



Forest Service Fee Report

Site Name: Camp Discovery Group Camp

Site Type: GROUP CAMPGROUND

Action: Change in Fee Structure

Fee Type: Expanded Amenity Fee

Forest Name: Mendocino National Forest

District: Grindstone Ranger District

Financial Information:

Total O&M:	\$50,676
Deffered Maintenance:	\$0
Replacement Value:	\$1,283,921
Current Revenue:	\$5,475
Predicted Revenue:	\$6,000
Revenue Difference:	\$525
Current Occupancy:	9%
Expected Occupancy:	10%

Fee Change Information:

Reservation fee of \$9.00 applies

From: 1/1 To: 12/31

Current Fees: Proposed Fees:

Rate \$175.00 \$175.00

Remarks about the fees: Current price - \$100/day for day use only; \$175/24 hour period for overnight use.

The proposal is to restructure rental of the site under a single fee for a 24 hour period. The proposed \$175 fee is the current overnight fee. Sit

Reason for Fee Change

NRRS reservation system cannot accommodate a variable pricing strategy and the Forest Service requires that all group sites be reservable under the NRRS system.

The Forest has offered groups to reserve the facility for either day use or overnight use. Approximately 80% of reservations are overnight use.

Basic Group Site Amenities

Access Road:	Paved Road	Picnic Table:	Yes
Fire Device:	Pedestal Grills	Serving Table:	Yes
Visitor Protection:	Respond to emergencies only	Tent Pad:	No
Toilet:	Flush	Play	
Pavilion:	With Utilities	Equipment:	No
Water:	Yes		
Garbage:	Yes		

Other Site Amenities:

- Boat Launch
- Showers
- Lake-River Oriented
- Established Vegetation
- Interpretive Services
- Hookups
- Near Population Center
- Rec Opportunities from site
- Ease of Approach

Area Description:

Camp Discovery is located within the Red Bluff Recreation Area near the full service town of Red Bluff, CA. The group site is completely separate (gated) from the other facilities, which include Sycamore Grove family campground, the Sacramento River Boat Launch, and the Sacramento Discovery Center.



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Planned Accomplishment Narrative:

Funds would be used for operations and maintenance and facility improvements. In recent years, fee revenue has provided staffing to clean and maintain the facility prior to and following group rentals, general building maintenance, mowing grassy areas within and adjacent to the facility, and paving pathways between buildings.

Other Provider Summary:

Other Provider Avg Price: \$148.33

Other Provider 1 Name:
Woodson Bridge State Park

Other Provider 1 Price:
\$135.00

Other Provider 1 Summary:

Group campsite within a family campground. Group site can accommodate groups up to 40 people. Campground has picnic tables, fire rings, restrooms, and showers.

Other Provider 2 Name:
Hirz Bay Group 1 - Shasta-Trinity NF

Other Provider 2 Price:
\$130.00

Other Provider 2 Summary:

Group camp offers a picnic area, 2 large pedestal grills, 1 large fire ring, 2 large sinks with faucets and a paved parking lot with 21 spaces. Parking area is separate from the camping area. Vault toilets. Group site can accommodate up to 120 people.

Other Provider 3 Name:
Durham Park Day Use

Other Provider 3 Price:
\$180.00

Other Provider 3 Summary:

Operated by the Durham Recreation and Park District, the park has two day use group picnic areas. The group sites are equipped with two BBQs and electricity. Each site can accommodate groups up to 400. The price for 1-100 people is \$180.

Site Photos



Group eating area at the Camp Discovery Group site.



Amphitheater at the Camp Discovery Group site.



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Method for Informing Public:

Annual Report: Yes Site Post: Yes Forest Service Website Post: Yes

Public Participation:

In Progress

Posted Notice in Rec Area:

Federal Register Notice:

NewsRelease:

Legal Notice:

Website Post:

Notify Local Interest Groups:

County Commissioner Task:

Public Meeting:

Federal Legislator Task:

Public Participation Tasks:

Public Participation Results:

- 1) Publish notice of proposed change in fee structure in local newspapers as well as newspapers from known communities in which visitors originate. These include but are not limited to: Red Bluff Daily News, Redding Record Searchlight, Chico Enterprise Record, Tri County News (covering Chico, Willows, Orland and Colusa), and Sacramento Bee;
- 2) Post notice of proposed change in fee structure on Mendocino NF website;
- 3) Utilize Twitter to send a series of tweets to encourage people to comment on the proposal;
- 4) Post proposed change in fee structure posters at Red Bluff Recreation Area information kiosks, including within Camp Discovery Group Campground and at the Sacramento River Discovery Center;
- 5) District Recreation personnel will communicate in person with visitors to Red Bluff Recreation Area, including Camp Discovery Group Campground, to discuss the proposal and offer opportunities for the public to provide feedback on the proposal;
- 6) Provide briefing on proposed change in fee structure to local government officials, including the Tehama County Board of Supervisors as well as Congressional representatives from three Congressional Districts.

All notifications will include a description of the proposed changes in fee structure, as well as information on how to provide comments on the proposed fee changes.