

MAINTENANCE & SKILLED TRADES

SMALL TRAILS CREW 2024 UPDATE

Pictures Don't Always
Tell the Whole Story

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Board Operations Committee Meeting
September 18, 2024

Eric Bowman, Maintenance Superintendent
Public Works Administration

BUILDING VITAL SKILLSETS

2024 Highlights of projects around the
East Bay Regional Parks



**CULL
CANYON**

11/23-2/24



**THE ART OF
STONE**

SPRING 24



**NEW
TRAIL
BUILD**

JUL-SEP 24



TEACHING TRAIL SKILLS

GARIN TO
CHABOT
TRAIL

CULL CANYON

Selected as a comprehensive first project and learning lab for brand new crew.

Multiple disciplines of trail work in one place (timber crib walls, geo cell soil stabilization, narrow equipment grading, trail bootleg rehabilitation, corridor clearance).

Winter weather complicated access and limited work days, resulting in a project that went over time by approx 3-4 weeks.

THE ART OF STONE

Building Trail Features with stone is more durable and longer lasting.

Technical Skillset that takes longer to construct.

Illustrates the need for STC LEAD positions, subject matter experts to lead project based work.

Looking for opportunities to restore CCC era work and build new structures.



THE PACIFIC PEA TRAIL

0.75 miles of new narrow trail connecting the McCosker staging area with the rest of Sibley and Huckleberry parks.

Designed and Permitted with the stream restoration and staging area project, built by STC with assistance from Civicorps and a R&T HEO.

Estimated completion: OCT 2024



**NARROW TRAIL
CONSTRUCTION**

MCCOSKER,
SIBLEY PARK

THE TRAIL CREW

Currently 4 FTE on the crew

A 5th FTE, a STC LEADER hired and onboarding.

Crew has been together for less than a year.

Each member brings varied skills and experience to their role, overall strong esprit de corps.



