

Description of Mokelumne Wilderness Volunteer Service:

All program of work (activities/projects) must be approved by the U.S. Forest Service PRIOR to Mokelumne Wilderness Volunteers (hereafter referred as MWV) commencing any activity.

MWV's will conduct and perform trail maintenance, campsite monitoring, group encounter monitoring, front desk assistance and other administrative duties as required, resource monitoring surveys, informational and educational outreach, restoration activities, perform compliance checks, make public contacts in the field, adopt-a-lake, adopt-a-trail, backcountry naturalist, trailhead naturalist and other activities as assigned by the USFS.

MWV are in official duty status when they arrive at the project/activity location. Volunteers are out of official duty status when they leave the project/activity location. While driving to and returning from the activity/project location, Volunteers are off duty.

If volunteers are spending the night in the field, their volunteer work ends when they are in camp for the night and starts again when they leave camp in the morning.

All MWV's must read and sign off on appropriate Risk Analysis (RA) prior to working as a Volunteer on projects or activities. At a minimum, Volunteers will sign the RA's upon receipt at the General Volunteer Training.

MWV's will provide information and educational materials to Wilderness Visitors upon request.

MWV's will assist, only when authorized, in emergency first aid and search & rescue operations, and then only at the level of certification of the volunteer.

MWV's between the ages of 14 – 18 years of age must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian that is a current Desolation Wilderness Volunteer.

MWV's will not receive any compensation for any activity performed.

Sometimes the MWV program may not be a good fit on one side or the other. Either the USFS or the MWV may cancel the Voluntary agreement at any time by notifying the other party.