



# UTAH Richfield Field Office

## Recreation Fee Program Spending & Accomplishment Highlights 2021

### RFO Mountain Bike Trails



High School Mountain Bike Race Participant

In FY 21, 8 miles of new mountain bike trails were constructed. These trails were completed by a partnership between the BLM, Sevier, and Sanpete counties and several different trail interest groups. These trail systems provide varying levels of mountain biking opportunities. The National Interscholastic Cycling Association (NICA) hosted its first high school regional race this year in Manti, Utah.

### Recreation Site Cleaning Contract



Recreation Cleaning Site Contract Inspection

Henry Mountains Field Station (HMFS) is known for its remote, rugged, and unforgiving terrain. Visitors exploring the HMFS can camp at three different developed locations. Each location is unique and provides a different recreational experience. Fees generated from these sites allowed HMFS to pay for a cleaning contract in FY21 that took care of the restroom facilities, campsites, cleaning supplies, and potable water testing.

## 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, including direct operating or capital costs associated with the recreation fee program



## Other Accomplishments

- 82 SRP authorizations were issued.
- Nine restrooms interior painted.
- Cleaning contracts/staff serviced an additional seven restrooms that SRP holders use.
- Six restroom vaults pumped.
- One new culvert extension was installed at Starr Springs Campground.
- Starr Springs group site received a 4-inch gravel lift by spreading 40 tons of gravel.
- Started Saul's Meadow Campground construction.
- 3 New culverts were installed on the Saul's Meadow Campground road.

## Vicinity Map



## Contacts

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## Revenue & Expenditures

### FY21 Revenue

Recreation Use Permits (RUPs)	\$7,362.57
Special Recreation Permits (SRPs)	\$59,860.78
Individual Special Recreation Permits	\$0.00
Interagency Passes	\$560.00
<b>Total Recreation Fee Revenue for FY21</b>	<b>\$67,783.35</b>

### FY21 Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	\$28,171.24
Visitor Services	\$5,059.08
Law Enforcement	\$0.00
Habitat Restoration	\$13,449.39
Collections/Overhead	\$33,375.17
<b>Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY21</b>	<b>\$80,054.88</b>



## Planned Activities



*Breaking Ground At Sauls Meadow Campground*

- Continue construction of Saul's Meadow Campground (Installation of picnic tables, pavilions, restroom, etc.)
- Install pavilions and picnic table at Gunnison Reservoir Day Use Site
- Install donation fee tubes at sites where fees are not collected
- Paint 6 restrooms
- Administration of SRPs and RUPs
- Annual maintenance of developed recreation sites, including janitorial
- SRP Administration and monitoring of 80-90 SRPs

## FY22 Planned Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	\$55,500.00
Visitor Services	\$5,000.00
Law Enforcement	\$0.00
Habitat Restoration	\$0.00
Collections/Overhead	\$42,000.00
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY22	\$102,500.00
FY21 End of Year Carryover	\$121,886.00
FY22 Projected Revenue	\$65,000.00

## Connecting with Communities

The Richfield Field Office collaborated with Sevier and Sanpete Counties to provide unique mountain biking opportunities for all who live within and outside the counties regardless of race, color, or national origin. Utilizing partnerships, new trails were constructed on the Manti West and Glenwood mountain bike trail systems. These trails were constructed through a joint effort between the BLM Richfield Field Office, Sanpete and Sevier Counties, Richfield Trails Committee, Manti Trail Builders, and Sevier Valley Trailblazers, and the Manti High School Mountain Bike Team. Both trail systems provide mountain biking opportunities to local communities, mountain bike teams from around the region, and visiting mountain bike enthusiasts. The Manti Trail Builders completed the main loop utilized for high school race events. With the 4 miles of trails constructed on the Manti West trail system and the Richfield Trails Committee completing 4 miles of additional trails on the existing Glenwood trail system, these new trails will provide additional options for the advanced riders more course options for race events. The Glenwood system hosted its first Intermountain Cup and a NICA regional race in 2021. These events bring thousands of individuals to Sevier and Sanpete Counties, helping to facilitate greater economic benefit. Six mountain bike events are planned for the fall of 2022. While these trail systems are primarily used for mountain biking, the systems are open to all forms of non-motorized recreation activities, which will help balance the interests of all public land users.

