



*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:

- Supported volunteers who presented environmental and interpretive programs, worked as campground hosts, and maintained and cleaned sites.
- Maintained and operated developed campgrounds, picnic sites, boat ramps, parking lots, bathrooms and drinking water systems.
- Supported long-standing partnerships with local law enforcement agencies who patrolled campgrounds and day use sites.
- Administered nearly 90 outfitter and guide special use permits.
- Issued and monitored 95 recreation event special use permits for trail runs, bike races, triathlons, and fishing tournaments.
- Partnered with Arizona State University and conducted a study on visitor attitudes and expectations about recreation site fees. Findings of the study will be used to make program adjustments to meet current demand and foster recreation sustainability.

## Special Feature

The rafters' takeout on the Upper Salt River was in desperate shape. The single ramp meant long waiting lines or hauling gear through the muck after the 44-mile trip. Fee revenue allowed the ramp's width to be doubled and length extended to low water lines. These improvements make a pleasant end to a long, enjoyable time on the water.



## Tonto National Forest Revenue & Expenditures

Revenue	
Source	Amount
Recreation Fees	\$2,016,513
Special Uses	\$70,364
Interagency Pass	\$263,799
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,350,676</b>

Expenditures*	
Source	Amount
Maintenance & Repair	\$1,905,575
Visitor Services	\$171,900
Cost of Collections	\$158,155
Law Enforcement	\$146,707
Habitat Restoration	\$0
Fee Agreements	\$0
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,382,337</b>

\*Expenditures may be funded with previous years' revenue.



*Memorial Day at Bermuda Flats.*

## Additional Tonto Accomplishments

- Maintained and managed developed recreation sites using youth conservation corps crews, college interns and seasonal employees.
- Administered Upper Salt River Rafting permit program and funded river rangers who patrolled during the season of use.
- Leveraged partnership funding and completed various projects: Partnered with Arizona Game and Fish and leveraged \$300,000 in funds to replace four fishing piers destroyed during monsoons at Mesa Ranger District sites.



*Bartlett Reservoir  
Photo Credit: Charlie McDonald*



*Jojoba Boat Ramp.*

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## Southwestern Region Revenue & Expenditures

### Revenue\*

Source	Amount
Recreation Fees	\$4,650,624
Special Uses	\$1,063,387
Interagency Pass	\$498,690
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$6,212,701</b>

### Expenditures

Source	Amount
Maintenance & Repair	\$3,210,013
Visitor Services	\$1,538,587
Cost of Collections	\$630,173
Law Enforcement	\$294,659
Habitat Restoration	\$49,346
Fee Agreements	\$7,823
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,730,601</b>

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