Communicate information in a clear and prompt manner to each contingent member.

ArrowCorps⁵: Responsibilities of Lodge Chiefs

- Decide on which site the council contingent will attend. Visit www.event.oa-bsa.org for more information about sites, locations, projects, and dates. The lodge chief/adviser may choose the site before promotion begins, or they may poll the contingent.
- Complete and submit *ArrowCorps⁵* registration online on or prior to deadline.
- Be the sole promotion leader for your council by organizing and planning a promotion program. Promotion ideas include, but not limited to, giving speeches, showing PowerPoint presentations and flash videos, and displaying flyers. See *Promotion Ideas for Section Chiefs –ArrowCorps⁵*.
- Ensure all contingent members have a completed a class 3 physical, paid fees on time, and have obtained needed equipment.
- Keep in constant communication, through the telephone or personal contact, with the contingent coordinator.
- Be familiar with and actively use the promotional website (www.event.oa-bsa.org) and the materials that will become available.
- Ensure that all the council's available slots are filled.
- Inform the council/chapters of the current status of *ArrowCorps⁵* (i.e. how open slots, promoting, and important information).
- Give a presentation promoting *ArrowCorps⁵* at the lodge banquet/council banquet. Also, give a presentation after *ArrowCorps⁵* has been completed to provide the results to the lodge/council.

*ArrowCorps*⁵: Responsibilities of Coordinators

Adult

- Submit contingent Registration Transmittal to the National Office by February 1, 2007.
- All travel arrangements for the contingent. Travel arrangements are left entirely to council's preference (carpool, bus, flying, etc.).
- Ensure all contingent members have a completed a class 3 physical, paid fees on time, and have obtained needed equipment.
- Check in council contingent upon arriving at *ArrowCorps*⁵ site (if attending).
- Work with the council and lodge Key 3
- Report and update the lodge adviser as to progress of council contingent.
- Ensure BSA policies are adhered to in travel planning.
- Support and advise youth contingent coordinator.

Youth

- Hold and chair *ArrowCorps*⁵ contingent meetings. Such meetings provide time to communicate vital information. Vital information includes, but not limited to, site location, project type, needed equipment, special requirements, fees, deadlines, contingent meeting dates, and travel arrangements.
- Keep in constant communication, through the telephone or personal contact, with the contingent members. Communicate vital information in a clear and prompt manner to each contingent member.
- Check in the council contingent upon arriving at the *ArrowCorps*⁵ site (if attending *ArrowCorps*⁵).
- Report updates to the lodge chief.
- Works with the section and region coordinators to disseminate up-to-date information to council contingent.
- Ensure that all the council's available slots are filled.
- Inform the lodge/chapters of the current status of *ArrowCorps*⁵ (i.e. how open slots, promoting, and important information).

Responsibilities of Section Chiefs

- Ensure, support and help every council in the section register online for *ArrowCorps⁵*.
- Set a goal of having every council in the section meet or exceed trailblazer status. (See *Trailblazer Council Handout*)
- Ensure every council meets every deadline pertaining to *ArrowCorps⁵*.
- Help lodge chiefs design *ArrowCorps⁵* contingent meeting agendas.
- Help councils coordinate transportation with other councils, if desired.
- Be the sole promotion leader for your section by organizing and planning a promotion program. See *Promotion Ideas for Section Chiefs – ArrowCorps⁵*. Help the councils design and fulfill a promotion plan.
- Be familiar with and make certain that the councils are aware of the promotional website and the materials that will become available.
- Keep in constant communication, through the telephone or personal contact, with the lodge chiefs.
- Provide essential information to all lodge chiefs for a successful *ArrowCorps⁵* contingent. This includes information about fees, special requirements, deadlines, and attendance.
- Give a presentation about *ArrowCorps⁵* at the council of chiefs meetings.
- Provide an *ArrowCorps⁵* training session at conclave.
- Provide *ArrowCorps⁵* promotion at every section and lodge event.
- Ensure that all the councils are planning on attending *ArrowCorps⁵*.
- Plan to Promote; Promote to Plan!

