Forest Service Northern Region Beaverhead-Deerlodge 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 on the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest:

- Installed a new warming stove at Birch Creek Cabin.
- Constructed a privacy screen for the new Horse Prairie Cabin accessible toilet, and installed a new water system valve box.
- Removed hazard trees around Bloody Dick Cabin.
- Repaired the door, replaced the table, improved the bunk beds and painted the walls Hogan cabin.
- Built a new chimney and wood box for Canyon Creek Cabin.
- Installed new weather stripping, repaired window frames, and constructed Jack and rail fences around Black Butte Cabin.
- Installed new windows, complete minor repairs, and repainted the outhouse at Notch Cabin.
- Repaired toilet building, water line and back wall, repainted site identification sign, and replaced fence at Vigilante Station Middle House
- Replaced flooring, ceiling and wall panels at the Wall Creek cabin, and repainted its main room.
- Repaired cracks and log joints at Bear Creek Cabin and Bunkhouse. Also installed bat boxes and removed bat habitat from within the cabin.
- Repaired leaking roof, chimney mortar, broken bed and fold-down table, and oiled exterior walls and roof at West Fork Cabin.
- Funded employees and AmeriCorps volunteers to cut and stacked firewood at cabins.

New privacy screen on Horse Prairie Cabin's outhouse





Removal of beetle-killed hazard trees and brush clean up continue to be high priorities in developed recreation sites.

Special Feature

The incredible recreation opportunities available on the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest wouldn't be possible without the hard work and dedication of volunteers. In 2011, campground hosts, National Smokejumper Association, Backcountry Horsemen, Montana Youth Challenge, and AmeriCorps/Montana Conservation Corps volunteers accomplished vital work in campgrounds, on trails, and by providing visitor assistance.



Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest Revenue & Expenditures

Revenue*			
Source	Amount		
Recreation Fees	\$118,104		
Special Uses	\$61,023		
Interagency Pass	\$0		
Total	\$ 179,127		

Expenditures	
Source	Amount
Maintenance & Repair	\$106,069
Visitor Services	\$12,882
Cost of Collections	\$4,935
Law Enforcement	\$4,935
Total	\$128,821

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

Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest Additional Accomplishments

- Supported an AmeriCorps crew who reconstructed several miles of fence, assisted in hazard tree removal and cleanup of several developed recreation sites and associated trails, and reconstructed a quarter mile of accessible trail within the Crystal Park Mineral Collection Area.
- Replaced picnic table tops and benches, installed a new information bulletin board, new site number posts, and reconstructed and repaired fences at campgrounds.
- Cleaned and maintained campgrounds and cabins, purchased necessary supplies, conducted water testing, and patrolled to ensure public safety.
- Removed hazard trees and slash at cabins and campgrounds.
- Processed, administered, and monitored recreation event and outfitter and guide special use permits, coordinated with permit holders to update permits and operating plans, and maintained numerous trails used by outfitters and guides.
- Supported hosts and funded employees who provided visitor information, visitor safety,

and maintained and operated campgrounds and cabins.

AmeriCorps crew members reconstructed over 1 ½ mile of fence at Lowland and Sheepshead recreation areas.





Wall Creek Cabin's refurbished interior

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A fee is charged at 20% of the Developed Recreation Sites in the Northern Region.



Northern Region Recreation Sites						
Site Type	Total	# Fee Sites	Site Type	Total	# Fee Sites	
Boat, Swim, Fish	139	11	Day Use Areas	154	0	
Campgrounds	408	157	Picnic Areas	66	4	
Lookouts/Cabins	147	134	Interpretive Sites	85	1	
Camping Areas	1699	0	Visitor Centers	8	3	
Group Campgrounds	11	6	Winter Play Areas	15	2	
Group Picnic Areas	14	11	Trailheads	520	0	
Horse Camps	7	3	Miscellaneous	6	1	

Northern Region Revenue & Expenditures

Revenue		
Source	Amount	
Recreation Fees	\$1,553,414	
Special Uses	\$915,075	
Interagency Pass	\$43,879	
Total	\$2,512,368	

Expenditures*		
Source	Amount	
Maintenance & Repair	\$1,081,885	
Visitor Services	\$1,315,487	
Cost of Collections	\$146,017	
Law Enforcement	\$128,694	
Habitat Restoration	\$28,158	
Fee Agreements	\$12,010	
Total	\$2,712,251	

*Expenditures can be funded with previous years' revenues.