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Klamath National Forest

Recreation Fee Program Accomplishment Highlights 2019

Klamath Wild and Scenic River

The forest administers 88 miles of the Klamath River, which is designated as a Wild and Scenic River. In 2019, recreation fee revenues from outfitter and guide permits helped the forest manage its whitewater boating and fishing guide program and support invasive weed removal activities along the river corridor. Over \$34,000 in revenues from outfitter and guide permits were expended last year where this money funded a river manager and administration of 33 whitewater outfitter and seven fishing guide permits. Our river manager with two river ranger trainees implemented the following whitewater boating program activities:

- Provided non-commercial boaters with river safety information.
- Maintained 18 river access sites and several riverside trails.
- Monitored outfitter and guide compliance with their permits.
- Provided non-commercial boaters with education in leave no trace principles.
- Removed invasive weeds from campgrounds, river access sites and camping beaches along the river.
- Reduced visitor impacts to river beaches used as campsites.
- Conducted several river clean-ups and invasive weed removal days with volunteers from the local community.

Recreation Site Maintenance



Refurbished interpretive sign at Tree of Heaven Campground

The forest used recreation fee funds to employ five seasonal staff and one permanent employee who operated and maintained our 13 fee campgrounds. Accomplishments in 2019 included:

- Repaired leaks in water systems at Sarah Totten and Tree of Heaven Campgrounds.
- Repaired or improved water system infrastructure at Carter Meadows, Idlewild and Trail Creek Campgrounds.
- Removed hazard trees from several campgrounds.
- Stabilized shoulders of road spurs at Kangaroo Campground.
- Repaired entrance kiosk and installed new signs at Indian Scotty Campground.
- Repaired corrals for pack stock at Hidden Horse Campground.
- Purchased and installed 12 new fire rings at Trail Creek Campground.
- Supported a National Public Lands Day project to maintain an interpretive trail at Tree of Heaven 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 benefit as 80-95% of the funds are reinvested in the facilities and services that visitors enjoy, use, and value.



Other Accomplishments



Carter Meadows campground damaged water tank



Scenic views from the forest.

New water tank installed at Carter Meadow



Regional Map



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Revenue & Expenditures

Revenue*	Forest	Region
Recreation Fees	\$89,264	\$9,140,351
Special Uses	\$44,586	\$1,297,840
Interagency Passes	\$3,700	\$502,160
Total	\$137,550	\$10,940,351
Expenditures	Forest	Region
Repair & Maintenance	\$45,033	\$4,261,296
Visitor Services	\$56,622	\$2,512,317
Law Enforcement	\$0	\$228,114
Habitat Restoration	\$362	\$24,966
Fee Agreements	\$0	\$20,122
Collections/Overhead	\$11,485	\$899,107
Total	\$113,502	\$7,945,922

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