

COVID-19 TRAILWORK PRACTICES



COMMITTING TO A SAFER OUTDOOR EXPERIENCE. TOGETHER, WE CAN!

- Anyone showing COVID-19 symptoms will be kept completely off the work site. Any person experiencing symptoms is encouraged to stay home in isolation or quarantine as per CDC recommendations. Where and when available, get tested for the virus, and if positive, follow the recommendations.
- We encourage proper respiratory etiquette, including covering coughs and sneezes with the inside/elbow of the arm and away from people, or in a tissue to be immediately discarded, and avoid touching the face. Follow the most updated CDC or WHO guidelines for mask-wearing in your area. Currently in the US, non-medical grade face coverings (homemade masks, bandana masks, etc) are recommended when in any public place or near people whose COVID status is unknown.
- Utilize frequent and thorough hand washing, especially before and after meals, touching your face or after sneezing, coughing. All worksites should include alcohol-based hand rubs containing at least 60% alcohol.
- Wear proper personal protective equipment (PPE) such as gloves and safety glasses whenever feasible. Assign tools and equipment to a specific user for the day. This includes hand tools, machines, tool-specific PPE, electronics (iPads, GPS, radios) etc. Do not share equipment, including hand tools, chain saws, mechanized equipment or work site items such as electronic equipment, PPE, coolers, water containers, etc. Any tool that is shared must be disinfected prior to use.
- Practice social distancing by keeping 6' OR MORE away from others.
- Conduct meetings, planning and discussions over the phone/video whenever feasible. If in-person contact is required, be sure to continue physical distancing of 6 or more feet and make every effort to meet outside.
- Prior to project commencement, supervisors should communicate with every crew member about possible interactions with infected people, steps to take if they start feeling ill and remind them of proper protection and spread prevention.
- Carpooling is discouraged to/from or within the worksite, ensure distancing, and encourage workers to provide their own transportation where possible. Walking or biking to location is always highly recommended!
- Request additional/increased sanitation (disinfecting) of any portable toilets or provide a sanitation plan following each use.
- At the end of each day, each volunteer should be responsible for properly cleaning and returning their tool(s) and equipment to the storage area.
- Provide equipment and a designated time period on the clock for cleaning. Wipe down trucks, tools and equipment with disinfectant wipes, daily or more often, especially prior to and after a new worker utilizes the equipment. Give special attention to door handles, control knobs, steering wheels, gear shifters, keys and any other commonly touched surfaces. Use aerosol sanitizers in enclosed cabs.
- Sanitize reusable PPE as per manufacturer's recommendation prior to each use, and ensure non-reusable PPE is disposed of properly.

RESOURCES: <https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/covid-19/> | <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html>