



CALIFORNIA Ridgecrest

Recreation Fee Program Spending & Accomplishment Highlights 2024

Field Office

Come Out and Play



Mountain Bike race in Rademacher Hills

Amount Expended: \$27,635.60

Special Recreation Permits (SRP) are the largest source of income into the Ridgecrest Field Office's Recreation Fee Revenue program. Annually there are between 35 and 40 different SRPs conducted on the Public Lands within the Field Office. These SRPs include such activities as Equestrian Endurance Rides, Ultra Marathon running events, Four Wheel Drive outings, Dual Sport Motorcycle tours, Vending, Mountain Bike, Motorcycle, and Utility Terrain Vehicle (UTV) races.

Let's Go Camping



Camping at Fossil Falls Campground

Amount Expended: \$23,466.00

The Fossil Falls Campground and Day Use area is a nice location for one to get away and enjoy the desert environment. Here one can find amenities including a hand pump for potable water, vault toilets, picnic tables and fire rings. Also, we have vault toilets at our most popular destinations including Trona Pinnacles National Natural Landmark, Spangler Hills, Jawbone Canyon, and Dove Springs Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Areas. Funding was used to clean and maintain all these facilities.

Revenue & Expenditures

FY24 Revenue	
Recreation Use Permits (RUPs)	\$2,330.08
Special Recreation Permits (SRPs)	\$41,153.59
Individual Special Recreation Permits	\$0.00
Interagency Passes	\$2,600.00
Total Recreation Fee Revenue for FY24	\$46,083.67
Carryover from Prior Years	\$79,759.18
Total Available Funds for FY24	\$125,842.85

FY24 Expenditures	
Repair & Maintenance	\$23,466.00
Visitor Services	\$27,476.21
Law Enforcement	\$9.62
Inventory, Monitoring and Planning	\$2,593.26
Collections/Overhead	\$49.77
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY24	\$53,534.86
Total Carryover Funds for FY25	\$72,307.99



Other Accomplishments

- Graffiti removal within the Rademacher Hills.
- Updating and Maintenance of Interpretive and Information Kiosk

Vicinity Map



Planned Activities



Vault Toilet Facility to be maintained

Cost directly related to the processing, administration, and monitoring of Special Recreation Permit request received by the Field Office. (\$35,000)

Cost associated with the ongoing maintenance and upkeep of our 14 different vault toilet facilities located throughout our management area. (\$35,000)

In coordination with Naval Air Weapons Station China Lake purchase and install OHV Trail Crossing Signs along the Ransburg Wash Road within the Spangler Hills Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Area. (\$8,000)

FY25 Planned Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	\$43,000.00
Visitor Services	\$35,000.00
Law Enforcement	\$0.00
Inventory, Monitoring and Planning	\$0.00
Collections/Overhead	\$0.00
Total Planned Expenditures for FY25	\$78,000.00
Total Projected funds for FY25	\$97,121.93
FY25 Balance after Planned Expenditures	\$19,121.93

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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.

