

50th Anniversary of the National Trails System and Wild & Scenic Rivers System

2018 marks the 50th anniversary of the National Trails System and the Wild & Scenic Rivers Act. In celebration, agencies and organizations are encouraging visitors to [#FindYourWay](#) across America's national scenic, recreation, and historic trails and wild and scenic rivers. Engage communities through volunteerism and join this nation-wide celebration!

#FindYourWay: 50th Anniversary of Rivers & Trails System video

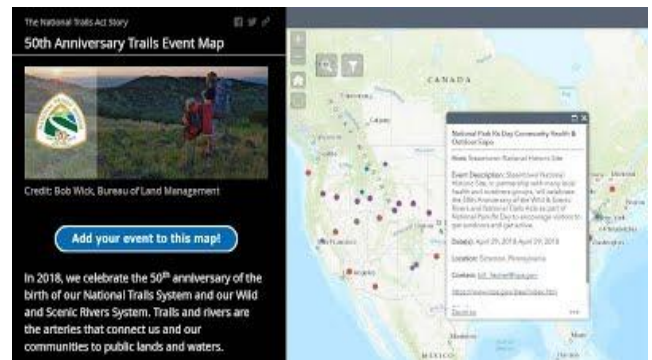
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Ways to Get Involved

- Host a volunteer event on your river or trail: Consider hosting your event on the following dates so you can tap into the existing ground swell of activity and excitement and leverage existing communication channels.
 - **June** is Great Outdoors Month
 - June 2: National Trails Day
 - June 2-10: National Fish and Boating Week
 - **July 14-22**: Latino Conservation Week
 - **September 29**: National Public Lands Day
 - **October 2**: Rivers & Trails 50th Anniversary
- Expand your reach and introduce new volunteers to your site and/or program through community partnerships.
- Implement the 50 Hours for 50 Years Volunteer Challenge. Volunteers can “find their way” by volunteering for at least 50 hours on a river or trail. A downloadable certificate is available in a fillable PDF format.
- Host a volunteer recognition event or activity.
- Share a story about how volunteers work year-round to preserve, protect and restore river-ways and trails.

Advertise your Events

- Share your event on the [50th Anniversary Trails Events Map](#) or the [50th Anniversary Rivers Events Map](#)
- Post to your event to [Volunteer.gov](#)
- Tag your events with the appropriate tags such as **#FindYourWay**, **#MakeYourSplash**, **#Rivers50**, **#WildandScenicRiver**, **#FindYourTrail**, or **#Trails50**
- For National Trails Day event, pledge your support for National Trails through the [American Hiking Society](#).
- See also [Rivers Press Kit](#) and [Trails Social Media Toolkit](#)



Share stories during and after your event!

- Visit the following sites for opportunities to connect your shared content (Rivers [story](#) and [video](#) sharing, [Trails photo contest](#))
- Tag your events with the following tags (see above for tags)
- Use the tag #FindYourWay through [Twitter](#)

Toolkits & External Links

| National Trails | Wild and Scenic Rivers |
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| <p data-bbox="207 646 760 678">50th Anniversary Website and Trail50 Toolkit</p> <ul data-bbox="256 720 753 999" style="list-style-type: none">▪ Resources to help plan and advertise your volunteer event▪ Fact sheet and event guide▪ Logos and use guidelines▪ Media kits and trails 50th anniversary videos▪ National Scenic and Historic Trails System map <p data-bbox="207 1115 380 1146">External Links</p> <ul data-bbox="256 1188 786 1251" style="list-style-type: none">▪ American Hiking Society - National Trails Day | <p data-bbox="831 646 1133 678">50th Anniversary Toolkit</p> <ul data-bbox="880 720 1386 1031" style="list-style-type: none">▪ Event planning tools▪ Marketing and messaging (sites and ideas)▪ Logos and use guidelines▪ Press kit and rivers 50th anniversary videos▪ Ideas and links for sharing your stories▪ Historical information and archives▪ Wild and Scenic River maps <p data-bbox="831 1104 1003 1136">External Links</p> <ul data-bbox="880 1178 1393 1272" style="list-style-type: none">▪ National Wild and Scenic Rivers System▪ Story Map - National Wild and Scenic Rivers System |