

Trail Committee

PURPOSE: The SABA Trail Committee will volunteer to serve as an advisory board to the SABA membership and officers, with a goal to:

- 1) Promote safe, high quality, environmentally sustainable, low impact trails for all users
- 2) Collaborate with existing and potentially new partners to promote trails for mountain biking and other user groups
- 3) Foster an appreciation for recreation in a forested environment

The SABA Trail Committee will provide recommendations in regards to any

- a. Construction and/or maintenance of trails
- b. Communication/public relations pertaining to trail issues
- c. Events being held on trails maintained by SABA
- d. Any issues pertaining to existing and/or planned trails in the SABA membership region (see mission statement).
- e. Funding requirements pertaining to trails

SABA only agrees to construct/revise and/or maintain trails built in accordance to IMBA standards of sustainable trail building. The 'grandfathering' in of existing trails will be discussed and recommendations made on a case-by-case basis.

Memorandum of Understanding's (MOU) and/or volunteer agreements with land managers will specify that SABA agree's to maintain trails only if IMBA standards are followed, SABA is informed of activities planned and conducted on trails that could potentially affect trail conditions,

and SABA has input on such activities that directly affect trails maintained by SABA (such as trail revisions).

The SABA Trail Committee will be comprised of up to seven individuals, with one (or two) of whom to be elected as the Chairperson(s). Trail Committee members and Chairs will be recommended and voted by the Trail Committee. The Trail Committee Chairperson(s) will serve as a liaison between SABA and land managers, and be the spokesperson to SABA and the general public in regards to trail issues. Members will serve at least a two (2) year term. The Trail Committee will meet quarterly, or as needed, and will periodically give reports to the SABA membership.

Those who are selected to serve on this committee **must:**

- Be a current member of SABA
- Display a genuine desire to be a steward of the trail
- Promote sustainable trail building by action and discussion
- Have training/education, and preferably hands-on experience, in the philosophy of sustainable trail building (preferably through an IMBA Trail School or comparable source)
- Follow safety regulations by having obtained chainsaw and CPR/First Aid certification
- Serve as SABA Crew Leader's on volunteer trail work days

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