

Site Name District: Fee Project #

Field Office
 or Resource Area



Destination Interpretive Visitor Center

Change Summary

Action Requested:

Proposed Fee:
 Implementation Date:
 Expected Annual # of Visits:

Additional Fee Structure:

- \$7.00 per vehicle for 3 days
- \$3.00 per motorcycle for 3 days
- \$25.00 per 10-20 passenger vehicle for 3 days
- \$25.00 per 10-20 passenger commercial vehicle per day
- \$50.00 per 21+ capacity commercial bus per day
- \$15.00 Annual vehicle pass

Current Situation

Date of Last Fee Increase:
 Current Fee:
 Annual # of Visits:

Additional Fee Structure:

- \$5.00 per vehicle for 3 days
- \$2.00 per motorcycle for 3 days
- \$20.00 per 10-20 passenger vehicle for 3 days
- \$20.00 per 10-20 passenger commercial vehicle per day
- \$40.00 per 21+ capacity commercial bus per day
- \$10.00 Annual vehicle pass

Financial Information

Annual O&M:
 Current Revenue:
 Predicted Revenue:
 Difference from Fee Change:

Business Plan Completion Date:

Planned Accomplishments from Fee Changes

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

Methods for Informing the Public:

Newspaper or Letter
 Bulletin Board
 Publish in Federal Register
 Web Page
 Meeting
 Other

Reason for Changing Fee

Align fee to local market Add Amenity
 Inflationary Increase Increase / Improve Service

Level of Complexity for Implementation:

Results of Not Implementing Fee Change

The site would be operated and managed below actual cost which would likely result in increased maintenance costs, loss of ability to recruit volunteer staff, and possible reduction of operating hours and access to facilities for the visiting public.

- 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 involvement has been conducted over the last 8 weeks and included on-site postings, meetings with the Lincoln County Commissioners, Newport City Council members, and public notices in the local media (Newport News Times and other newspapers). The general public was given 30 days to comment to the BLM on the proposed fee change. Briefing with federal legislators has also occurred.

Public Participation Results

Minimal public comments have been received as part of this outreach process since fees are in line with current market value, amenities provided, and cost of maintaining and operating the facility. County Commissioners, City Council, and federal legislators all support the fee schedule change.

Brief Description of Project Area

The Yaquina Head Outstanding Natural Area is a 100 acre developed day use site located on a coast al headland 3 miles North of Newport. It was designated by Congress as an ONA in 1980 and a unit of the National Landscape Conservation System in 1992. The site is dominated by the historic Yaquina Head lighthouse. The natural resources include one of 4 state designated marine gardens in Oregon, one of the largest sea bird rookeries on the pacific coast, marine mammal resting sites and gray whale viewing opportunities. The site includes an interpretive center with gift store, theater, and full scale replica of the top of the lighthouse. The area is bordered by sheer cliffs, 100 feet or more above the ocean, with sea caves and numerous off shore rocks and islands which are a part of the Oregon Islands National Wildlife Refuge. The site is open 7 days per week, 365 days per year, dawn to dusk.