2007 Accomplishment Report

Fee Program Success Story:
Lake Tahoe Marathon

Runners in the 2007 Lake Tahoe Marathon

With the assistance of recreation event fees collected and retained under the Recreation Enhancement Act, Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit staff administered the 2007 Lake Tahoe Marathon September 25-30, 2007. This massive event involved over 1,500 participants and over 25,000 observers. Participants had the option of engaging in either a half-marathon, a 5K run, 10K run, or participating in a 3-day staged marathon around the 72-mile shoreline of Lake Tahoe. Walkers, runners, joggers and wheelchair competitors of all ages and fitness levels participated in this exciting annual event.

2007 Recreation Fee Program Expenditures

- Visitor Services $111,267
- Law Enforcement $18,341
- Repair, Maintenance, & Facility Enhancement $24,455
- Cost of Collection $5,783

Your Fees at Work in 2007

**Repair, Maintenance & Facility Enhancement**
- Trail maintenance in the Desolation Wilderness.
- Operation and maintenance of the Eagle Falls Trailhead including toilet pumping & cleaning, and trash collection.

**Visitor Services**
- Staffed the wilderness information and education center and provided information at popular wilderness trailheads.
- Completed an updated map to be used on new trailhead signs.
- Together with the Eldorado NF expanded the Desolation Wilderness volunteer and Education program, 34 volunteers contributed over 1,400 hours in 2007.
- Administered outfitter & guide and recreation event permits.
**Law Enforcement**
- Funded two wilderness rangers who conducted wilderness patrols to ensure visitor and resource protection and compliance with wilderness regulations.

**Cost of Collection**
- Funded salaries for employees who conducted fee collections and compliance.

**Upcoming Fee Projects**
- Design, fabricate, and install new generation trailhead signing.
- Continue valuable wilderness support programs such as the Wilderness Naturalist Program, Desolation Wilderness Education Tour, Visitor Appreciation Days, and the Wilderness Stewardship Challenge.
- Continue to complete resource restoration projects.

**Recreation Fee Revenue Sources**

**Permits & Passes**
- Desolation Wilderness permit & reservations
- Eldorado National Forest/Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit Annual Day Use Pass
- Federal Interagency Passes
- Outfitter & Guide and Recreation Event Permits

**Sites/ Areas**
- Standard Amenity day use fee at Eagle Falls Trailhead

**For More Information...**
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