



## American Recreation Coalition

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to health and happiness through recreation.*

# NEWS

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### GO-Day 2009



To combat the threats posed by today's indoor, inactive lifestyles – such as the growing obesity epidemic and the projection that today's kids will live shorter lives than their parents due to lifestyle choices – several hundred local, state and federal agencies, diverse nonprofit organizations in the health and youth-services fields, the recreation community and media interests teamed up to host the second annual **National Get Outdoors Day (GO-Day)** on June 13, 2009. The national effort was again led by the U.S. Forest Service (FS) and the American Recreation Coalition (ARC), but the number and diversity of the organizations involved nationally and locally increased sharply. Uniting these partners was a shared belief in the Mission of National Get Outdoors Day:

***Unify public and private-sector interests in efforts to influence American lifestyles, especially among youth, in ways that maximize the physical, mental and other benefits derived from activities in the Great Outdoors through a focused effort to invite Americans to designated sites on a single day, as well as to highlight and assist the efforts of National Get Outdoors Day partners year-round.***

GO-Day 2009 was built around offering opportunities for American families to experience traditional and non-traditional types of outdoor activities, regardless of past experience, skills or ownership of equipment. Those Americans currently underserved by visits to public lands and waters and youth – especially urban youth – were priority targets for the events. GO-Day organizers accepted a challenge: making the appeal of

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the great outdoors equal that of shopping malls and video games. And they met this challenge with exceptional results.

The second annual GO-Day featured over 60 official sites in more than 30 states – from Kingman Island in Washington, D.C. to Denver City Park in Colorado, from the Gifford Pinchot National Forest in Washington to the Talladega National Forest in Alabama. Collectively, these sites welcomed tens of thousands of new faces to the joy and healthy benefits of the great outdoors. The GO-Day events offered a mix of information centers and "active fun" areas – places where guests could climb a rock wall, ski on dry land, practice mountain bike skills, cast a fishing line, go geocaching, help pitch a tent and more. Many sites provided photo opportunities with characters like Smokey Bear, Woodsy Owl and other interesting creatures, and some sites featured areas that focused on other aspects of healthy living, including sustainability, good nutrition and outdoor ethics. The goal was to ensure that the fun and excitement of GO-Day triggered a resolution for participants to make getting outdoors part of their everyday lives.

In addition to activities at the GO-Day events, participants were invited to nearby follow-up opportunities, called EChO-events, occurring throughout the summer. EChO-events include introductions to mountain biking and fly-fishing, hikes with rangers to see wildlife, rock climbing experiences, kayaking and rafting and much more. EChO-events involve a hosting agency or organization and partners that assist by providing equipment and instruction. GO-Day also provided a great platform for providing the public with information on Great Outdoors Month activities, including National Trails Day® and the Great American Backyard Campout, and the special opportunities made possible by Interior Secretary Ken Salazar's action designating one weekend each month during the summer of 2009 as fee-free for national parks! More information on the fee-free weekends can be found at: <http://www.nps.gov/findapark/feefreeparks.htm>.

The pilot effort of National Get Outdoors Day was launched on June 14, 2008, in response to a growing number of disturbing reports about today's youth, particularly in relationship to their health and daily activities. Today's children spend 6.5 hours per day in front of a screen and are six times more likely to play a computer game than to ride a bike. Kids report that outdoor adventure is fun – but that outdoor activities are invisible, lost in a clutter of mass media ads, road signs and information over phones and computers, overshadowed by malls offering food, friends and "perfect" weather. Building on the success of More Kids in the Woods and other important efforts to connect Americans – and especially children – with nature and active lifestyles, the U.S. Forest Service and the American Recreation Coalition agreed to lead an inclusive, nationwide effort focusing on a single day when people would be inspired and motivated to get outdoors. GO-Day brought federal, state and local agencies, key enthusiast organizations and recreation businesses together to create a healthy, fun day of outdoor adventure aimed at reaching first-time visitors to public lands and reconnecting children to the outdoors.

