

STANISLAUS BACKCOUNTRY TRAIL; CREW

APRIL 2011 OVERVIEW

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Greetings from the 2011 Stanislaus Backcountry Crew. After a long month of fear and uncertainty we have managed to squeeze another season out by a hair. We all arrived safely from our week long Orientation filled with joy that we were to embark on a glorious quest.

We made sure that packs and last minute store runs were taken care of, that safety procedures were talked about and we know that it will be a hard, yet exciting time for us. We will arrive shortly at our first camp to meet John Goodwin who has over 20 plus years in the Forest Service, and was a Backcountry Corpsmember himself in 1990. The crew looks forward to learning all about trail work and life in the mountains, 16 corpsmembers and one supervisor running down a dream.

CURRICULUM: Lots of community building and early bonding moments going on. We know we need to build trust in order to belong.

ODDS AND ENDS: Thanks to Phil, Tessa, Karlson, Fortuna Staff and all the individuals that helped with the early stages of our adventure