TOWN OF MAMMOTH LAKES GIS CONTRACT

STATEMENT:

The Town of Mammoth Lakes has contracted MLTPA to generate a GIS (Geographic Information Systems) inventory of outdoor recreation amenities within and around the Town of Mammoth Lakes, which will be used by the Town to ensure that current and future planning takes into account the vast array of outdoor recreation opportunities that surround our community and are integral to our culture and our economy. Volunteers are needed to assist MLTPA in collecting information about all the summer and/or winter activities people enjoy from specific points of access—in other words, helping us determine how the people in our town, and our friends and our guests, get to the places they like to play. **Our project deadline is November 1, 2007.**

VOLUNTEER!

The success of the MLTPA GIS Project is heavily dependent on volunteers; we have a lot of ground to cover, literally, and the more people we have in the field, the quicker and better we will be able to complete this inventory. To date, more than 20 community members have donated their time and energy to help us survey points from the Lakes Basin to Shady Rest and everything in between.

Volunteers will be asked to visit specific points of access, already identified by MLTPA staff, and to fill out a field sheet with information about the site. Points of access range from trailheads and paved pathways in town to larger staging areas in places such as the Scenic Loop area and Red's Meadow; we will supply you with detailed directions, as well as a map to and photo of the site if you wish. Once in the field, volunteers will, given their knowledge of the area and any information on display (signage, kiosks, etc.), check Y/N/? for each activity listed on our field sheet. They also are asked to take digital photos of the site (for identification purposes), any signage in the area (from Forest Service Route Designation markers to No Trespassing signs), and the general condition of the trail. We prefer that volunteers bring their own digital cameras if they have one available to them, but we'll be happy to loan you one for the day if you do not.

The outdoor amenities in our area belong to *all* of us, and this is our community's chance to work together to help protect the lands we love. If you'd like to volunteer—or if you are part of a local club or group and you'd like to get your organization involved—please e-mail Kim Stravers, Project Director, at volunteer@mltpa.org.

DOCUMENTS:

Click <u>here</u> to view a completed field sheet. Click <u>here</u> to view field sheet instructions.