

Kingsbury trail being improved for variety of users



Crews work on a multi-use trail in Stateline.
Photo/Provided

A six-member U.S. Forest Service trail crew has been busy reconstructing the Kingsbury Stinger Trail on lower Kingsbury Grade.

The upgraded trail will remain open to off-highway vehicles 50-inches wide (or less) including all-terrain vehicles and motorcycles, and non-motorized recreation use such as mountain bikes, hikers and equestrians.

The existing route is located in a sensitive drainage area that has many steep, eroded trails, which affects water quality and degrades the natural habitat. Nearly 3-miles long, the trail descends 1,300 feet and is very difficult for OHV and mountain bike users due to the exceptionally steep grades and deeply rutted surface. The realigned trail runs approximately 4.5 miles, with the same 1,300-foot elevation change. It will twist through stands of large trees and boulders and provide views of Lake Tahoe.

The upgraded trail is expected to be completed by the summer 2016.

The proposed action and a map of the project area are available **online**.