



# TRAILS

## SPRING 2012

### WORKSHOP

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### WORKSHOP ON SUSTAINABLE & ACCESSIBLE NATURAL SURFACE TRAILS

May 9, 2012 • 8:30a.m. – 4:30p.m. • \$40/pp (36 person limit)

**HOW TO REGISTER:** Register by May 1st at [www.wildlandspa.org](http://www.wildlandspa.org). Click on the Education tab, then, if a new user click on the link to create a family account and follow the directions. If you already have an account then select the registration catalogue link and choose the Trainings/Workshop group in the left column.

**LOCATION:** Pool Wildlife Sanctuary, 3701 Orchid Place, Emmaus, PA 18049

**INSTRUCTOR:** Instructor Larry Knutson, and his company Penn Trails LLC, is an active member of the Professional Trail Builders Association, North America's largest private sector group of professional trail specialists, contractors, designers, and consultants. Knutson is a member of the Pennsylvania DCNR State Trails Advisory Board and has certifications that include Trail Planning, Design and Management provided by the U.S. Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Wildlife Service and U.S. Forest Service. Knutson also completed the first of its kind 2011 certification course in Accessible Trails, for planning and constructing trails to meet the new Federal guidelines. A recipient of the American Hiking Society's 2003 Volunteer of the Year award for his trail work in Pennsylvania, he is also a former Appalachian Trail overseer and Pennsylvania Park Ranger.

**WORKSHOP DESCRIPTION:** This full day workshop includes hands-on training, classroom learning and lunch. The morning session, Trails Planning and Management Fundamentals, will cover five key concepts of sustainable trail management and planning – trail type, trail class, managed use, designed use, and design parameters. Well-planned, managed, sustainable trail systems increase the quality of the user experience and offer benefits to the broader community, as well as, economic sensibility for land managers and the organizations/agencies those trails are associated with. The afternoon session, Accessible Trails, will provide a thorough overview of the federal accessibility guidelines and associated issues involving trail accessibility, sustainable planning and design parameters, and related management practices and an on-site trail planning and layout exercise utilizing the classroom learning.

**TARGET AUDIENCE:** government agencies | professional design consultants | trails enthusiasts | landowners

#### WORKSHOP LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

- Planning new and existing trail development, management and sustainability;
- Integrating educational, cultural and recreational assets into the trail planning and ongoing management practices;
- Understand and apply the Federal Trail Accessibility Guidelines to the trail/trail system that the participant is associated with;
- Understand and apply Federal Trail Accessibility Guidelines to new and existing trail planning, design, construction, management and maintenance;
- Understand the concepts and practical needs for conducting objective, data oriented Trail Assessments, especially as related to standards and practices for Accessible Trails.



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