



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 Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area:

- Supported campground hosts who completed operation and maintenance tasks at three campgrounds and one day use site. Hosts also provided visitor information and assistance.
- Completed backlogged maintenance on Eagle Creek Historic Trail Registration Booth and Picnic Shelter.
- Re-roofed and painted two information kiosks.
- Replaced and enhanced road and directional signs at Eagle Creek Recreation Area and Wahclella Trailhead.
- Funded two employees for the trail patrol program: contacted visitors, checked compliance, and completed routine maintenance tasks at trailheads and recreation sites.
- Enhanced security with additional trail patrols at heavily visited sites in the Gorge, including Eagle Creek, Wahclella Falls, Dog Mountain, and Larch Mountain trails.
- Administered and monitored 22 outfitter and guide and recreation event special use permits.

Special Feature

High school students can get a step closer to graduation while immersing themselves in the outdoors through an ongoing partnership between the Scenic Area, The Next Door, Inc. and Oregon Youth Conservation Corps. Supported by recreation fees, program participants develop knowledge and skills to complete essential trail and recreation site maintenance tasks. During 2011, the crew constructed half a mile of trail and maintained an additional 3.2 miles.



Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area
 Revenue & Expenditures



Intel Volunteer Work Party at St. Cloud

Revenue*	
Source	Amount
Recreation Fees	\$281,016
Special Uses	\$31,161
Interagency Pass	\$2,583
Total	\$314,759

Expenditures	
Source	Amount
Maintenance & Repair	\$204,424
Visitor Services	\$30,994
Cost of Collections	\$26,191
Law Enforcement	\$10,501
Total	\$272,109

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

Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area Additional Accomplishments

- Reconstructed or maintained 66.8 miles of trails.
- Leveraged a cost share agreement with Washington Trails Association (WTA) who maintained 13.6 miles of trail.
- Partnered with the Next Door, Inc. and Oregon Youth Conservation Corps to field a 12-person youth crew. The crew maintained 3.2 miles of trails and constructed half a mile of new trail.
- Funded employees to lead and coordinate various youth crews and volunteer organizations who maintained and improved 35 miles of trail.
- Inspected five trail bridges.



WTA Work Crew



Trail Construction near Cape Horn



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Pacific Northwest Region Revenue & Expenditures

Revenue*	
Source	Amount
Recreation Fees	\$7,539,044
Special Uses	\$638,697
Interagency Pass	\$485,488
Total	\$8,663,229

Expenditures	
Source	Amount
Maintenance & Repair	\$4,401,016
Visitor Services	\$2,553,593
Cost of Collections	\$916,041
Law Enforcement	\$458,400
Habitat Restoration	\$55,118
Fee Agreements	\$27,104
Total	\$8,411,273

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