Hoosier Back Country Horsemen Annual Report for 2024

The Hoosier Back Country Horsemen finished the year 2024 with 237 total volunteer hours with a dollar value of **\$13,444.70**.

We continue to have issues getting our members to participate in workdays despite adding a day during the week to our monthly Saturday workdays.

Indiana only has 4 percent of its land base in public lands and that includes the federal and state properties for recreation. This creates a lot of use on the trails since we can only ride on designated trails and cannot ride cross country without getting fined. Fifty percent of the trails in Indiana are multi-use (biking, hiking, and horseback riding) creating a lot of user impact on the trails. Even if we wanted to ride on natural surface trails only it is not feasible to do that without a lot of damage to the resources. With the emphasis on watersheds and elimination of erosion and sedimentation in the streams and waterways we must harden trails with stone.

We cleared 27 trees in one day with our two trained sawyers that were certified the year before.



Jim Helms certified sawyer clearing one of the many downed trees.



Clearing the trail after the cut!



Happy Volunteers!

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Hoosier Back Country Horsemen

Date Range (Oct 2024-Sept 2025) or (Jan-Dec 2025)

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		Rate per		
	Totals	hour/mile/day	Total Value	
				Calculated
Total Basic Hours	108	\$33.49	\$3,631.99	per hour
				Calculated
Total Skilled Hours	70	\$50.24	\$3,516.80	per hour
		_		Calculated
Non-Trail Hours	0	\$33.49	\$0.00	per hour
		*		Calculated
Travel Time	59	\$33.49	\$1,975.91	per hour
Total Hours	237		\$9,124.70	
				Calculated
Personal and Stock Use	1660	\$1.00	\$1,660.00	per mile
Total Travel Miles	1660		\$1,660.00	
				Calculated
Power Equipment	73	\$35.00	\$2,555.00	per hour
				Calculated
Heavy Equipment	0	\$140.00	\$0.00	per hour
Total Equipment Hours	73	,	\$2,555.00	
				Calculated
Total Stock Days	0	\$125.00	\$0.00	per day
			\$0.00	
Total Donations	\$105.00		\$105.00	
		Total	\$13,444.70	