



*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 Medicine Bow-Routt National Forests and Thunder Basin National Grassland:**

- Reconstructed parking areas, turnouts, and pull-throughs at Hog Park and Seedhouse campgrounds to accommodate larger vehicles and trailers.
- Reconstructed Dumont Lake fishing dock.
- Installed new accessible toilet at Blacktail Creek Campground.
- Installed new kiosk to improve safety and accessibility at Curtis Gulch Campground.
- Continued to identify and remove beetle-killed trees at campground and picnic areas to ensure public safety.
- Thinned trees at Esterbrook Campground to reduce the spread of mountain pine beetles.
- Repaired facilities damaged by record snowfall and spring runoff.
- Partnerships and Volunteers:
  - Continued to partner with Yampatika, a nonprofit organization focused on environmental education and outreach.
  - Partnered with HistoriCorps and completed repairs at Little Brooklyn Guard Station identified in an historical condition assessment complete last year.
  - Worked with volunteers from a local company and completed maintenance and site improvement projects at Fish Creek Falls and Hahns Peak Lake Campground.
- Supported volunteer campground hosts at 25 sites.



*Campground host orientation*

**Special Feature**

Explore the natural wonders along a paved, wheelchair-accessible path to a spectacular view of Fish Creek Falls. Numerous miles of hiking trails, benches, shaded picnic tables, and a vault toilet are available to visitors. Recreation fees are invested in the ongoing operation, maintenance, and improvement of the site and conservation of the area.



**MBR National Forests & Thunder Basin National Grassland Revenue & Expenditures**

<b>Revenue*</b>	
Source	Amount
Recreation Fees	\$537,696
Special Uses	\$182,033
Interagency Pass	\$19,393
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$739,122</b>

<b>Expenditures</b>	
Source	Amount
Maintenance & Repair	\$421,317
Visitor Services	\$120,564
Cost of Collections	\$40,000
Law Enforcement	\$20,645
Habitat Restoration	\$5,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$607,526</b>

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

## Medicine Bow-Routt National Forests and Thunder Basin National Grassland Additional Accomplishments

- Completed maintenance tasks and reopened three popular campgrounds closed for two or more years because of beetle-killed tree hazards.
- Sanded and repainted picnic tables, bulletin boards, information kiosks, and bathrooms; funded garbage removal and toilet pumping; and tested drinking water.
- Supported law enforcement efforts aimed at protecting visitors and resources.
- Purchased safety equipment for employees and volunteers.
- Developed and distributed public information about outfitter and guide permits.
- Administered and monitored more than 150 recreation special use permits to facilitate recreation opportunities across the forest.



*Installation of Curtis Gulch Campground's new kiosk*



*Winter at Little Brooklyn Guard Station*

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## Rocky Mountain Region Revenue & Expenditures

Revenue*	
Source	Amount
Recreation Fees	\$2,433,013
Special Uses	\$1,826,801
Interagency Pass	\$222,149
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,481,963</b>

Expenditures	
Source	Amount
Maintenance & Repair	\$1,202,872
Visitor Services	\$1,580,265
Cost of Collections	\$269,208
Law Enforcement	\$253,944
Habitat Restoration	\$50,952
Fee Agreements	\$74,915
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,432,156</b>

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