



Trail Solutions is North America's premier natural-surface trail consulting program offering flexible, fee-based trail services that range from trail planning, design, and construction to environmental services and dispute resolution. Our mission mirrors that of our parent organization, the International Mountain Bicycling Association (IMBA) - to create and enhance trail opportunities and access around the world.

Staff

Trail Solutions has over 10 project staff available with skills including landscape architecture, trail design, and environmental evaluations. Trail Solutions professionals have worked in all 50 states, 10 provinces, and a dozen other countries including Scotland, Italy, Israel, Mexico, Singapore, New Zealand, Tasmania, Wales, Australia, Greece, Costa Rica, and Thailand.

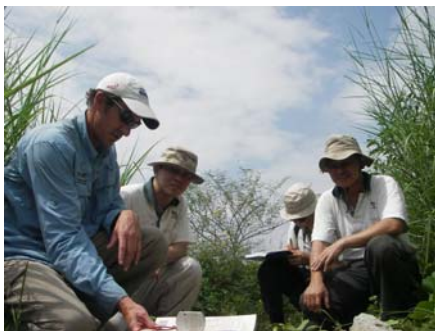
Services

Trail Planning

Using community-based planning techniques Trail Solutions provides a vision for the public and land management agencies to get started with their own world-class system. The process begins and ends with the users, the unique terrain and characteristics of the landscape, and the desired outcome of the system. Through the planning process Trail Solutions can provide guidance on system management, development standards, project costs, and signage and branding.

Trail Assessment

Most trails and trail systems have developed socially. Beyond getting from here to there, little thought was given to the potential long-term effects of the chosen route or the experience provided along the way. Trail Solutions provides guidance on retrofitting haphazardly developed trail systems into networks that efficiently disperse trail users, provide the experience they are seeking, and do so with minimal long-term environmental impact.



Trail Design

Trail Solutions believes that the success of a trail is highly dependent on both the environmental and social sustainability of the trail. A well-designed trail should cause minimal damage to the surrounding landscape and require minimal maintenance over time. That same trail should also provide the trail user with the experience they are seeking. Melding these design parameters is a great challenge. Whether the challenge means designing a shared-use trail that minimizes potential user conflicts or a low impact downhill mountain biking trail, Trail Solutions is up to the task.



Trail Construction

With over 100 miles constructed in the past five years, Trail Solutions takes great pride in staying on the cutting edge of innovative trail construction techniques. Providing turn-key construction with a mechanized crew, tackling a hybrid contracting project with local volunteers, or working cooperatively with other professional trailbuilders - Trail Solutions is flexible and seeks to put the best trail product on the ground.



Trail Education

The foundation of a successful trail system is a high level of knowledge regarding sustainable trail design, construction, and maintenance. Trail Solutions provides custom-designed trail training seminars covering topics ranging from economic/social development through trails, design and construction of advanced-level mountain biking trails, trail system design, volunteer management, crew leader training, and mechanized trailbuilding.

