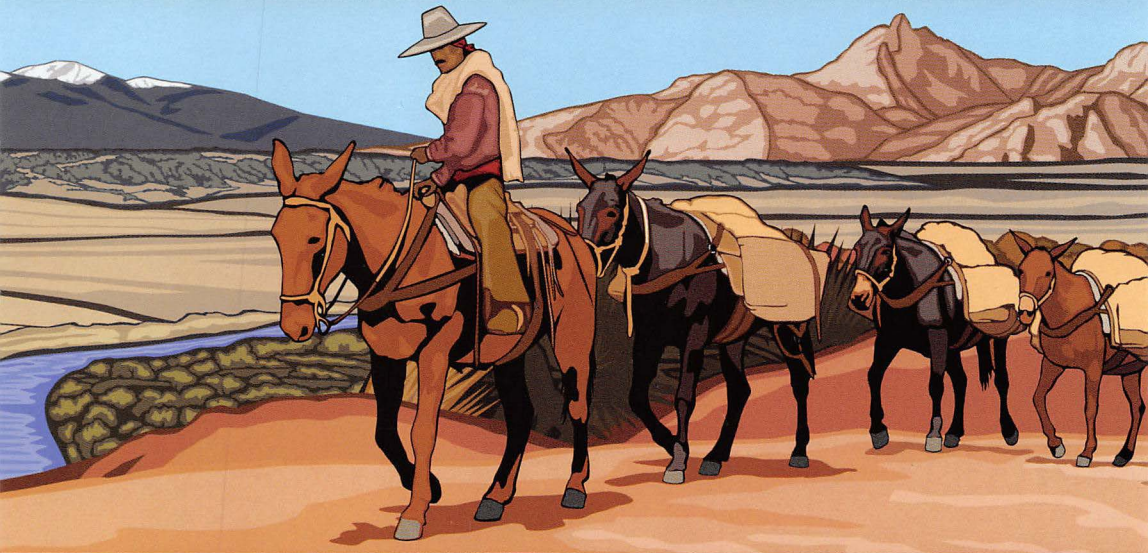




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# Old Spanish National Historic Trail



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The National Trails System Act was signed into law on October 2, 1968, by President Lyndon B. Johnson. The U.S. Congress passed the act to provide outdoor recreation opportunities for the expanding population and to promote preservation, public access, travel, and the enjoyment and appreciation of the great outdoors and our Nation's history. Today, the National Trails System comprises more miles than the Interstate Highway System and includes:

- Eleven **national scenic trails** designated by Congress for outdoor recreation and the conservation of the nationally significant scenic, historic, natural, or cultural qualities of the surrounding areas
- Nineteen **national historic trails** designated by Congress that closely follow original trails or travel routes of national historical significance
- Nearly 1,300 **national recreation trails, national water trails, and connecting or side trails** designated by the Secretary of the Interior or the Secretary of Agriculture for outdoor recreation in or near urban areas

Federal agencies are working with partner organizations to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the National Trails System Act on October 2, 2018, through enjoyable public events and projects that benefit and sustain the system for future generations. For more anniversary information, visit [www.Trails50.org](http://www.Trails50.org).

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