



Recreation Fee Program 2003

Forest Accomplishments

Mt. Hood National Forest

Forest Service, Pacific Northwest Region

More than 150,000 visitors enjoyed the services made possible with Northwest Forest Pass funds in 2003.



Temporary bridge constructed across the Muddy Fork of the Sandy River on the Pacific Crest Trail.



Trail crewmembers working on bridge at Mirror Lake, Zigzag Ranger District.

Trails and Wilderness

More than 206 miles of trail were maintained. Maintenance included cutting out fallen and leaning logs, cutting back encroaching vegetation, and repairing damaged trail surfaces.

Three trail bridges were replaced. A temporary bridge was installed across the Muddy Fork of the Sandy River on the Pacific Crest Trail (the original 65 foot bridge was severely undercut by spring floods). Bridges along the Mirror Lake and Alder Flat trails were also replaced.

The Northwest Forest Pass funded Wilderness patrols in the Mt. Hood, Salmon-Huckleberry, and Bull of the Woods Wilderness areas. Wilderness rangers packed out litter from high use sites, educated visitors about "Leave No Trace" behaviors, and monitored wilderness conditions.

New Wilderness boundary signs and registration stations were installed on four trails in Bull of the Woods Wilderness.

Trash was removed and visitors were greeted on Mirror Lake and Old Salmon River trails from June through September.

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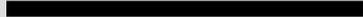
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Oregon Equestrian Trails volunteers installing signs at Douglas trailhead, Zigzag RD.



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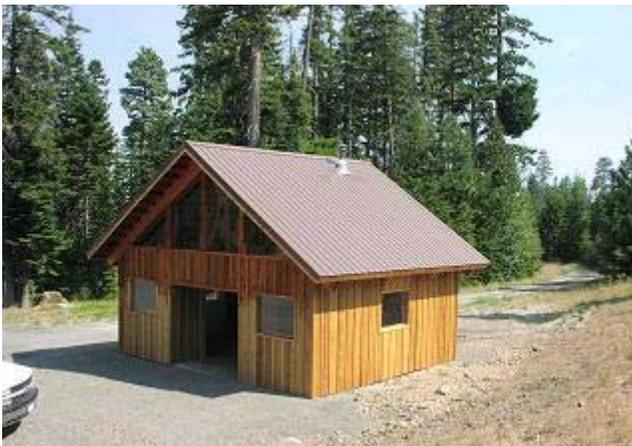
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Campgrounds and Trailheads

- Built Billy Bob Snowpark warming shelter. Plowed snow off of the road to the shelter four times in 2003.
- Purchased and installed new toilets at Fish Creek trailhead, Barlow Creek and Pebbleford Campgrounds.
- Removed hazard trees at Eight Mile, Fifteen Mile, and Lower Crossing Campgrounds.
- Installed 20 destination roadsigs and 6 trailhead boards and campground signs.



New CXT toilet at Fish Creek Trailhead, Clackamas River Ranger District.



New warming shelter at Billy Bob Snowpark (Barlow Ranger District), a partnership with the Columbia Gorge Powersledders Snowmobile Club and the State of Oregon.

- Developed and enforced target shooting prohibition at Upper Douglas trailhead for trail user safety.
- Placed portable toilets at Mirror Lake, Ramona Falls, Salmon River and Old Salmon River trailheads.
- Graded parking area and installed signs at Salmon Butte trailhead.
- Purchased and installed 30 firerings in rustic campgrounds.
- Brushed 9 miles of road approaching trailheads and campgrounds.

The Fees

Project Name	Total Dollars Collected Since Project Began	\$ Collected in 2003	Collection Costs 2003	Collection \$ vs. Revenue \$
Northwest Forest Pass	\$ 1,033,474	\$ 247,560	\$ 43,920	18%

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