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District Office

Recreation Fee Program Spending & Accomplishment Highlights 2022

Elk Bend Recreation Site



Accessible Campsite in Elk Bend Group Campground

Elk Bend Recreation Site opened to the public for reservations on May 13, 2022, thanks to the hard work of District recreation staff and a Tillamook Field Office workday. The overhaul included planting over 200 trees and shrubs, and the installation of protective fencing and site amenities. Located along the newly designated Nestucca Wild and Scenic River, Elk Bend Group Campground has five individual campsites, which include one accessible site, a central fire ring, vault toilet, and seasonal water.

Amount Expended: \$20,889.00

Wildwood Trail Restoration



Youth Crew and Recreation Staff Repair Trail

Northwest Oregon District Park Rangers and local volunteers from Ant Farm Youth Crew restored the Salmon River Trail located in Wildwood Recreation Site in Welches, Oregon. Nearly 2 years ago, a tree fell on the raised boardwalk rendering it unsafe for public use. Ant Farm dismantled the remaining boardwalk, smoothed out the pathway, added gravel, and transplanted vegetation.

Amount Expended: \$15,000.00

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

Installed an automated fee machine at Shotgun Creek to provide visitors convenience of paying with a debit or credit card.

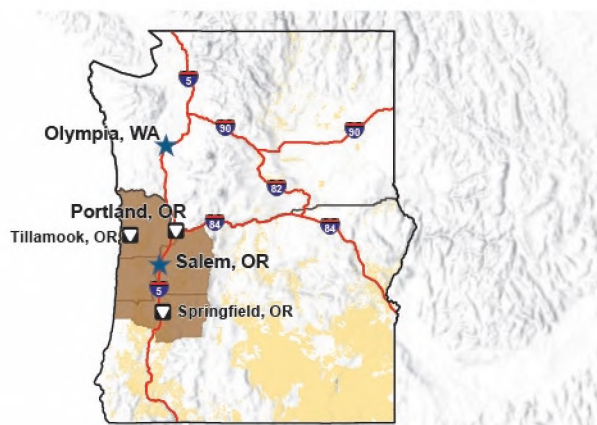
Implemented fee changes across District recreation sites in April 2022, increasing revenue for operations and maintenance.

Opened and performed maintenance at 51 recreation sites across the District with limited staffing and contracts.

Contracted potable water testing for all recreation sites ensuring public safety and saving staff time for maintenance.

Provided site hosts for many recreation sites.

Vicinity Map



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[Published FLREA Triennial Report](#)

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

[Published FLREA Annual Revenue and Spending Plans](#)

<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>

Revenue & Expenditures

End of Year Carryover:	\$237,144.73
FY22 Revenue	
Recreation Use Permits (RUPs)	\$330,408.79
Special Recreation Permits (SRPs)	\$7,668.99
Individual Special Recreation Permits	\$0.00
Interagency Passes	\$20,240.00
Total Recreation Fee Revenue for FY22:	\$358,317.78

FY22 Expenditures	
Repair & Maintenance	\$267,133.63
Visitor Services	\$13,532.47
Law Enforcement	\$0.00
Habitat Restoration	\$0.00
Collections/Overhead	\$542.14
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY22:	\$281,208.24



Planned Activities



Elk Bend solar panel array to replace and move

- Elk Bend solar water system replacement.
- Operations and maintenance at 21 fee sites, including three that remain unopened due to 2020 wildfires, with seasonal, term, and permanent recreation staff.
- Reimburse recreation site hosts to provide safety to the public while they enjoy these sites.
- Interpretive and informative sign replacement.
- Cascades Field Office plans to carryover most revenue for the next 4 years in order to rebuild three recreation sites destroyed by the 2020 wildfires.

FY23 Planned Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	\$220,000.00
Visitor Services	\$32,000.00
Law Enforcement	\$0.00
Habitat Restoration	\$0.00
Collections/Overhead	\$0.00
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY23:	\$252,000.00
Carryover Funds To FY23:	\$314,254.27
FY23 Projected Revenue:	\$350,000.00

Connecting with Communities

The Northwest Oregon District implemented a district-wide annual day use pass for visitors' use at any recreation site with day use, except Yaquina Head Outstanding Natural Area. Passes and reservations can be purchased through Recreation.gov, at our District or Tillamook Offices, or through our Automated Fee Machines at Wildwood or Shotgun Creek Recreation Sites. The District also invested allocations from timber harvest receipts and partnered with numerous organizations to obtain Secure Rural Schools grants to implement multiple recreation enhancement projects. The District continues to work with many partners including the City of Cottage Grove to coordinate and increase maintenance on the Row River Trail; Lane County Division of Youth Services to maintain recreation sites and trail systems across Lane County; AntFarm Youth to maintain recreation sites and trail systems in Clackamas County; and teamed up with other partners to maintain trail systems. District staff regularly coordinates with other recreation providers and new partners to provide holistic visitor services and new recreation opportunities to the public.

