

# Recreation Program Fee Accomplishment Report 2009



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

## Accomplishments provided with recreation fees on the Custer National Forest:

- Provided visitor information on recreational opportunities, outdoor safety, and natural resources.
- Funded employees who completed campground and cabin maintenance tasks, patrolled fee sites, and provided visitor information.
- Contracted for solid waste disposal and toilet pumping services across the forest.
- Administered, monitored and inspected outfitter and guide special use permits.
- Completed trail maintenance work and provided Wilderness patrols on trails used by outfitters and guides.



*Absaroka-Beartooth Wilderness*

### Special Feature

Trail users benefit from the combined efforts of volunteers and Forest Service employees. Working together they cleared hundreds of windblown trees from trails on the Beartooth Ranger District. Hikers may not have recognized that only days earlier, their route was virtually blocked. Sometimes the best use of REA funds is not easily seen, but results in desired experiences.



### Custer National Forest Revenue & Expenditures

Revenue*	
Source	Amount
Interagency Pass	\$2,369
Recreation Fees	\$28,482
Special Uses	\$16,534
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$47,385</b>

Expenditures	
Source	Amount
Maintenance & Repair	\$28,903
Visitor Services	\$7,700
Law Enforcement	\$1,750
Cost of Collections	\$8,409
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$46,762</b>

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

# Custer National Forest Planned Projects for 2010

- Enhance conservation education opportunities for visitors.
- Develop partnerships with local organizations and communities.
- Continue to support seasonal employees who perform maintenance, fee collection and law enforcement activities.
- Maintain and operate campgrounds and cabin rentals.



## Recreation Program



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### Northern Region Revenues & Expenditures



Revenue*	
Source	Amount
Interagency Pass	\$54,941
Recreation Fees	\$1,628,455
Special Uses	\$932,260
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,615,656</b>

Expenditures	
Source	Amount
Maintenance & Repair	\$1,388,770
Visitor Services	\$842,787
Law Enforcement	\$143,390
Cost of Collections	\$182,857
Habitat Restoration	\$27,101
Fee Agreements	\$7,982
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,592,885</b>

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