## Mid-Summer Volcano Work Party

(Saturday, July 12, 2008)

**NOTE:** The Location of this Event has been Changed to Northwest side of the Volcano Due to Record Snowpack and Lack of Access to Road 99 & Windy Ridge



Help repair storm damaged trails & protect North America's most accessible active volcano!

**What?:** Volunteers are needed to help clear winter debris, clear brush and repair trails and facilities in the 1980 blast zone northwest of the volcano. Efforts will focus on trails in the vicinity of the Johnston Ridge Observatory (JRO) and Coldwater Lake.

**When?:** Registration will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday morning and the work party will continue until 3:30 p.m. Following the work party, there will be a Mount St. Helens Institute volunteer and member appreciation potluck and barbecue (bring a potluck dish to share). Volunteers and MSHI members are invited to camp out with us on Saturday night, and join us for an optional geologist guided tour of the Boundary Trail east of JRO on Sunday, July 13th (8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.) The Sunday guided tour and hike will start at 8:30 a.m. on July 13<sup>th</sup> at Boundary Trailhead.

**Where?:** For the Saturday morning work party and Sunday hike, meet at the Boundary Trailhead located in the NE corner of the Johnston Ridge Observatory parking lot (this is far left corner of the parking lot from where you drive in). To find Johnston Ridge head east on State Route 504 from Interstate 5 and follow the signs east all the way to the end of the road. See <u>Monument Recreation</u> <u>Map</u>

**Who?:** Students, community groups, businesses, and volcano enthusiasts of all ages are needed to come out and join in the fun! Please bring a sack lunch, water bottle(s), work gloves and wear sturdy hiking or work boots. Please come dressed for warm/dusty or cool/wet mountain weather.

How?: The Mount St. Helens Institute (MSHI) is partnering with the Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument to organize this event. Please reply using our Online RSVP Form so we know you are planning to attend. Completing this brief form will help us best prepare for and coordinate each event. Volunteers are welcome to show up and register on the morning of each event.

**What's Next?:** The **Mount St. Helens Institute** will be hosting a variety of trail and facility repair projects, noxious weed pulls and other fun volunteer projects this spring and summer. For further information visit our website <u>www.mshinstitute.org</u>, email us at <u>info@mshinstitute.org</u> or call (360) 449-7887