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The achievements of GO-Day 2009 are impressive:

- 25,000+ American families and children participated in GO-Day events across the nation
- Hundreds of partners (including over 200 new participating organizations) made GO-Day events possible due to their generous support, time and donations. Giveaways donated by The Coleman Company, Clif Bar, U.S. Forest Service and many more provided additional incentives for GO-Day participants to enjoy the outdoors beyond GO-Day
- 62 official sites in 32 states and the District of Columbia celebrated GO-Day; additionally, there were a number of non-official sites that helped achieve GO-Day goals
- GO-Day enjoyed widespread media coverage, including numerous print and online articles, radio spots, television and news features, YouTube clips, pages and articles on social media sites like Facebook and Twitter, and more
- GO-Day was specifically mentioned in some of the 46 state proclamations of Great Outdoors Month and provided a showcase for local actions by governors and mayors

The visibility of GO-Day has only continued to increase as excitement about the event builds across the nation. Dramatic increases in partner organizations and media coverage demonstrate the growing enthusiasm and support for the event dedicated to getting people engaged in healthy, outdoor activities. The GO-Day National Coordinating Committee will continue gathering suggestions on how to build and improve GO-Day events across the nation. The suggestions already received for improving GO-Day 2010 include the following:

- Begin planning each event at least six months in advance. This schedule allows each site to have an achievable timetable for planning and advertising and optimizes opportunities to invite diverse groups of participating organizations and guests.
- Create a core planning committee or group for each event. Delegating responsibilities takes the stress off one planner and invites everyone to contribute their different skill sets to the event.
- Invite exhibitors to a planning meeting at the event site prior to GO-Day. Allowing exhibitors to ask logistical questions prior to the event day helps the event set-up run more smoothly.
- Provide maps to help move guests around the event in a logical manner. Make sure all guests are welcomed as they enter the event and receive a map of all activities offered.
- Keep exhibitors concentrated in one area. This set-up maintains a higher level of excitement and energy during the event and keeps any exhibitors from feeling left out of the action.
- Increase exhibits that focus on the health and wellness aspects of outdoor recreation. These exhibits can help people make the connection between outdoor recreation and healthy lifestyles.

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- Bring in exhibitors and participants from many different local cultures. It is important to make the outdoors relevant to culturally diverse audiences. Make sure these guests feel welcomed at the event by providing materials in many different languages.
- Increase visibility of volunteers. It's important to let guests easily know where to find answers to their questions.
- Encourage exhibitors to have hands-on activities for GO-Day participants. GO-Day events are meant to introduce guests to healthy, ACTIVE outdoor fun.
- Offer healthy food to guests to play up the connection between the outdoors and health.
- Consider live music or performances at the event to keep energy levels high.
- Have a back-up plan in case of inclement weather.

The GO-Day National Coordinating Committee welcomes any additional feedback from guests and participants of GO-Day 2009. Plans for GO-Day 2010 are already underway across the nation. If you would like to host a GO-Day event in 2010, please contact the American Recreation Coalition at [arc@funoutdoors.com](mailto:arc@funoutdoors.com) or 202-682-9530.

For more information on GO-Day, please visit: [www.nationalgetoutdoorsday.org](http://www.nationalgetoutdoorsday.org).

## **National Get Outdoors Day Partners**

### **National Get Outdoors Day Coordinators**

*American Recreation Coalition  
U.S. Forest Service*

### **National Get Outdoors Day Charter Champions**

*American Horse Council  
America's Byways Resource Center  
Castle Rock RV Resort Campground  
Clif Bar  
The Coleman Company  
National Marine Manufacturers Association  
Pennsylvania Recreation Vehicle and Camping Association*