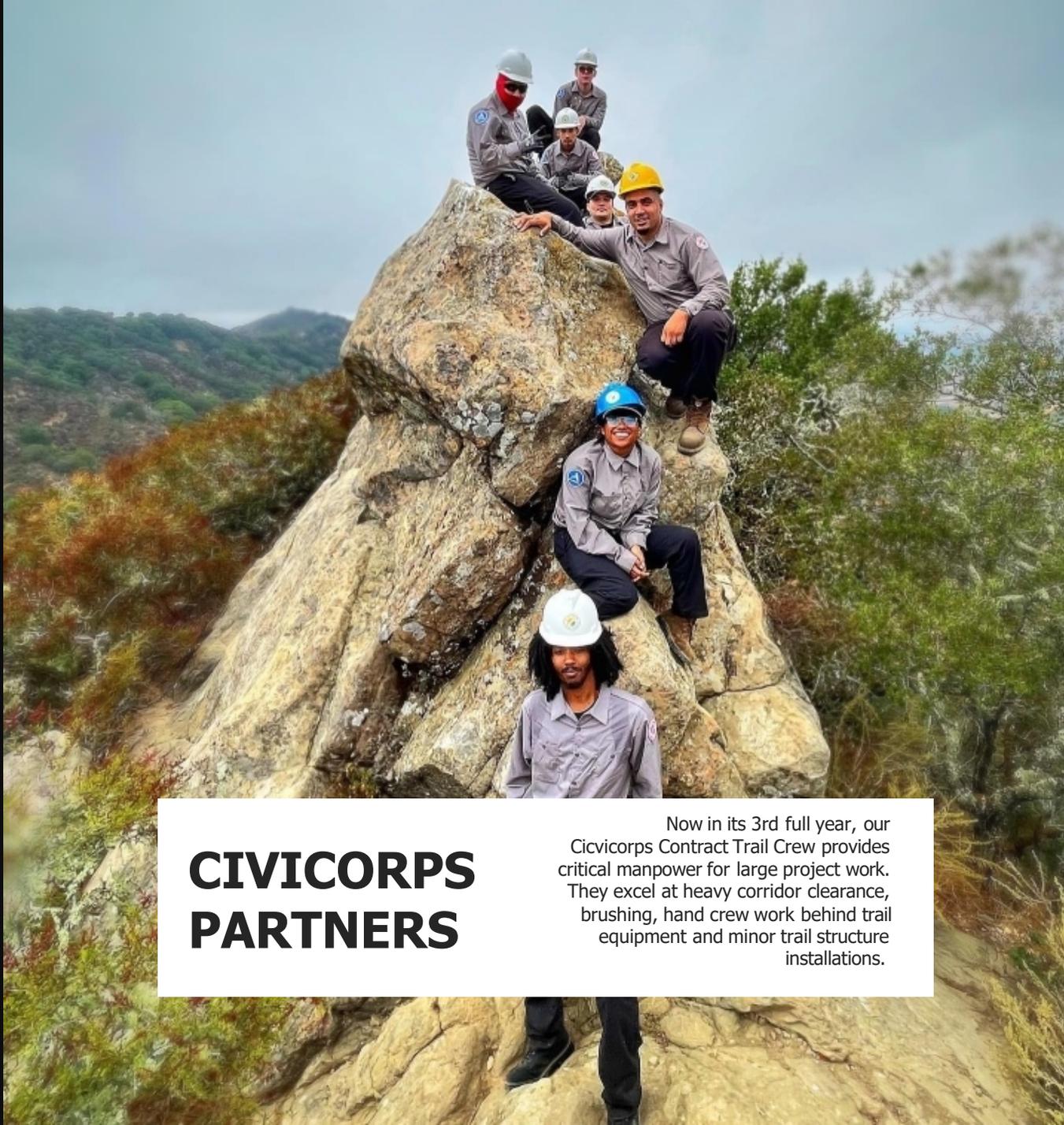
LANCE HOSTELER – CREW LEAD



RUSSELL TAMURA - RANGER



SAL MUNOZ - RANGER



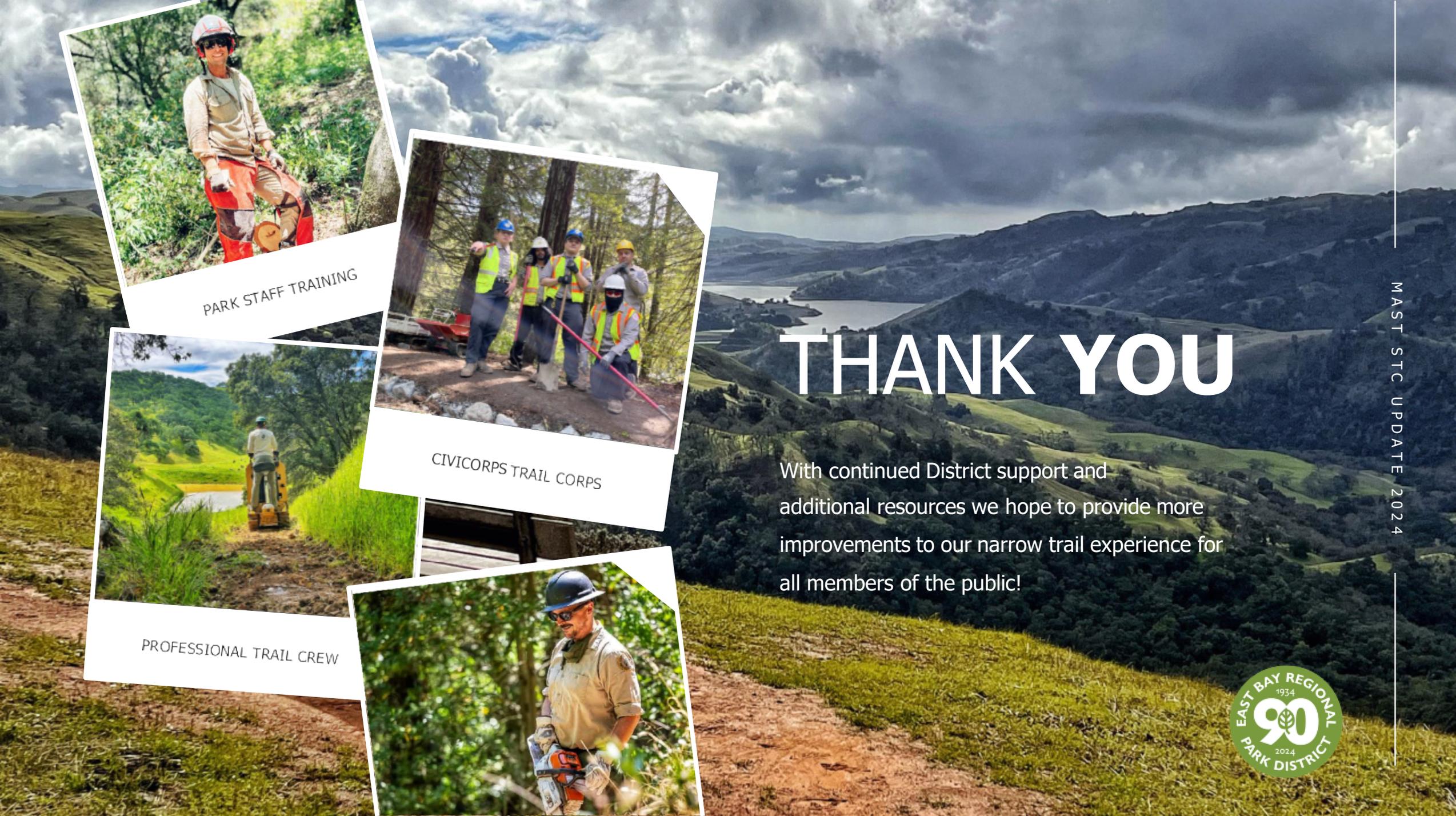
CIVICORPS PARTNERS

Now in its 3rd full year, our Civicorps Contract Trail Crew provides critical manpower for large project work. They excel at heavy corridor clearance, brushing, hand crew work behind trail equipment and minor trail structure installations.



BUILDING BRIDGES

The STC Program is not just building physical bridges on district trails, we are building a figurative bridge between our past, present and future. Skillsets that once were commonplace among park operations staff can be again, with a trail crew dedicated to training and mentoring.



PARK STAFF TRAINING



CIVICORPS TRAIL CORPS



PROFESSIONAL TRAIL CREW



THANK YOU

With continued District support and additional resources we hope to provide more improvements to our narrow trail experience for all members of the public!

