



The Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act (REA), signed into law in 2004, authorizes the Secretaries of the Interior and Agriculture to establish, modify, charge, collect and retain recreation fees at Federal recreation lands and waters as provided for in the Act. Ninety-five percent of all fees collected on Forest Service sites stay at the local forest/grasslands and are reinvested in operations, maintenance and other visitor services.

Accomplishments provided with recreation fees on the Dakota Prairie Grasslands:

- Funded an employee who provided visitor information, compliance checks, and completed maintenance and cleaning tasks at all eight campgrounds.
 - ✓ Painted toilet and shower building interiors.
 - ✓ Completed minor repairs on campground water systems.
 - ✓ Repaired cracks in concrete aprons.
 - ✓ Reconditioned picnic tables and bulletin boards.



CCC Campground



Buffalo Gap Campground

Special Feature

Crossing the stark badlands and gently rolling prairie of the Little Missouri Grassland is the Maah Daah Hey Trail. Meaning “an area that has been or will be around for a long time,” this 97.2 mile trail offers unusual backpacking, mountain biking, and horse back riding opportunities. In 2008, recreation fees partially funded an employee who completed maintenance and cleaning tasks at campgrounds that are access points to this timeless trail.



Dakota Prairie National Grasslands Revenue and Expenditures

Revenue*	
Source	Amount
Interagency Pass	\$772
Recreation Fees	\$8,387
Special Uses	\$3,293
Total	\$12,451

Expenditures	
Source	Amount
Cost of Collection	\$566
Law Enforcement	\$0
Maintenance & Repair	\$3,393
Visitor Services	\$1,697
Total	\$5,656

*Remaining funds will be used for large projects and next year's startup season costs.



Dakota Prairie Grasslands Planned Projects for 2009

- Continue to fund an employee to provide visitor information and complete maintenance and cleaning tasks.



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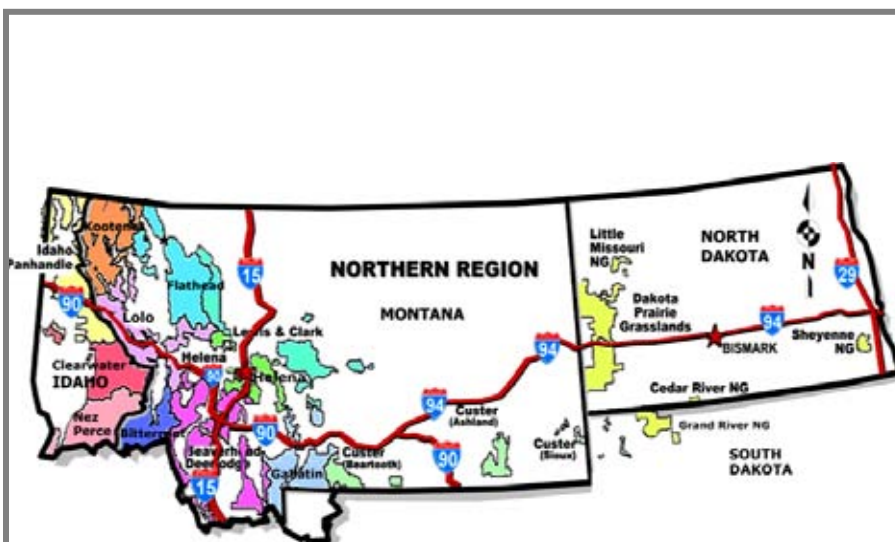
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Northern Region Revenues & Expenditures

Revenue*	
Source	Amount
Interagency Pass	\$49,439
Recreation Fees	\$1,461,675
Special Uses	\$1,126,284
Total	\$2,637,397

Expenditures	
Source	Amount
Cost of Collection	\$212,618
Law Enforcement	\$116,840
Maintenance & Repair	\$1,207,250
Visitor Services	\$660,152
Habitat Restoration	\$10,678
Fee Agreements	\$13,706
Total	\$2,221,244

* Remaining funds will be used for large projects and next year's startup season costs.