### **National Get Outdoors Day Partners**

<i>ABC Radio Disney</i>	<i>American Land and Leisure</i>
<i>Adrenaline High Kayak Outfitters</i>	<i>American Red Cross</i>
<i>Aerie Wilderness Medicine</i>	<i>American Volkssport Association</i>
<i>Alabama 4-H</i>	<i>AmeriCorps</i>
<i>Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources</i>	<i>Anniston Museum of Natural History</i>
<i>Allen Volunteer Fire Department</i>	<i>Anniston Outdoor Association</i>
<i>Alpine Rescue Team</i>	<i>ATV Safety Institute</i>
<i>Alpino and Denver Public Schools</i>	<i>Audubon Society of Greater Denver</i>
<i>American Diabetes Association and Por tu la familia</i>	<i>Arizona's Salt River Tubing &amp; Recreation</i>
	<i>Arizona State Parks</i>
	<i>Aurora Parks and Open Space</i>

## **GO-Day 2009 Add Four**

*Avid4 Adventure  
Back Country Horsemen  
Bassmasters  
Bay Area Discovery Museum  
Bay Health Medical Center  
Beckwourth Outdoors  
Bees Are My Business  
Bicycle Colorado  
Big Bear Valley Parks and Recreation  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Colorado  
Big City Mountaineers  
Bike Denver and Park Hill Bike Depot  
Bluff Lake Nature Center  
Bogus Basin Mountain Resort  
Boise State University  
Boulder History Museum  
Boulder Mountain Fire Protection Division  
Boy Scouts of America  
Boys & Girls Club  
Bridges to Nature  
Bureau of Land Management  
Bureau of Reclamation  
Butler Outdoor Club  
Cabela's  
California Land Management  
California Multi-Sport  
California State University Northridge  
Cane Creek Volunteer Fire Department  
Capital City Queen  
Carl's Bait Shop  
Casa de la Esperanza  
Cascade County Weed District  
CBS Radio  
Celebra la Ciencia  
Cheaha State Park  
Cheaha Trail Riders  
Choose Outdoors  
City of Albuquerque BioPark  
City of Albuquerque Parks & Recreation  
City of Great Falls, Montana  
City of Heflin Parks and Recreation  
City of Lyndon, Kansas  
City of Pierre, South Dakota  
City of Vancouver, Washington  
CityWILD  
Clark County Winchester Cultural Center  
Clark Public Utilities District Stream Team  
Clear Channel Broadcasting  
Clowns of Delaware  
College Times News  
Colorado Alliance for Environmental Education  
Colorado Army National Guard  
Colorado Cancer Coalition/Skin Cancer Task  
Force*

*Colorado Department of Public Health and  
Environment  
Colorado Division of Wildlife  
Colorado High Country Hikers  
Colorado Lottery  
Colorado Mountain Bike Association  
Colorado Mountain Club  
Colorado Physical Activity and Nutrition Program  
Colorado State Parks  
Colorado Youth Corps Association  
Columbia River Gorge Discovery Center and  
Museum  
Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area  
Continental Divide Trail Alliance  
Coosa Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc.  
Cottonwood Canyons Foundation  
Cottonwood Institute  
Cradle of Forestry Interpretive Association  
Crist Auto RV Sales  
Dakotamart  
Delaware Lieutenant Governor's Fitness  
Challenge  
Delmarva Rural Ministries  
Denver Animal Care and Control  
Denver Botanic Gardens  
Denver Health Care Management  
Denver Museum of Nature and Science  
Denver Parks and Recreation  
Denver Public Health  
Denver Water  
Denver Zoo  
Dragon Boat Festival  
Eagle Claw  
Earth Conservation Corps  
Eastern Mountain Sports  
Environmental Learning For Kids  
Equada Outfitters  
Federacion de Clubes Michoacan Unidos en  
Nevada  
The Fishing Guy  
Florence Civic Club  
Florence Fire Department  
Florence Family Practice  
Fort Pierre National Grasslands  
Free Cycles Missoula  
Fresh Air Family  
Friends of Castaic Lake  
Friends of Land Between the Lakes  
Friends of Outdoor School  
Friends of Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge  
Friends of the Trail  
Front Range Earth Force  
The Fund for American Studies  
Future Fisherman Foundation*

