



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 on the Hiawatha National Forest:

- Funded several projects in rustic campgrounds:
 - ✓ Hired a seasonal employee to conduct compliance checks, educate visitors, and assist with resource protection projects.
 - ✓ Completed regular maintenance tasks at all 56 campgrounds.
 - ✓ Defined borders of several dispersed campsites to limit site expansion and protect nearby vegetation.
 - ✓ Reconstructed Triangle Lake Dispersed Campsite #1 and its boat launch.
 - ✓ Replaced toilet vaults at Jack Pine #2 and East Lake #2 dispersed campsites.
 - ✓ Added gravel and sloped boat launches at East Lake, Chicago Lake, and Mowe Lake. Repaired dock and added gravel at Bear Lake Launch.
 - ✓ Installed new barrier posts between Chicago Lake #3 and #4 dispersed sites.
 - ✓ Installed new signage at Steuben Lake to encourage boat cleaning in order to curb the spread of invasive plant Eurasian watermilfoil.
 - ✓ Eradicated illegal motorized trails at North Lyman, Lyman #10 and Chicago Lake #1 trails and increased law enforcement around Lyman Lake to discourage unauthorized use.
 - ✓ Replaced fire rings at Goose Neck #3, Minerva, Triangle #1 and Jack Pine #1 dispersed campsites.



Ewing Point Dispersed Campsite

Special Feature

Whether by private watercraft or passenger ferry, getting to Grand Island will definitely be more than half the fun! Separated from the mainland community of Munising, MI by only one-half mile, this island has a wonderful array of recreational opportunities. Breathtaking overlooks, pristine sandy beaches, fascinating cultural sites, and the deep hard woods offer beauty that is sure to bring visitors to the island again and again.



Hiawatha National Forest Revenue & Expenditures

Revenue*	
Source	Amount
Interagency Pass	\$2,320
Recreation Fees	\$59,714
Special Uses	\$3,284
Total	\$65,318

Expenditures	
Source	Amount
Maintenance & Repair	\$58,142
Visitor Services	\$2,578
Law Enforcement	\$0
Cost of Collections	\$4,157
Total	\$64,877

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

Hiawatha National Forest Additional Accomplishments

- Completed routine maintenance at day use areas, campsites, and facilities within the Grand Island National Recreation Area:
 - ✓ Cleared and maintained trails.
 - ✓ Mowed race course for Grand Island Marathon.
 - ✓ Installed interpretive signs, and maintained Hiawatha Water Trail signage.
 - ✓ Provided firewood for campsites.
 - ✓ Contacted visitors upon arrival at the island and provided information on bear safety, camping rules, and other topics.
- Maintained Toms Lake and McKeever cabins:
 - ✓ Provided firewood at both cabins.
 - ✓ Purchased and installed new wood stove and two benches at Toms Lake cabin.
 - ✓ Installed new fire ring at McKeever Cabin.



The northern hardwoods and conifers offer spectacular fall colors.



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Eastern Region Revenues & Expenditures

Revenue	
Source	Amount
Interagency Pass	\$72,388
Recreation Fees	\$4,630,544
Special Uses	\$234,671
Total	\$4,937,602
Expenditures*	
Source	Amount
Maintenance & Repair	\$3,103,033
Visitor Services	\$718,625
Law Enforcement	\$278,772
Cost of Collections	\$567,288
Habitat Restoration	\$46,359
Fee Agreements	\$1,679
Total	\$4,715,757

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