



Mendocino National Forest

Recreation Fee Program Accomplishment Highlights 2021

Fire Damage Replacement



New Kiosks installed after fire damage.

The forest spent \$15,000 dollars in campground fees to partially fund replacement of fee station kiosks at Howard Meadow Campground, Little Doe Campground, and Eel River Campground. These kiosks were burned and damaged in the August Complex Fires. They are essential in explaining payment information for the fee sites as well as disseminating important Forest Information.

Recreation Fee Dollars

Recreation fee dollars are an investment in outdoor recreation. They support and enhance:

- Public safety
- Recreation site maintenance and improvements
- Educational experiences
- Informational wayside exhibits
- Youth programs and partnerships
- Interpretive programs

Current and future generations benefit as 80-95% of the funds are reinvested in the facilities and services that visitors enjoy, use, and value.

Red Bluff Recreation Area

The forest contributed \$31,000 in recreation fee dollars to a partnership with California State University at Chico. Recreation Management students gained hands on experience through improving, operating and maintaining recreation facilities. This partnership completed essential work at Camp Discovery Group Campground and Sycamore Grove Campground



Pine Beetle Outbreak

Drought conditions and beetle flights resulted in thousands of trees dyeing in and around recreation sites. Dead and dyeing trees of all sizes were felled and bucked into firewood for campers. These treatments will contribute to future forest health and protect users and infrastructure at the sites. \$20,000 in fleet, employee costs, and micro purchases were covered by recreation fees to partially fund hazard tree removal at Middle Creek Campground, Deer Valley Campground, Penny Pines Campground, Pine Mountain Lookout Rental Cabin, and Letts Lake Campground.



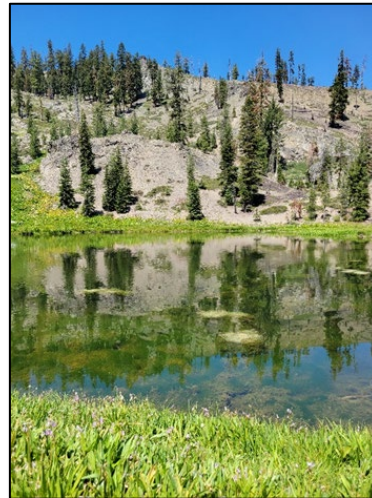
Falling and Chipping Crews at Pine Mountain Lookout Rental Cabin

Other Accomplishments

The forest replaced old kiosks and bathroom lights at Middle Creek Campground. These new LED lights will reduce carbon emissions and utility costs through light sensors and more efficient technology and help the campground meet accessibility guidelines.



Before and after new LED light installation



Square Lake in the Yolla Bolly Middle Eel Wilderness on the Grindstone Ranger District near Red Bluff, CA

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Regional Map



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Revenue & Expenditures

Revenue*	Forest	Region
Recreation Fees	\$192,283	\$8,921,596
Special Uses	\$69	\$977,102
Interagency Passes	\$1,160	\$102,752
Total	\$193,512	\$10,001,450
Expenditures	Forest	Region
Repair & Maintenance	\$84,547	\$3,499,145
Visitor Services	\$31,516	\$2,921,425
Law Enforcement	\$26,226	\$272,025
Habitat Restoration	\$594	\$231,339
Fee Agreements	\$0	\$1,208
Collections/Overhead	\$3,000	\$382,632
Total	\$145,883	\$7,307,774

*Carryover funds will be used for large projects and upcoming startup costs.