

On Tuesday, November 21, 2023, five FOSM volunteers joined five USFS employees to work on the Challenge Trail near the Tree Springs Trail intersection that had been thinned by a contractor for the USFS. We cleared shredded timber off the trail, re-benched sections of trail, improved drainage, scattered piled up tree limbs, and generally rehabbed 0.3 miles of the trail in the thinned area. There's more to do but despite working in snow and the cold it was a productive day. There was no wildlife sighted but there were turkey tracks in the snow. Festive. It was cold but the sun and lack of wind made it a pretty nice day.

The volunteers were Sim Cook, Luis Cuadros, Cliff Giles, Eric Russell, and Roland Stumpf, led by the SRD Trails Foreman, Jen Medina-Gray.

Photos by Jen Medina-Gray



Roland Benching Trail



Luis and Sim Benching Trail



Cliff Clearing Chips off the Trail – Note the big pile of chips behind Cliff. That's Eric in the background.



The Trails Foreman, Jen, clearing a switchback somewhere under all the debris.
Photo by Eric