

Recreation Fee Program Accomplishment Highlights 2014 Wayne National Forest



Maintaining Trails

More than \$687,000 in grant funding from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources' Recreation Trail Program (RTP) was used to leverage recreation fees and maintain 140 miles of motorized trails on the Forest. Much of the work was completed by contractors. Recreation fees in the amount of \$30,000 were also used to leverage volunteer contributions from partners such as the Ohio Horseman's Council, the River Valley Mountain Bike Association, and the Buckeye Trail Association to maintain 80 miles of horse trails and 94 miles of dual-use biking/hiking trails, respectively.



A volunteer horse team moves a culvert at a trail near Lake Vesuvius

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 will benefit as 80-95% of the funds are reinvested in the facilities and services that visitors enjoy, use, and value.

Campground Improvements

Needed improvements and maintenance work at several recreation sites was made possible thanks to over \$6,000 in recreation fees. In particular, amenities at Burr Oak Cove Campground were upgraded: tent and picnic table pads were reconstructed, drinking fountain valves replaced, kiosks re-roofed, new fire ring grates installed and trash can enclosures constructed. New fire ring grates were also installed at Stone Church Horse Camp.



Forest Revenue & Expenditures

Revenue	Amount
Recreation Fees	\$315,783
Special Uses	\$146
Interagency Passes	\$2,280
Total	\$318,209
Expenditures*	Amount
Repair & Maintenance	\$368,876
Visitor Services	\$9,147
Law Enforcement	\$16,342
Habitat Restoration	\$0
Fee Agreements	\$0
Cost of Collections	\$24,091
Total	\$418,456

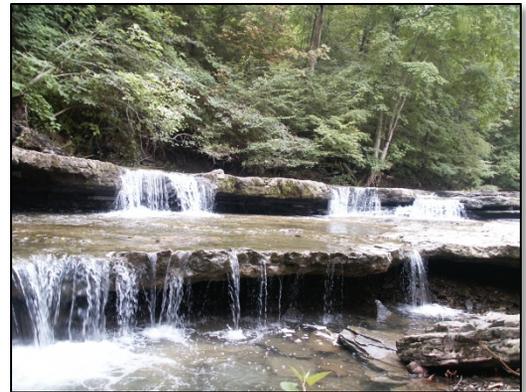
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Additional Accomplishments

- Operated and maintained 43 recreation sites: Mowed grass, cleaned and pumped restrooms, picked up trash, removed hazard trees, and provided security patrols at six developed campgrounds, four picnic shelters, and a swim/beach area throughout the recreation season.
- Constructed an information kiosk at Leith Run Campground.
- Funded the Youth Conservation Corps (YCC) crew to help maintain the Buckeye and North Country National Scenic trails. Work included brushing, tread maintenance, and sign installation. At least \$5,000 in recreation fees was leveraged with other federal funds to pay for labor, material, and equipment needed to complete this work.



The YCC crew brushes the Wildcat Hollow Trail.



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Eastern Region Map



Regional Revenue & Expenditures

Revenue	Amount
Recreation Fees	\$4,108,820
Special Uses	\$320,941
Interagency Passes	\$74,539
Total	\$4,504,300
Expenditures*	Amount
Repair & Maintenance	\$3,038,450
Visitor Services	\$981,938
Law Enforcement	\$280,918
Habitat Restoration	\$58,221
Fee Agreements	\$0
Cost of Collections	\$357,594
Total	\$4,717,121

*Expenditures may be funded with previous years' revenue.