

Region: INFRA or Forest Site ID 

Site Name

Forest: District: Site Type: 

REA Fee Type

## Change Summary

Action Requested:

Proposed Fee:

Start Date:

Expected Annual  
Occupancy (%)

Additional Fee Structure:

## Current Situation

Date of Last Fee  
Increase:

Current Fee

Current Annual  
Occupancy (%)

Additional Fee Structure:

## Financial Information

Annual O&amp;M:

Deferred  
Maint. Backlog

Start-Up Costs

Current Revenue:

Predicted Revenue:

Difference in  
revenue  
associated with fee  
change:

## Planned Accomplishments

- Increase Hours of Operation
- Improve facilities / Services
- Reduce Deferred Maintenance
- Maintain Site to Standard

Planned Accomplishments and  
Methods for Informing the Public:

Planned accomplishments:

Repair chimney, purchase and install wood stove, repair windows and doors.

Methods of informing the public include: onsite posters and publishing in the annual Forest Recreation Fee Program Accomplishment Report.

## Reason for Changing Fee

Current revenues do not support the operations and maintenance costs for this facility. There is deferred maintenance which needs to be addressed including installation of a new vault toilet. As additional revenues are generated, funding should support repairs and improvements and help preserve this historic structure. Keeping the site in the recreation rental program and increasing the fee was an outcome of the Willamette Recreation Lodging Feasibility Study.

- Align fee to local market
- Inflationary Increase
- Outcome of RFA Process
- Increase / Improve Service
- Add Amenity

## Results of Not Implementing Fee Change

Over time, the inability to generate needed funds to operate the site would force a decision as to whether to close this facility. Because it is a recreation rental, there is not an opportunity to reduce season or service in order to save costs. Fees help preserve this historic structure and would deteriorate if not maintained.

- Reduce Season or Service
- Eliminate Season or Service
- Decommission Site
- Close Site

## Public Participation

Have the following tasks been accomplished?  Yes

### New Fee Minimum Tasks

- Six months advance notice in Federal Register
- Announcement in local media
- Announcements near or in site where fee will be implemented
- Briefing with federal legislators (per WO direction)
- Give people an opportunity to review project plans (if completed) (from Interagency Federal Register Notice)

### Fee Change Minimum Tasks

- Announcement in local media
- Announcements near or in site where fee will be implemented
- Briefing with federal legislators (per WO direction)

## Other Public Participation Tasks

Public participation tasks occurred in 2007. Posted announcements onsite and at all unit offices throughout last season. Posted on the Willamette National Forest website including a comment form. Congressional representatives were briefed. Published Legal Notices in the Eugene Register Guard and the Statesman Journal. News releases resulted in news articles in local newspapers.

## Public Participation Results

No comments were received.

## Brief Description of Project Area

Box Canyon Guard Station is located on the Willamette National Forest, about 75 miles east of Eugene, Oregon on Forest Service Road 19 (West Cascades National Scenic Byway). The cabin was constructed as a Guard Station which enabled fire fighters and other personnel quick access to inner forest areas. The cabin is located on the McKenzie River Ranger District.

The cabin sits at the doorstep of the Three Sisters Wilderness, a range of major peaks, the North, Middle and South Sisters, all of which tower 10,000 feet above sea level. The area offers just about everything: alpine meadows, waterfalls, lava field, glaciers, and glacial lakes abundant with trout. The forest is dense and varied, with Douglas fir, silver fir, sub-alpine fir, mountain hemlock, true fir, lodgepole pine and ponderosa pine.

The cabin is a relatively close in facility to rural and urban population centers, offering an easy to get to getaway for local and valley residents alike. This cabin is available on the National Recreation Reservation System to rent from mid-June through mid-October depending upon the snow levels.

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### Change Summary

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Start Date:

Expected Annual Occupancy (%):

Additional Fee Structure:

### Current Situation

Date of Last Fee Increase:

Current Fee:

Current Annual Occupancy (%):

Additional Fee Structure:

### Financial Information

Annual O&M:

Deferred Maint. Backlog:

Start-Up Costs:

Current Revenue:

Predicted Revenue:

Difference in revenue associated with fee change:

### Planned Accomplishments

- Increase Hours of Operation
- Improve facilities / Services
- Reduce Deferred Maintenance
- Maintain Site to Standard

Planned Accomplishments and Methods for Informing the Public:

Planned accomplishments: Building restoration, vegetation management, toilet pumping, purchase new solar batteries, repair fence.

Future plans to extend season of use and increase rental days.

Methods of informing the public include: onsite posters and publishing in the annual Forest Recreation Fee Program Accomplishment Report.

