# 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 Helena National Forest:

- Funded employees who provided visitor assistance and information, ensured compliance, and completed site maintenance tasks at all fee campgrounds.
- Identified and removed hazard trees at Cromwell Dixon Campground.
- Maintained, cleaned and stocked rental cabins.
- Processed, administered and monitored 12 outfitter and guide special use permits.
- Partnered with the outfitters to clear system trails.
- Partnered with Gates of the Mountains Boat Club and installed and removed the boat docks at Meriwether Picnic Site.

Cromwell Dixon Campground

### **Special Feature**

Backcountry Horsemen groups provide thousands hours of volunteer service in many of the Western forests. In 2009, the Last Chance Chapter constructed new stock corrals at Kading Cabin. These corrals will help keep stock safe and secure at the end of a long, enjoyable ride.



### Helena National Forest Revenue & Expenditures

Revenue	
Source	Amount
Interagency Pass	\$1,680
Recreation Fees	\$57,443
Special Uses	\$27,851
Total	\$85,975

Expenditures*		
Source	Amount	
Maintenance & Repair	\$29,800	
Visitor Services	\$34,958	
Law Enforcement	\$13,200	
Cost of Collections	\$10,500	
Total	\$88,458	

\*Expenditures may be funded with previous years' revenues.

### Helena National Forest Planned Projects for 2010

- Continue to fund employees who provide visitor assistance and information, and complete fee collections and site maintenance.
- Maintain and clean campgrounds and rental cabins.
- Process, administer, and monitor the outfitter and guide special use permits
- Expand and upgrade the parking facilities at the Indian Meadows Outfitter Trailhead.



Rillway Cabin



Eagle Guard Station

#### **Recreation Program**





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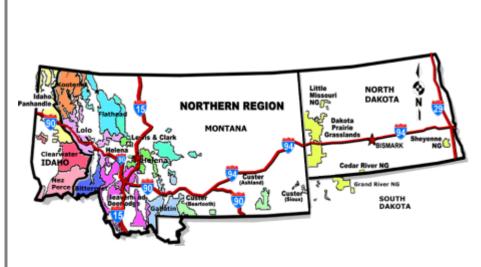
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### Northern Region Revenues & Expenditures

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

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	
Total	\$2,592,885	

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