

## **APRIL 2010 OVERVIEW**

### **SHASTA-TRINITY BACKCOUNTRY TRAIL CREW**

#### **DAN BROWN**

Camp is up. The sound of steady rain pounding on tents all day and night and the flurry of snow as we began our first day on the New River Trail outside of Denny, California, is but a faded memory. Our gear has dried out. We are the Shasta-slaus Crew. Six young women and ten young men have travelled from all over the lower 48 to be the hardest working trail crew we can be. In doing, so we will become stronger, more confident, more gracious, more loving, and better equipped for life's trail ahead.

**WORK:** Our first assignment is in the Shasta-Trinity Wilderness along the New River Trail. Currently we have brushed, treaded and logged out the first 1.25 miles of the trail as well as all the camp setup and brushing along the road into camp. We will continue onto the East Fork, New River and Jim Jam Ridge Trails in the next four and a half weeks.

**CURRICULUM:** Orientation was a great help, providing us four whole days of trainings, classes, health and safety, and much more. Additionally, we completed First Aid and CPR Training at the Fortuna CCC Center (Thanks!) and a lot of camp and trail specific knowledge thanks to Sage Paulson.

**ODDS AND ENDS:** A big thanks goes out to all the other Backcountry Supervisors: Agnes, Roxanne, Pete, Paul, Steven, and Jen (Good luck to all of you!) Tessa came out and helped us get camp dialed in and going. Then Karlson showed up for a few days, bringing some great wisdom and advice. Thanks to both of you. Finally, thanks for the chance Phil. Hope to see you in the Stan! From outside of Denny, California, this is the Shasta-slaus crew signing out.