

California Archaeological Site Stewardship Program (CASSP)

Program description The California Archaeological Site Stewardship Program (CASSP) is a statewide program of volunteers who promote the protection of archaeological and historical resources through site monitoring, research, and public awareness. CASSP volunteers, under the coordination of a professional archaeologist, make regular visits to known sites to monitor and report on their conditions. CASSP is administered by the Partners for Archaeological Site Stewardship (PASS), in partnership with the California Office of Historic Preservation; the California State Parks; California offices of the US Forest Service (USFS), Bureau of Land Management (BLM), and National Park Service (NPS); and the Society for California Archaeology. For more information, please visit the CASSP web site at www.cassp.org

Training workshops Volunteer site stewards receive training in classroom and field settings over one weekend. Archaeologists from PASS and host agencies will participate, along with other experts, and Native American representatives. The workshop begins at 9:00 on Saturday, and ends about 4:30. The agenda includes:

- discussion of CASSP and what it takes to be a site steward,
- an overview of the region's prehistory and natural resources,
- Native American perspectives,
- a review of the Archeological Resource Protection Act and other laws,
- discussions and small-group role-playing exercises for dealing with the public, and
- planning of site stewardship assignments.

By the end of Saturday, workshop participants sign a confidentiality agreement to not share sensitive site location information. On Sunday, participants who have signed the confidentiality agreement will make a field trip to actual archaeological and historical sites to learn about monitoring with the agency archaeologist. The field trip usually begins at 9:00 and ends by mid-afternoon.

The workshop fee of \$25 per person is payable to Partners for Archaeological Site Stewardship, and will be collected at the door. Training materials are provided, as well as lunch at the Saturday classroom session. Please plan to bring snacks or a sandwich for the Sunday field trip; snacks and water are also provided.

Registration To register or to request additional information about a volunteer training workshop, please send your name and contact information from the boxes below to Karen Lacy and Mike DeGiovine, Partners for Archaeological Site Stewardship, P.O. Box 7577, Long Beach, CA 90807, or send an e-mail to klacy@cassp.org or mdegiovine@cassp.org. Registrations should be made as soon as possible, and no later than the Monday preceeding a scheduled workshop. Because space is limited, you must register in advance.

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City, State, Zip
Phone number or e-mail address