

On two Thursdays, April 28 and May 5, a combined total of 19 FOSM volunteers finished FOSM's contribution to building several new trails in the Placitas Trail System. Other groups who helped with the endeavor included the Placitas Area Trail Association (PATA), Albuquerque Mountain Bike Association (AMBA) and the Rocky Mountain Youth Corps (RMYC). Russell Berman, SRD Trails Foreman, joined on both Thursdays. In addition, on April 28th two members of the SRD Trail Crew worked on the west side of the NxNW Trail while the FOSM crew built trail farther east (and joined the SRD folks at the end of the day to connect the west trail with NxNW). One SRD crew member (Jon) worked with FOSM on May 5. Both days were sunny and dry, with dusty trail conditions. Temps on April 28 were warm but not unbearable. Cinco de Mayo temps were very pleasant.

April 28th - 9 FOSM volunteers: Claudia Bergsohn, David Bernstein, Jenny Blackmore, Luis Cuadros, Byron Garner, Jeff Huser, Tony Pachelli, Eric Russell and Roland Stumpf.

May 5th - 10 FOSM volunteers: David Bernstein, Jenny Blackmore, Sim Cook, Luis Cuadros, Byron Garner, Jim Houle, Tony Pachelli, Steve Roholt, Eric Russell and Roland Stumpf.

Photos by Jenny Blackmore unless otherwise noted.

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Drought or no, it looks like the yucca will bloom!

Photo by Luis Cuadros



New FOSM member
Tony Pachelli!



Luis goes after some grass
(Roland, Jeff)



David goes after some
prickly pear



Claudia chases the shade



Eric and SRD crew member Araceli start work on a NxNW connection



Jim, Tony, David



Roland, David, Steve, Tony



Photo by Tony Pachelli

Eric, Steve and Jenny do some finish-work



Photos by Luis Cuadros

While most of the crew finished building the east end of a new trail in the north part of the Placitas area, Byron, Luis and Sim connected its west end with NxNW



Some before & after





Photo by Jon Monte-Parker

The May 5th final-day crew

Back: Sim, Jim, Byron, Russell, Roland, Eric, David

Front: Steve, Jenny, Luis, Tony