The South Fork Trail

Segment 5: Peachtree Bar (West)

Report Date: July 15, 2022.

Trail Stats -- Mileage: 2.5 miles; Elevation Gain/Loss: 230 feet. 2,080' (top), 1,850' (bottom).

Status: https://www.google.com/maps/d/viewer?mid=1cK-eXqe6IX6YY26 JrNhdLB370vI92aL&II=37.60174944115586%2C-119.79676961792443&z=12

Overall Goal -- To repair and maintain the segment for non-motorized users (hikers, runners equestrians and backpackers).





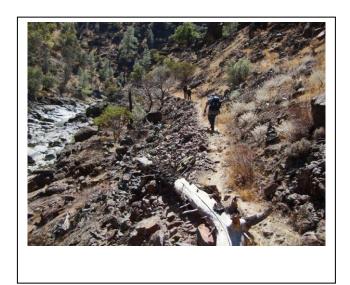
Project History -

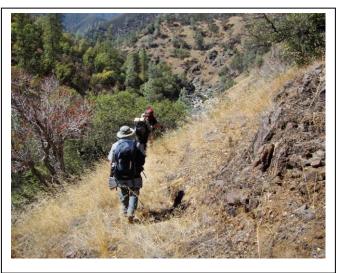
The section of trail between Devil's Gulch and the South Fork of the Merced was scouted in 2014, 2015 and 2017; no work has occurred on this trail segment. Although it is a short section, there are many work details. A cable crossing used to exist across the South Fork, but that was swept away in 2016; the cable crossing at Devil's Gulch exists, but is not used. Bridge-crossings are not planned. The section of trail from the river crossing to Peachtree Bar was scouted in 2014 and 2015, then worked on once (October 29-31, 2019.

Past Activities --

Except where noted, all categories are described as "number of."

YEAR	OUTINGS	VOL-	TREES	TREAD	ROCKWORK	BRUSH	CAMPSITE
		HOURS	CLEARED	REPAIR (ft)		REMOVED	IMPROVE
2014	1	8			survey work		
2015	1	32	survey work				
2019	1	50	6	100′	0	312	0





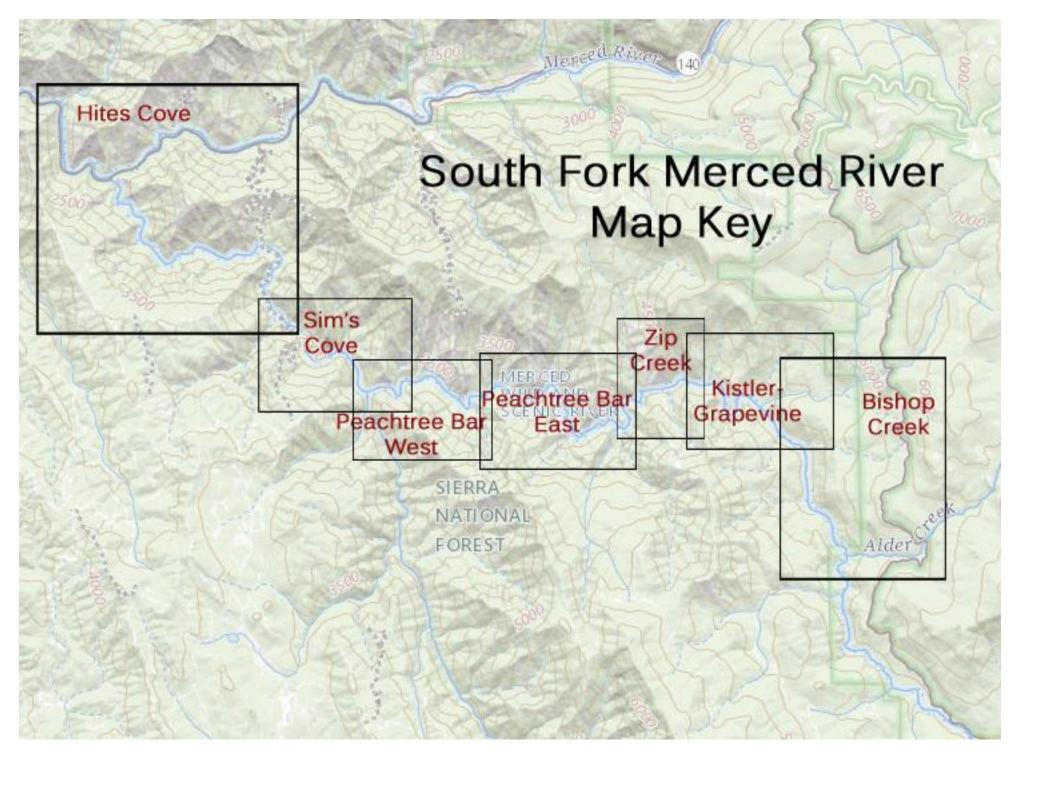
PROPOSED WORK: "South Fork Merced River Trails Project"

TASK # Work by Contracted Trail Crews

- 2. Restore the original trail; deter walking on the "user-trail" by the river.
- 3. Remove the large thicket of buckbrush from the trail corridor (12 hours).
- 4b. Restore overgrown trail segment (40 hours)
- 5. Widen trail through the talus rock segment (40 hours)
- 6. Repair trail tread (0.5 miles)
- 7. Buck 5 fallen trees from trail
- 8. Remove brush and saplings encroaching onto trail by: (1) extract buck-brush, poison oak and deer-brush by roots (16 hrs labor); and, (2) clipping back brush (8 hrs labor)

TASK # Work by Mariposa Trails Volunteers

- 1. Clear dead ladder fuel from trunks of oak trees in the trail corridor.
- 4a. locate and flag overgrown trail segment (4 hours).



SOUTH FORK TRAIL- SEGMENT 5: Peachtree Bar (west)

