

Proposal for Spring Tune-Up

What: PWV Spring Tune-Up for returning members. A day to refresh basic skills, learn about the various committees, connect with committees and their members, get materials for the patrolling.

Why: to help our members, especially newer ones, reconnect with PWV before the patrolling season by sharing information about the organization; making personal connections; possibly improving retention; getting excited about the upcoming patrol season.

When: probably early March, but before most people resume patrolling. A Saturday from 10 AM-2 PM?

Where: a venue with **wifi** that can accommodate tables for the stations and seating for committee people and returning members. If the USFS is open and they can share their wifi connection, that would be ideal.

Format: Committee chairs each set up a table where they can present information while members “shop” the room. Possible presenters:

-Office Crew: pass out information cards, chap sticks, etc. so patrollers can replenish their supplies.

-Patrol Gear Committee: sell shirts, hats, maps, etc.

-Web Team: using our 6 Chromebooks, help people navigate the PWV website, update their profiles, complete their USFS agreements, find patrolling partners, or whatever else they might need assistance or a refresher on. How to download COTREX onto their phones; refer to PWV website for training video.

-Weed Crew: explain the program and promote interest; start a sign-up sheet.

-Trail Patrolling Committee: any information they think would be helpful. How to do a Trailhead patrol. Wild 58.

-Trail Crew and Restoration: explain the program and options; sign-up sheet for people to be contacted.

-USFS: review operation and purpose of SPOT-X and radios (?); answer general questions; explain the Visitor Center and possibly offer tours. Many of our newer members have never been in the VC!

-Stock Patrol: explain the program and how it integrates with walking patrols.

- Supplemental Training: recruit possible presenters and committee members.

-Other: any committees looking for participants; informal presentations on “lighter” topics, such as gear, clothing, and weather.