

## CATIP Trail Work Report, June 20, 2019

On Thursday, June 20, nine volunteers worked with USFS Kerry Wood and Canyon Young to extend the trail TC-06 westward in the Cienega/Armijo Trails Improvement Project (CATIP).

This has been a many-session effort as the FOSM crew works through rocky and brushy terrain. Today was pretty rocky but we still completed a surprising 0.18 miles of new trail tread, or 950 feet. (The distance expressed in miles sounds more impressive) Trees were yanked out and a lot of rock was tossed to the side of the new trail. But the resulting trail is another really nice addition.

The rock bar was in demand today. The following trail looks like it inclines up and there is a lot of more rock to remove. Ahh, job security.



**Picks were the tool of the day**



The volunteer crew consisted of Byron Gardner, Claudia Bergsohn, Jim Houle, Mark Grazier, Jenny Blackmore, Phil Cromer, Roland Stumpf, Bruce Hansche, and Eric Russell. The USFS personnel there today were Kerry Wood and Canyon Young.

The weather was fine, but it got hot in the afternoon. Maybe I am not used to the heat yet but I noticeably wilted after lunch.

Jim Houle graciously allowed us to park at his house. The hike out has increased to right at 1 mile.

Many thanks to Jenny for the lovely photos.

**The Crew hacking away at the new tread**

**Before: Rocks, trees, more rocks.**



**After: Nice tread going through an oak grove**

**Blooming prickly pear cactus**

