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Volunteers Needed for Living Wetland Interpretive Nature Trail Workday

WHITEFISH, MT, 23 May 2016 – Do you love the outdoors? Would you like to help maintain a community trail? Consider joining us for our Saturday, June 11th Wetlands Work Day. We'll be trimming vegetation, weeding, repairing boardwalks, oiling wood surfaces, and removing debris—all at the *Living Wetland Interpretive Nature Trail*.

WHAT: Living Wetland Interpretive Nature Trail Work Day
WHEN: Saturday, June 11, 2016
TIME: 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM
FOOD: Lunch provided
PLEASE RSVP BY NOON ON WEDNESDAY 6/8 SO WE'LL HAVE LUNCH FOR YOU!
PURPOSE: Trail maintenance and repair work

WHAT TO WEAR

- Wear comfortable, moisture wicking layers that you don't mind getting dirty or torn. Be prepared for cold and hot weather as it can change dramatically from morning to afternoon. Bring raingear
- Sturdy work boots (waterproof, if you have them) or rain boots
- Work gloves
- Hat for sun and/or rain protection

WHAT TO BRING

- Water bottle
- Sunscreen
- Mosquito repellent
- Change of shoes & socks

WHERE TO MEET

Meet at the trailhead parking area on the new Viking Creek Rd. on the east side of Wisconsin Avenue, just across the road and slightly south from The Lodge at Whitefish Lake.

QUESTIONS?

Call the WLI office at 406.862.4327

[About the Living Wetlands Interpretive Trail](#)

Opened by the Whitefish Lake Institute (WLI) in 2013, the *Living Wetlands Interpretive Nature Trail* is made available to the public to share the history, science, and beauty of the area, and to provide a glimpse into the lives of the wildlife with which we share this beautiful habitat. This publicly accessible land is also an excellent example of how citizens and developers worked together to protect the health of the watershed, to provide open space in the wildland/urban interface, and to allow for economic growth in the community. The 28.82 acre *Averill's Viking Creek Wetland Preserve* was gifted to WLI by the Averill family in 2009, as part of the Viking Creek Development proposal. Development and funding of the *Living Wetlands*

Interpretive Nature Trail in the Preserve has been funded and supported by a number of project partners, including Applied Materials; Balancing Axe; Cadeau Foundation; Cinnabar Foundation; City of Whitefish; Dan Averill Family; Forestoration, Inc.; Friends of Wisconsin Avenue Wetlands; McHale Creative Services; Mobile LoGISTics Mapping; Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks; Nelson's ACE Hardware; OTB Designworks; River Design Group; Successful Signs & Awards; Todd Bergett Designs; Watershed Consulting, LLC; Whitefish Community Foundation; and Whitefish Lake Institute Members. Maintaining the trail network requires the ongoing commitment of dedicated volunteers. We hope you'll be one of them!

About Whitefish Lake Institute

Founded in 2005, the Whitefish Lake Institute is a 501 (3)(c) non-profit organization committed to acquiring scientific research, and to educating and engaging the local citizenry to protect the Whitefish area water resources of today, while providing a collective community vision for tomorrow.

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