Cody Hammond grew up in the Northeastern part of Georgia. He discovered his love of geology while taking a survey course at the University of North Georgia. Unfortunately, they did not have the degree there so he transferred to the University of Georgia where he graduated with a Bachelor’s of Science in Geology with a focus on Geophysics. He got introduced to the National Park Service the summer of his graduation during an internship out at Lava Bed National Monument. There he discovered the joys of an environment extremely different from what he grew up with. He also learned how enjoyable it could be to help others plan their experience as well as teach them about the history of the monument. Joining the CVA, he hopes to grow the volunteer program and develop it so that it is something that lasts for years to come.