

Recreation Fee Program Accomplishment Highlights 2014 Klamath National Forest

Forest Service



Rounding up Hitchhikers

The Klamath River provides world-class white water boating with opportunities ranging from mild to wild. But boats aren't the only ones to travel down the river corridor. Non-native invasive plants also float downstream and take root at river access points and on sandy beaches. In 2014, recreation fee revenue of \$7,241 and a partnership with the Student Conservation Association (SCA) helped fund interns to hand pull some of these hitch-hiking species, such as scotch broom and marlahan mustard. The interns also removed garbage, helped boaters, maintained campsites and monitored permits.

An SCA intern paddles the Klamath River with a boat full of invasive plants.



Improving the Info

Campground information boards give visitors an overview of the campground, nearby recreation opportunities, and important safety rules. Because the type and quality of information is not always consistent, recreation fee revenue of \$2,700 allowed the Forest to develop an information sign prototype. These improvements give visitors good information to help them create a memorable camping experience.

Newly designed visitor information panels at Indian Scotty Campground



Recreation Fee Dollars

Recreation fee dollars are an investment in outdoor recreation. They support and enhance:

- Public safety
- Recreation site maintenance and improvements
- Educational experiences
- Informational wayside exhibits
- Youth programs and partnerships
- Interpretive programs

Current and future generations will benefit as 80-95% of the funds are reinvested in the facilities and services that visitors enjoy, use, and value.

Forest Revenue and Expenditures

Revenue	Amount
Recreation Fees	\$77,252
Special Uses	\$45,797
Interagency Passes	\$1,210
Total	\$124,259
Expenditures*	Amount
Repair & Maintenance	\$99,773
Visitor Services	\$44,935
Law Enforcement	\$0
Habitat Restoration	\$0
Fee Agreements	\$0
Cost of Collections	\$12,000
Total	\$156,708

*Expenditures may be funded with previous years' revenue.

Other Highlights

Campgrounds:

- Replaced wooden corrals with steel ones at Hidden Horse.
- Installed gates at Trail Creek and Idlewild.
- Installed 12 fire rings at Kangaroo Lake, Curly Jack and Sarah Totten.
- Replaced water distribution system at Idlewild.
- Repaired water system at Kangaroo Lake.
- Installed bear resistant trash receptacles at Shafter.
- Regraded pathway and repaired river ramp at Sarah Totten.

Wilderness:

- Patrolled the Marble Mountain, Russian, Siskiyou and Trinity Alps Wilderness areas using SCA interns. They also helped visitors, removed garbage, maintained campsites, and monitored for invasive plants.

Durable low maintenance corrals look great and improve sustainability.



Cliff Lake on the Klamath National Forest.

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Pacific Southwest Region Map



Regional Revenue and Expenditures

Revenue*	Amount
Recreation Fees	\$6,406,393
Special Uses	\$942,706
Interagency Passes	\$265,449
Total	\$7,614,548
Expenditures	Amount
Repair & Maintenance	\$3,134,824
Visitor Services	\$1,766,862
Law Enforcement	\$275,511
Habitat Restoration	\$18,359
Fee Agreements	\$18,043
Cost of Collections	\$626,431
Total	\$5,840,030

*Carryover funds will be used for large projects and the following season's startup costs