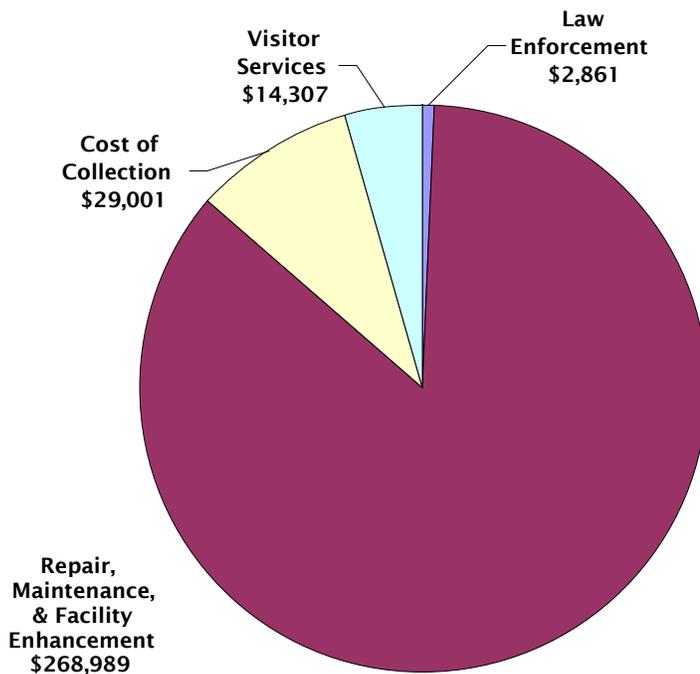




Lassen National Forest Pacific Southwest Region Recreational Fee Program 2008 Accomplishment Report



2008 Recreation Fee Program Expenditures



Your Fees at Work in 2008

Repair, Maintenance & Facility Enhancement

- Painted sign boards at several campgrounds
- Painted tables.
- Repaired vandalism and removed graffiti.
- Removed hazard trees.

Visitor Services

- Installed recycle bins and began a recycling program at 5 REA campgrounds.
- Student Conservation Association Intern prepared informational materials and display for bulletin boards regarding recycling.
- Presented campfire programs on recycling.

Fee Program Success Story: Campground Recycling Program

**Almanor Ranger District
Lassen National Forest
Campground Recycling Program
FDAS Showcase Project Report**

Goals and Objectives:
The goal of this project was to institute a beverage container recycling program at five of the busiest Recreation Enhancement Act (REA) campgrounds on the Almanor Ranger District. The project included two objectives, both components were funded by the Region 5 Recreation Fee Program - FY 2008 FDAS Grants. The first objective entailed purchasing and installing recycling depots at selected locations in the campgrounds. The second objective was to use a Student Intern to initiate and operate the collection and redemption of the recyclable materials.

Recycling Depots:
The \$24,000 grant funds were used purchased 21 Mini Depot Recyclers (\$2,375.00). These are 3 input, bear resistant, accessible, heavy gauge steel containers. The depots were delivered to the district in mid May, then installed in the campgrounds by district employees using matching funds (FDAS and NFRW). The bins were strategically placed in convenient locations for campers to both advertise the new program and encourage use.

Student Intern - Recycling Coordinator:
FDAS grant funds (\$2,200) and matching funds (\$1,155) were used in a Participating Agreement with the Student Conservation Association (SCA). The SCA worked with the district to enroll a student intern. The district also provided housing, transportation and day-to-day supervision. Intern Leah Crowe arrived in June and immediately began developing educational materials and displays, emptying recycle bins, sorting, transferring recyclables to the redemption center, tracking amounts collected, preparing a written report, and made recommendations for future operations.

Project Results:
Between May and September approximately 325 pounds of aluminum, 540 pounds of plastics, and 3,785 pounds of glass were recycled and therefore diverted from landfills. In addition the depots were posted with Your Fees at Work stickers, one recycling display was created, three campfire talks were given and several posters were developed.

Recreation Fee sites included in project:

- Almanor Campground
- Potato Patch Campground
- Cherry Hill Campground
- Gurnsey Creek Campground
- Battie Creek Campground

Campground Recycling Program started at five Lassen NF campgrounds in 2008

The Almanor Ranger District implemented a recycling program in five campgrounds using grant funds from the regional 5% (FDAS) program. Recycling bins were purchased and installed and a Student Conservation Association Intern prepared informational materials and display for bulletin boards, presented campfire programs on recycling, as well as sorting and redeeming the recyclables

- Reimbursed volunteer mileage, propane and uniform components.

Law Enforcement

- Provided law enforcement patrols to ensure visitor and resource protection.

Cost of Collection

- Funded salaries for employees who conducted fee collections and compliance.

Upcoming Fee Projects

- Continue to fund operation and maintenance of developed campgrounds.

Recreation Fee Revenue Sources

Permits & Passes

- Federal Interagency Passes
- Recreation Event & Outfitter & Guide Permits

Sites/Areas

- Expanded amenity fees at twenty-two developed campgrounds and one rental cabin

For More Information...

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