

Joe Stone is a co-owner of Dovetail Trail Consulting, a firm focused on improving accessibility and inclusion across public lands and outdoor recreation systems. He works directly with land managers, agencies, and organizations to assess trail systems, identify barriers, and develop practical solutions that support people with disabilities while maintaining the integrity and intent of the landscape.

Joe has been using a wheelchair since sustaining a C7 spinal cord injury in 2010. In the years following his injury, he worked to rediscover how to access the outdoors, an experience that ultimately shaped both his personal and professional path. What began as a personal effort to understand what was possible evolved into a broader mission to expand access for others.

Over the past decade, Joe has worked across the country in partnership with federal land agencies, nonprofit organizations, and local stakeholders. His work focuses on objective trail assessment, accessibility education, and improving what he refers to as the “entry to exit experience,” ensuring that individuals with disabilities can meaningfully participate in outdoor recreation from start to finish.

In addition to his consulting work, Joe has been involved in nonprofit efforts supporting people with disabilities in outdoor recreation and community engagement. His perspective is grounded in lived experience, combined with on-the-ground work evaluating real-world conditions and outcomes.

Joe currently resides in Jackson, Wyoming, where he continues to advocate for more inclusive, sustainable, and well-informed access to public lands.