



# CALIFORNIA Ridgecrest

## Recreation Fee Program Spending & Accomplishment Highlights 2023

Field Office

### A Diversity of Opportunities



Run with the Burros event in Eastern Sierras

**Amount Expended: \$29,320.01**

Within the Ridgecrest area one can partake in a diverse array of Special Recreation Permitted activities. One can enter a motorized race upon a motorcycle, ATV, UTV or in an Off-Road Truck. Go touring in a Four-Wheel Drive or on a Dual Sport Motorcycle. For a non-motorized experience, you could enter a Mountain Bike Race, Equestrian Endurance Ride, or a running event like a 10K Run with your Burro. Or you could participate in a personal growth outing conducted in the natural desert setting.

### Build It & Maintain It



Campsite and Toilet at Fossil Falls Campground

**Amount Expended: \$22,094.96**

To enhance recreational experiences, we have vault toilets at our most popular recreational destinations including the Trona Pinnacles National Natural Landmark, Desert Tortoise Research Natural Area, Spangler Hills, Jawbone Canyon, and Dove Springs Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Areas. Funding was used to clean and maintain these facilities on a weekly basis as well as daily during busy holiday visitation. We also managed and maintained the Fossil Falls Campground and Day Use area.

## Revenue & Expenditures

FY23 Revenue	
Recreation Use Permits (RUPs)	\$3,440.85
Special Recreation Permits (SRPs)	\$54,747.42
Individual Special Recreation Permits	\$0.00
Interagency Passes	\$2,400.00
<b>Total Recreation Fee Revenue for FY23</b>	<b>\$60,588.27</b>
<b>Carryover from Prior Years</b>	<b>\$78,857.16</b>
<b>Total Available Funds for FY23</b>	<b>\$139,445.43</b>

FY23 Expenditures	
Repair & Maintenance	\$12,623.81
Visitor Services	\$35,162.06
Law Enforcement	\$3,629.10
Inventory, Monitoring and Planning	\$0.00
Collections/Overhead	\$0.00
<b>Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY23</b>	<b>\$51,414.97</b>
<b>Total Available Funds for FY24</b>	<b>\$88,030.46</b>



Other Accomplishments

- Upkeep and stocking of the nearly 100 information kiosk we have throughout the Field Office area.
- Road grading of major designated routes to hiking trailheads with in the Rademacher Hills area.

Vicinity Map



Planned Activities



UTV race conducted under Special Recreation Permit

Purchase and installation of OHV Trail Crossing signs along the Randsburg Wash Road within the Spangler Hills Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Area - \$8,000.

Labor cost directly related to processing, administration, and monitoring of Special Recreation Permit request received by the Field Office - \$35,000.

Cost associated with the ongoing supplies, cleaning, pumping and maintenance of our 14 different vault toilet facilities throughout the field office - \$25,000.

Long range projects that will require carry over funding include:

Replacing signs at the Fossil Falls Campground - \$10,000.

Installation of two additional ADA accessible toilets in the Spangler Hills OHV Area - \$150,000.

FY24 Planned Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	\$33,000.00
Visitor Services	\$27,500.00
Law Enforcement	\$7,500.00
Inventory, Monitoring and Planning	\$0.00
Collections/Overhead	\$0.00
<b>Total Planned Expenditures for FY24</b>	<b>\$68,000.00</b>
<b>Total Available Funds for FY24</b>	<b>\$88,030.46</b>
<b>FY24 Balance after Planned Expenditures</b>	<b>\$20,030.46</b>

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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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[Bureau of Land Management's Blueprint for 21st Century Outdoor Recreation](https://www.blm.gov/sites/default/files/docs/2023-08/Blueprint%20for%2021st%20Century%20Outdoor%20Recreation508.pdf)

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*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.*