Responsibilities of Section Advisers

- Ensure, support and help every council in the section register online for *ArrowCorps⁵*.
- Set a goal of having every council in the section meet or exceed trailblazer status. (See *Trailblazer Council Handout*)
- Ensure every council meets every deadline pertaining to *ArrowCorps⁵*.
- Help lodges run *ArrowCorps⁵* contingent meetings.
- Help councils coordinate transportation with other councils, if desired.
- Ensure the section chief and lodge advisers are promoting *ArrowCorps⁵*.
- Be familiar with and make certain that the councils are aware of the promotional website and the materials that will become available.
- Keep in constant communication, through the telephone or personal contact, with the lodge advisers.
- Provide essential information to all lodge advisers for a successful *ArrowCorps⁵* contingent. This includes information about fees, special requirements, deadlines, and attendance.
- Ensure that all the councils are planning on attending *ArrowCorps⁵*.

ArrowCorps⁵: Promotional Ideas

- Keep the website and newsletter current with announcements and updates about *ArrowCorps⁵*.
- Present articles to the council newsletter and website.
- Encourage lodge members to visit the *ArrowCorps⁵* promotional website (www.event.oa-bsa.org) and make sure a link is on your lodge website.
- Give presentations and updates at LEC meetings. Have chapters promote the event at chapter meetings.
- Distribute *ArrowCorps⁵* flyers, posters, and table tents at all lodge and chapter events.
- Train at lodge weekends about *ArrowCorps⁵*. This should be a general information training sessions (who, what, when, where, why and how).
- Show media every time the lodge is together. This includes lodge weekends such as Ordeals and Conclaves, especially during the meal times.
- Make attending *ArrowCorps⁵* be on the requirement for the lodge participation award or the best chapter award.
- Encourage lodge and chapter officers to address *ArrowCorps⁵* when they visit chapter and troop events. Get people excited!
- Keep in constant communication, through telephone or personal contact, with all chapter chiefs.
- Set the example for the rest of the lodge by making it a priority for the entire LEC to sign up first.
- Create an *ArrowCorps⁵* promotion team to go around and speak at troop meetings, campouts, camporees, roundtables, council banquets, lodge/chapter events, LEC meetings, and any other Boy Scout events in your council.
- Create an incentive for signing up for *ArrowCorps⁵* such as a free patch or t-shirt.
- Have a national committee member or section officer come and speak at a lodge event to promote *ArrowCorps⁵*.
- The means of promotion are endless. It is never too early to start promoting. Promote all year long and all the time. The more people who know about it, the more people will show up. Promote to Plan, Plan to Promote!

ArrowCorps⁵: 5@5 Attendance Program

The 5@5 Attendance Program, (5,000 Arrowmen @ ArrowCorps⁵), is designed to help councils with promotion, and provide resources for national events. Each council is expected to appoint a youth and adult contingent coordinator to work as both the promotional coordinator that works with the 5@5 program, as well as serving the council by registering all participants for ArrowCorps⁵. Some coordinators might also serve as contingent advisers, but it is not required. These contingent coordinators will be contacted by the region and section 5@5 coordinator to assist them with promotion.

It is the lodge adviser's main responsibility to ensure the September 15 paperwork with the Council Youth and adult coordinator submittal has been mailed to the national office by November 15, 2007. Once the youth and adult council coordinator has been selected, be sure they submit the \$100 deposit and registration information by February 1, 2008 to reserve your councils' spots before they have been filled. The sooner the 5@5 Representatives can get in touch with the youth and adult coordinators within each council, the sooner they can start promoting and preparing your council for the largest service project in the Order of the Arrow's history. If councils do not send in their information quickly, they may be contacted by their local representatives or section leadership to ask for that information.

