



ARIZONA Yuma Field Office

Recreation Fee Program Spending & Accomplishment Highlights 2021

Abandoned Property Cleanup



Heavy Equipment Cleanup

Recreation funds (\$15,000) were utilized to clean up abandoned campsites and property (vehicles and household items included) within the La Posa Long Term Visitor Areas (LTVAs) near Quartzsite, Arizona.

Management of LTVAs



Heavy Equipment Finalizing Access Ramp

Recreation fee dollars (\$220,000) were utilized to manage the La Posa and Imperial Dam LTVAs. Fee revenue funded trash collection, restroom and shower maintenance, water sampling, and dump station service. Ramps with concrete landings were constructed to access trash containers (\$20,000), and three vault toilets were installed (\$60,000) at the La Posa LTVAs.

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 recreationDirect operating or capital costs associated with the recreation fee program



Other Accomplishments

- Yuma Field Office provided interpretive materials and visitor information to the recreating public at fee signs along the Colorado River corridor and the LTVAs. Staff worked to ensure recreation fee compliance. Approximate cost: \$13,000
- Law Enforcement provided services to enhance public health and safety through routine patrols in the LTVAs and recreation areas throughout the fiscal year. Approximate cost: \$62,000
- Staff processed 19 Special Recreation Permits (SRPs) occurring within the Yuma Field Office. Approximate cost: \$5,000

Vicinity Map



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Revenue & Expenditures

FY20 End of Year Carryover	\$252,478.98
FY21 Revenue	
Recreation Use Permits (RUPs)	\$252,265.92
Special Recreation Permits (SRPs)	\$10,570.06
Individual Special Recreation Permits	\$484,071.35
Interagency Passes	\$2,580.00
Total Recreation Fee Revenue for FY21	\$749,487.33

FY21 Expenditures	
Repair & Maintenance	\$161,472.58
Visitor Services	\$172,869.42
Law Enforcement	\$62,067.34
Habitat Restoration	\$48.59
Collections/Overhead	\$227,289.06
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY21	\$623,746.99



Planned Activities



Oxbow Campground Boat Dock

- Improve accessibility and enhance public health and safety at the La Posa South LTVA. Planned improvements include the installation of a wastewater sewage lagoon. Estimated cost: \$400,000
- The parking lot at the T.K. Jones Campground and day-use area will be chip sealed. Estimated cost: \$50,000
- Update security systems at Imperial & La Posa LTVAs. Estimated cost: \$15,000
- Upgrade T.K. Jones Campground septic lift station
- Install Oxbow Campground landing and boat dock

FY22 Planned Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	\$278,000.00
Visitor Services	\$170,000.00
Law Enforcement	\$60,000.00
Habitat Restoration	\$4,000.00
Collections/Overhead	\$140,000.00
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY22	\$652,000.00
FY22 Projected Revenue	\$700,000.00

Connecting with Communities

Strategic Focus 2: Plan and Manage Recreation Efforts To Achieve Specific and Desired Benefits to the Community While Promoting Responsible Shared Use of Public Lands.

Working through Travel Management Plans, the Yuma Field Office (YFO) promotes the responsible shared use of public lands. YFO is also working with the town of Quartzsite to address overstays and illegal dumping/abandonment of property throughout the Long Term Visitor Areas and adjacent 14-day areas.

Goal 2. Facilitate Greater Well-Being and Economic Benefits within Communities.

YFO has worked with local communities across three different counties to complete the designation of the Arizona Peace Trail. This off-road trail will bring economic benefits to the local communities within each of the three counties while also concentrating the off-road use to a specific location. Special Recreation Permits are also issued for commercial activities, organized groups, and competitive events throughout the field office boundary.

