

Inyo CCC Backcountry Trail Crew
April 2013 Overview
Supervisor: Peter Martinez

The 2013 Inyo National Forest Backcountry Trail Crew has arrived. We met at the Placer CCC Center on Sunday, April 21st and are ready and excited to head into the wild.

The 2013 Inyo Crew is a collection of 15 members:

Ace Cassidy, Bellingham, Washington
Matt Scully, CCC Tahoe Center
Jacob McNamara, Sacramento, CA
Jake Veilleux, Ellington, CT
Megan Smedley, Phoenix, AZ
Chris Rivera, CCC Inland Empire Center
Josh Huntley, CCC Placer Center
Jessica Satterfield, Greenville, SC
Nate Wigren, Jamestown, NY
Juan Pesqueira, CCC San Diego Center
Ivan Durovchic, CCC Siskiyou Center
Chelsea Taylor, Chicago, IL
Amber Springer, Rapids, WI
Sabrina Spialek, CCC Camarillo Center
Samantha Shackelford, Milwaukee, WI

The journey of a thousand miles begins with one step. The 2013 Inyo Crew will begin their first project in the San Jacinto State Park located in Riverside County, Southern California high above the Palm Springs desert. After completing their work there, they will head north to the Inyo National Forest where they will spend the duration of the summer working in Red's Meadow and Cascade Valley.

During this week at Placer, we have covered a great amount of information; hiring paperwork, backcountry standards and expectations, AmeriCorps 101, gear distribution, member biographies, Wilderness First Aid and CPR, vehicle safety and inspection, physical training, health and safety, workers' compensation, the backcountry handbook and policies, leave no trace, EEO and violence in the workplace, sobriety, and much much more.

Thank you to Karlson Hubbard, Agnes Vianzon, the Fortuna Center, and the CCC Headquarters for all your support of the Backcountry Program.

Thank you to Rod Thornhill (Kings Canyon '80) and the Placer Center for their hospitality and support of the Backcountry Program. A special thank you to the kitchen staff for feeding us and preparing some awesome food for our orientation.

"You must be the change you wish to see in this world." -Ghandi