



*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:

- Processed and administered three recreation events, and 18 outfitter and guide special use permits.
- Completed maintenance on 221 miles of trail used by outfitter and guides as well as the public.
- Cleaned and maintained three cabin rentals and 32 campgrounds and picnic areas.
- Helped install bear-proof food boxes at four campgrounds.
- Removed hazard trees from eight campgrounds and around three rental cabins.



*Hazard Tree Removal at Pine Grove Campground*

## Special Feature

One look and it's easy to see how The Castles got its name: This massive limestone uplift looks amazingly like a medieval fortress. Rising 200 to 400 feet above the surrounding prairie, the formation contains exposed rock of Upper Cretaceous, Paleocene, Oligocene, and Miocene Ages. The Castles is one of two formations on the forest to be designated a National Natural Landmark.



## Custer National Forest Revenue & Expenditures

### Revenue\*

Source	Amount
Recreation Fees	\$25,673
Special Uses	\$13,330
Interagency Pass	\$2,620
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$41,623</b>

### Expenditures

Source	Amount
Maintenance & Repair	\$6,552
Visitor Services	\$2,699
Cost of Collections	\$6,066
Law Enforcement	\$1,173
Habitat Restoration	\$0
Fee Agreements	\$6,644
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$23,134</b>

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

## Custer Additional Accomplishments

- Cleaned and rehabilitated Whitetail Cabin and Diamond Butte Lookout after smoke from nearby wildfires damaged the buildings.
- Supplemented funds for a summer employee who replaced five information kiosks.



Whitetail Cabin



Meayers Creek Cabin



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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	\$1,671,968
Special Uses	\$917,859
Interagency Pass	\$60,499
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,650,325</b>

#### Expenditures

Source	Amount
Maintenance & Repair	\$859,415
Visitor Services	\$1,042,756
Cost of Collections	\$176,179
Law Enforcement	\$102,357
Habitat Restoration	\$62,414
Fee Agreements	\$6,644
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,249,765</b>

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