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Humboldt-Toiyabe Highlights Friends of Nevada Wilderness 2007 Partnership Accomplishments and Provides Link to This Summer's Many Volunteer Opportunities

Sparks, Nevada...Friends of Nevada Wilderness, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, officially partnered with the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest in 2006 to provide volunteers for wilderness projects that would not have occurred without their dedication and commitment. Such important partnerships also help communities across Nevada to gain awareness and appreciation of these congressionally designated special places. In 2007, the following impressive tallies from Friends of Nevada Wilderness for 7 of the Forest's 23 Wilderness areas speak for themselves:



High Schells – S. Fork Berry Creek



Volunteers at Hendry's Creek

- Completed 31 restoration and monitoring projects, such as identifying, restoring and monitoring illegal vehicle intrusions, identifying and removing invasive weeds, minimizing un-established trails, and performing trail safety maintenance;
- Recruited 95 new volunteers;
- Provided 1,582 volunteer hours; and,
- Supplied \$23,730 of in-kind labor.

Friends of Nevada Wilderness have scheduled many exciting volunteer opportunities in some of the Humboldt-Toiyabe's special places for this summer. Visit their web site to view the upcoming schedule, locate contacts to make for trip arrangements, read all about their 2007 achievements, and more at http://nevadawild.blogspot.com/. Angie Dykema is the Friends of Nevada Wilderness Forest Project Coordinator, and can be reached at 775-324-7667 or e-mailed at angie@nevadawilderness.org.

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Volunteers removing thistle along trail