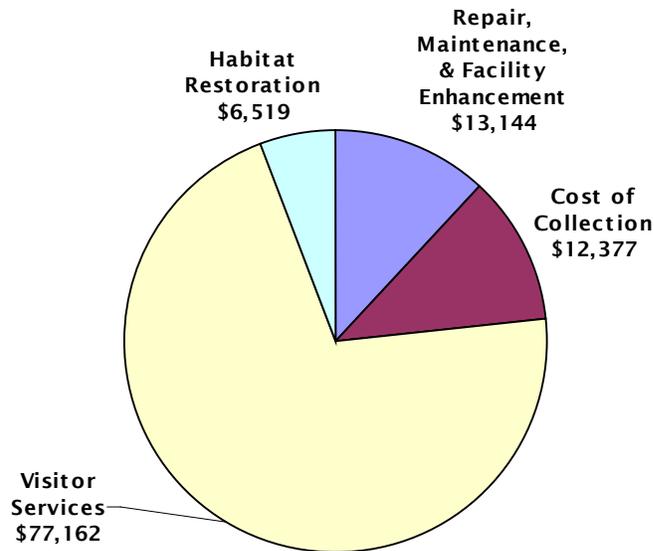




# Sierra National Forest Pacific Southwest Region Recreational Fee Program 2008 Accomplishment Report



## 2008 Recreation Fee Program Expenditures



## Your Fees at Work in 2008

### ***Repair, Maintenance & Facility Enhancement***

- Opened wilderness trails for public use, removed hazards, debris, trees, and rocks from trails impacted from another unusually heavy winter.
- Picked up trash, maintained seventeen restrooms along the Kings River.
- Repaired/Repainted signs along River corridor.

### ***Visitor Services***

- Wilderness patrol rangers hiked 283 miles to contact wilderness visitors and provide information.
- Wilderness rangers removed 152 trees to open trails, cleaned 54 water bars, completed 220 feet of trail tread repair, and removed brush from 5.5 miles of trail.
- Removed 110 pounds of trash from the wilderness.

## ***Fee Program Success Story: Kings River Gem***



Toni Cordas, Sierra National Forest seasonal employee

Toni Cordas is a gem. Toni patrolled the Kings River during the heavy rafting season in 2008. She spent the spring and early summer contacting both family and commercial rafters, assisted the public, made routine patrols, issued campfire permits, and picked up trash, and maintained seventeen restrooms along the river.

Toni repaired and painted signs along the river corridor; painted most of the toilets, including removing vandalism from doors, and replaced missing toilet paper holders; and replaced posters on all Information Boards.

She provided land ethic information and positively influencing public use of the Kings River area.

Job well done!

- River patrol rangers contacted river rafters, issued campfire permits, and provided land ethic information and positively influencing public use of the Kings River Special Management Area.
- Opened visitor contact stations in remote areas (five locations Eastwood, High Sierra, Clover Meadow, City of Oakhurst and City of Mariposa) to provide wilderness information and education.

### ***Habitat Restoration***

- Obliterated 33 campsites and rehabilitated two campsites to protect wilderness resources.

### ***Cost of Collection***

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

## **Upcoming Fee Projects**

- Continue with wilderness patrol and trail maintenance.
- Continue providing enhanced customer services along the Kings River.
- Continue keeping as many Visitor Contact Stations open as possible.
- Expand customer service to visitors of Outfitter Guides and Recreation Events.

## **Recreation Fee Revenue Sources**

### ***Permits & Passes***

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

### ***Services***

- Wilderness Reservations

## **For More Information...**

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