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Ukiah Field Office

Recreation Fee Program Spending & Accomplishment Highlights 2021

Berryessa Snow Mountain NM



View from Redbud Trail. (BLM)

The Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument attracts visitors interested in a range of activities from camping, horseback riding, off-highway vehicles (OHV), and much more. Recreation fee expenditures (\$5,028.82 part of carryover funds from FY 2016, FY 2017, and FY 2020) supported developing, printing, and distributing a brochure and map showcasing the Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument and its facilities. Project partners: Mendocino National Forest.

Eight Mile Valley Rehabilitation



Eight Mile Valley restoration construction. (BLM)

BLM has used carryover recreation fee revenue (\$1,689.34) in FY19 and FY20 to rehabilitate the Eight Mile Valley Meadow. Eight Mile Valley meadow is within the South Cow Mountain and provides a habitat for migratory birds and sensitive species. The rehabilitation of this meadow has improved wildlife/wildflower viewing, hunting, and hiking and improved the nature experience for OHV users on nearby trails. Project partners: California State Parks OHMVR grant program and California Native Plant Society.

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:

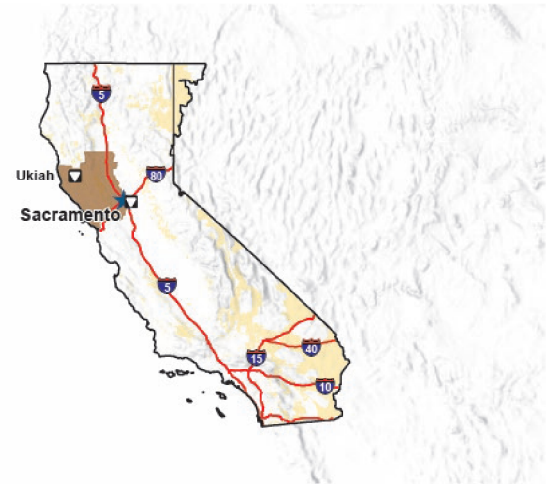
- Maintenance, repair, and facility enhancement related directly to visitor enjoyment, visitor access, and health and safety
- Interpretation, visitor information, visitor service, visitor needs assessments, and signs
- Habitat restoration directly related to wildlife- dependent recreation that is limited 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

- BLM has used recreation fee revenue (\$13,702) in FY 2017-FY 2019 to maintain trailhead and recreation facilities (e.g., kiosks, picnic tables, fire rings, vault toilets, parking lots, trails, and access roads). Maintenance activities were conducted within Cache Creek Management Area, Indian Valley, Knoxville, and the Cow Mountain Recreation Area.
- BLM has used recreation fee revenue (\$2,250) in FY 2019 to partially fund law enforcement dispatch services during BLM law enforcement patrols in the areas and facilities within the North Cow Mountain and Cache Creek Management Area.

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Revenue & Expenditures

FY21 Revenue

Recreation Use Permits (RUPs)	\$0.00
Special Recreation Permits (SRPs)	\$4,742.34
Individual Special Recreation Permits	\$0.00
Interagency Passes	\$0.00
Total Recreation Fee Revenue for FY21	\$4,742.34

FY21 Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	\$13,702.28
Visitor Services	\$5,028.82
Law Enforcement	\$2,250.00
Habitat Restoration	\$1,689.34
Collections/Overhead	\$0.00
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY21	\$22,670.44



Planned Activities



Partners making facility improvements. (BLM)

- Repainting the vault toilets within all recreation facilities and replacing broken/missing facility signs and fixtures. The projected cost includes material and supply costs as well as labor costs.
- Partial funding for law enforcement dispatch services for the areas and facilities within the North Cow Mountain Recreation Area and the Cache Creek Management Area.
- Partial funding for a multi-year assessment/modeling project aimed at recommending routes for rehabilitation to improve soils, water quality, and wildlife habitat and minimize erosion control issues in South Cow Mountain.

FY22 Planned Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	\$7,000.00
Visitor Services	\$0.00
Law Enforcement	\$2,250.00
Habitat Restoration	\$3,423.00
Collections/Overhead	\$0.00
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY22	\$12,673.00
FY21 End of Year Carryover	\$7,931.06
FY22 Projected Revenue	\$4,742.00

Connecting with Communities

One example of how the UKFO is accomplishing the goals in-out "Connecting with Communities, BLM Recreation Strategy" demonstrates one way we are meeting the "External Strategy- Goal 1: Support Community Service Providers While Balancing the Interests of All Public Lands Users" through our Adopt-a-Trail program. The Ukiah Field Office has started an Adopt-a-Trail program within the South Cow Mountain OHV Management Area. Several local off-highway vehicle (OHV) clubs have participated and adopted trails, including the 707 Trail Riders Club, Friends of Cow Mountain, Mendocino 4x4 Club, Santa Rosa 4x4 Club, and Wine Country Rock Crawlers, and many others. When these clubs sign up to participate in the program, BLM recreation and resource staff work with these volunteers to educate them on Leave No Trace principles, sustainable trail maintenance, and how to protect other natural and cultural resources in the area. The BLM helps fund the tools, training, materials, and supplies for the adoptees to do the guided trail work. Through their work and recognition of their efforts, the trail adoptees have also gained a sense of pride, responsibility, connection, and stewardship of their public lands, which they then use to educate other visitors that they come across on the trails. The local community and visitors benefit from this program by enjoying better, safer, and more sustainable OHV trails, which in turn, increases visitation on those trails and South Cow Mountain—improved visitation results in increased tourism and money spent in the local community.

