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Nearly 100 Grand Junction Volunteers Turn Out For 2009 National Public Lands Day Events

GRAND JUNCTION, Colo. — Nearly 100 volunteers turned out for two National Public Lands Day events sponsored by the Bureau of Land Management Grand Junction Field Office in the last few weeks.

On Oct. 10, 78 volunteers turned out to help the BLM and Western Colorado Conservation Corps build one mile of a new, yet-to-be-named trail in the eastern part of the Lunch Loop trail system. Volunteers also performed maintenance on the Pucker Up Trail, the newest freeride mountain bike trail in the Lunch Loop trail system.

The Lunch Loop trail system lies at the north end of the 142-mile Tabeguache Trail that connects the cities of Grand Junction and Montrose.

On Sept. 26, 36 volunteers participated in a clean-up and maintenance project at the shooting ranges on 27 1/4 Road. Nearly 2,700 pounds of trash were collected and removed.

“We had a great mix of volunteers out for both events,” said BLM volunteer coordinator Chris Pipkin. “Their time and effort made a significant contribution to public lands stewardship.”

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