

The South Fork Trail

Segment 3 - Zip Creek

Report Date: July 15, 2022.

Trail Stats -- Mileage: 2.3 miles; Elevation Gain/Loss: 541 feet. 3,276' (top), 2,735' (bottom).

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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 and 2015; no work has occurred on this trail segment.

Past Activities --

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

YEAR	OUTINGS	VOL- HOURS	TREES CLEARED	TREAD REPAIR (ft)	ROCKWORK	BRUSH REMOVED	CAMPSITE IMPROVE
2014	1	8			survey work		
2015	1	32			survey work		

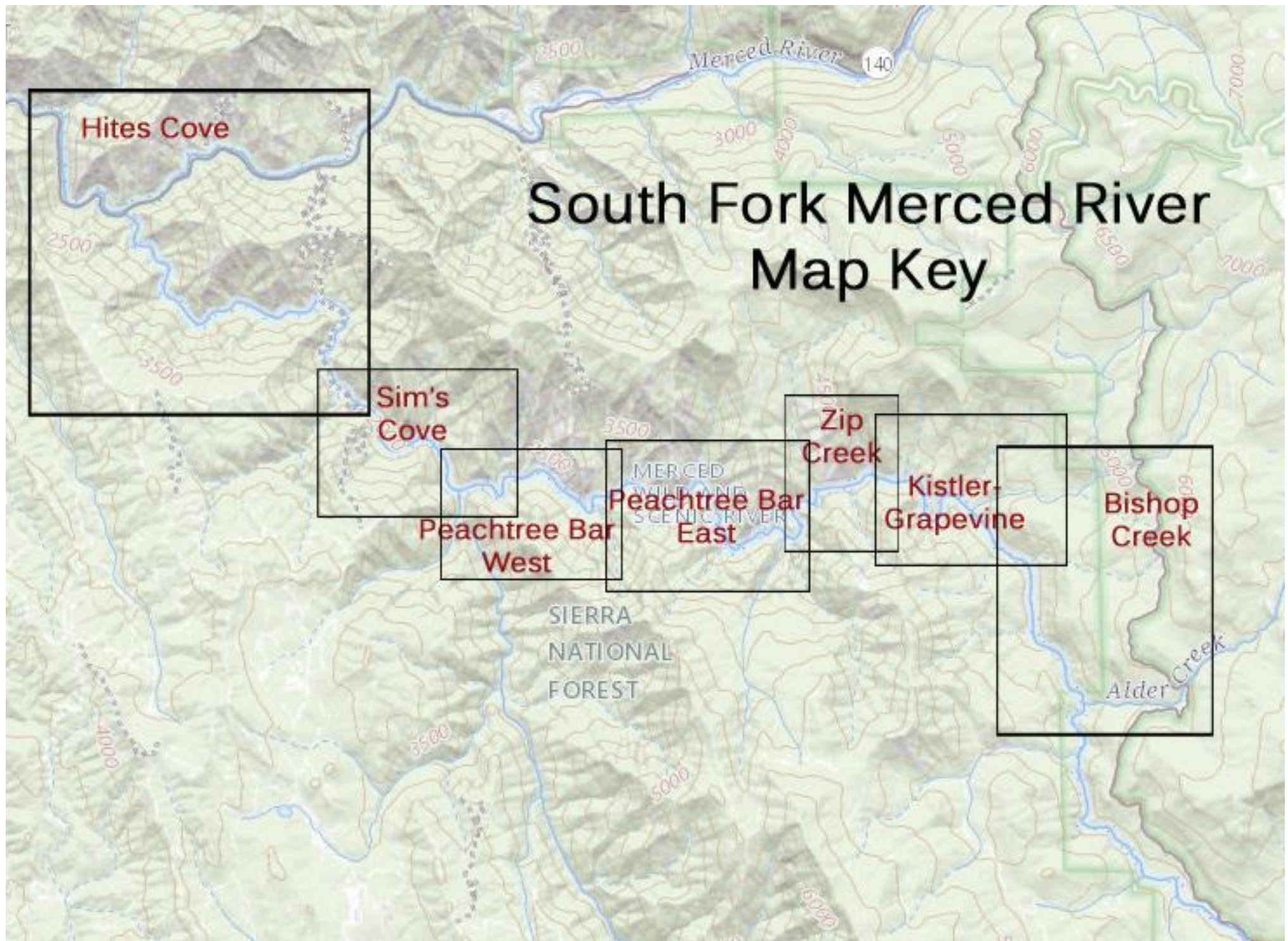
PROPOSED WORK: “South Fork Merced River Trails Project”

TASK # Work by Contracted Trail Crew

1. Buck fallen trees from trail (estimate of 15)
2. Remove brush and saplings encroaching onto trail by: (1) extract buck-brush, poison oak and deer-brush by roots (20 hrs labor); and, (2) clipping back brush (12 hrs labor)
3. Repair trail tread (1.5 miles)
4. Re-construct rock wall gully crossing, and construct switchback trail segment. (250 hours).

TASK # Work by Mariposa Trails Volunteers

5. Examine opportunity to establish dispersed camp site



South Fork Merced River Map Key

Hites Cove

Sim's
Cove

Peachtree Bar
West

Peachtree Bar
East

Zip
Creek

Kistler-
Grapevine

Bishop
Creek

Alder Creek

SIERRA
NATIONAL
FOREST

MERCED
WILDLIFE
SCENIC RIVER

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