### Reason for Changing Fee

Current revenues do not support the operations and maintenance costs for this facility. There is deferred maintenance that needs to be addressed at the site. Winter access requires routine removal of downed trees and other hazards to ensure renters can get into and out of the cabin. Also, propane costs are rising significantly on an annual basis and these costs are not reflected in the average O&M annual costs. Keeping the site in the recreation rental program and increasing the fee was an outcome of the Willamette Recreation Lodging Feasibility Study.

- Align fee to local market
- Inflationary Increase
- Outcome of RFA Process
- Increase / Improve Service
- Add Amenity

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- Reduce Season or Service
- Eliminate Season or Service
- Decommission Site
- Close Site

## Public Participation

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## Other Public Participation Tasks

Public participation tasks occurred in 2007. Posted announcements onsite and at all unit offices throughout last season. Posted on the Willamette National Forest website including a comment form. Congressional representatives were briefed. Published Legal Notices in the Eugene Register Guard and the Statesman Journal. News releases resulted in news articles in local newspapers.

## Public Participation Results

No public comments were received. Partners including Forest Service retirees who adopted Fish Lake; Sand Mountain Society, individual volunteers are supportive of restoration efforts and fees that help maintain these historic sites.

## Brief Description of Project Area

Fish Lake Commissary Cabin is located on the Willamette National Forest approximately 72 miles northeast of Eugene off Highway 126. The cabin is located on the McKenzie River Ranger District and was built in 1924. The Commissary Cabin is one of the structures within the Fish Lake Remount Depot, which was once a popular rest stop for weary travelers on the old Santiam Wagon Road.

The cabin offers a unique, remote winter setting, for experienced snowshoers and skiers offering an outstanding winter getaway for local and valley residents alike. This cabin is available on the National Recreation Reservation System to rent Friday through Sunday from mid-November through mid-March.

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### Change Summary

Action Requested:

Proposed Fee:

Start Date:

Expected Annual Occupancy (%):

Additional Fee Structure:

### Current Situation

Date of Last Fee Increase:

Current Fee:

Current Annual Occupancy (%):

Additional Fee Structure:

### Financial Information

Annual O&M:

Deferred Maint. Backlog:

Start-Up Costs:

Current Revenue:

Predicted Revenue:

Difference in revenue associated with fee change:

### Planned Accomplishments

- Increase Hours of Operation
- Improve facilities / Services
- Reduce Deferred Maintenance
- Maintain Site to Standard

Planned Accomplishments and Methods for Informing the Public:

Planned accomplishments: Building restoration, vegetation management, toilet pumping, purchase new solar batteries, repair fence.

Future plans to extend season of use and increase rental days.

Methods of informing the public include: onsite posters and publishing in the annual Forest Recreation Fee Program Accomplishment Report.

### Reason for Changing Fee

Current revenues do not support the operations and maintenance costs for this facility. There is deferred maintenance that needs to be addressed at the site. Winter access requires routine removal of downed trees and other hazards to ensure renters can get into and out of the cabin. Also, propane costs are rising significantly on an annual basis and these costs are not reflected in the average O&M annual costs. Keeping the site in the recreation rental program and increasing the fee was an outcome of the Willamette Recreation Lodging Feasibility Study.

- Align fee to local market
- Inflationary Increase
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- Reduce Season or Service
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- Decommission Site
- Close Site

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## Other Public Participation Tasks

Public participation tasks occurred in 2007. Posted announcements onsite and at all unit offices throughout last season. Posted on the Willamette National Forest website including a comment form. Congressional representatives were briefed. Published Legal Notices in the Eugene Register Guard and the Statesman Journal. News releases resulted in news articles in local newspapers.

## Public Participation Results

No public comments were received. Partners including Forest Service retirees who adopted Fish Lake; Sand Mountain Society, individual volunteers are supportive of restoration efforts and fees that help maintain these historic sites.

## Brief Description of Project Area

Fish Lake Hall House is located on the Willamette National Forest approximately 72 miles northeast of Eugene off Highway 126. The cabin is located on the McKenzie River Ranger District and was built in 1924. The Hall House is one of the structures within the Fish Lake Remount Depot, which was once a popular rest stop for weary travelers on the old Santiam Wagon Road.

The cabin offers a unique, remote winter setting, for experienced snowshoers and skiers offering an outstanding winter getaway for local and valley residents alike. This cabin is available on the National Recreation Reservation System to rent Friday through Sunday from mid-November through mid-March.