We hope that every council will bring at least 15-20 members to ArrowCorps⁵, and the 5@5 program is here to help you all with this task. Many councils experience problems with leadership, transportation, how to send youth to other sites the council may not be attending, or other unforeseen problems. The 5@5 coordinators are your link to resources and information. If they don't have the answers to your questions, they will be able to find them for you. Be sure to keep in contact with your region coordinators, it is their job to assist your council in bringing as many members as possible to this once in a lifetime event.

The National Events Promotion Committee will regularly communicate information and promotional ideas and materials to each region coordinator throughout the year preceding ArrowCorps⁵. Coordinators will then pass their information down to each council. You can stay up-to-date on information through the National Events Electronic Newsletter on the event website (www.event.oa-bsa.org), and through your contingent coordinator that will stay in contact with section leadership and the 5@5 region coordinator. Sections will also be contacting these coordinators periodically, and some will have their own coordinators for sections with many councils.

ArrowCorps⁵: Travel Ideas

Touring?

Sure! This is one of the things you can do while on your way to or from your *ArrowCorps⁵* site, but it doesn't have to be dull. Make it fun and take a few extra days before or after the service week and see places in the country that you've never experienced! Be sure to start planning soon; check out AAA and other sources to see some cool things along the way.

Road trip, why not?!

There's no reason why traveling cross-country with your fellow Arrowmen shouldn't be done. Whether you're 14 and in high school or 55 and need to get out of the house, road trips can be an exciting start to your *ArrowCorps⁵* journey. It's a great bonding experience and since there is nearly a year to plan for it, you can make it happen!

...but it's a train!

Well, yeah! Trains can be one of the coolest ways to make it out to your destination this coming summer. Check out Amtrak and others to see if they offer discounts for Boy Scouts. Snack food isn't too expensive, but be sure to bring some spending cash with you. Plus, on the larger trains, there are dinner cars that usually have a wide assortment of dishes to fill you up.

Planes!

There are tons of websites available to purchase tickets to get to your destination; the trick is to look through a few of them to find the cheapest tickets. If one site says there are no more tickets available for a flight, check out the airline's own website for tickets as well to be sure. Remember, flights go up in price if purchased within a few weeks of the flight, so be sure to book them early!

Remember:

There are guidelines that need to be followed when traveling as a contingent. These range from tour permits, health forms, and following the *Guide to Safe Scouting*. You can check with your council or section leadership for further inquiries on traveling protocols. Be safe and have a great time getting to your destination!

Cities / Points of Interest:

<u>Site</u>	<u>City / Point of Interest</u>
Manti-La Sal	Salt Lake City, Utah – Great Salt Lake
Mark Twain	Branson, Missouri – World's Largest Toy Museum
George Washington and Jefferson	Washington, D.C. – Downtown Historical District / Museums
Shasta-Trinity	Redding, California – Gold Prospecting – Historical Sites
Bridger-Teton	Jackson, Wyoming – Yellowstone National Park

ArrowCorps⁵: Talking Points

When giving presentations about ArrowCorps⁵, some important points you may want to discuss are:

