



NEW MEXICO Socorro

Recreation Fee Program Spending & Accomplishment Highlights 2022

Field Office

Datil Well Campground



Accessible campsite

The Socorro Field Office established an Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant campsite to provide camping and recreational experience opportunities to all users. The campsite includes a new shelter, elevated fire pit, concrete surface travel ways, and an RV parking area.

Amount Expended: \$40,000.00

Datil Well Water System



Potable water system upgrade

The Datil Well campground received an upgrade to its thirty-year-old potable water system. The system upgrades include a new storage tank, new water lines, and new spigots. The project is now freeze-proof and spigots are now ADA compliant.

Amount Expended: \$30,000.00

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

- Smaller scale projects included a new walkway to the visitor center from the accessible campsite.
- Host site upgrade, project included concrete RV parking, new shelter, and new traffic signs.

Vicinity Map



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[Published FLREA Triennial Report](https://doi.sciencebase.gov/flrea/)
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[Published FLREA Annual Revenue and Spending Plans](https://www.blm.gov/programs/recreation/permits-and-fees/flrea-revenue)
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[Connecting with Communities BLM Recreation Strategy](https://www.blm.gov/national-office/public-room/strategic-plan/connecting-communities-blm-recreation-strategy-summary)
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Revenue & Expenditures

End of Year Carryover:	\$28,642.53
FY22 Revenue	
Recreation Use Permits (RUPs)	\$8,511.28
Special Recreation Permits (SRPs)	\$18,384.00
Individual Special Recreation Permits	\$0.00
Interagency Passes	\$660.00
Total Recreation Fee Revenue for FY22:	\$27,555.28

FY22 Expenditures	
Repair & Maintenance	\$390,000.00
Visitor Services	\$784.50
Law Enforcement	\$0.00
Habitat Restoration	\$23,509.58
Collections/Overhead	\$6,000.00
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY22:	\$420,294.08



Planned Activities



Additional group site

Establish an additional group site to meet the increased number of recreational users. The group site will include a new shelter, vault toilet, and parking/staging area as well as new fire rings and tables.

FY23 Planned Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	\$24,500.00
Visitor Services	\$3,500.00
Law Enforcement	\$0.00
Habitat Restoration	\$0.00
Collections/Overhead	\$10,900.00
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY23:	\$38,900.00
Carryover Funds To FY23:	\$0.00
FY23 Projected Revenue:	\$14,000.00

Connecting with Communities

The Socorro Field Office facilitates meaningful connections with visitors to BLM-managed lands by utilizing recreation fee revenue. Collected fees help with infrasture and keeping the vistor service program up to date and relevant, promoting responsible recreation, shared stewardship, and a postive image of the Agency. The new upgrade and proposed facilities will also meet the needs of increasing users and visitation. These projects will help the BLM better serve its diverse users and provide for necessary maintnenace and management of the campground.

