## **Carson Valley Trails Association**

## 2024 Trail Operations Overview and 2025 Trail Work Plan

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# Carson Valley Trails Overview-2024

#### 2024 Bently Heritage Trail System Overview

- 1) Additional t-posts were placed on the last boardwalk to limit movement and damage during flood events.
- 2) Routine brush clearing was completed on the entire trail.



Brushing

#### 2025 Bently Heritage Trail System Work Plan

✓ Brushing and boardwalk maintenance.

#### **2024 Clear Creek Trail System Overview**

1) Routine trail maintenance including rock/root removal, widening, drainage and brushing was completed on all 30 miles of the trail system.



Tread widening-Lower Clear Creek Trail



Rock removal-Clear Creek Trail



Rock removal-Jacks Valley Loop



Root removal-Clear Creek Trail



Root removal-Clear Creek Trail

Slickrock removal-Clear Creek Trail



Trail widening-Clear Creek Connector

Trail widening-Clear Creek Trail



Trail widening-Clear Creek Trail/Jacks Valley Loop



Rock removal-Clear Creek Trail/JV Loop

Rock removal-Jacks Valley Loop

2) Waterbars were cleaned out on the old road above the Jacks Valley Road TH to prevent damage to the trailhead area and IVGID sewer line.



Drainage maintenance

3) The creek crossing below Jacks Valley Overlook had additional willows and roots removed to prevent ponding and trail damage. Rock steps were placed for hikers during higher flow.



Willow root removal



Willow root removal

4) Twelve fallen trees were removed from the Clear Creek Trail and Clear Creek Connector.



Clear Creek Trail-Before and after



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Clear Creek Trail-Before and after



Clear Creek Trail-Before and after



Clear Creek Connector-Before and after



Clear Creek Trail

5) Sheep damage across the lower Clear Creek Trail, Jacks Valley Loop and James Lee Loops occurred. Repairs included slough removal, trail widening and rebuilding of rocks supports where the outside edge and backslope were damaged. Thousands of rocks, cobble and vegetation debris were removed.



6) A climbing turn was improved above Clear Creek Junction for better flow and sight.



Climbing turn improved

7) Thousands of encroaching sagebrush was removed across thirteen miles of the Jacks Valley Loop, James Lee Loops and lower Clear Creek Trail.



Lower Clear Creek Trail/Jacks Valley Loop-Before and after

8) Both approaches into a drainage on the James Lee Loops were widened to improved sightline and flow.



Trail widened

9) An approach into a drainage on the Clear Creek Connector was widened for better sightline and brush removed.



Trail widened

10) Uphill NDOT drainage improvements allowed for a realignment on the Clear Creek Connector that provides a more direct route, less elevation gain and a gentler grade.



Trail realignment

11) A section of the Clear Creek Trail was armored with rocks to better support the trail on a steep hillside.



Rock armoring



Rock armoring

12) A narrow and rocky section of trail was widened, rocks chiseled out and grade reduced for easier and safer trail flow.



Tread widening and rock removal

13) Three short trail sections were slightly realigned to bypass exposed boulders, improve sightlines, and better avoid snowbanks.



Realignment before and after



Realignment below boulders

#### **2025 Clear Creek Trail System Work Plan**

- ✓ Brushing, drainage and tread work maintenance.
- ✓ A proposed roadway expansion may require a realignment of a few hundred yards on the Clear Creek Trail.

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#### 2024 Fay-Luther/Jobs Peak Ranch Trail System Overview

1) Brushing, rock removal and drainage maintenance occurred throughout the trail system.



Rocks removed-Bitter Cherry Trail



Rocks removed-Interpretive Loop



Rocks removed-FLJPR Trail



Rock chiseling and benching-Appaloosa Trail

2) Eleven fallen trees were removed from the trail system.



