Forest Service Northern Region Lewis and Clark National Forest

Recreation Program Fee Accomplishment Report 2012



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:

- Installed a new roof on Kenck Cabin in cooperation with volunteers from the National Smokejumpers Association.
- Repainted and rehung shutters on West Fork Cabin.
- Completed maintenance and cleaning tasks and purchased 1500 gallons of propane at Calf Creek Cabin and Judith Guard Station.
- Purchased mattresses and covers and stocked firewood at Dry Wolf and Kings Hill cabins.
- Supported hosts at Many Pines and Thain Creek campgrounds and Summit Campground/Marias Pass Historic Site who completed general maintenance and cleaning tasks and provided visitor information.
- Purchased and installed plexiglass on campground and trailhead bulletin boards.
- Funded two summer employees who completed maintenance tasks at 12 campgrounds.
- Replaced two outhouse privacy screen walls at Many Pines Campground.
- Removed hundreds of beetled-killed hazard trees in eight developed campgrounds.
- Cleared and maintained six miles of trail utilized by outfitters and guides.



New privacy screens on a Many Pines Campground vault toilet.

Special Feature

In June of 2012, Kenck Cabin received much needed attention courtesy of volunteers from the National Smokejumpers Association. Six retired jumpers shared their skills and a few stories with employees while replacing the roof, pulling weeds and building fence. The smokejumpers not only did a great job on the cabin, they shared their knowledge and experience with all who came to work and visit with them.



Lewis & Clark National Forest Revenue & Expenditures

Revenue*					
Source	Amount				
Recreation Fees	\$163,192				
Special Uses	\$96,819				
Interagency Pass	\$30,276				
Total	\$290,288				
Expenditures					
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Total	\$248,562
Fee Agreements	\$0
Habitat Restoration	\$0
Law Enforcement	\$6,158
Cost of Collections	\$25,509
Visitor Services	\$105,113
Maintenance & Repair	\$111,782
Source	Amount

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

Lewis and Clark Accomplishments Continued

Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail Interpretive Center:

- Presented interpretive programs to 47,498 national and international visitors.
- Provided hands-on classroom and field experiences to 3,677 students through education programs.
- Offered free interpretive evening programs and special events to 5,469 visitors.

Partnership Highlights:

- Hosted the 23rd Annual Lewis and Clark Festival in partnership with the Lewis and Clark Foundation.
- Partnered with the Portage Route Chapter of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation and sponsored a workshop and concert by Jack Gladstone a Native "PoetSinger" and lecturer from the Blackfeet Indian Nation.
- Leveraged a National Park Service grant and partnered with the Great Falls Public School system to present hands-on science and field investigation programs to 1,043 seventh and eighth grade students.



The Interpretive Center offers many visitor opportunities including historic firearms demonstrations and children's programs.

A fee is charged at 20% of the developed recreation sites in the Northern Region.



		# Fee	Recreation Sites		# Fee
Site Type	Total	Sites	Site Type	Total	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



Students enjoy the Center's displays.

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Northern Region Revenue & Expenditures

Revenue *	
Source	Amount
Recreation Fees	\$1,671,968
Special Uses	\$917,859
Interagency Pass	\$60,499
Total	\$2,650,325
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
Total	\$2,249,765

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