- ❖ What:
 - ArrowCorps⁵, pronounced (arrow core five), will be the largest service project ever undertaken by the Boy Scouts of America.
- ❖ Who:
 - Arrowmen over age 14 that meet *Philmont Height and Weight Requirements* can participate in the program at any site. *Philmont Height and Weight Requirements* will be strictly enforced due to the nature of the activities, and to ensure the safety of participants.
 - Arrowmen over age 18 can participate as staff
 - Some Arrowmen over age 16 can participate as staff in a limited capacity as Assistant Squad Leaders.
- ❖ Where/When:
 - *Mark Twain National Forest*: Missouri, June 7-14, 2008
 - *Manti-La Sal National Forest*: Utah, June 14-21, 2008
 - *George Washington & Jefferson National Forests*: Virginia, June 21-28, 2008
 - *Shasta-Trinity National Forest*: California, July 12-19, 2008
 - *Bridger-Teton National Forest*: Wyoming, July 26 - August 2, 2008
- ❖ Why:
 - This will be the largest OA service project in history, making history not only for the Boy Scouts but also with the National Forest Service.
 - A huge service will be provided to the environment, helping to preserve these national treasures for years to come.
 - The service opportunities are in some of the most beautiful and pristine wilderness in the United States
 - Recreational opportunities will be fun and adventurous
 - Service hours count toward the lodge, council, and boy scout rank advancement service requirements
 - Attending ArrowCorps⁵ is now a part of quality lodge requirements.
- ❖ How:
 - A deposit of \$100 per site should be given to your lodge contingent adviser as soon as possible
 - Councils will send in deposits and reserve spaces at all sites their members wish to attend. Contingent coordinators will receive additional information about the registration process after sending in their deposits.
 - All forms, registration materials, and promotional materials will be available on the National Events Website: <http://event.oa-bsa.org>.
 - Sign up for the National Events Email List off the event website to receive the latest national event information.

ArrowCorps⁵: What Every Arrowman Needs To Know

ArrowCorps⁵ is a once in a lifetime program. The event is the largest volunteer service effort ever undertaken by the Boy Scouts of America. A Scout's duty to country calls us all to help preserve the beauty of treasures like our national forests.

ArrowCorps⁵ will take place at five sites across the country. A highly trained Order of the Arrow and National Forest Service staff will provide a safe and healthy environment for a young man to learn about leadership, brotherhood, and service, all in an atmosphere of fun and excitement.

What Is ArrowCorps⁵? At the program's core is a major conservation service project at a national forest. Each program also includes a day dedicated to recreation, taking advantage of the unique opportunities of each site.

WHO CAN GO? Both youth and adult Arrowmen are invited to attend this event. Participants must meet the Philmont Guidelines for height and weight as shown on the ArrowCorps⁵ website (www.event.oa-bsa.org). In addition to being in good physical condition, Scouts must be at least 14 years of age by June 1, 2008.

HOW DO I SIGN UP? Each council will appoint a youth ArrowCorps⁵ contingent coordinator and adviser who will centrally organize all of the registration for Arrowmen in the lodge. Scouts and Scouters interested in attending should contact their council's coordinator or Key 3 (lodge chief, adviser, or professional staff adviser). Your council will receive a registration packet by the middle of September with registration submittals and information.

HOW MUCH IS IT? The cost for the event is \$250. The fee covers food, activities, and insurance—but not transportation. Councils should assemble and submit a \$100 non-refundable deposit per participant, per site by February 1, 2008. Remaining fees are due by May 1, 2008.

ATTENDANCE An Arrowman may sign up for as many sites as they wish on a first come, first serve basis.

TRAVEL Councils may choose to organize a contingent travel plan, travel together with other nearby councils, or arrange for individual travel plans. Of course, BSA travel policies apply. The cost of travel is not included in the site fees.

WHAT TO BRING Participants will be camping in or near a National Forest so you will need to bring your own tent and everything else you would need to be in the wilderness for a week. Once registered, participants will be sent a list of items to pack depending upon the site they are attending.

FOR MORE INFORMATION The ArrowCorps⁵ website (www.event.oa-bsa.org) will provide current information and should answer most questions.

DATES & LOCATIONS

Mark Twain National Forest
June 7-14, 2008 | Missouri

Manti-La Sal National Forest
June 14-21, 2008 | Utah

George Washington & Jefferson National Forests
June 21-28, 2008 | Virginia

Shasta-Trinity National Forest
July 12-19, 2008 | California

Bridger-Teton National Forest
July 26-August 2, 2008 | Wyoming

The Mark Twain US Forest is over 1.5 million acres of National Forest located in the southern half of Missouri. In the Mark Twain National Forest, the Cedar trees are an invasive species that is taking over the natural grasslands of the Mark Twain Forest. The 2008 *ArrowCorps⁵* project will take place in the Bateman area that lies between Springfield and Branson, Missouri. The US Forest personnel have stated that if we do not help get rid of the cedar trees in this area of the Mark Twain Forest, that in 10 years it will be a cedar forest and there will be no natural grassland left.



