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CAMPGROUND FEES IN COLVILLE NATIONAL FOREST TO RISE Campground Fees Increased to Help Improve Campground Facilities

Colville, WA May 8, 2017 – Campground fees in the Colville National Forest will rise for the 2017 season.

Two significant reasons for the increase are to help improve the campground facilities and to help cover increased costs due to the rise in the minimum wage increase.

Scenic Canyons proposed this increase to the Forest Service, as part of their contract to oversee the management of government owned facilities in the Colville National Forest, and it was accepted.

In their original bid in 2012, Scenic Canyons had proposed to increase fees in 2015 but didn't feel it was justified until this year. "We believe in creating a win-win solution for the campers, the Forest Service, and ourselves, and we believe that holding off a fee increase until this year was a win-win." Said Bryce Petersen, President of Scenic Canyons.

The campground fees are set to rise to 18 dollars in East Sullivan, West Sullivan, Millpond, Noisy Creek, Edgewater, Gillette, Lake Gillette, Lake Leo, Lake Thomas, South Skookum, Pioneer, and Panhandle from their previous 16 dollars. Browns lake will also increase from 14 to 16 dollars this year. Day use pricing will remain the same as last year, 5 dollars per day and 40 dollars for a season pass.

The increased fees have taken effect on the National Recreation Reservation System website, www.recreation.gov and will also be in effect for the 2017 season, typically beginning in May, weather depending.

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