![A group of people in a forest

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The crew studies this fine collection of leaners and hang-ups on Un Poquito Trail.

Phil heads up to check out the base of the largest dead tree in the group. Photo is

looking downhill.

People hiking in the woods

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The large hang-up had rotted off its base. It was poorly supported along its length and posed a hazard to users. Photo looking downhill. The other leaning trees were found to be stable.

![A group of people hiking in the woods

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A long rope was attached to the base of the tree. It was pulled in such a manner as to release it from its

supporting branches. Spotters monitor the trail in both directions during operations such as this.

A group of people in the woods

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The previously hung-up tree is now safely down and ready to be cut away from the trail.

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The tree in the previous photos is being cut for removal.

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This dead eight-inch diameter dead tree was down across Un Poquito trail.

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Fallen tree in previous photo has been removed from the trail.

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Those who hike Armijo Trail may be familiar with this fallen tree. It has been there for at least a year or two and although the top end had been removed creating a narrow walk-around, it still protruded into the original tread and created a possible hazard for cyclists going downhill. The crew, well-armed with the appropriate gear decided to remove it.

![A picture containing tree, outdoor, ground, person

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The crew begins the cut on the sixteen-inch diameter fallen tree on Armijo trail. The saw is being sprayed with WD-40 lubricant. This was helpful because the log was well saturated with water and the wood tended to swell as it was cut.

A group of people digging in the dirt

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After the tree was cut, it was moved into the drainage to reduce the erosion that

was occurring at this location. This action also improved the trail definition.

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After the log had been stabilized, the trail was re-benched toward the uphill side.

A group of people wearing hardhats and standing on a dirt path

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Mission accomplished… Monday’s crew, from left to right, Silke Bletzer, Jerry Pekarek, Rav

Nicholson, Byron Garner, Phil Cromer, Jenny Blackmore and Bob Lowder. Not shown –

Jamey Browning.

A group of people in the woods

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This fallen tree was located on Faulty Trail a short distance above the Armijo Junction.

A person walking on a trail in the woods

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Tree in previous photo has been removed from Faulty.

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This fallen tree on Faulty Trail was located about half-way between the Armijo and

Madera Locura junctions.

A group of people hiking in the woods

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Tree in previous photo has been removed.