AGENDA

A. Welcome and introductions

B. A brief overview of current focus areas
   ● Promoting equity and inclusion at the annual National Wilderness Workshop (this year it will be in Roanoke VA and coordinated by the National Wilderness Stewardship Alliance and the Society for Wilderness Stewardship; we have a $7,700 Grassroots Network Grant)

   ● Working in coalition to promote current and new CA wilderness legislation
     ○ Protecting America’s Wilderness and Public Lands Act (PAW+ H.R. 803 which includes H.R. 693, 973, 878, 1075 in CA)
     ○ Potential Sierra Nevada and Modoc region wilderness legislation
     ○ Potential East San Diego County wilderness areas

   ● Promoting our work via social media and publishing our newsletter Words of the Wild in April, August & Dec. (see April 2021 here)

   ● Leading wilderness stewardship outings (once Covid restrictions are lifted)

   ● Co-leading the CA 30x30 statewide campaign

   ● Helping protect Nevada’s Desert National Wildlife Refuge from Airforce expansion

   ● Participating in National Forest management plan updates--Final Sierra/Sequoia expected in September; N. CA/S. OR now in pre-assessment phase (five forests)

C. Discussion of YOUR interests and how to get more involved
   ○ We have openings for Chair, Vice-chair, Outings chair, Social media assistant - joining a strong ongoing leadership group (see descriptions below)
   ○ Get involved in one of the projects above
   ○ Collaborate with our team to lead a new wilderness-related project or program
   ○ Help recruit new team members
   ○ Help plan interesting programming for our future all-team meetings

Grassroots Team Page: https://content.sierraclub.org/grassrootsnetwork/teams/sierra-club-californianevada-wilderness-team
CNRCC Team Page: https://www.sierraclub.org/california/cnrcc/wilderness
Facebook Address: https://www.facebook.com/SierraClubCANVWilderness/
Twitter: https://twitter.com/SierraClubCAWLD
Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/sierraclubcanvwilderness
Volunteer Job Opportunities on our Committee

Chair, Vice-Chair, Outings Chair, Social Media Assistant

We have several openings for volunteer leaders on our CA/NV Wilderness Committee, offering opportunities for Sierra Club members who care about wilderness to make a real difference. New volunteer leaders will join a strong core team that includes outgoing (term-limited) Chair Anne Henny, Newsletter Editor Vicky Hoover, Web and Social Media Manager Geoffrey Smith, Treasurer JoAnne Clarke, Wilderness Coalition Liaison Alan Carlton. We have representatives from most of the California and Nevada Chapters and a network of members across both states.

The CA/NV Wilderness Committee is both a Grassroots Network (GN) Team as well as an Issue Committee of the California Conservation Committee (CCC, formerly known as the California/Nevada Conservation Committee, or CNRCC). In 2021 we are focusing on proactively building a 30x30 campaign in California and Nevada; building more inclusive wilderness leadership and participation; defending Nevada’s Desert National Wildlife Refuge from threatened military expansion; advocating for improvements to the Sequoia and Sierra National Forest Plans and engaging in the expected Northern CA/Southern OR forest plan updates; improving stewardship of wilderness and other natural areas; educating and movement building around wilderness conservation; building team effectiveness; and supporting wilderness legislation/new national monument designations. In all of these areas we’re committed to implementing the Jemez Principles and elevating equity, inclusion and justice. You can find our 2021 Work Plan on our Grassroot Network site. We also have a CNRCC webpage and are on Facebook and Twitter.

The Committee Chair role is currently held by Anne Henny who is terming out in 2022 and can help the incoming Chair transition into the role over the next several months. This job involves coordinating the work of the team and representing us with the Grassroots Network, CCC, other Sierra Club entities, and conservation partners. It is an outstanding position for powerful wilderness advocacy and uplifting Sierra Club’s equity and social justice values. Currently, the Grassroots Network allows for a maximum of three 2-year terms (six years total). Candidates for this job should contact Anne Henny anneth16@sbcglobal.net for more details.

The Committee Vice-Chair role is currently vacant, and is an ideal way to advance the work of our team while preparing for the Chair position. The job involves collaborating with the Chair and other Core Team members on our work program and stepping into the Chair role as-needed. There is also the option of having a Co-Chair structure, with the Northern Co-Chair covering the Loma Prieta, Mother Lode, Redwood, SF Bay, Tehipite, Toiyabe, and Ventana chapters, while the Southern Co-Chair covers Angeles, Kern-Kaweah, Los Padres, San Diego, San Gorgonio, and Santa Lucia Chapters. Candidates for this job should contact Anne Henny anneth16@sbcglobal.net for more details.

The Committee Outings Chair role is currently filled by Vicky Hoover, who has led several stewardship outings annually for many years in partnership with Bureau of Land Management and conservation partners. After this year (2021) Vicky will retire from leading Club outings and will no longer be an accredited Sierra Club leader; she will help the new outings chair develop connections with BLM wilderness staff in both CA and NV. Candidates for this role should contact Vicky Hoover vicky.hoover@sierraclub.org for details.

The Committee Social Media Assistant role is currently vacant. This person or people would coordinate with Social Media Coordinator Geoffrey Smith to build our Committee’s visibility and educate our members and supporters in their advocacy work. We have good content available, especially from our newsletter Words of the Wild, and need to be posting regularly to our website, Facebook and Twitter accounts. Some social media experience needed, but expert experience not required. Perhaps two to four hours/week will be needed for each volunteer—basically to keep the content flowing on our social media channels. Candidates for this job should contact Geoffrey Smith geoffrey@partners4nature.com for more details.