Fay-Luther/Jobs Peak Ranch Trail-Before and after



**Grand View Loop** 



Interpretive Loop before



Interpretive Loop after



Fay-Luther/Jobs Peak Ranch Trail before



Fay-Luther/Jobs Peak Ranch Trail after



Fay-Luther/Jobs Peak Ranch Trail



Jeffrey Pine Trail-Before and after



Fay-Luther/Jobs Peak Ranch Trail-Before and after



Interpretive Loop after

3) The first 0.9 mile of the Fay-Luther/Jobs Peak Ranch Trail above the Jobs Peak Ranch Trailhead was realigned to move further away from all homes, provide a sustainable alignment with less maintenance, and create a more enjoyable trail experience with interesting rock features and varied directional views.



Trail realignment



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Trail realignment

4) Riparian areas along the Fay-Luther/Jobs Peak Ranch Trail and Valley View Loop were brushed out.



Riparian areas brushed out

5) Routine brushing occurred througout the entire trail system.



Brushing-Fay-Luther/JPR Trail

#### 2025 Fay-Luther/Jobs Peak Ranch Trail System Work Plan

- ✓ Brushing, tread and drainage work maintenance.
- ✓ An additional realignment option will occur on the Fay-Luther/Jobs Peak Ranch Trail.

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#### 2024 Genoa Trail System Overview

1) Ten fallen trees were removed from the trail system.



Sierra Canyon Trail/Eagle Ridge Loop-Before and after



Eagle Ridge Loop-Before and after



Sierra Canyon Trail-Before and after



Genoa Loop-Before and after



Sierra Canyon Trail-Before and after



Genoa Loop-Before and after



Genoa Loop-Before and after

2) General maintenance on the entire trail system, including removal of rock, branches, cones and slough.



Rockfall removal

3) The east approach into South Fork Genoa Creek was widened for better trail flow and safety.



Trail widening-Before and after

4) A short section of trail was widened and sightline improved in lower Genoa Canyon.



Trail widening-Before and after

5) Approximately 700 feet of trail was widened midway on the Sierra Canyon Trail.



Trail widening

6) Heavy brush removal occurred on the upper two miles of the Sierra Canyon Trail.



Brushing

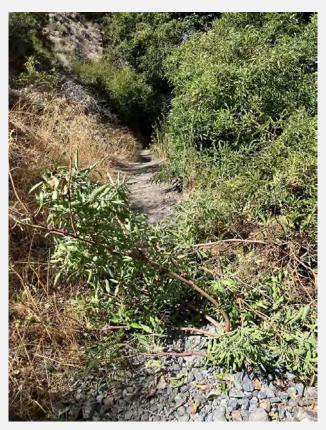


Brushing before and after

7) Nettles were removed in lower Genoa Canyon, roses removed from lower Sierra Canyon, and willows and roses removed from two areas above Eagle Ridge Trailhead.



Willows and roses removed



Willows and roses removed

- 8) Heavy brush removal occurred on the lower 1.8 miles of the Sierra Canyon Trail.
- 9) A short realignment occurred on the Genoa Loop to avoid a large, exposed boulder.



Genoa Loop

10) The Eagle Ridge Trailhead had brush and cones removed from in and around the parking area and drainages cleared out.



Drainage improved

#### 2025 Genoa Trail System Work Plan

- ✓ Tread maintenance, brushing, slough and rock cleanup maintenance.
- ✓ Additional rock extraction will occur on the entire trail system.

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#### 2024 River Fork Ranch Trail System Overview

1) The East Brockliss Loop was brushed out and directional arrows replaced.



New directional arrows

## 2025 River Fork Ranch Trail System Overview

✓ Routine brushing and tread repair.

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## **2024 Pinyon Trail System Overview**

1) Three fallen trees removed from the trail.



Tree removed

2) Routine rock removal, brushing and tread maintenance was completed.



Rock removal before and after



Rock removal before and after



Brush removal

3) Branches were cut back where needed to improve sightlines.



Branch limbing before and after

## 2025 Pinyon Trail Work Plan

✓ Brushing and tread maintenance.

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