SOUTH FORK TRAIL PROJECT AREA

Project History: Trail restoration began in 2014 under the banner of the South Fork Merced River Trailblazers. To date, the effort has involved over 100 volunteers, more than 50 outings, and an improvement of about 8 miles of the trail.

Trail: The South Fork Trail, notably the ends nearest roads, are used primarily by hikers and backpackers. Portions of the trail are popular, such as the Hite's Cove Trail, its western end.

Distance: The trail distance between Highway 140 (in the Sierra NF) and the Wawona Road (in Yosemite NP) is 21 miles.

Key Features and Amenities: Solitude, wilderness character, spring wildflowers, white-water rafting.

Status: Trail work is ongoing. Much of the trail is difficult to follow and navigate. A generalized map is shown below, because the trail is in very poor condition, and practically gone in many places.

