



Blues Crew Resources and Key Contacts 2026

Google Drive

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1xaOeVvesu8vm1x7OG4lfvShHo83Y4JiE?usp=sharing>

User ID: blues-crew@bmlt.org

Password: BluesCrew2018

- Current and historical documents kept here

Blues Crew Website

<https://bmlt.org/blues-crew>

- Included three tabs
 - Find a Work Party
 - Hit the Trails
 - Trail Leader Resources [here](#). Web page that all volunteers can access.

Horseshoe Prairie Website with video

<https://bmlt.org/horseshoe-prairie>

Garmin inReach

[Garmin Explore](#)

User ID: blues-crew@bmlt.org

Password: BluesCrew2024

User manual [here](#).

GPS and Track – website for Skandic trackers

https://www.gpsandfleet.io/gpsandfleet/client_login.php?r=2405

User ID: blues-crew@bmlt.org

Password: BmlT\$2022

User manual [here](#).

Key Blues Crew Volunteers

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- Blues Crew trailer and tool storage shed at home

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- Stores trailer with Skandic Snowmobiles at home

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USFS Malheur National Forest



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Greater Hells Canyon Council

Lead agency on the creation of the Blue Mountain Regional Trail.

<https://www.hellscanyon.org/>

Oregon Trails Coalition (503) 290-4569

P.O. Box 14814

Portland, Oregon 97293

<https://www.oregontrailscoalition.org/trail-planning>

American Trails

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Eastern Oregon Visitors Association

Kate is our link to funding opportunities through Travel Oregon. She successfully arranged a \$1,000 grant for us from the USFS to support purchase of tools.

Kate Harbour

Outdoor Recreation & Trail Development Coordinator, [RARE](#)

Eastern Oregon Visitors Association

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North Fork John Day Watershed Council

Potential partner for grants in the watershed

Kaysi Dean

North Fork John Day Watershed Council

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