

USFS looking for wilderness volunteers

Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit is looking for hard-working, dedicated volunteers who love working outdoors, educating wilderness visitors, performing monitoring or administrative duties and are interested in preserving Desolation Wilderness.

There will be an informational open house on March 15, 5-7pm and March 17, 9:30-11:30am at the USFS office, 35 College Drive, South Lake Tahoe. The open houses will include information about volunteer opportunities, training, minimum requirements and how volunteer help is important to the preservation of Desolation Wilderness.

Volunteers work closely with Forest Service wilderness staff and can choose from a variety of projects including visitor education, wilderness staff support for office and field projects, back-country trail maintenance, campsite restoration and wilderness character monitoring. Field projects involve hiking in moderate to difficult terrain and require an appropriate level of physical ability. Volunteers should be able to commit to a minimum of seven days for the summer season and must be age 18 or older. Additional information is available **online**.

Selected candidates will be required to attend a volunteer training workshop May 19-20 in Pollock Pines.

For more information, contact Don Lane at 530.543.2621 or Bob Becker at 530.543.2688.