



Caring for the Land and Serving People

Recreation Fees 2007

Forest Accomplishment Report
Pacific Northwest Region



Mt. Hood National Forest

National Forest	Recreation Fees		Special Use Permits		Interagency Passes	
	Revenue	Expenditures	Revenue	Expenditures	Revenue	Expenditures
Columbia Gorge	\$205,760	\$270,789	\$24,140	\$10,339	\$4,790	\$279
Colville	\$20,418	\$21,143	\$347	\$0	\$6,957	\$1
Deschutes	\$573,187	\$343,054	\$149,937	\$68,757	\$70,145	\$690
Fremont-Winema	\$50,935	\$39,173	\$85,488	\$56,381	\$1,646	\$145
Gifford Pinchot	\$1,489,229	\$1,421,358	\$60,782	\$16,918	\$116,779	\$170
Malheur	\$65,769	\$48,115	\$185	\$0	\$10,293	\$0
Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie	\$980,036	\$836,045	\$76,764	\$22,192	\$145,474	\$0
Mt. Hood	\$358,941	\$382,686	\$26,297	\$15,741	\$26,106	\$10,761
Ochoco	\$35,315	\$36,118	\$6,658	\$573	\$31,605	\$0
Okanogan & Wenatchee	\$682,571	\$866,186	\$110,184	\$29,424	\$28,668	\$8
Olympic	\$267,144	\$168,542	\$934	\$0	\$62,967	\$714
Rogue River-Siskiyou	\$249,740	\$219,557	\$74,357	\$717	\$46,698	\$0
Siuslaw	\$1,853,029	\$1,770,391	\$29,902	\$3,388	\$26,645	\$35,946
Umatilla	\$83,248	\$70,292	\$15,802	\$3,147	\$2,122	\$0
Umpqua	\$477,593	\$283,191	\$12,727	\$7,348	\$38,487	\$3,240
Wallowa-Whitman	\$152,181	\$183,098	\$122,417	\$75,406	\$6,514	\$62
Willamette	\$239,702	\$204,572	\$60,672	\$47,596	\$11,452	\$2,801

Providing the Recreation Opportunities You Want

Whether you have concerns or kudos, we invite you to comment on how funds collected at recreation sites are spent.

The Forest Service is now using an analysis process, called Recreation Facility Analysis, to focus on providing and improving recreation facilities and services that the public wants. This analysis also helps identify recreation sites that are in significant need of repair and costs to accomplish these repairs.

The Forest Service uses funds collected at recreation sites as well as appropriated dollars to keep facilities open and well maintained, and to address improvements and backlog repairs. The Forest Service can also use funds collected at recreation sites to obtain grants and secure partnerships, and to pay for the training and costs of volunteers, further stretching the buying power of the dollar. These monies can also be saved from year to year to address larger costs associated with recreation sites.

The Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act (REA) enables each Forest to retain 95% of the

funds collected. Of that, at least 80% is used to help improve and maintain the facilities and services that you use and expect.

We have developed these individual forest accomplishment reports so that you know exactly how your dollars are spent. REA states that fee dollars may only be spent on recreation facilities or services where a fee is charged. In the past, we have heard that people would like to see fees spent on clean recreation facilities, well-maintained trails, employee presence, and safety and security at recreation sites. If you would like to help identify other priorities for the use of these fee dollars, you are invited to contact your local recreation fee program coordinator, identified on the back of this report.

Thank you for supporting this program and helping us make a difference!

New Citizen's Advisory Committee

The Recreation Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) is a group of citizens who provide recommendations on Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management proposals for establishing new or changing existing fees. After establishing operating procedures and gaining an understanding of the Recreation Enhancement Act, the Recreation RAC, formed this year, made recommendations on 46 sites covering seven units on the Forest Service and BLM. The diversity of members on the Recreation RAC ensures good discussion and effective public involvement regarding recreation fees.

All Recreation RAC meetings are open to the public and will be announced through media, the *Federal Register* and on the web at: www.fs.fed.us/r6/passespermits/rrac.shtml.



Mt. Hood National Forest Accomplishments



Recreation Pass Revenues

- Maintained 136 miles of trail to standard.
- Replaced the Tamanawas Trail bridge. Bridge which was severely damaged during November 2006 flood event.
- Completed site restoration and improvement at Frenches Dome, a popular rock climbing venue in the Forest.
- Plowed snow to access Billy Bob snow-park, a winter portal for snowmobile enthusiasts on the east-side of the Forest.
- Reconstructed the replica "tollgate" at Tollgate day-use area along the historic Barlow Road near Rhododendron, Oregon.



Recreation Rental Revenues

- Supported volunteer hosts at Clackamas Lake Guard Station. The hosts gave tours of the historic guard station, provided visitor information for the Timothy Lake Recreation Area, and provided on-sight management for the Clackamas Lake Guard Station Ranger House lodging rental.
- Provided a stipend for the volunteers and funded supplies for the Ranger House operation and maintenance, including pressure washing the roof.



Campground Revenues

- Funded seasonal employees to operate and maintain 24 rustic campgrounds and purchase supplies.

National Interagency Pass Revenues

- Conducted tours of historic Timberline Lodge. Tours were led by volunteers. Interpretive program was coordinated and managed by a seasonal interpreter hired with REA funds and a grant from Clackamas County Tourism Development Council.
- Conducted tours of historic Cloud Cap Inn.
- Sponsored the annual Barlow Road Pioneer Camp interpretive program.

Contact



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(Recreation Rental)**

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Frenches Dome Restoration Project (Before)



Frenches Dome Restoration Project (After)



New Tamanawas Bridge under construction



Tamanawas Bridge replaced after Nov. 2006 flood



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