How will we be organized?

1000 OA members will be organized into 10 Sections. Each Section will be made up of five Crews of 20 people, and every Crew will be made up of Squads of 5 people. Councils are asked to bring squads or crews of persons 14 years or older to work in the forest. There is no ratio for adults to youth although we want a strong youth contingent from each council. Crews will consist of a crew leader with four "squads" of five people (all participants must be 14 or older, and adults are welcome). Each "squad" will consist of a "Squad Leader" with 4 other participants. Each squad will have 1 Bow Saw, 2 Loppers for small branches, 2 hand saws, and a rope.

Training

Each participant and staff member will undergo great training to help ensure that *ArrowCorps⁵* is a safe, enjoyable work environment. We will follow the Incident Command Structure and ICS 100 and 200 training will be provided for key staff. Each crew leader will receive "Conservation USA" training, and "Chain Saw Certification" will be required for those operating a chain saw.

Project Description

The main purpose of the project is to remove the invasive cedar trees that have invaded local grasslands. Processes will include work with hand-saws and chainsaws to cut down cedar trees, de-limb trees, and other work associated with the process of removing invasive species.

Recreational Opportunities

Recreation for participants and staff will include Shows, learning to fly fish, rafting the local rivers and many other activities.

The 1,413,111-acre Manti-La Sal National Forest is located in southeastern Utah. It is managed for multiple uses such as range, timber, minerals, water, wildlife, and recreation. The Forest is divided into three land areas: the Manti Division, the La Sal Division at Moab, and the La Sal Division at Monticello.



How will we be organized?

We will be divided into several divisions to make organization easier. Divisions A and B will include one BSA supervisor per division, one Forest Service supervisor per division, and three to five crews per division (with 60-100 individuals in each). Divisions C, D, and E will also include one BSA supervisor per division, one Forest Service supervisor per division, and three to five crews per division (totaling 60-100 individuals per division).

Project Description

We will be removing "Tamarisk," a deciduous or evergreen shrub or small trees growing to 1-15 m in height and forming dense thickets. We will be removing this plant species from the forest by use of a simple process: we will prune small limbs (whips), scattering those limbs, we will then cut large limbs and trunks (again scattering the limbs), we will begin marking cut stumps w/ pin flags, we will then treat those stumps with herbicide, and finally we will mark treated stumps w/ pin flags.

Recreational Opportunities

In the area around Manti La-Sal there are many high adventure opportunities available. Be sure to check out white water rafting on the Green River, canoe trips on the San Rafael River, fishing, hiking, or rappelling on your trip to or from Manti La-Sal! Trips to a local "Dinosaur" site will also be available, where you can see fossilized dinosaur footprints.

George Washington and Jefferson National Forest were administratively combined in 1995 to form the George Washington and Jefferson National Forest. The two National forests contain nearly 1.8 million acres of public land, representing one of the largest blocks of public land in the eastern United States.

The size and the location of the forest make it an excellent center for outdoor activities. The forest covers over 1.8 million acres and 140 miles along the Appalachian Mountains in northwestern Virginia and in eastern West Virginia. Most of the forest is in Virginia and within a day's drive for 54 million people.



Recreation is a key resource as hikers, picnickers and campers pursue their interest surrounded by the natural beauty of the forest. Popular water sports include swimming, fishing and boating. Many visitors enjoy the forest scenery while driving over the mountain and valley roads.