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Gander Mountain  
George Washington Carver Outdoor School  
Gifford Pinchot National Forest Recreation  
Gifford Pinchot Urban Youth Program  
Girl Scouts of the USA  
Great Falls Bicycle Club  
Greater Houston Off-Road Bicycling Association  
Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO)  
GreenThumbs  
Headstart  
Healthy U  
Helena Outdoor Fest  
High Plains Wildlife  
Hoop Girl  
Hub Club Rotary  
Hudson Valley Orienteering  
Izaak Walton League  
Jacks  
Jacksonville State University  
Jefferson County Open Space/Lookout Mountain  
Nature Center  
Kaiser Permanente  
Kansas All-Terrain Vehicle Association  
Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks  
Kansas Highway Patrol  
KCCR/JACK FM  
KC Windsurfers  
Kern River Outfitters  
Kern River Tours  
KUPD 98  
Laboratory for Atmospheric and Space Physics  
Lake Forest Spartans Football Team  
Latino Legacy – Amigos del Bosque  
League of United Latin American Citizens  
Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics  
Lee Metcalf Waterfowl Refuge  
Legacy Alabama Wildlife Federation  
Lieutenant Governor of Colorado's Office  
Lighthouse Bay Marina  
Lincoln Financial Media  
Lions Club  
Little Caesars  
Little River Canyon Field School  
Living Classrooms of the National Capital Region  
L.L. Bean  
Locust Point Gun Sporting Clays  
Lookout Mountain Nature Center/Jefferson  
County Open Space  
Los Angeles County Department of Parks &  
Recreation  
Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries  
Louisiana National Guard  
Lovelace Healthcare

Maricopa County Sheriff's Office  
Maryland Bowhunters Society  
Maryland Coastal Bays Program  
Maximus/CHP+  
Metro State College of Denver  
Melvern Lake Marina  
Melvern Pride Committee  
Michigan Valley Community Church  
Mile High Youth Corps  
Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks  
Mount St. Helens Institute  
Mountain River Adventures  
Munford Volunteer Fire Department  
National Association for the Advancement of  
Colored People  
National Forest Foundation  
National Forest Recreation Association  
National Oceanic and Atmospheric  
Administration  
National Outdoors  
National Park Service  
National Ski Areas Association  
National Wildlife Federation  
National Wild Turkey Federation  
Naturally Beautiful Backyards  
New Mexico Department of Game & Fish (with  
Bass Tubs Inc.)  
New Mexico State Parks  
New Mexico Wildlife Federation  
New Orleans Mountain Bike Organization  
North American Butterfly Association  
North Country Trail Association  
The North Face  
North Shore Trading Company  
Northshore Marina  
Olathe Ford RV Sales  
Operation Military Kids/Colorado National Guard  
Family Programs  
Osage County Sheriff's Office  
Outdoor Lab Foundation  
Outdoor Recreation Information Center  
Outward Bound  
Park Hill Bike Depot  
Pennsylvania Advocates for Nutrition and  
Activity  
Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission  
Pennsylvania Game Commission  
Pennsylvania Power and Light  
People's Place  
Pierre Biking Club  
Pierre City Chamber of Commerce  
Plains Conservation Center  
Pocomoke JAKES

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*Pomona Ski Club  
Pontchartrain Hunt Retrievers Club  
Portland State University Anthropology  
Department (Urban Archaeology)  
Presbyterian Healthcare  
President's Council on Physical Fitness and  
Sports  
ProBuild  
Public Lands Institute  
Public Lands Interpretive Association  
Pulling For Colorado  
Putnam Highlands Audubon Society  
Quest  
Recreational Trails, Inc.  
Recreation Resource Management and Grupo  
Nuevo Leon  
Red Barn Bicycles  
REI  
Responsible Recreation Foundation  
River City Transit  
Riviera Broadcasting  
Road Trip Rentals, Inc.  
Robin's Water  
Rocky Mountain Bird Observatory  
Rocky Mountain MS Center  
Rocky Mountain Sunscreen  
Rocky Gap State Park  
Ronda's Photography  
Run the Bear Marathon (The Lighthouse Project)  
St. Mary's Healthcare Center  
Salisbury Zoo  
Sam Houston Forest Equestrian Association  
Sand Creek Regional Greenway Partnership  
Scheels  
Search and Rescue  
Sierra Club  
Snowbird Corporation  
Snow Sports Outreach Society  
South Dakota Chapter of Walleyes Unlimited  
South Dakota Game, Fish & Parks  
Southern Nevada Agency Partnership  
Southland Custom Calls  
South Louisiana Trailblazers ATV Club  
Spillway Remote Control Airplane Club  
State of Alabama Department of Wildlife and  
Freshwater Fisheries  
Stay the Trail Program  
Steamboat  
Subway  
Sun Company  
Sutley's  
Taco John's  
Take a Family Fishing*

