

# San Bernardino National Forest

## Recreation Fee Program Accomplishment Highlights 2015

Forest Service



### Programs that Promote Jobs

*From downed tree to firewood.*

Forest staff, funded by recreation fees, supervise the work of two important partner groups that help young adults from the San Bernardino area.



The Urban Conservation Corps (UCC) is a job training and education program under the Southern California Mountains Foundation. The UCC provides young adults with outdoor skills, job ethics, and an avenue for positive development.

The Forest also works with the San Bernardino County Probation Department, where juvenile offenders receive job training and environmental education during their commitment periods.

These work crews maintain recreation sites and trails and reduce hazardous fuels.

### 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.

### Winter Stewards

Winter volunteers set up an information post in a large turnout on Hwy 330 just below Running Springs. They inform visitors about winter recreation, driving tips, roadside safety, mountain etiquette, and local regulations. They also have kid goodies, like Smokey stickers or bookmarks, and every vehicle receives a litter bag. When this group is working, more people display an Adventure Pass, and fewer create roadside trash.



### Forest Revenue & Expenditures

Revenue	Amount
Recreation Fees	\$900,255
Special Uses	\$6,414
Interagency Passes	\$44,920
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$951,589</b>
Expenditures	Amount
Repair & Maintenance	\$363,963
Visitor Services	\$224,956
Law Enforcement	\$0
Habitat Restoration	\$0
Fee Agreements	\$1,030
Cost of Collections	*\$71,207
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$661,156</b>

\*Includes cost of collections for the Angeles, Cleveland, Los Padres, and San Bernardino NF Adventure Pass sales.

## Additional Accomplishments

- Removed over 1.5 tons of trash and litter from recreation sites.
- Removed graffiti on rocks, signs, and buildings.
- Provided visitor services at the Big Bear Discovery Center. The Center includes staff from the Southern California Mountains Foundation and serves over 3,500 visitors during a busy weekend.
- Provided materials to install an interpretative sign kiosk, in collaboration with the Access Fund, about the history of climbing in the San Jacintos at Humber Park.
- Supported a year-round host for Applewhite and Lake Hemet Picnic Areas to assist with site maintenance and visitor information.
- Maintained 40 sweet smelling toilets and 20 portable toilets.
- Edited and printed 50,000 Forest Visitor Guides.



*Removing tires from an illegal dump site.*



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## Pacific Southwest Region Map



## Regional Revenue & Expenditures

Revenue*	Amount
Recreation Fees	\$7,494,538
Special Uses	\$831,597
Interagency Passes	\$325,341
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$8,651,475</b>
Expenditures	Amount
Repair & Maintenance	\$3,252,710
Visitor Services	\$1,768,295
Law Enforcement	\$166,246
Habitat Restoration	\$12,587
Fee Agreements	\$2,174
Cost of Collections	\$460,826
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,662,838</b>

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