

July 2012 Overview  
Yosemite II Backcountry Trail Crew  
Supervisor: Mike Asprey

This month the crew moved to Yosemite National Park in the beautiful Sierra Nevadas. The crew finds themselves camped next to the Lyell River at 9,600 ft. The highest we can camp in the park and still have fires to heat our water and to be centered in our camp.

The crew now has a two-mile hike to the project site located near Donahoe Pass at 11,000 ft. Beautiful Sierra landscape with large expanses of granite, rugged peaks, and little in the way of trees. The crew continues to lay rocks in the ground and their skills are getting better. The work is predominately riprap steps with a few water bars as well.

This month the crew celebrated Christmas with tree decorating and a secret Santa gift exchange. The weekends find crew members drinking from the bubbly Soda Springs, climbing to the top of Kuna Peak, and exploring the high country around camp and in the nearby Inyo National Forest.

The crews' energy levels and spirits remain high and we are all doing well.