*Texas Parks and Wildlife Department – Outdoor  
Family Program  
Thorne Ecological Institute  
Toby's Outdoor Supply  
Tonto National Forest  
Tour Ice  
Trail Riders of Houston  
U-Count Parenting Initiative  
United Methodist Church  
United States Tennis Association  
United Way of Delaware  
University of Colorado Natural History Museum  
University of Montana- MOTAR  
Urban Connections  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary  
USDA Food and Nutrition Services  
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services  
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service  
U.S. Food Services  
U.S. Forest Service  
U.S. Geological Survey  
U.S. Power Squadron  
Utah Federation for Youth  
Utah Society for Environmental Education  
Utah State Parks/Wildlife Resources  
Vail Resorts  
Vancouver/Clark Parks and Recreation  
Vancouver Lake Crew Rowing Club  
Vancouver Watershed Council  
Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado  
Wahoo's Fish Tacos  
Walmart  
Ward Museum of Wildfowl Art  
Wasatch Adaptive Sports  
Washington Department of Ecology-Spill  
Response Team  
Washington Department of Natural Resources  
Washington State Parks  
West Kentucky Amateur Astronomers  
Wicomico County 4-H  
Wilbur Ellis  
Wild Connections  
Wilderness Association  
Wildlife and Aquatics Programs and Fire  
Prevention  
Wilderness Education Survival Training  
Wildlife Rescue Inc. of New Mexico  
Wind in my Feathers  
The Women's Wilderness Institute  
Wonderful Outdoor World  
The Wyland Foundation  
Your True Nature*

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Add Seven**

**2009 National Get Outdoors Day Official Sites**

**ALABAMA**

[Munford Elementary School Campus](#)  
Munford, Alabama  
Lesley Hodge  
U.S. Forest Service/Munford Elementary School

[Coleman Lake Recreation Area](#)

Talladega National Forest,  
Alabama  
Jeff Gardner  
U.S. Forest Service, Shoal Creek Ranger District

**ARIZONA**

[Arizona's Salt River Tubing](#)  
Mesa, Arizona  
Lynda Breault  
Arizona's Salt River Tubing

**CALIFORNIA**

[Castaic Lake Recreation Area](#)  
California  
Lori Bennett  
LA County Parks & Recreation

[Upper Kern River Clean Up Day](#)

California  
Debbie Campbell  
California Land Management

[Big Bear Discovery Center](#)

Fawnskin, California  
Sarah Miggins  
San Bernadino National Forest Association

[Bay Model Visitor Center](#)

Sausalito, California  
Elizabeth Evans  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

**COLORADO**

[Denver City Park](#)

Denver, Colorado  
Susan Alden Weingardt  
U.S. Forest Service, Rocky Mountain Region

[High Plains Environmental Center](#)

Loveland, Colorado  
Sarah Fox  
High Plains Environmental Center

**DC**

[Kingman Island](#)

Washington, DC  
Mindy Meade  
American Recreation Coalition

**DELAWARE**

[Kids Fest](#)

Linda Chick  
Greater Milford Boys and Girls Club

**FLORIDA**

[Apalachicola, Osceola and Ocala National Forests](#)

Florida  
Miki Gilloon  
U.S. Forest Service

**IDAHO**

[Boise National Forest](#)

Boise, Idaho  
Edna Rey-Vizgirdas  
U.S. Forest Service

**ILLINOIS**

[The Morton Arboretum](#)

Lisle, Illinois  
Gina Tedesco  
The Morton Arboretum

**KANSAS**

[Melvern & Pomona Lakes](#)

