



Recreation fees are an investment in outdoor recreation. Current and future generations will benefit as 95% of the funds are reinvested in the facilities and services that visitors enjoy, use, and value.

Accomplishments Provided with Recreation Fees:

Campgrounds

- Paid salaries of summer seasonal employees who assisted with campground operations and maintenance tasks.
- Supported hosts at Wildcat and Deep Creek campgrounds who provided visitor information and assistance, performed compliance checks and completed maintenance tasks.
- Pumped, cleaned and repaired vault toilets.
- Installed new information kiosk at Antelope Campground and maintained signs at all fee sites.
- Sanded, stained and anchored picnic tables at Wildcat Campground.
- Replaced and maintained fire rings and cleaned fire pits.
- Completed hazard tree analysis and removed identified trees.
- Worked with Youth Conservation Corps (YCC) crew to maintain campground facilities, which included: cleaning fire pits, removing ground debris and litter, and repairing fences.

Cabin Rentals

- Maintained and cleaned Cold Springs Guard Station and Ochoco Ranger House.
- Replaced hot water tank at Ochoco Ranger House.
- Cold Springs Guard Station:
 - Replaced four kitchen chairs.
 - Converted propane ceiling lights to LED electric lights.
 - Filled propane tank and repaired screen doors.
 - Replaced torn window screens, broken window panels and kitchen sink assembly.
 - Partnered with YCC crew and improved horseshoe pits, stained picnic table and deck, and replaced split rail fence.

YCC crew and employees replaced the split-rail fence at Cold Springs Guard Station.



Special Feature

Visitors looking for a rustic getaway with the comforts of home need look no further than Cold Springs Guard Station. Built in 1934, this site served as a switchboard station connecting phone calls between fire lookouts and guard stations. Its location near Big Summit Prairie lends itself to marvelous wildflower viewing opportunities. In addition, visitors will enjoy nearby mountain and road biking, hiking, fishing and hunting.



Ochoco National Forest
 Revenue & Expenditures

Revenue*	
Source	Amount
Recreation Fees	\$46,045
Special Uses	\$11,345
Interagency Pass	\$1,770
Total	\$59,160

Expenditures	
Source	Amount
Maintenance & Repair	\$37,910
Visitor Services	\$12,152
Cost of Collections	\$6,231
Law Enforcement	\$2,596
Habitat Restoration	\$0
Fee Agreements	\$0
Total	\$58,889

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

Additional Ochoco Accomplishments

Special Use Permit Administration

- Administered 19 recreation special use permits including hunting and hiking outfitter and guide permits; and hunting dog trials (skill events where hunting dogs compete against one another), horse events, orienteering and star gazing recreation events.



Walton Lake is popular with visitors who enjoy camping and fishing and boasts an accessible fishing pier and trail.



Mill Creek Wilderness

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Pacific Northwest Region Revenue & Expenditures

Revenue*

Source	Amount
Recreation Fees	\$7,741,456
Special Uses	\$783,405
Interagency Pass	\$486,293
Total	\$9,011,154

Expenditures

Source	Amount
Maintenance & Repair	\$4,119,915
Visitor Services	\$2,733,356
Cost of Collections	\$841,634
Law Enforcement	\$400,184
Habitat Restoration	\$53,599
Fee Agreements	\$18,039
Total	\$8,166,727

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