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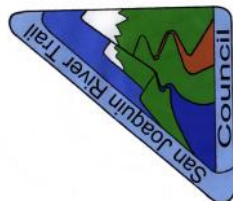
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# SAN JOAQUIN RIVER TRAIL



Connects to the Pacific Crest Trail near  
Devil's Postpile National Monument



Begins at Friant, near the  
San Joaquin River Parkway

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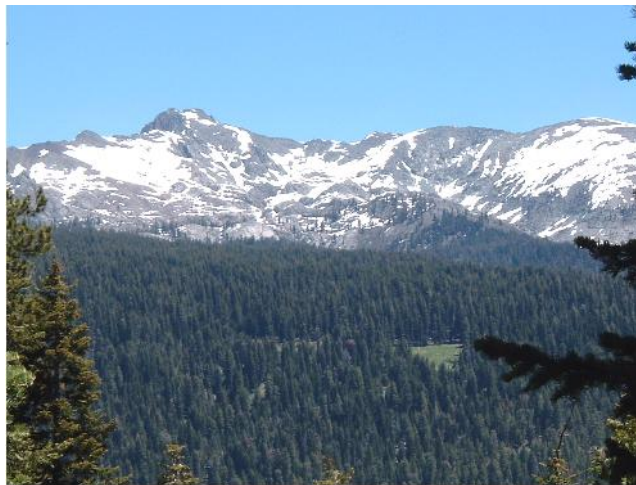
## What & Where is the San Joaquin River Trail?

The San Joaquin River Trail (SJRT) is a combination of existing trails, old trails to be reconstructed and new trails to be constructed. When completed the SJRT will run from Friant Dam to join the Pacific Crest Trail in the High Sierras near Devils Postpile National Monument, a distance of over 100 miles and an elevation gain of 10,000 feet.

The SJRT will run across lands administered by the California Department of Parks and Recreation, Bureau of Reclamation, County of Fresno, Bureau of Land Management and the Sierra National Forest. Each agency's rules apply within their boundaries.

The SJRT follows the San Joaquin River and parallels or follows various historic trails. Notably the Mono Indians used the approximate route to cross the High Sierras to trade and gather obsidian. The French Trail, which started near the Hogue Apple Ranch north of North Fork, followed the natural terrain the Mono Indians used and blazed a pack trail to carry supplies to the gold miners in the Mammoth Lakes area.

The SJRT is being constructed and connected by the San Joaquin River Trail Council for hiking, mountain biking and equestrian use.



## What is the San Joaquin River Trail Council?

The San Joaquin River Trail Council is a group of organizations with an interest in the Trail. Each member organization donates some operating funds and sends a delegate, who is allowed one vote on issues before the Council.

The Council's objective is the construction and maintenance of the SJRT. It does this by promoting recognition by the managing agencies and general public, seeking construction and maintenance funding, and organizing the volunteer labor for construction and maintenance of the SJRT.

Some contracting for construction is necessary in special instances. Some material purchases, equipment rental, etc., may also be necessary. Money will be solicited by the Council through grants, donation and fund raisers.

## Sierra Nevada Geotourism

The SJRT is featured as a National Geographic Geotourism Destination. Under NGS's Geotourism standards, a destination must also exhibit key values such as natural, educational, scientific, cultural, and/or historic attributes. Additionally, destinations such as the SJRT inspire the individuals to engage in authentic experiences in which they will want to contribute to the preservation of the environment and enhancement of communities that they visit. It is hoped that those who experience the SJRT come away feeling spiritually uplifted and invigorated while at the same time gaining a sense of place and belonging. Experiencing the SJRT is its own invaluable reward in which the human soul aspires.

## Volunteers: We need you!

Much of the Trail construction will be done by volunteers. You are the backbone of the Council for construction, maintenance, and are eagerly sought for trail work and other activities.



## Trail Construction and Maintenance

- Contact us for our schedule of work days.
- Days are from 7:30 am to 5:30 pm, and are physically strenuous, consist of cutting brush with sharp cutting tools and building the Trail by digging with shovels and grubbing tools. All tools will be supplied.
- Travel time of 1/2 to 2 hours one way is typical. A donation of 3¢/mile is asked from each rider for the driver's gas and vehicle expenses. Since we are all volunteers, sharing of expenses to and from the destination is expected.
- Wear long pants, a long sleeved shirt, work gloves, boots with at least 6" tops (no low tennis or running shoes), a water canteen and a good lunch with some snacks. Hard hats are required to be worn and tools will be furnished. You may wish to bring your own hard hat if you have one.
- Please note that no alcohol will be allowed during or prior to work hours.

Check our website and Facebook page for additional volunteer opportunities and events!