

Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest

Recreation Fee Program Accomplishment Highlights 2015

Forest Service



Blacksmith Fork Revisited

Historic Blacksmith Fork Guard Station was sorry shape and headed for decommissioning. Built by the Civilian Conservation Corps in 1934, it was used by the forest until its water supply was destroyed by a flood in the late 1980s. Without funds to repair the water system, the cabin fell into disrepair with vandals nearly striking the fatal blow in 2011. Grant

funding from the Regional Office allowed restoration work to begin in 2012. The station's interior was repainted, new counter tops and linoleum flooring was installed, window panes were re-glazed, doors and trim refinished and new furniture purchased. Now Blacksmith Fork is available to rent by the public on recreation.gov.



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.

Developed Recreation

- Completed operation and maintenance tasks at five picnic areas, two interpretive sites, two fishing sites, seven dispersed group sites, two winter cross-country ski areas, and 24 trailheads on the Pleasant Grove District.
- Funded seasonal employees who managed parking on busy weekends and holidays at Timpooneke Trailhead. Their presence reduced illegal parking, traffic congestion, and the risk of automobile accidents.
- Supported volunteers who completed a variety of projects: Installed new fencing and repaired old, revegetated areas, removed noxious weeds, stained kiosks and maintained trails.



Clearing winter trails for cross-country skiers.

Forest Revenue & Expenditures

Revenue*	Amount
Recreation Fees	\$1,040,975
Special Uses	\$71,448
Interagency Passes	\$264,640
Total	\$1,377,063
Expenditures	Amount
Repair & Maintenance	\$208,700
Visitor Services	\$410,204
Law Enforcement	\$43,011
Habitat Restoration	\$0
Fee Agreements	\$117,580
Cost of Collections	\$52,640
Total	\$832,135

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

Tony Grove Ranger Station

In 2015, work began to revitalize the Tony Grove Ranger Station so it could be made available to the public as part of the recreation rental program. The log cabin first served as a ranger station in 1907 and later as an office for the Tony Grove tree nursery until 1954, it saw regular use by Forest Service employees until severe rodent damage closed it in 2009. With its 110th birthday looming, the cabin was a perfect Passport in Time project. Skilled volunteers replaced the cedar shingle roof and constructed an accessible, historically-correct outhouse. Restoration efforts will continue with the goal of completion in 2016.



Volunteers re-shingle the Tony Grove Ranger Station.



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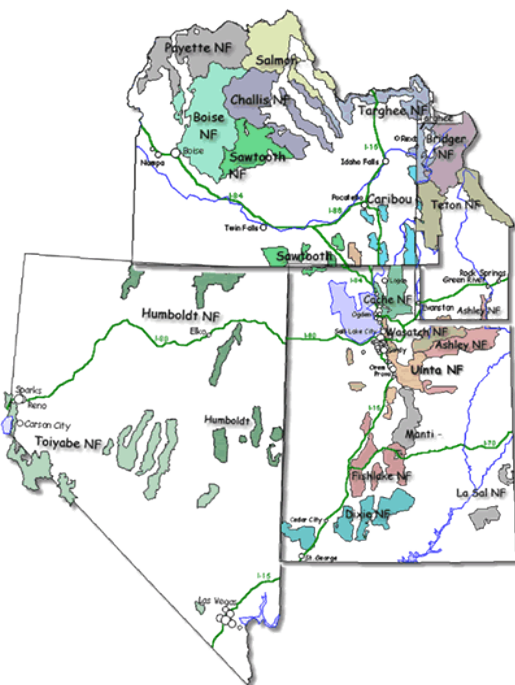
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Intermountain Region Map



Regional Revenue & Expenditures

Revenue*	Amount
Recreation Fees	\$3,312,831
Special Uses	\$2,219,598
Interagency Passes	\$313,213
Total	\$5,845,642
Expenditures	Amount
Repair & Maintenance	\$1,329,370
Visitor Services	\$1,962,029
Law Enforcement	\$337,925
Habitat Restoration	\$86,666
Fee Agreements	\$145,905
Cost of Collections	\$324,112
Total	\$4,329,175

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