



# Bitterroot National Forest

Recreation Fee Program Accomplishment Highlights 2017

## Lookout Gets a Better View

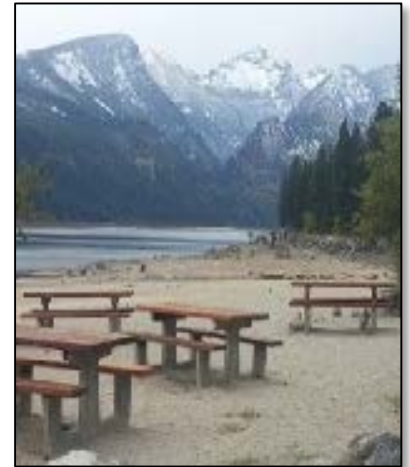


The Grid Point Lookout is a 14-by-14 lookout equipped with two beds that can sleep up to four people. It has a wood stove for heat and cooking, a propane stove and lantern, a table with chairs, and basic kitchen supplies.

In 2017 the forest replaced broken window panes with new panes to get the lookout in shape and maintain the remarkable 360 degree view.

## Picnic Tables Installed by Youth

*New picnic table planks installed on the beach day use site at Lake Como Recreation Area*



*Youth Conservation Corps crew installing new table planks*

## 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.

## Thanks to Campground Hosts



*Two volunteer campground hosts who play a vital role in visitor service and site maintenance.*

## Other Accomplishments

- Inspected and removed hazard trees and limbs at 17 recreation sites.
- Installed electricity to campground host site at Lake Como Campground.
- Repaired 93 and installed five new picnic tables.
- Constructed rock stairway to viewpoint of Lake Como.
- Repaired water systems at three campgrounds and one recreation area complex and replaced old water line at one site.
- Performed maintenance on six rental cabins. (repaired window screens, stained deck, cleaned chimneys, stocked firewood, constructed new outhouse)
- Supported 13 volunteer campground hosts who helped maintain the sites, visited with the public, and helped ensure for public health and safety.
- Pumped and maintained toilet facilities at 18 recreation sites.
- Maintained potable water systems and conducted monthly water test at ten recreation sites.
- Worked with Youth Conservation Corps crew and Trapper Creek Job Corps crews to implement projects and maintain recreation sites.
- Maintained 28.7 miles of trails used by outfitters and guides
- Administered 78 outfitter and guide permits and inspected 15 camps



*Native rock stairway constructed to a view point of Lake Como.*



*Recreating on Lake Como*

## Regional Map



## Revenue & Expenditures

Revenue*	Forest	Region
Recreation Fees	\$178,888	\$2,039,768
Special Uses	\$71,962	\$1,215,263
Interagency Passes	\$9,690	\$208,343
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$260,540</b>	<b>\$3,463,374</b>
Expenditures	Forest	Region
Repair & Maintenance	\$107,245	\$1,560,502
Visitor Services	\$69,288	\$650,183
Law Enforcement	\$7,591	\$74,349
Habitat Restoration	\$0	\$60,422
Fee Agreements	\$0	\$0
Collections/Overhead	\$25,757	\$233,792
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$209,882</b>	<b>\$2,579,249</b>

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