

Shasta-Trinity National Forest

Participant's Final Announcements

6-29-2008

Fire Status

As of June 29, all fires are either to the west or south of the Mt. Shasta, with the closest being 30 miles away. So our area is not in danger. However, this just points out the need to be prepared – you need to be prepared for a potential change in weather as rain storms in the area are not uncommon during the summer. Also, be aware that air quality could be an issue if the wind is blowing smoke in our direction from the fires – bring that bandana.

Additionally, for those driving to the site, check when driving for update road closures – I-5 was restricted to one lane on Friday 6-27. Here's a link to the Cal Trans highway reporting web site:

<http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/roadinfo/>

Remember

Light Jacket – it can get a little cool some evenings forecast calls for mid 40's at night) during the day the forecast is showing mid 80's for the high. Remember the layering method for keeping warm – multiple layers of clothing that you can add or remove depending on how warm you are.

Two other items to remember to pack – gloves (needed for all work areas – must have) and TP (the eleventh essential)

Cooking pots

It appears that the response to our request for people to bring stoves was a success – we believe that we have sufficient stoves for one per squad. Now we need you to bring those pot – you need to heat water for you evening meal (all other meal do not require hot water). About 1 quart of water need to be heated for every 2 people (meals are from Philmont and each package feed 2 people). So if you have a 1 or 1 ½ quart pot (or larger if you want to bring it and pack it) **PLEASE BRING IT WITH YOU TO THE PROJECT.**

Bus Schedule

For those participants flying in, there will be two buses for transporting participants from the Sacramento International Airport to the Base Camp at the Ski Park near the town of Mt Shasta. The tentative bus departure times are:

Approximate 1:00 PM and 2:30 PM.

We say tentative because there is always the potential for a flight to be late or cancelled, with people coming in later than planned. So the actual departure time can vary.

There is a Starbucks & Chili's in the middle of terminal "B" and that is where you should meet the shuttle coordinator – look for a scout uniform. You will be directed from there as to where the bus will be located. SMF is a very small airport so you should not have trouble finding the Starbucks. There are only 2 terminals, "A" & "B" and it's mostly outside. Bring a book or something to help kill time as there is not much to do there. If you are the last one on the list for your shuttle, please try to get your luggage quickly so that everyone can get going.

Phone Contact Numbers:

As published in the last announcement, if you are delayed (flying or driving), or your flight is canceled and you will arrive at a different time, please notify us. The number at the Base Camp is 530-926-8613. The shuttle coordinator at the airport will be Judy Sowizdrzal, whose cell phone number is 714-401-1645

Please drive safely during your travel to the project and we will see you in about two weeks.