



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:

El Portal Visitor Center

- Helped to fund general operation of the center.
- Greeted and provided information to over 209,000 visitors.
- Repaired and maintained interactive interpretive exhibits.
- Maintained theater and exhibit audio-visual equipment.
- Funded additional traffic control operations during high visitation periods in July and holiday weekends.
- Managed permits for the presentation of 17 local artists and artisans during weekends throughout the year.
- Supported interpretive events such as the live animal presentation of the Puerto Rican Parrot.
- Processed, administered and monitored 27 outfitter and guide Special Use Permits.
- Monitored private evening rental activities at the center.



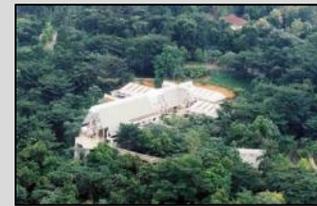
Enter the El Portal Visitor's Center to begin your rain forest adventure.

Visitors stop to receive some orientation before they begin exploring.



Special Feature

As the only tropical rainforest in the national forest system, El Yunque may be small, but offers an abundance of ecological diversity. The El Portal Rain Forest Center has interactive exhibits and audio-visual presentations to immerse visitors in the diversity, culture and history of the Forest. Recreation fees help keep the presentations fresh and the center operational.



El Yunque National Forest
Revenue & Expenditures

Revenue*

Source	Amount
Recreation Fees	\$607,818
Special Uses	\$5,970
Interagency Pass	\$0
Total	\$613,788

Expenditures

Source	Amount
Maintenance & Repair	\$396,652
Visitor Services	\$53,142
Cost of Collections	\$98,405
Law Enforcement	\$0
Habitat Restoration	\$0
Total	\$548,199

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

Additional El Yunque Accomplishments

Forest Activities

- Organized and supported National Public Lands Day and Get Outdoors Day activities.
- Hosted nine Youth Conservation Corps teenagers during the month of July.
- Partnered with the Forest Interpretive Association to provide training for visitor information services and interpretive guided tours.



An elevated walkway takes visitors through the tropical forest canopy.

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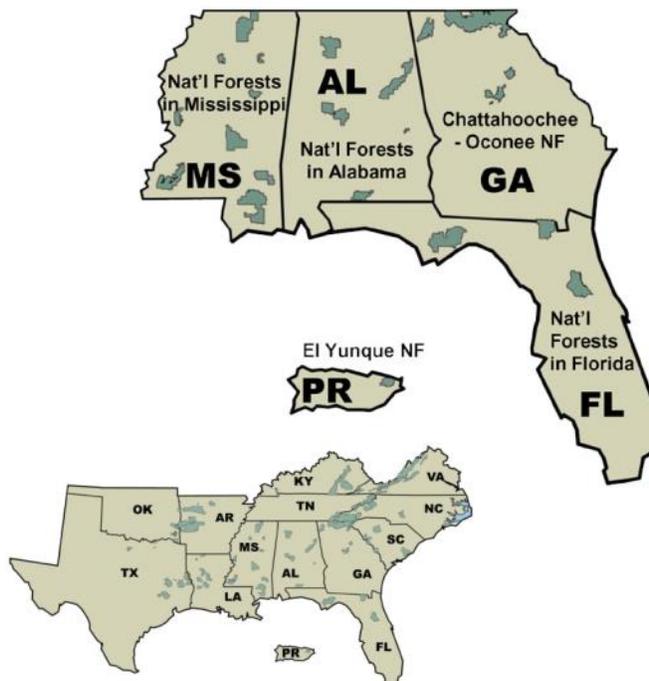
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Southern Region Revenue & Expenditures

Revenue*	
Source	Amount
Recreation Fees	\$6,479,888
Special Uses	\$1,152,109
Interagency Pass	\$127,697
Total	\$7,759,694

Expenditures	
Source	Amount
Maintenance & Repair	\$5,474,823
Visitor Services	\$1,286,415
Cost of Collections	\$1,041,298
Law Enforcement	\$209,840
Habitat Restoration	\$1,570
Fee Agreements	\$0
Total	\$8,013,946

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