

## Conservation Day Crew Gear List

Welcome to the 2021 field season at VYCC! This document is designed to help leaders and members prepare for their season. We know that securing gear can be a daunting experience. However, we are here to help and this list is designed to help you stay safe and comfortable throughout your season.

Please know that you do not need to spend a lot or any money on new gear. We recommend that you search local exchanges and thrift stores for used equipment and/or ask friends and family. The following online retailers are great for used gear: [PoshMark](#), [ebay](#), [OutdoorsGeek](#), [GearTrade](#), [REI Used Gear](#), and [Patagonia Worn Wear](#). Other sites like [The Clymb](#), [steepandcheap](#), and [Sierra Trading Post](#) offer good deals on new gear. Ensure that the gear you bring to VYCC will endure all environmental (dirt/mud) and weather conditions (rain, sleet, snow). If you are unable to secure certain pieces of gear, please let your hiring manager know and we will help you get what you need. We have a small cache of gear that can be loaned out for your season, but we need to know in advance.

### VYCC Provides:

- Three VYCC uniform work shirts
- Required Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) includes eye protection, both leather and gripped work gloves, and hearing protection
- COVID-19 related equipment (hand sanitizer, two-layer face masks (if needed), thermometers, etc.)

### Necessary Clothing: *(cotton is not advised)*

- Boots:** ALL LEATHER, sturdy work or hiking style
  - Entire boot except laces and sole must be leather
  - Must fully and firmly cover the foot to and around the anklebone
  - Must be in good condition without splits, holes or tears
  - Why do you need all leather boots? Good question! VYCC crews work will all kinds of different tools, some of which are heavy and sharp. We want everyone to have proper foot protection in case a tool lands where it is not supposed to. Additionally, leather boots keep your feet dry which is very important.
- Sturdy, waterproof rain jacket (rain pants recommended):** no ponchos (rain gear will get dirty)
- Full length durable work pants:** *Carhartt, Dickies, and Arborwear* are some brands to check out. Please no sweatpants, leggings, hiking pants, or wind pants (jeans are ok).
- Socks:** polyester or wool are recommended



### Necessary Equipment:

- Two-layer face mask:** (Please bring at least two, buffs/bandanas cannot be used as a face covering)
- Water bottles:** durable and able to hold at least 3 liters of water total (**Leaders: 4-5 liters**)
- Daypack:** to hold all daily personal gear, ~20-40 liters (water, lunch, rain gear, extra layers, notebook, etc.) (**Leaders: allow for additional space for extra crew gear, ~30-40 liters**)
- 1 or more [sturdy plastic container](#)/Tupperware** *(to hold your lunch and snacks)*



- Sunscreen
- Insect Repellent

**\*All of your gear, clothing, and supplies should fit into a daypack/backpack to easily transport around work projects.**

**Optional Recommended Items:**

- Bandana
- Hat
- Camera
- Mosquito Head Net
- Wristwatch