Base Camp

ArrowCorps⁵ participants and staff will be utilizing National Capital Area Council BSA Goshen Scout Reservation as base operations. Goshen is one of the largest active Boy Scout camps in America hosting over 10,000 Scouts per week in a summer camp experience. ArrowCorps⁵ participants will stay in camp style tents; eat in dining halls, and other facilities.

Project Description

Projects for the two districts are unique to its operations. The James River District will offer participants the opportunity to construct a new five-mile horseback trail system. While the Warm Springs District will require Arrowmen the chance to construct a much-needed trail from the park marina to its beach about a mile in distance, refurbish minor trails and clear campsites of invasive plant species.

Recreation & Activities

The George Washington / Jefferson National forest is located in an area that offers a wide variety of recreation opportunities. They range from white water rafting, mountain biking, horseback riding, fishing, historic Appomattox Court House, Mr. Jefferson's home "The Monticello," the Stonewall Jackson house, or just sitting around base camp telling tall tales.

The 1,413,111-acre Manti-La Sal National Forest is located in southeastern Utah. It is managed for multiple uses such as range, timber, minerals, water, wildlife, and recreation. The Forest is divided into three land areas: the Manti Division, the La Sal Division at Moab, and the La Sal Division at Monticello.



How will we be organized?

We will be divided into several divisions to make organization easier. Divisions A and B will include one BSA supervisor per division, one Forest Service supervisor per division, and three to five crews per division (with 60-100 individuals in each). Divisions C, D, and E will also include one BSA supervisor per division, one Forest Service supervisor per division, and three to five crews per division (totaling 60-100 individuals per division).

Project Description

We will be removing "Tamarisk," a deciduous or evergreen shrub or small trees growing to 1-15 m in height and forming dense thickets. We will be removing this plant species from the forest by use of a simple process: we will prune small limbs (whips), scattering those limbs, we will then cut large limbs and trunks (again scattering the limbs), we will begin marking cut stumps w/ pin flags, we will then treat those stumps with herbicide, and finally we will mark treated stumps w/ pin flags.

Recreational Opportunities

In the area around Manti La-Sal there are many high adventure opportunities available. Be sure to check out white water rafting on the Green River, canoe trips on the San Rafael River, fishing, hiking, or rappelling on your trip to or from Manti La-Sal! Trips to a local "Dinosaur" site will also be available, where you can see fossilized dinosaur footprints.

George Washington and Jefferson National Forest were administratively combined in 1995 to form the George Washington and Jefferson National Forest. The two National forests contain nearly 1.8 million acres of public land, representing one of the largest blocks of public land in the eastern United States.

The size and the location of the forest make it an excellent center for outdoor activities. The forest covers over 1.8 million acres and 140 miles along the Appalachian Mountains in northwestern Virginia and in eastern West Virginia. Most of the forest is in Virginia and within a day's drive for 54 million people.



Recreation is a key resource as hikers, picnickers and campers pursue their interest surrounded by the natural beauty of the forest. Popular water sports include swimming, fishing and boating. Many visitors enjoy the forest scenery while driving over the mountain and valley roads.

Base Camp

ArrowCorps⁵ participants and staff will be utilizing National Capital Area Council BSA Goshen Scout Reservation as base operations. Goshen is one of the largest active Boy Scout camps in America hosting over 10,000 Scouts per week in a summer camp experience. ArrowCorps⁵ participants will stay in camp style tents; eat in dining halls, and other facilities.

Project Description

Projects for the two districts are unique to its operations. The James River District will offer participants the opportunity to construct a new five-mile horseback trail system. While the Warm Springs District will require Arrowmen the chance to construct a much-needed trail from the park marina to its beach about a mile in distance, refurbish minor trails and clear campsites of invasive plant species.

Recreation & Activities

The George Washington / Jefferson National forest is located in an area that offers a wide variety of recreation opportunities. They range from white water rafting, mountain biking, horseback riding, fishing, historic Appomattox Court House, Mr. Jefferson's home "The Monticello," the Stonewall Jackson house, or just sitting around base camp telling tall tales.

