Shuttle Success

The Forest piloted a shuttle service for four weekends from Los Angeles to Chantry Flats picnic area and trailhead, located within San Gabriel Mountains National Monument. The service ran from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. and included interpretive rangers to help connect visitors to the Forest with fewer impacts to the environment. Recreation fee funds of $300,000 along with partner and appropriated funds of $20,000 funded this service. The pilot showed that the Forest could increase visitation and while limiting impact at the site.

A Monumental Effort

When millions of visitors have a national monument as a backyard, the upkeep and clean-up can be, well… monumental. While many visitors do respect the land and leave little to no trace of their visit, those who don’t create issues that the Forest must handle on a daily basis. Removing graffiti, cleaning human waste inside bathrooms and removing mountains of trash is not for the weak-hearted. The Forest uses recreation fee funds to do this work and to try innovative ways to encourage environmental ethics.

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 benefit as 80-95% of the funds are reinvested in the facilities and services that visitors enjoy, use, and value.
OHV Riding at San Gabriel

Off highway vehicle (OHV) riders enjoyed an extra day of fun each week at the San Gabriel Canyon OHV open riding area. Using $100,000 of recreation fee funds, the Forest opened and staffed the area on Fridays as well as the traditional weekend days. The increased Field Ranger staffing allowed the area to open on Fridays when it had previously only been open on weekends. An additional $30,000 from a State OHV grant contributed to operation and maintenance of the site.

Riders enjoyed an extra day of fun on the 160 acres of rocky, sandy river bottom at the OHV area.

The Angeles is the backyard of millions.

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Revenue & Expenditures

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*Carryover funds will be used for large projects and upcoming startup costs.

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