



Caring for the Land and Serving People

Forest Accomplishment Report Pacific Northwest Region



Recreation Fees 2005

Mt. Hood National Forest

National Forest	Recreation Fees		Special Use Permits		Golden Passes	
	Revenue	Expenditures	Revenue	Expenditures	Revenue	Expenditures
Columbia Gorge	307,410	255,026	16,385	0	5,421	1,500
Colville	19,497	17,212	0	0	1,553	0
Deschutes	411,009	412,591	73,962	4,831	45,083	37,638
Fremont-Winema	33,955	68,092	9,864	0	2,019	0
Gifford Pinchot	1,225,669	1,043,999	15,117	0	116,040	71,044
Malheur	67,092	39,407	90	0	1,255	0
Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie	905,613	845,700	52,283	0	89,202	36,548
Mt. Hood	323,465	295,793	11,879	0	23,706	18,389
Ochoco	31,106	29,537	1,819	706	1,447	0
Okanogan & Wenatchee	645,718	622,382	40,731	6,914	25,015	40,404
Olympic	242,914	183,230	0	0	64,900	4,299
Rogue River-Siskiyou	208,324	204,352	18,261	0	5,753	4,867
Siuslaw	1,682,462	1,887,771	31,936	0	24,263	3,816
Umatilla	74,793	85,862	3,989	0	2,010	0
Umpqua	315,364	339,167	7,453	0	3,285	2,504
Wallowa-Whitman	175,424	153,149	122,397	85,649	4,012	0
Willamette	273,931	227,956	14,313	294	15,014	13,112

Recreation Fees Make a Difference in the Pacific Northwest

With the passage of the Recreation Enhancement Act (REA) in December 2004, the Pacific Northwest Region of the Forest Service focused on providing quality recreation services and facilities in 2005.

The Act enables the Region to continue to retain and reinvest 80-95 percent of the funds collected. These funds help improve and maintain the facilities and services that people use and expect.

Fewer sites in the Region now require fees since the passage of the Act. Recreation passes, such as the Northwest Forest Pass, cover approximately 500 day use sites in the Region. A guide to these sites, including trailheads, picnic areas, boat launches and interpretive facilities, is available at Forest Service offices.

Recreation fees also contributed to the management of over 300 campgrounds, 70 cabin rentals and offered 20 heritage expeditions. The Region issued over 20 kinds of special recreation permits, including wilderness, rivers, boat docks, Christmas trees, cross-country skiing, and climbing.

In 2005, recreation fees contributed approximately \$8 million to the Pacific Northwest Region. These funds will be used in future years to provide safety and security at recreation sites, maintain facilities such as restrooms and trails as well as aid in youth work programs, and supply matching funds for partnerships.

Each Forest has prepared a report, such as this one, showing exactly where funds were used. Thank you for supporting this program and helping us make a difference!

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The Mt. Hood National Forest manages 36 trailheads and five picnic areas with recreation fees. In 2005, the revenue maintained about 117 miles of trail and helped provide chainsaw and cross-cut saw training to volunteers who maintain trails.



Bridge built with fee revenues in 2004.

The Forest dropped 14 day-use sites from the program as a result of new fee criteria under the REA.

Keeping recreation sites and trails clean, maintained, free of encroaching vegetation and relatively safe is a big job. The recreation fee program goes a long way towards enabling this.



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Mt. Hood Accomplishments



Recreation Pass Revenues

- Purchased picnic tables and trash receptacles for trailheads and day-use sites.
- Maintained 117 miles of trail to standard.
- Conducted interpretive tours at historic Timberline Lodge and Cloud Cap Inn (Golden Passport revenue).
- Recruited, trained, and supported interpretive volunteers at historic Clackamas Lake Ranger Station (Golden Passport revenue).



Campground Revenues

- Removed 150 hazard trees from rustic campgrounds.



Cabin Rental Revenues

- Added Clackamas Lake Historic Ranger Cabin. Revenues will be available for use in 2006.
- Added Clear Lake Butte, Flag Point, and Fivemile Butte Lookout Towers. Revenues will be available in 2007.



Clackamas Lake Historic Ranger's Cabin



Clear Lake Lookout Tower

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