



Recreation Fee Program 2003

Forest Accomplishments

Okanogan and Wenatchee National Forests

Forest Service, Pacific Northwest Region

Revenue from your fees continues to support National Forest Recreation Programs



Trail brushing, Leavenworth Ranger District

“Extremely busy” would be an accurate description of 2003 for the Okanogan and Wenatchee National Forests.

Besides the fire fighting duties that took up much of our efforts this year, much good work was accomplished with your fee dollars. You will find those accomplishments listed here.

Please continue to help us offer quality services and facilities to you, and other visitors, when you visit your National Forests.

In 2003, over 830 miles of Forest trails were maintained with Northwest Forest Pass (NWFP) revenues. An additional 1200 miles were maintained with grant money and volunteers whose work was supported and leveraged by NWFP funds. Bridges were reconstructed on the Cutthroat Trail (Methow Valley RD) and the Waptus Trail (Cle Elum RD). Numerous volunteers helped in this effort, including Washington Trails Association, Backcountry Horsemen of Washington, Student Conservation Association, Northwest Youth Corps, Skagit Audubon Club, the Washington Outfitters and Guides Association, and Washington Conservation Corps.

In addition, fees provided replacement of campground amenities such as fire rings and tables, and supported employee maintenance and service of campground facilities.

Fees also helped maintain the Nordic ski trails at Echo Ridge, paid for maintenance of the docks at recreation sites on Lake Chelan, provide staffing to run the limited entry permit system in the Enchantments Basin, and fund wilderness rangers.

Thank you, your help makes a difference!

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Northwest Youth Corps on Chatter Creek Trail

The Fees:

Project Name	Total \$ Dollars since 1997	Revenue in 2003	Cost to Collect	% Collect \$
Recreation Lodging	\$ 20,000	\$ 4553	\$ 0	
Campgrounds	Over \$1,000,000	\$181,425	\$ 16,289	8.9%
Northwest Forest Pass	Over \$1,500,000	\$ 477,488	\$ 23,436	4.9%
Golden Passport	\$ 30,000	\$ 16,530	\$	
Wenatchee Program	Over \$500,000	\$ 99,569	\$ 13,119	13.2%

The Accomplishments:



Recreation Lodging: Provided facilities at Entiat, Naches and Cle Elum for rental to the public.



Campgrounds: South Bay campground road re-constructed. Extra staffing for campground work. Water system repair at Beth and Lost Lakes campgrounds.



Northwest Forest Pass: Maintained over 800 miles of trail, replaced bridges and helped leverage other fund sources to accomplish needed trail maintenance.

Wenatchee Program:

- Groomed Echo Ridge Nordic Trail System
- Operated Enchantments Limited entry permit system
- Maintained Lake Chelan Docks
- Provided Christmas tree opportunities



*Wilderness Volunteer Corps —
Rock Creek, Pasayten Wilderness.*



*South Bay Campground —
road re-construction*