

Land Heritage Institute Trail Masters

Current Rules – May 13, 2023

1. Trail Masters is a volunteer committee of the Land Heritage Institute and will be governed in accordance with committee guidelines outlined in the Land Heritage Institute Foundation By-Laws.
2. Purpose –
 - a. to develop a volunteer corps that will assist in grooming and maintaining trails
 - b. to provide a steady annual income commensurate with the amount of funds annually generated from trail users (equestrian, hikers, bicyclists)
 - c. to provide opportunity for likeminded planning and recreation opportunities centered around trail activities
 - d. to provide safe and secure environment through added use of trail system
 - e. to educate and promote conservation of LHI resources, natural and built
 - f. not limited to equestrians, also includes hikers and bicyclists.
 - g. Develop trail etiquette and use plan that works for both equestrian and bicycle riders (probably different days)
 - h. Organize and manage trail activities, group rides & walks
 - i. Provide single contact to speak for user group to Board of Directors. The “Trail Boss”
3. Trail Masters will be a membership committee whose membership requires the following:
 - a. A minimum donation of \$100 per year to the Land Heritage Institute Foundation Trail Fund. This donation will be to the Land Heritage Institute to be used by the Land Heritage Institute Board of Directors for whatever purposes as determined by the Board of Directors. Higher donation levels may be established which will have different levels of trail access. The minimum donation level shall be reviewed by the LHI Board of Directors at the Annual Meeting and adjusted annually.
 - b. A minimum donation of 8 hours per year of volunteer time to be used to construct, maintain, publicize and promote Los Caminos Naturales Trail System at the Land Heritage Institute which consists of the trails, RV campground, primitive tent campground and any other board approved capital improvements that might be constructed by the Trail Masters.
 - c. There will be a minimum of 30 members of the Trail Master organization and a minimum annual overall donation of \$3,000 per year to the LHI General Fund with a goal of providing \$5,000.
4. Trail Masters may be governed by an elected Chairman (aka Trail Boss) and elected Secretary/Treasurer (aka Cookie). The Trail Boss can appoint up to two Assistant Trail Bosses to assist in management of the organization.
5. Trail Masters may have a budget line item that they would recommend on an annual basis and they would be responsible for fund raising to Implement annual budget
6. LHI Trail Masters shall be allowed a separate checking account using LHI non profit status that will be under the purview of the Trail Boss and Cookie, each with signature authority along with the President and Treasurer of the Land Heritage Institute. This account shall hold any additional donations made to the Trail Masters for the purpose of improving the trails,

purchasing trail maintenance equipment, constructing any other LHI Board approved capital improvements. Management of these funds shall be in accordance with LHIF By Laws.

7. The Trail Boss shall be charged with organizing a minimum of 4 annual work days for the purpose of maintaining and improvement the Trail system.
8. Trail Boss and Trail Masters would help enforce trail etiquette and protect LHI Assets
9. Trail Masters would organize and manage periodic meetings to plan
10. The Trail Boss shall be responsible for acquiring required indemnification agreements from each member of the Trail Masters.
11. The Trail Boss shall be responsible for assuring that all members abide by LHI Rules and Regulations regarding property use.
12. The Trail Boss shall be responsible for opening and closing gates and assuring that property is secured.
13. The Trail Boss or their designee shall be responsible for collection of additional donations for nonscheduled trail access.
14. The Trail Boss, Cookie and shall have daily access to the property and trails.
15. Members of the Trail Masters at the minimum annual donation level of \$100 shall have free access to LHI Los Caminos Naturales on the 2nd & 3rd Saturday from January – May then September - December then on every 2nd Saturday in June - August. (21 days per year). Any additional days shall be at the rate of \$5 per day per horse and riders. Overnight RV hookups shall be at a rate of an additional \$20 per night. Overnight primitive camping shall be at a rate of an additional \$5 per night.
16. Trail Master donation and benefits run from January 1 to December 31. No pro rated memberships are available for a single year but are available for over one year. IE Join on June 1 of this year and for a donation of \$150, your Trail Master benefit runs from June 1 of this year until December 31 of the next year.
17. Only Trail Master members are eligible for special Trail Master access times. Trail Master cannot host a group of non Trail Master members during special access times without approval of LHI.
18. Members of the Trail Masters that donate \$300 or more per year shall have access on 36 designated weekends during the year at times agreed to and supervised by the Trail Boss. All overnight accommodations shall be at the minimum membership rates.
19. The Trail Boss may also serve on the Board of Directors of the Land Heritage Institute Foundation.
20. The Trail Masters committee may be dissolved by a majority of the board with 30 day advanced written notice to all members of the Trail Masters committee.

Become a
Land Heritage Institute



TrailMaster



Organization Meeting & Appreciation Lunch

For all you who have supported LHI through your donation for the use of
the Los Caminos Naturales Trails

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2017

NOON – 1:30 pm

LUNCH & Refreshments Provided

**We are forming a club level membership program
to allow 2nd Saturday or even more frequent trail
access.**

\$100 per person/horse per year

Plus 1 workday per year

**WE NEED A TRAIL BOSS PLUS 30 MEMBERS TO
START!**

Bring a Friend!