



The North Cascades are Calling !



STEHEKIN VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Experience the North Cascades, meet interesting people and contribute to the wellbeing of North Cascades National Park. Listed below are examples of projects, scheduled for 2008, that we need your time, thought and energy to complete.

Volunteers will arrive in Stehekin via boat (commercial or Park Service) or may choose to hike into the valley on their own. While here, volunteers will be provided rustic accommodations in an NPS administrative campground facility with amenities such as a refrigerator / cooking facilities and restroom and will have access to bicycles for transportation in the valley when not working. You'll work for 2.5 days (friday-sunday) and be invited to stay in the valley at the NPS administrative camping facility while you play and explore on this side of the park (monday and tuesday). Most of the Stehekin project teams will have size limits so please sign up early to help the NPS staff plan and to guarantee your chance to experience this exceptional place.

**To inquire about or sign up for projects in Stehekin please contact Vicki Gempko: Vicki_Gempko@nps.gov, 360-854-7365 ext 17
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Stehekin Projects:

Campground Spring Cleaning. June 13-16

Improve Campgrounds by leveling tables, renovating tent pads and installing new fire grates. Clean, paint and re-label fire hydrant boxes.

Native Plant Restoration Work. June 20-25, July 18-23, Aug 15-20, Sept 12-17, 4-7 people (4 separate sessions)

Help the Resource Management staff to collect native seed for revegetation projects, collect and identify native plants to create a herbarium, remove weeds and work in the historic Buckner Orchard.

Park Building Spring Cleaning: June 20-23, 3-4people

Work with NPS maintenance staff to protect structures by clearing around building foundations, removing and stacking brush. This will help reduce the fuel load and keep pests from the buildings.

High Bridge Camp Shelter Roof Repair: July 4-6 3 people

Help protect the historic Shelter at High Bridge Camp. Volunteers will work with Park Service maintenance employees to replace damaged roof frame materials and cedar shingle and shakes.

Bridge Creek Cabin Stove Pipe Replacement: July 18-21 2 people

Volunteers will get to work with Park Service maintenance employees to replace the stovepipe on this Historic Ranger Cabin. Volunteers must be able to hike the 3 miles from the trailhead to the Bridge Creek Cabin

Orchard Tractor Shed: Sept 26-29 6 people

Help replace an important Buckner Orchard structure. The tractor shed collapsed under the snow last winter. Work includes demolition of the building remains, salvage of reusable materials and preparation for construction of the new shed.

This list will be updated so later this spring and summer go to <http://www.nps.gov/noca/> to see additional volunteer opportunities.

Thank you for answering the call from the North Cascades!