

## **About Boots**

You will be working on steep, rocky terrain and possibly snow. It is imperative that your boots have good tread and provide adequate ankle support. Trail runners and similar shoes that do not extend above the ankle are not adequate.

## **Volunteer will supply**

- Compass (this is essential)
- Backpack and pack cover
- Tent (double check that all the parts are there!)
- Sleeping bag & pad
- Plastic bag(s) for sleeping bag and clothes inside pack in case of heavy rain
- Cooking equipment (no fires above 3500' in ONP)
  - Camp stove w/ windscreen, fuel, lighter or matches
  - Cook pot(s), dishes, utensils
- Food sufficient for duration of trip
- Water bottles
- Water filter or iodine tablets
- Sturdy hiking boots with ankle support
- Extra socks
- Rain gear (jacket and pants)
- Fleece or wool jacket, pants, hat, gloves
- Change of base / hiking layer (i.e., dry shirt and long underwear)
- Sunglasses, sunhat, sunscreen
- Insect repellent / mosquito nets
- Toiletry items (toothbrush, toilet paper, hand sanitizer, etc.)
- Medications
- Trowel
- Camera
- Book, IPOD, or other entertainment materials
- First aid kit
- Pocketknife
- Headlamp
- Trekking pole(s) are strongly recommended for travel on steep terrain and scree slopes

## **Park will supply**

- Entrance fee waiver
- Wilderness camping permit
- Food storage "bear" canister (or bring your own)
- Binoculars (or bring your own)
- GPS unit(s) pre-loaded with map of survey units
- Hiking and survey maps
- Data forms & pencils
- Park radio (for groups <3)

## **Camping**

Volunteers must follow all park regulations regarding permitting, campsite location, and camp sanitation. Many survey units are located in high-use areas where camp-sites are limited and can be reserved up to 30 days prior to the start of the trip. Our default policy is to arrange your permit and provide it to you at the time of training. Because marmot volunteers are not exempt from the quotas, we will attempt to arrange these permits 30 days prior to your trip. If you prefer to arrange your own permit, let us know and we will notify the Wilderness Information Center to expect your call.

**Important note for groups**

Group campsites are only available for groups of 6 or more. The Wilderness Information Center is only required to issue a single campsite to each party of marmot volunteers. This means that if there are fewer than 6 in your party, you will be required to put all tents on one standard-sized tent pad.

**Waste Disposal**

In some areas, volunteers will have access to composting or similar toilet facilities. Please use these facilities. When these facilities are not available, bury human waste at least 200' from surface waters and pack out toilet paper.