

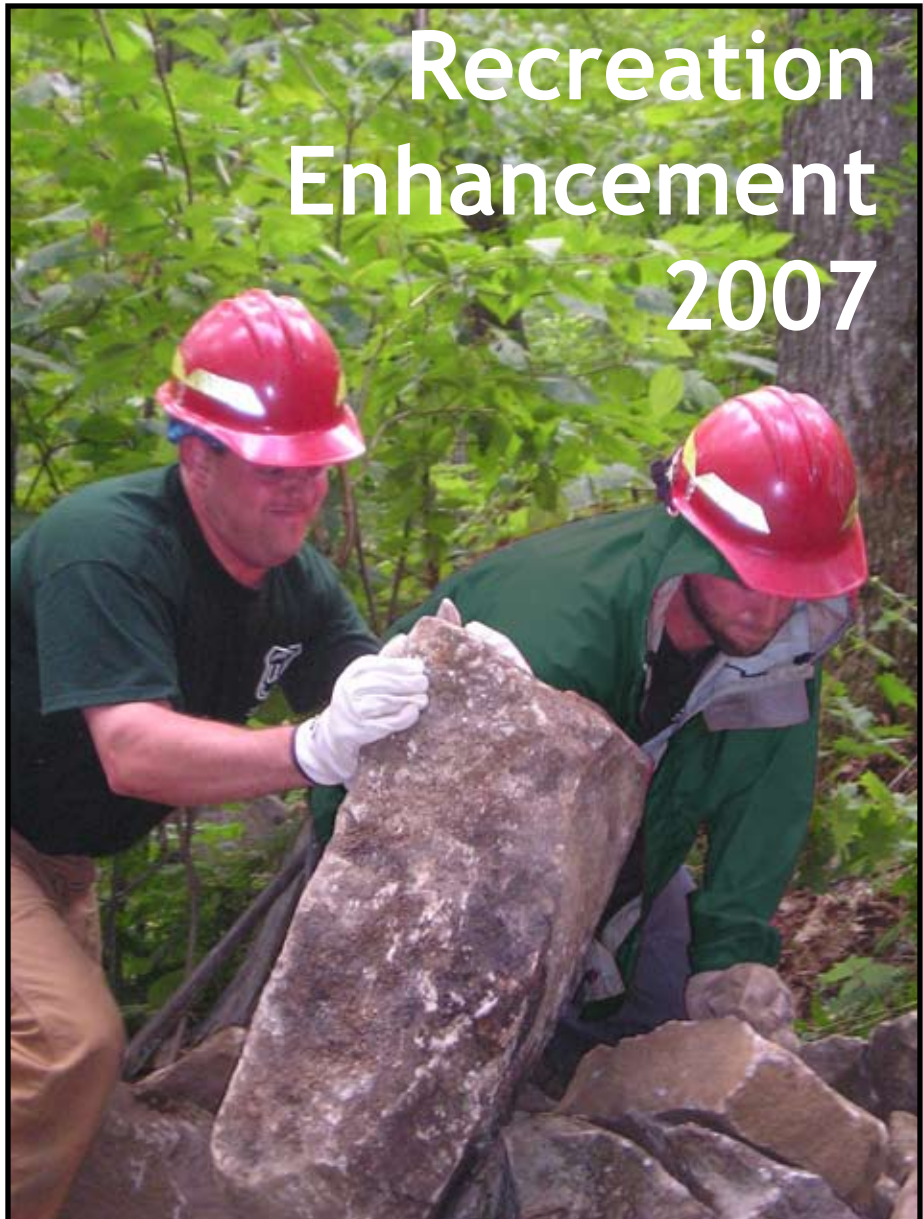
White Mountain National Forest



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Recreation
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Your Forest, Your Support —

Recreation on the White Mountain National Forest means something different to each of us. Providing a variety of experience opportunities is one of the reasons the National Forest exists. No matter your choice of activity—a walk along a gentle forest path, a lengthy backcountry hike, or picnicking in a pavilion built by the Civilian Conservation Corps — you'll find your recreation fee dollars at work.



Lower Falls, a popular swimming and picnicking area on the Kancamagus Scenic Byway.

Cars fill the parking lot at Glen Ellis Falls on the Androscoggin Ranger District.



Making the Experience Memorable!

People come to the White Mountain National Forest for many reasons; some come from a great distance, others are “just next door.” We strive to meet the needs of everyone that we meet and greet, either at a visitor center or in the woods. This year we were able to accomplish the following with your support:



- Ensured that a welcoming face was available to answer your questions at Forest Service visitor information centers. Almost 100,000 visitors were served.
- Information specialists provided wildlife and hikeSafe programs as well as recreation information at numerous sites to thousands of visitors.

- Provided “Woods in Winter” environmental education program to approximately 40 local school children and Girl Scouts at Lincoln Woods.
- Conducted backcountry patrols at highly used trails, shelters, mountain ponds and camp sites to monitor use and assist visitors with information, and with education services such as Leave No Trace and hikeSafe.
- Provided first aid and search and rescue assistance as needed.



- Completed 10 miles of trail maintenance on the Saco Ranger District.
- Constructed 5 new tent pads to replace aged tent platforms at 4th Iron Tentsite.
- Maintained backcountry shelters, tent platforms, and toilets to provide high quality recreation experiences and natural resource protection.

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Ensuring your visit is a safe and healthy one is important to us. We strive to repair facilities when needed, and schedule routine maintenance each season. This year we were able to address a serious human waste concern at the Diana's Bath parking lot by constructing a new vault toilet.



Other work accomplished in 2007 includes:

- Maintained sites, including trash pickup, painting, and regular cleaning at numerous developed recreation sites (front- and backcountry sites).
- Renovated Diana's Bath parking lot to help address safety issues along the West Side Road.
- Plowed and sanded trailheads to provide winter recreation access.
- Repaired heating system at Lincoln Woods toilet building to provide year round access to this very popular recreation site.



Several parking lots are maintained for winter activities.

This backcountry campsite has been checked for potential overuse, and rehabilitation work has been identified.



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