

## 2018 Spring Conservation Project: May 19th



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The Snake River Cutthroats 30<sup>th</sup> consecutive spring conservation project with the Salmon-Challis National Forest is scheduled for Saturday May 19th. We will be working on Canyon Creek again this year, a small tributary stream to the Lehmi River east of Leadore. We have worked here the last three years and in 2013. It's roughly 120 miles to Leadore, or just under 2 hours. If you are time constrained, you can easily drive up Saturday morning and return home that night. But you would miss a great opportunity to get to know other SRC members. It is a great social activity as well as a chance to give something back to the fishery resource. We will be working on in-stream log structures, similar to past years. Hip boots are adequate for anyone working in-stream. But chest waders can help keep you warm and dry if it rains. The weather is always unpredictable, so be prepared. A sturdy pair of work boots and gloves are needed for anyone not working in-stream. The Forest Service will provide all the tools. The plan is to camp at the BLM Smokey Cub Campground as we have in the past. This campground is 2.5 - 3 miles east of Leadore along Highway 29, which is the road to Dillon, Montana. There is good parking for trailers and campers, as well as good spots for tents. There are pit toilets at the campground, but no potable water. The club provides breakfast on Saturday and Sunday, lunch on Saturday, and a steak dinner on Saturday night. For those driving up on Friday, there is an informal potluck dinner that night, roughly between 6:30 and 7:30. Bring something to grill and something to share. We will provide baked potatoes. On Saturday, everyone should meet at the Smokey Cub campground around 8:30 for introductions and a safety meeting before we drive to the worksite. The work site is another 5 miles further east (upstream). We will eat lunch at the worksite and will return to the campground at the end of the work day for dinner.

Any changes or updates on the project will be in the May newsletter. I need a head count to help plan meals. So, if you plan on attending please send me an email, call or text. For more information or to sign up, contact Patterson: 208-569-8031, [ppatt412@gmail.com](mailto:ppatt412@gmail.com)