

Low Water Crossing Signs



New signs installed at the Empire Gulch crossing.

Amount Expended: \$0.00

In early March, new signs were placed at the Empire Gulch crossing to warn drivers to reduce their speed at the creek crossing before heading to popular locations like Empire Ranch and the Airstrip Group Site.

Annual Site Maintenance



Mowing completed at Empire Ranch before an event.

Amount Expended: \$0.00

BLM staff and volunteers-maintained trails and recreational areas utilized by organized group activities in the San Pedro Riparian and Las Cienegas National Conservation Areas. Staff completed upkeep of mowing equipment to help manage fuel loads in these areas. Appropriated funds were used to support this work to enable recreation fees to be used for other planned activities in FY25.

Revenue & Expenditures

FY24 Revenue		
Recreation Use Permits (RUPs)	\$0.00	
Special Recreation Permits (SRPs)	\$15,747.83	
Individual Special Recreation Permits	\$40.00	
Interagency Passes	\$5,490.00	
Total Recreation Fee Revenue for FY24	\$21,277.83	
Carryover from Prior Years	\$16,133.18	
Total Available Funds for FY24	\$37,411.01	

FY24 Expenditures	
Repair & Maintenance	\$0
Visitor Services	\$0
Law Enforcement	\$0
Inventory, Monitoring and Planning	\$0
Collections/Overhead	\$0
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY24	\$0
Total Carryover Funds for FY25	\$37,411.01



Other Accomplishments

- Planned event information updated monthly at group site entrances in the Las Cienegas National Conservation Area.
- An outdoor recreation planner completed the Recreation and Permit Tracking Online Reporting training. The Tucson Field Office now has two recreation staff processing and monitoring special recreation permits.

Vicinity Map



Planned Activities



Current parking area at the Airstrip Day Use Site.

- Enhance the trailhead parking area at the Airstrip Day Use Site by designating specific spots for passenger vehicles, equestrian trailers, UTV trailers, and accessible parking. The existing parking area lacks designated markings for these use types. These improvements will also help clarify the new connector trails from the day use site to Oak Tree Canyon and to the Agricultural Fields Group Site (\$20,000.00).
- Replace damaged signs in the Las Cienegas and San Pedro Riparian National Conservation Areas, and the Ironwood Forest National Monument (\$5,000.00).
- -Minor maintenance repairs to vault toilets, barrier fences, and structures (\$5,000.00).

FY25 Planned Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	\$30,000.00
Visitor Services	\$0
Law Enforcement	\$5,000.00
Inventory, Monitoring and Planning	\$0
Collections/Overhead	\$0
Total Planned Expenditures for FY25	\$35,000.00
Total Projected funds for FY25	\$36,960.52
FY25 Balance after Planned Expenditures	\$1,960.52*

^{*}Amount excludes projected revenue for FY2025

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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/flrearevenue

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%20Recreation50 8.pdf