Osage County, Kansas  
Kenneth Wilk  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

**KENTUCKY**

[Land Between The Lakes NRC/ Golden Pond Visitor Center & Nature Center](#)

Golden Pond, Kentucky  
Wytosha Stephens-Coney  
U.S. Forest Service

**LOUISIANA**

[Bonnet Carre' Spillway Project](#)

Norco, Louisiana  
Chris Brantley  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

**MARYLAND**

[Hazel Outdoor Discovery Center](#)

Eden, Maryland  
Jim Rapp  
Hazel Outdoor Discovery Center

[Rocky Gap State Park](#)

Flintstone, Maryland  
Sarah Milbourne  
Maryland State Parks

**MICHIGAN**

[Greenfield Village of The Henry Ford Museum](#)

Dearborn, Michigan  
Kenneth Arbogast  
U.S. Forest Service

[Lapeer County](#)

Lapeer, Michigan  
Ken Elwert  
Lapeer County Parks

**MINNESOTA**

[Cass Lake](#)

Chippewa National Forest,  
Minnesota  
Mary Nordeen  
U.S. Forest Service

**MISSOURI**

[Wappapello Lake \(Spillway Recreation Area\)](#)

Wappapello, Missouri  
Andrew Jefferson  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

[Riverlands Migratory Bird Sanctuary](#)

West Alton, Missouri  
Mindy Cory  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

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### MONTANA

#### [Bitterroot National Forest- Black Bear Campground and Centennial Grove Trail](#)

Montana  
Julie Schreck  
U.S. Forest Service, Boy  
Scouts, Ravalli County 4-H

#### [Little Blackfoot River Corridor](#)

Montana  
Debbie Anderson  
Montana Discovery  
Foundation

#### [HideOut Mountain at the Florence Park](#)

Florence, Montana  
Roger and Sharon DiBrito  
Florence Community

#### [Great Falls](#)

Great Falls, Montana  
Jane Weber  
Lewis & Clark National Forest  
and Montana Fish, Wildlife &  
Parks

#### [Spring Meadow Lake State Park](#)

Helena, Montana  
Craig Marr  
Montana Fish, Wildlife &  
Parks  
Helena National Forest

#### [Gaynor's Resorts](#)

Whitefish, Montana  
Nancy Gaynor  
Gaynor's Resorts

### NEVADA

#### [Spring Mountains National Recreation Area](#)

Mt. Charleston, Nevada  
Tricia Mynster  
U.S. Forest Service

#### [Hunter Lake Trail](#)

Reno, Nevada  
Wes Hoskins  
Friends of Nevada  
Wilderness

### NEW HAMPSHIRE

#### [Beaver Brook Association](#)

Hollis, New Hampshire  
Celeste Barr  
Beaver Brook Association

#### [Highland Center](#)

Bretton Woods, New  
Hampshire  
Sara DeLucia  
Appalachian Mountain Club  
Highland Center

#### [Squam Lakes Natural Science Center](#)

Holderness, New Hampshire  
Janet Robertson  
Squam Lakes Natural  
Science Center

### NEW JERSEY

#### [Cora Hartshorn Arboretum](#)

Short Hills, New Jersey  
Erica Fisher  
Cora Hartshorn Arboretum

### NEW MEXICO

#### [Tingley Beach](#)

Albuquerque, New Mexico  
Tera Little  
U.S. Forest Service,  
Southwestern Regional Office

#### [Elephant Butte Lake State Parks](#)

Desert Cove Campground  
Elephant Butte, New Mexico  
Kay Dunlap  
New Mexico State Parks

### NEW YORK

#### [Taconic Outdoor Education Center \(TOEC\) Fahnestock State Park](#)

Putnam Valley, New York  
Paul Kuznia  
New York State Parks

### NORTH CAROLINA

#### [Cradle of Forestry in America Historic Site/Forest Discovery Center](#)

Pisgah Forest, North Carolina  
Cindy Carpenter  
U.S. Forest Service

### OHIO

#### [Wayne National Forest, Leith Run Recreation Area](#)

New Matamoras, Ohio  
Dave Greenwood  
U.S. Forest Service

### PENNSYLVANIA

#### [Keystone State Park](#)

Derry, Pennsylvania  
Chris Kemmerer  
Pennsylvania Department of  
Conservation and Natural  
Resources

