

Prescott National Forest

Recreation Fee Program Accomplishment Highlights 2016

Sprucing Up Sycamore



Youth crews remove old paint at Sycamore Barn

Built in 1938, Sycamore Cabin sits at an elevation of 4,000 near Sycamore Creek. In 2016 Yavapai County Youth Conservation Corps and the Arizona Conservation Corps contributed over 500 hours to maintain the historic structures. The volunteer crews scraped and painted the fencing and barn, installed a fire pit and BBQ grill, removed encroaching brush and trimmed trees.

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 on the forest and services that visitors enjoy, use, and value.

Yavapai Ready for Campers

The Forest used \$71,995 in recreation fee funds to continue the work at Granite Basin Recreation Area. Yavapai Campground maintenance and repairs focused on fixing loose wheel stops, replacing wood edges around tent pads, and repairing retaining walls to address erosion issues. In addition, the Forest constructed 22 new tent pads, installed an accessible water hydrant, and replaced all the picnic tables and fire rings.



Teamwork is required to install new fire rings

Special Recreation Permits

The Forest issued over a dozen recreation event permits, converting many of the long standing permits to 5 year permits. Major events included the 38th Annual Whiskey Row Marathon, Epic Rides 8th Whiskey Off-Road Mountain Bike Event, and the Annual Verde River Runoff.



Trail Riding. Credit Cassie Mason 2014 Share the Experience

Other Accomplishments

Developed Recreation

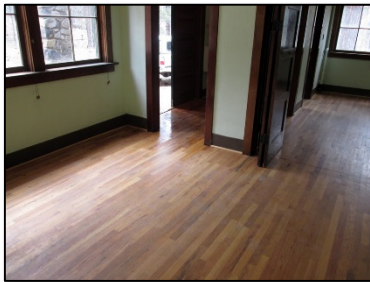
- Installed signs and new gate arm at South Shore.
- Prepared Schoolhouse to become a day use rental by replacing the gable end rafters, glazed and painted all the windows, doors and trim, added new screens, basement access panels and refinished the original wood floors.

Volunteer and Partners

- Managed 40 volunteer hosts who contributed over 24,932 hours. Also supported volunteer crews who gave 14,344 hours.
- Partnered with Verde Front River Recreation Group to create interpretive signs for Verde River access points.
- Partnered with the Backcountry Horsemen of Central Arizona who supported youth crews and contributed 310 hours.
- Partnered with the Arizona State Rifle and Pistol Association to improve and maintain developed and dispersed recreation sites
- Worked with Yavapai County Restitution crews who 851 hours of maintenance work.



Granite Mountain Wilderness. Credit Karen Martin 2014 Share the Experience.



Refinished floor at Schoolhouse

Regional Map



Revenue & Expenditures

Revenue*	Forest	Region
Recreation Fees	\$628,973	\$6,518,869
Special Uses	\$22,374	\$1,132,857
Interagency Passes	\$41,880	\$457,153
Total	\$693,227	\$8,108,879
Expenditures	Forest	Region
Repair & Maintenance	\$249,562	\$6,074,413
Visitor Services	\$206,054	\$1,614,220
Law Enforcement	\$9,811	\$289,495
Habitat Restoration	\$0	\$226,930
Fee Agreements	\$0	\$1,647
Collections/Overhead	\$30,397	\$697,931
Total	\$495,823	\$5,950,806

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