



*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 Lolo National Forest:

- Completed maintenance and operations tasks, replaced picnic tables and fire rings, and funded employees who provided visitor information and compliance checks at cabins, campgrounds, boat ramps, and picnic area.
- Completed renovations at Double Arrow Lookout and made it available for public rental.
- Processed and administered outfitter and guide and recreation event special use permits. Recreation events included trail runs, mountain bike races, dogsledding and cross country ski events, off-highway vehicle rides, and snowmobile runs.



*Work continued on Double Arrow Lookout.*



*View of Seely Lake from Double Arrow Lookout*

### Special Feature

The Double Arrow Lookout opened to the public in 2011 after volunteer groups, funded through recreation fee revenue, rehabilitated the lookout. Built in the 1930s, the lookout tower provides inspiring views of Seeley Valley and the Swan Mountain Range. Visitors also have easy access to a variety of nearby hiking trails and water activities at Seeley Lake.



### Lolo National Forest Revenue & Expenditures

Revenue*	
Source	Amount
Recreation Fees	\$245,201
Special Uses	\$61,064
Interagency Pass	\$0
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$306,265</b>

Expenditures	
Source	Amount
Maintenance & Repair	\$200,000
Visitor Services	\$39,645
Cost of Collections	\$22,144
Law Enforcement	\$12,000
Habitat Restoration	\$15,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$288,789</b>

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

## Lolo National Forest Additional Accomplishments

- Continued to offer backcountry and traditional skills courses at Ninemile Historic Ranger Station through the Heritage Expeditions Program. Subjects included basic horsemanship, defensive horsemanship, Dutch oven cooking, cross cut saw maintenance, log repair for historic buildings, and map/compass/GPS navigation.



Participants prepare loads during a mule packing training at Ninemile Training Center.

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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
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,512,368</b>

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
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,712,251</b>

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