

**NOHVCC GREAT TRAILS TRAINING**  
**Montana 2026**  
**Horsetheif Rec Area**  
**Billings, MT**

**Day One**

- 7:30am - 8:00am **Check-in**
- 8:00am - 8:30am **Introductions, Getting Started and Agenda Overview**  
Introductions- Jason Wells, Sasquatch Trails  
Ground rules  
Workshop objectives and overview  
Questions  
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- 8:30 am – 9:00am **What Makes a Great Trail Great**  
The Great Trails continuum  
The elements of WOW- understanding the physical and human elements  
The need for adaptive management  
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- 9:00 am – 9:30 am **Trailhead Facilities and Training Areas**  
Special Considerations  
Planning and Maintenance
- 9:30 am – 10:00 am **Equipment Discussion**
- 10:00am - 10:15am **Break**
- 10:15am - 12:00pm **Trail Issue Identification**  
Travel to different issue areas on trail  
Discuss impacts and what is causing them  
Compaction, Displacement, Erosion
- 12:00pm – 1:00 PM **Lunch on the go**  
Meet at Trailhead location at Horsetheif Rec Area
- 12:30pm - 1:30pm **Water Control and Diversion**  
Identify and discuss different water control structures, construction, and placement  
Discuss strengths and weaknesses of water control structures
- 1:30pm – 1:45pm **Break**
- 1:45pm – 3:30 PM **Maintenance**  
Understanding the maintenance process  
Using the 4Es in maintenance  
Tips for effective maintenance  
Maintainability
- 3:30pm- 3:45pm **Break**

- 3:45 – 4:45 **Trail Layout & Design**  
How do I plan/prepare?  
What tools do I need?
- 4:45pm - 5:00pm **Wrap Up & Evaluation**  
An overview of trail issues and challenges at the field location. Information about second field day

## **Day Two**

- 8:00am - 9:30am **Group Meeting**  
Meet at Trailhead  
Safety Briefing  
Mapping Exercise  
Trail Management Objectives
- 9:30am - 12:00pm **Trail Layout and Design Exercises**  
Group Activity
- 12:00pm - 12:30pm **Lunch on the trail**
- 12:30pm - 3:00pm **Trail Layout and Design Exercises (continued)**  
Wrap up group exercise  
Conduct group review of each section
- 3:00pm – 3:15 pm **Break**
- 3:00pm – 4:00pm **Wrap-up and Review**
- 4:00pm **Closeout**

**Thank you to those who have contributed to making this workshop a success:**

