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Campbell Creek Science Center

Recreation Fee Program Spending & Accomplishment Highlights 2021

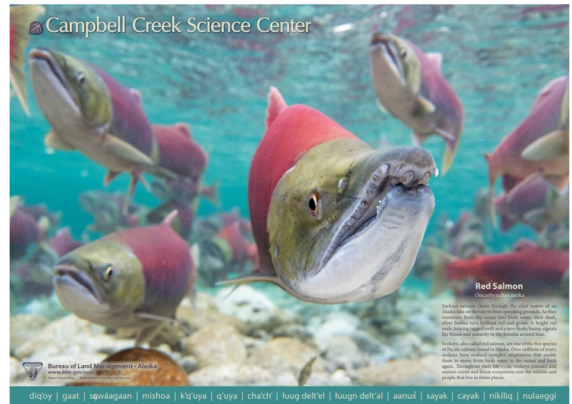
Virtual Learning



Students study nature virtually with CCSC Educator

Campbell Creek Science Center (CCSC) provided 203 virtual programs, reaching 4,718 people (2,545 youth and 2,006 adults) in fiscal year (FY) 2021. Participants attended from 36 Alaska communities, 46 communities in 22 states of the United States, and 3 international countries. Topics covered the diversity of BLM's multiple use and sustained yield mission. Programs included Alaska Explorer for K-6th grade at home learners, Fireside Chats, naturalist talks, and Nature Journaling. This is a milestone achievement in virtual learning, a new field for BLM.

Self-Guided Learning



Sockeye Salmon poster with Alaska Native names

Self-guided experiences engaged learners in the outdoor world with nature-based activities. CCSC developed 23 Nature Learning Resources; 7 Agents of Discovery missions; 2 webpages; 1 sockeye salmon lifecycle poster, which included Alaska Native name translations; 1 plant pollinator interpretive panel; 1 Campbell Tract Quest; 1 immersive multi-module asynchronous learning platform on Alaska's Watersheds and Watershed Science; 4 pop-up walks; and created 43 unique distance learning lesson plans.

Recreation Fee Dollars

Recreation fee dollars are an investment in outdoor recreation. Current and future generations benefit as 100% of the funds collected are reinvested in the facilities and services that visitors enjoy, use, and value.

They support and enhance:

- Maintenance, repair, and facility enhancement related directly to visitor enjoyment, visitor access, and health and safety
- Interpretation, visitor information, visitor service, visitor needs assessments, and signs
- Habitat restoration directly related to wildlife- dependent recreation that is limited to hunting, fishing, wildlife observation, or photography
- Law enforcement related to public use and recreation Direct operating or capital costs associated with the recreation fee program



Other Accomplishments

Partnered on Virtual Outdoor Week with United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) for 1,000 sixth graders. CCSC celebrated National Fossil Day with the University of Alaska Fairbanks. Co-developed pollinator interpretive panel with Alaska Native Plant Society. Led Wildlife training for Refugee Assistance and Immigration Services gardeners. Piloted Watershed Wonders Unit with 20 Alaskan teachers and reviewed by Alaska Pacific University, USFWS, National Park Service, Native Village of Eklutna, and BLM. CCSC led Certified Interpretive Guide.

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Revenue & Expenditures

FY21 Revenue

Recreation Use Permits (RUPs)	\$0.00
Special Recreation Permits (SRPs)	\$0.00
Individual Special Recreation Permits	\$0.00
Interagency Passes	\$0.00
Total Recreation Fee Revenue for FY21	\$0.00

FY21 Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	\$1,507.40
Visitor Services	\$1,312.92
Law Enforcement	\$0.00
Habitat Restoration	\$24.88
Collections/Overhead	\$0.00
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY21	\$2,845.20



Planned Activities



Nature-based programming at CCSC

CCSC plans to publish its Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act Business Plan in FY2022. The site will implement the new plan and utilize prior-year recreation fees as the facility reopens. These recreation fees include operational labor of education technicians who will provide a diversity of enhanced amenity interpretive programs such as hikes, talks, distance learning, evening programs, and workshops. CCSC selected priority projects from program needs identified through management and public involvement, focusing on visitor engagement, interpretation, and education. CCSC will incorporate recreation.gov for fee collection in FY2022.

FY22 Planned Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	\$0.00
Visitor Services	\$79,398.00
Law Enforcement	\$0.00
Habitat Restoration	\$10,000.00
Collections/Overhead	\$0.00
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY22	\$89,398.00
FY21 End of Year Carryover	\$89,398.00
FY22 Projected Revenue	\$20,000.00

Connecting with Communities

CCSC engages with partners, youth, and adults from around Alaska, the United States, and world, through its in-person and virtual programs. CCSC works with diverse audiences through school-based programs, such as 21st Century Afterschool Learners, which reaches more than 800 students in Title 1 schools. CCSC works with Refugee Assistance and Immigration Services (RAIS) to provide wildlife behavior training to their entrepreneurial gardens, who have moved to Alaska from around the world. CCSC increases its work by incorporating Alaska Native language into site descriptions and builds relationships with Alaska Native Student Engineering Program through programming. By providing programming onsite and around the State, CCSC creates understanding, stewardship, and connection of BLM Alaska public lands and the resources it manages for America.

