Marion Lake Backpack Fish Stocking
Marion Forks Hatchery

June 13th, 2015

The Marion Lake stocking event will be held on June 13th, 2015. Please meet at the trailhead to Marion Lake at 9:00 AM. 70 volunteers are needed to pack buckets of fry into the lake. Annually, 10,000 Rainbow trout fry ranging from 2 to 4 inches in length are stocked.

This is a fun and important event. It provides volunteers with an opportunity to go out into the wilderness and see beautiful Marion Lake. This is the only stocking that Marion Lake receives each year. Upon reaching the lake staff will assist everyone in releasing the fish. Upon returning to the trailhead everyone is welcome to share a free barbeque lunch at the hatchery. People that wish to hike with the group but not pack a bucket are also welcome. There will be a sign up sheet and the first 70 people that want to carry buckets will be signed up after they contact us.

Staff will stop signing in people when around 140 total for the event is reached. The hike to the lake is about 2.2 miles - the terrain is moderately challenging for about ¼ mile of the hike. The rest is relatively easy hiking. The buckets of fish and water weigh approximately 35 lbs. Staff will not provide backpacks. The person wishing to pack fish must bring their own backpack. The buckets used are square shaped with a measurement at the top of 9-1/4” x 9-1/4”. It takes a larger style backpack than the type usually used for overnight trips to accommodate the bucket. The hike will take approximately 45 minutes to an hour in each direction. You must be in decent physical condition to complete this hike or it will not be enjoyable. If interested in volunteering for this event please contact Marion Forks Hatchery.

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