It's a good thing Teddy Roosevelt had the vision and foresight to protect American forests like Shasta-Trinity — granite peaks and cliffs, canyons, glaciers, rock pinnacles, and reflective lakes offer a solitude you won't find inside any of California's sprawling cities. Here, the earth is raw and visceral; its power is palpable. As Mount Shasta looms in the distance, a plume of sulfurous smoke serves as a reminder of the awesome energy that lies hidden beneath the surface — at 14,162 feet, it is the second highest volcano in the Cascade Range.



Speak softly and carry a big stick, T.R. famously uttered — perhaps he meant a big hiking stick. Hikers can explore a labyrinth of trails that meander through the forest — more than 1,400 miles of trails carve their way through Shasta-Trinity. Those who enjoy the water can blaze their own trail on expansive Lake Shasta which offers a world-class waterskiing environment.

Project Description

The project consists of several elements of work on the Pacific Crest Trail (PCT), feeder trails to the PCT, illegal dump site clean-up, and fuel reduction. The purpose of the project is to provide much needed assistance to the national forest with trail maintenance and clean-up that otherwise would not be done. The projects require a range of abilities that should be sufficient to provide all participants with a satisfying experience, while rendering a service to the forest and future visitors.

In addition to the trail work, other projects have been identified. Two of the projects will involve the removal of illegally dumped materials in the forest, normally adjacent to accessible roads, within a five miles radius of the towns of Mt. Shasta and Weed.

Presently there are 6 crews anticipated for the week long project to clean-up the majority of the sites.

Recreation

Many recreational opportunities will be available to participants in this beautiful environment. Water activities will be available, as well as many diverse hiking trips throughout the area. More recreational opportunities will be available and released soon.

Located in Western Wyoming, the Bridger-Teton offers more than 3.4 million acres of public land for your outdoor recreation enjoyment. With its pristine watersheds, abundant wildlife and immense wildlands, the Bridger-Teton National Forest comprises a large part of the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem - the largest intact ecosystem in the lower 48 United States. Offering nearly 1.2 million acres of designated wilderness, over 30,000 miles of road and trail and thousands of miles of unspoiled rivers and streams, the Bridger-Teton offers something for everyone. We encourage you to visit this beautiful landscape and experience this unique piece of American heritage.



Project Description

About 650 participants and staff will be needed to complete about 15,000 feet of trail through the Teton Pass Trail, primarily intended for mountain bike use. The Teton Pass project will be split into three work groups. The Snowtel 1 and Snowtel 2 groups will be doing more basic trail construction where there is not a major shift in elevation. Most of the participants will be working in the Snowtel groups. The remainder of the participants will be working in the Two Towers area of the Teton Pass. This will be more intermediate trail building with some elevation shift. The work crews will be camping at the main camp in Jackson, WY. The tools that will be used at this project will be standard trail building tools: McClouds, mattocks, shovels, etc.

About 200 participants and staff will be needed to remove the 8,000 feet of the Goosewing Exclusion Fence. The fence is about ten feet high, made of sheep wire, with a string of barbed wire on top. In addition to using wire cutters, and mattocks, a special wire spooling tool will be used. The fence encloses a very large area and inhibits wildlife migration. The participants will be camped at a satellite camp.

About 80 participants and staff will be needed to remove about a quarter mile of wooden and sheep wire fence in the Dutch Joe area. The squad leaders will be leading crews of twenty participants and four crews will be needed. The fences are located in open and wooded terrain, and a great vista of the Grand Tetons dominates the open landscape. The work crews will be using wire cutters and their strong backs to move the fencing material to a central location where the Forest Service will pick it up. The crews will be camping in a remote satellite camp.

About 80 people will be needed for the Cache Cree/Granite Creek fuels reduction project. The work crews will gather and stack the wood in a prescribed way. The purpose of this work is to create a fire line between a residential area of Jackson and the National Forest.

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