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### Change Summary

Action Requested:

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Start Date:

Expected Annual Occupancy (%):

Additional Fee Structure:

### Current Situation

Date of Last Fee Increase:

Current Fee:

Current Annual Occupancy (%):

Additional Fee Structure:

### Financial Information

Annual O&M:

Deferred Maint. Backlog:

Start-Up Costs:

Current Revenue:

Predicted Revenue:

Difference in revenue associated with fee change:

### Planned Accomplishments

- Increase Hours of Operation
- Improve facilities / Services
- Reduce Deferred Maintenance
- Maintain Site to Standard

Planned Accomplishments and Methods for Informing the Public:

Planned accomplishments:

Repair roof, glaze all windows, resurface floor, and repair catwalk.

Methods of informing the public include: onsite posters and publishing in the annual Forest Recreation Fee Program Accomplishment Report.

### Reason for Changing Fee

Current revenues do not support the operations and maintenance costs for this facility. There is deferred maintenance which needs to be addressed at the site including roof repairs, window glazing, floor resurfacing, and catwalk repairs. As additional revenues are generated, funding should support repairs and improvements and help preserve this historic structure. Keeping the site in the recreation rental program and increasing the fee was an outcome of the Willamette Recreation Lodging Feasibility Study.

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- Decommission Site
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### Fee Change Minimum Tasks

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## Other Public Participation Tasks

Public participation tasks occurred in 2007. Posted announcements onsite and at all unit offices throughout last season. Posted on the Willamette National Forest website including a comment form. Congressional representatives were briefed. Published Legal Notices in the Eugene Register Guard and the Statesman Journal. News releases resulted in news articles in local newspapers.

## Public Participation Results

One repeat visitor submitted a written comment. He feels increasing fees should be a last resort and does not provide access to low income, and suggested we use past renters and others to volunteer to help with routine upkeep. While partners can be sought for some level of maintenance work, some of the work and/or costs associated with large projects are over and above what we can - or should - expect volunteers to contribute.

## Brief Description of Project Area

Indian Ridge Lookout is located on the Willamette National Forest, approximately 65 miles SE of Eugene on FS Road 1980-247. The lookout, located on the McKenzie River Ranger District is an R-6 flattop on a wooden 20' tower, was built in 1958 and used for fire fighting until 1973. The lookout is still staffed occasionally during emergencies.

The rustic, one-room cabin surrounded by a wooden catwalk offers gorgeous views. It is located in the South Fork of the McKenzie River drainage. Cougar Reservoir, the West Cascades National Scenic Byway, Hidden Lake, and the Three Sisters Wilderness are all in the vicinity. The area offers numerous dispersed and developed recreation activities, including hiking, biking, swimming, fishing, and viewing for pleasure.

The lookout offers a unique and outstanding "getaway" for local and valley residents alike. This lookout is available on the National Recreation Reservation System to rent from mid-July through end of September depending upon the snow levels.

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INFRA or Forest Site ID

Site Name

Forest:

District:

Site Type:



REA Fee Type

### Change Summary

Action Requested:

Proposed Fee:

Start Date:

Expected Annual Occupancy (%)

Additional Fee Structure:

### Current Situation

Date of Last Fee Increase:

Current Fee

Current Annual Occupancy (%)

Additional Fee Structure:

### Financial Information

Annual O&M:

Deferred Maint. Backlog

Start-Up Costs

Current Revenue:

Predicted Revenue:

Difference in revenue associated with fee change:

### Planned Accomplishments

- Increase Hours of Operation
- Improve facilities / Services
- Reduce Deferred Maintenance
- Maintain Site to Standard

Planned Accomplishments and Methods for Informing the Public:

List accomplishments:

Replace entry gate in 2008.  
Upgrade and/or replace interior lighting.  
Upgrade restroom facility.

Methods of informing the public include: onsite posters and publishing in the annual Forest Recreation Fee Program Accomplishment Report.

### Reason for Changing Fee

Current revenues do not support the operations and maintenance costs for this facility. There is deferred maintenance which needs to be addressed at the site. Additional revenue will make funds available to begin deferred maintenance work, beginning in spring, 2009. Keeping the site in the recreation rental program and increasing the fee was an outcome of the Willamette Recreation Lodging Feasibility Study.

- Align fee to local market
- Inflationary Increase
- Outcome of RFA Process
- Increase / Improve Service
- Add Amenity

## Results of Not Implementing Fee Change

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### Fee Change Minimum Tasks

- Announcement in local media
- Announcements near or in site where fee will be implemented
- Briefing with federal legislators (per WO direction)

## Other Public Participation Tasks

Public participation tasks occurred in 2007. Announcements were posted onsite and at all unit offices throughout last season. Posted on the Willamette National Forest website including a comment form. Congressional representatives were briefed. Published Legal Notices in the Eugene Register Guard and the Statesman Journal. News releases resulted in news articles in local newspapers. Volunteers were notified.

## Public Participation Results

No comments were received.

