



NEVADA Battle Mountain

District Office

Recreation Fee Program Spending & Accomplishment Highlights 2022

Rhyolite Historic Townsite

Rhyolite Water System Update



Shade Structure Example

The Battle Mountain District used FY22 as a year to build its 1232 account to fund larger projects in the coming years. One of the projects include a picnic area Rhyolite. The Battle Mountain District would like to add a large shade structure with several picnic tables for visitors to enjoy. This project will cost approximately \$80,000.00. Another project is the stabilization of structures within the Rhyolite Townsite. The cost of each stabilization project will vary and start around \$20,000.00.



Water Tank at Rhyolite

To keep up with the demands at the Rhyolite Ghost Town, due to the volume of visitors it receives, the Battle Mountain District works with a Site Host to manage the daily needs of the site. A living area for the site host was constructed that consists of a shade shelter, concrete pads, and trailer hook-ups for water and power. The water system for the Site Host is in need of replacement. The project will cost upwards of \$100,000.00. 2022 was used to build funds for the project.

Recreation Fee Dollars

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

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.



Other Accomplishments

Monitoring recreation areas throughout the Battle Mountain District Office.

Supporting the Battle Mountain Law Enforcement Staff.

Vault Toilet cleaning and pumping.

Issuance and administration of Special Recreation Permits.

Vicinity Map



Contacts

Battle Mountain District Office

Recreation Fee Program Contact

Phone Number: (775) 635-4000

Email: BLM_NV_BMD0webmail@blm.gov

Web: <https://www.blm.gov/office/battle-mountain-district-office>

[Published FLREA Triennial Report](https://doi.sciencebase.gov/flrea/)

<https://doi.sciencebase.gov/flrea/>

[Published FLREA Annual Revenue and Spending Plans](https://www.blm.gov/programs/recreation/permits-and-fees/flrea-revenue)

<https://www.blm.gov/programs/recreation/permits-and-fees/flrea-revenue>

[Connecting with Communities BLM Recreation Strategy](https://www.blm.gov/national-office/public-room/strategic-plan/connecting-communities-blm-recreation-strategy-summary)

<https://www.blm.gov/national-office/public-room/strategic-plan/connecting-communities-blm-recreation-strategy-summary>

Revenue & Expenditures

| | |
|---|--------------------|
| End of Year Carryover: | \$38,663.06 |
| FY22 Revenue | |
| Recreation Use Permits (RUPs) | \$0.00 |
| Special Recreation Permits (SRPs) | \$31,166.84 |
| Individual Special Recreation Permits | \$0.00 |
| Interagency Passes | \$0.00 |
| Total Recreation Fee Revenue for FY22: | \$31,166.84 |

| | |
|--|-------------------|
| FY22 Expenditures | |
| Repair & Maintenance | \$743.10 |
| Visitor Services | \$2,415.02 |
| Law Enforcement | \$0.00 |
| Habitat Restoration | \$0.00 |
| Collections/Overhead | \$0.00 |
| Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY22: | \$3,158.12 |



Planned Activities



Kiosk Example

- Rhyolite kiosk panel with information and regulations regarding cultural values and wildlife in the area. Estimated project cost is \$8,000.
- Purchase and install one kiosk at Lunar Crater which currently has no interpretation. The scenic byway and Lunar Crater receive around 10,000 visitors annually. The estimated project cost is \$8,000 dollars.
- Overhead and administrative supplies for two recreation planners. Estimated project cost \$2,000.
- Saving for larger projects.

FY23 Planned Expenditures

| | |
|--|--------------------|
| Repair & Maintenance | \$5,000.00 |
| Visitor Services | \$16,000.00 |
| Law Enforcement | \$0.00 |
| Habitat Restoration | \$0.00 |
| Collections/Overhead | \$2,000.00 |
| Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY23: | \$23,000.00 |
| Carryover Funds To FY23: | \$66,671.78 |
| FY23 Projected Revenue: | \$20,000.00 |

Connecting with Communities

The Battle Mountain District Office Recreation Program works closely with various County departments including County Road Departments, Public Lands Departments, and Tourism Departments. The Nye and Esmerelda Counties are heavily involved with the high-speed racing events that the BLM permits. Coordination with them ensures that public health and safety measures are met prior and after each race.

Esmerelda County assists the BLM in maintaining local hot springs. The collaborative actions provide visitors with clean recreation facilities such as restrooms and trash cans overall enhancing the visitors experience.

Nye County assist the BLM with advertising and organization of local outreach events such as National Public Lands Day and Beatty Days. Volunteer days provide the public an opportunity to have a vested interest in their public lands and the opportunity to learn from specialists.

