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Tips And Techniques For Using Crusher Fines Surfacing For Trails

Crusher fines is a finely-crushed stone mix that is often the byproduct of gravel operations. Crushed stone trails provide a user-friendly, all-season surface for all types and ages of visitors, including strollers, wheelchairs, and road bikes. If built properly crushed stone trails can meet the specification for a “firm and stable” surface as defined in current federal guidelines for accessible trails.

Read more...

National Recreation Trails

NRTs to visit this spring

Spring is in the air, and it is the perfect time to explore nature and view wildlife on our nation’s National Recreation Trails.

Read more...

NRT Ambassador Program

Be a trail volunteer!

We are seeking motivated volunteer Trail Ambassadors that are willing to visit as many of the National Recreation Trails in their region as possible to gather data and identify issues on these great trails.

Read more...

Featured Recreational Trails Project

Premier Health Atrium Medical Center Bike Park, Lebanon, Ohio

Join our Facebook Group!

Trail Workers of America
In 2016 the city of Lebanon, Ohio was awarded $150,000 in Recreational Trails Program funds to create a state of the art bike park. 
Read more...

If you are a trail worker or volunteer, join our Facebook group "Trail Workers of America" to connect, ask questions, share your experiences, and more. Read more...

Trail News and Notes

- **New Mexico gets a new OREC office with a diverse twist** - Read more
- **The World Trails Network needs you to complete this survey** - Read more
- **Hatfield-McCoy trail continues economic growth** - Read more
- **Alabama horse trail enthusiasts will soon have 900 more acres to explore** - Read more

2020 Funding Action Alert!

FY20 appropriations is in full swing. National, state, and local organizations, including both motorized and non-motorized trail users, have joined together in developing a funding request to benefit all trail users. Federal funding of our trails is critical in maintaining access and preserving our trails. It's important for Congress to hear from the trail community as a whole on the importance of trail funding. Please consider joining the cause by completing the google form here.

Resources and Training

**Landowners Relations Manual**
This manual explains the duties of the Landowner Relations Director for the Bruce Trail and suggests some of the best and most effective ways to carry them out. A Landowner Relations Director is fundamental to the success of securing a permanent corridor for the Trail. Learn more...

**Trail Tools: Grubbing and Raking**
These are the most commonly used Grubbing and Raking Tools with tips on using them safely and effectively. Learn more...

American Trails website resources
Check out our volunteer portal for the latest available volunteer opportunities, and our training calendar for upcoming conferences and events.

Featured Trail Industry Manufacturer: Greenfields Outdoor Fitness
Greenfields Outdoor Fitness is a leading provider of outdoor exercise equipment to public parks, schools, the U.S. military, and numerous other entities. By enabling users to work against their own body mass, the fitness equipment can be used by almost anyone, regardless of ability or fitness level. All exercise units are virtually maintenance-free and require no lubrication. Learn more about this company in the American Trails Online Business Directory...

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**TRAIL Jobs**

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**International Trails Symposium News**

Final 5% exhibitor discount ends March 28
This is the last discount offered for sponsors and exhibitors. Learn more here.

Workshop registration ends March 30
Confirm your spot in one or more of our offsite workshops. Check out the list of workshops here.

Hotel block cut-off date is March 28
The cut-off date for our block of rooms at the Crowne Plaza Syracuse ($131/night) ends Thursday. Make your reservation online here.

Volunteer onsite and receive a free TRAIL BOSS shirt!
We are still in need of volunteers in the following areas: exhibit hall setup and breakdown, room hosts, registration assistants, and breakfast ticket takers. View all of the volunteer time slots and sign up here.

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