#### [Nescopeck State Park](#)

Drums, Pennsylvania  
Chris Kemmerer  
Pennsylvania Department of  
Conservation and Natural  
Resources

#### [Presque Isle State Park](#)

Erie, Pennsylvania  
Chris Kemmerer  
Pennsylvania Department of  
Conservation and Natural  
Resources

#### [Parker Dam State Park](#)

Penfield, Pennsylvania  
Chris Kemmerer  
Pennsylvania Department of  
Conservation and Natural  
Resources

#### [Washington's Landing](#)

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

#### [Moraine State State Park](#)

Portersville, Pennsylvania  
Chris Kemmerer  
Pennsylvania Department of  
Conservation and Natural  
Resources

#### [Nockamixon State Park](#)

Quakertown, Pennsylvania  
Chris Kemmerer  
Pennsylvania Department of  
Conservation and Natural  
Resources

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### **SOUTH DAKOTA**

#### [Steamboat Park](#)

Pierre, South Dakota  
Ami Garrigan  
U.S. Army Corps of  
Engineers

### **TENNESSEE**

#### [J. Percy Priest Lake](#)

Nashville, Tennessee  
Kathryn Wall  
U.S. Army Corps of  
Engineers

### **TEXAS**

#### [Fanthorp Inn State Historic Site](#)

Anderson, Texas  
John Lindon  
Texas Parks and Wildlife

#### [Blanco State Park](#)

Blanco, Texas  
Mary Alice Partain  
Texas Parks and Wildlife

#### [Palo Duro Canyon State Park](#)

Canyon, Texas  
Bernice Blasingame  
Texas Parks and Wildlife

#### [Sam Houston National Forest-Double Lake Recreation Area](#)

Coldspring, Texas  
Tamberly Conway  
U.S. Forest Service-National  
Forests and Grasslands in  
Texas (NFGT)

#### [Daingerfield State Park](#)

Daingerfield, Texas  
Craig Johnson  
Texas Parks and Wildlife

#### [Lake Texana State Park](#)

Edna, Texas  
Cindy Baker  
Texas Parks and Wildlife

#### [Franklin Mountains State Park](#)

El Paso, Texas  
Kelly Serio  
Texas Parks and Wildlife

### **UTAH**

#### [Snowbird Ski and Summer Resort](#)

Snowbird, Utah  
Dave Fields  
Snowbird Ski and Summer  
Resort

### **WASHINGTON**

#### [City of Vancouver Water Resources Education Center](#)

Vancouver, Washington  
Robin Rose  
U.S. Forest Service

#### [Edmonds Willow Creek Hatchery/Habitat Demo Garden Work Party Day](#)

Edmonds, Washington  
Laura Spehar  
Edmonds Backyard Wildlife  
Habitat Project

### **WYOMING**

#### [Curt Gowdy State Park](#)

Cheyenne, Wyoming  
Paul Gritten  
Wyoming State Park, Historic  
Sites and Trails

#### [LaBonte Canyon](#)

Douglas, Wyoming  
Tim Byer  
U.S. Forest Service, Douglas  
Ranger District

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## 2009 National Get Outdoors Day Photos



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GO-Day is an outgrowth of the Get Outdoors USA! campaign, which encourages Americans, especially our youth, to seek out healthy, active outdoor lives and embrace our parks, forests, refuges and other public lands and waters. Working with the FS, Get Outdoors USA! hosted six recreation forums in early 2007 and learned that public lands were missing the right triggers to capture the attention of today's youth. The GO-Day concept was first tested at the Outdoor Recreation Village at Super Bowl XLII in Glendale, Arizona, which drew over 100,000 visitors. For more information on the Outdoor Recreation Village, visit <http://www.funoutdoors.com/node/view/2016>.