We need your help for 2013 trail work.
Projects and crew leaders are set up for:

Thursdays: Seven Bridges: May 30   June 13, 27   July 11, 25
                Barr Trail: August 8
                Maintenance Hikes: August 22   September 5, 19

Saturdays: Barr Trail: May 11   June 8, 22   August 10   September 7
                South Slope: July 13
                Elk Park Knoll: July 27
                Crags to Summit: August 24

We furnish the tools — and snacks.
Volunteer.
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Sign up by going to www.fotp.com
and clicking on Events/Projects

    As you can see, our 2013 projects start soon. Check your calendar and interests, and consider volunteering. Our web site notes some project highlights and you can register. We hope you will join us on a project or two this summer.

    We also hope you will provide to the Forest Service your comments on the proposal for the Bear Creek watershed.

    As you may know, Bear Creek is home to greenback cutthroat trout, a unique population. To protect the trout, U.S. Forest Service is considering closing and rerouting trails in the Bear Creek watershed. Forest Service is taking comments on the proposal. Affected trails include Bear Creek, Buckhorn, Pipeline, Forester, and others. Access to Mounts Arthur and Garfield and to Jones Park and other areas would be prohibited, as the plan is to prohibit public access in the Bear Creek watershed except on designated routes. The assessment and maps of the current and proposed trails are available on the USFS page on Bear Creek. You can email your comments to the Forest Service at bcc@fs.fed.us. All comments are due by April 30. From the home page of our web site, you can find our comments. Please do not directly copy text, even if you share the same concerns, as Forest Service will take individual comments more seriously.

    As for Friends of the Peak, we are concerned about preserving the trout, but also about preserving historic trails and recreational access. We hope the land manager will balance these concerns.

Carol Beckman, FOTP President