

Klamath National Forest

Recreation Fee Program Accomplishment Highlights 2017

A River Wild and Scenic Once Again



Interns on a hot summer day cleaning up the Klamath River

Beginning in Oregon's high desert, the Klamath River cuts through the Cascades and the Klamath Mountains before entering the Pacific Ocean in northern California. As California's second largest river, the Klamath is designed Wild & Scenic below Iron Gate Dam.

The Forest used \$28,043 of recreation fee revenue from Outfitter and Guide permits to help effectively manage whitewater rafting on the river. These funds provided a river manager and intern, helped maintain 18 river access sites, and paid for several repairs.

One large project came after a record winter rainfall of 90 inches created high river flows, which damaged two of the most popular river access sites. The river manager hired contractors to repair the sites in time for the 2017 season. In addition, the funds helped to

- Patrol rivers and monitor outfitter guide compliance with their permits.
- Provide non-commercial boaters with river safety information.
- Share leave no trace principles with rafters.
- Remove invasive weeds from river access sites and camping beaches.
- Reduce visitor impacts to river beaches used as campsites along the river.
- Install new river information displays to replace those damaged by high water flows.
- Conduct several river clean-ups with local volunteers.

Recreation Fee Dollars

Recreation fee dollars are an investment in outdoor recreation. They support and enhance:

- Public safety
- Recreation site maintenance and improvements
- Educational experiences
- Informational wayside exhibits
- Youth programs and partnerships
- Interpretive programs

Current and future generations benefit as 80-95% of the funds are reinvested in the facilities and services that visitors enjoy, use, and value.



A river information panel designed and installed by interns.

Other Accomplishments

- Operated 13 campgrounds with the help of three seasonal staff.
- Collected garbage, cleaned and pumped toilets, cleaned fire pits, and maintained landscaping.
- Provided campground hosts at Curly Jack, Indian Scotty, Juanita Lake, Kangaroo Lake, and Tree of Heaven campsites.
- Replaced the main waterline at Indian Scotty campground.
- Repaired a horse corral at Carter Meadow Group Horse Camp.
- Hosted high school and college age volunteers, who made minor repairs to campgrounds.



High school volunteers from Ohio help ready a vault toilet for spring opening



View of the crest of the Salmon Mountains in the Russian Wilderness from the Pacific Crest Trail

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Regional Map



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Revenue & Expenditures

Revenue*	Forest	Region
Recreation Fees	\$90,098	\$8,820,731
Special Uses	\$33,698	\$1,208,449
Interagency Passes	\$5,298	\$802,500
Total	\$129,093	\$10,831,679
Expenditures	Forest	Region
Repair & Maintenance	\$17,843	\$4,724,634
Visitor Services	\$29,400	\$2,426,694
Law Enforcement	\$0	\$257,003
Habitat Restoration	\$7,800	\$32,340
Fee Agreements	\$0	\$33,584
Collections/Overhead	\$3,079	\$791,294
Total	\$58,122	\$8,265,549

*Carryover funds will be used for large projects and upcoming startup costs.