Bitterroot National Forest

Recreation Program









Recreation fees are an investment in outdoor recreation. Current and future generations will benefit as 95% of the funds are reinvested in the facilities and services that visitors enjoy, use, and value.

Accomplishments Provided with Recreation Fees:

- Purchased and installed four Lake Como Recreation Area signs.
- Painted three benches along the interpretive trail at Lake Como and two tables in the picnic area.
- Stained or repainted 45 picnic tables in Lower Como, Rock Creek Horse Camp and Three Frogs campgrounds.
- Painted the interiors of four outhouses at Lake Como Recreation Area.
- Seeded and fertilized 15 acres in Lower and Three Frogs campgrounds after a thinning project to lessen impacts of mountain pine beetles.
- Piled and removed debris associated with a thinning project at Three Sisters Group Site, and Rock Creek Horse Camp and Boat Launch areas.
- Supported 15 volunteer campground hosts who provided visitor information and assistance, and cleaned restrooms and campsites.
- Funded forest law enforcement officers who patrolled and assisted campground visitors during the busy summer months.
- Relocated Site 8 in Spring Gulch Campground to a dryer site.
- Stained 12 picnic tables in Spring Gulch Campground.
- Removed shingles, repaired rotten sub-roof and installed a new metal on the pump house at Warm Springs Campground.
- Marked 47 concrete barriers with site length on Sula Ranger District.
- Repaired and painted access gate, refurbished furniture, installed BBQ grill, stocked wood shed, and replaced glass on wood stove door at Woods Cabin.
- Constructed and installed new door at Gird Point Lookout Rental.



Warm Springs pump house's new roof

Special Feature

Camping evokes memories of roasting s'mores and sharing stories around a campfire surrounded by family and friends in the great outdoors. In order to make it easier for visitors choose the perfect site during their trailer or RV, employees marked concrete barriers with the site length in Sula Ranger District campgrounds.



Bitterroot National Forest Revenue & Expenditures

Revenue*	
Source	Amount
Recreation Fees	\$127,271
Special Uses	\$45,004
Interagency Pass	\$2,850
Total	\$175,125

Expenditures	
Source	Amount
Maintenance & Repair	\$48,498
Visitor Services	\$61,412
Cost of Collections	\$23,372
Law Enforcement	\$16,670
Total	\$149,952

^{*}Carryover funds will be used for large projects and the following season's startup costs.

Additional Bitterroot Accomplishments

- Painted hand pumps in Martin Creek and Crazy Creek campgrounds.
- Stained five picnic tables in Crazy Creek and six in Martin Creek campgrounds.
- Built a roof over the propane tank and repaired the jack-leg fence East Fork Guard Station.
- Repaired shutter support at Medicine Point Lookout.
- Administered 40 outfitter and guide special use permits and 78 Bitterroot River boat launch permits.
- Maintained 25 miles of trail.
- Managed the Wild and Scenic Selway River program.



Wood for this table was milled from a large hazard tree removed from a campground and handcrafted by District Ranger Chuck Oliver for Woods Cabin.



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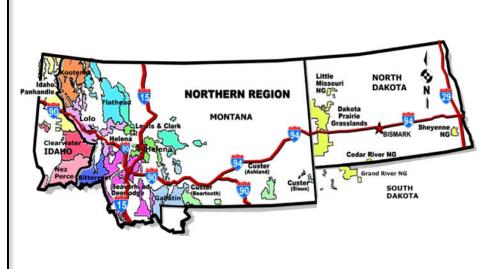
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Northern Region Revenue & Expenditures

Revenue*	
Source	Amount
Recreation Fees	\$1,638,882
Special Uses	\$881,959
Interagency Pass	\$39,113
Total \$2,559,955	

Expenditures	
Source	Amount
Maintenance & Repair	\$1,032,059
Visitor Services	\$760,192
Cost of Collections	\$189,756
Law Enforcement	\$94,965
Habitat Restoration	\$71,667
Fee Agreements	\$0
Total	\$2,148,639

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