## Brief Description of Project Area

The Timpanogas Shelter is located on the of the Willamette National Forest, about 85 miles southeast of Eugene. The cabin was constructed to serve as a winter shelter on a snowmobile trail in the 1950s. The location offers numerous dispersed and developed recreation activities, including backcountry hike right from the cabin to fishable lakes, including Indigo Lake. Within a short drive there are other lakes, and the cabin is also in proximity of the Diamond Drive - a scenic route which crosses into the Umpqua National Forest. The cabin is a relatively "close in" facility to rural and urban population centers, offering an easy to get to getaway for local and valley residents alike, but offers a rustic backcountry setting. This cabin is available on the National Recreation Reservation System to rent from July 1 through October 31, depending upon the snow levels.

The Walker Rim Riders, a local snowmobile club, contribute volunteer hours to collect and stock firewood for winter use when the shelter is not available for rental. Their presence in the winter addresses immediate maintenance needs and prevents vandalism outside of rental period.

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INFRA or Forest Site ID

Site Name

Forest:

District:

Site Type:



REA Fee Type

### Change Summary

Action Requested:

Proposed Fee:

Start Date:

Expected Annual Occupancy (%)

Additional Fee Structure:

### Current Situation

Date of Last Fee Increase:

Current Fee

Current Annual Occupancy (%)

Additional Fee Structure:

### Financial Information

Annual O&M:

Deferred Maint. Backlog

Start-Up Costs

Current Revenue:

Predicted Revenue:

Difference in revenue associated with fee change:

### Planned Accomplishments

- Increase Hours of Operation
- Improve facilities / Services
- Reduce Deferred Maintenance
- Maintain Site to Standard

Planned Accomplishments and Methods for Informing the Public:

List accomplishments:

Repair roof, weatherstrip doors and windows, improve insulation to save on heating costs and provide renter comfort.  
Replace trail markers on access route.

Methods of informing the public include: onsite posters and publishing in the annual Forest Recreation Fee Program Accomplishment Report.

### Reason for Changing Fee

We do not have the funding base to take care of deferred maintenance backlog. Repairs are needed to the structure to accommodate winter rental use, including roof repair to prevent leaks, weathering stripping and overall weatherization. Winter access requires routine removal of downed trees and other hazards to ensure renters can get into and out of the lookout. Also, propane costs are rising significantly on an annual basis and these costs are not reflected in the average O&M annual costs. As additional revenues are generated, funding should support winter access work, including limited plowing and removal of down logs during heavy snow periods.

- Align fee to local market
- Inflationary Increase
- Outcome of RFA Process
- Increase / Improve Service
- Add Amenity

## Results of Not Implementing Fee Change

Without roof and winter weather related enhancements, we may not be able to continue to offer this popular winter rental in the future.

- Reduce Season or Service
- Eliminate Season or Service
- Decommission Site
- Close Site

## Public Participation

Have the following tasks been accomplished?  Yes

### New Fee Minimum Tasks

- Six months advance notice in Federal Register
- Announcement in local media
- Announcements near or in site where fee will be implemented
- Briefing with federal legislators (per WO direction)
- Give people an opportunity to review project plans (if completed) (from Interagency Federal Register Notice)

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## Other Public Participation Tasks

Public participation tasks occurred in 2007. Announcements posted onsite and at all unit offices throughout last season. Posted on the Willamette National Forest website including a comment form. Congressional representatives were briefed. Published Legal Notices in the Eugene Register Guard and the Statesman Journal. News releases resulted in news articles in local newspapers.

## Public Participation Results

One repeat visitor submitted a written comment and followed up with a phone call. He feels increasing fees should be a last resort, and suggested we use past renters and others to volunteer to help with routine upkeep. However, our primary costs are not associated with upkeep which can be completed by citizen volunteers. Funding is needed to buy materials and supply propane to the structure. Volunteers are solicited to make occasional visits in the winter. In addition, Forest Service personnel are not funded to make routine site visits during rental period. Upkeep is dependent upon the care and responsibility of renters.

## Brief Description of Project Area

The Warner Mountain Lookout is located on the Willamette National Forest, about 75 miles southeast of Eugene, Oregon. The lookout was constructed as a replica of an old cupalo-style lookout and is a staffed summer fire lookout on the Middle Fork Ranger District. The lookout offers a unique, remote winter setting, for experienced snowshoers, skiers and snowmobilers, offering an outstanding winter getaway for local and valley residents alike. This lookout is available on the National Recreation Reservation System to rent from mid-November through mid-May. The fire suppression program on the Middle Fork Ranger District supports upkeep and maintenance of the facility for summer administrative use. The rental program offers funding to support enhancements, operations and maintenance of the facility for winter users.