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Shotgun Creek Recreation Site Fee Increase Proposed

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Eugene —The Bureau of Land Management (BLM)—Eugene District is proposing to increase recreation fees for day use parking and shelter rental at BLM's Shotgun Creek Recreation Site effective May 2011.

Additional revenues generated by the new fee would be used on-site to help pay for maintenance and the services offered at Shotgun Creek. These fees would be consistent with Oregon Parks and Recreation Department and US Forest Service recreation parking and shelter fees.

Shotgun Creek has two shelters, electrical outlets, varnished picnic tables, BBQ grill, sand volleyball court, picnic sites, stoves, river access, swimming, wading, site host, toilets, potable water, trails, garbage service, parking, oversized fireplaces, playground, and nature trail with benches.

The Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act of 2004 authorizes recreation sites to retain fees where they are collected. The fees must be reinvested in services, upgrades or maintenance needs. This legislation also resulted in the formation of a recreation advisory committee which approves any BLM and Forest Service changes or increases in the fee structure. Advisory council members come from communities throughout Oregon and Washington and they represent a variety of recreation interests.

The proposed fee increases are listed below:

Shotgun Creek Recreation Area	Exp anded Amenity	
	Existing Fees	Proposed Fees
Group Picnic Shelter - 50 people or less	\$85.00	\$125.00
Group Picnic Shelter - 51-150 people	\$150.00	\$225.00
Group Picnic Shelter - 151-300 people	\$300.00	\$450.00
Both Shelters	\$500	\$625.00

Shotgun Creek Recreation Area	Standard Amenity	
	Existing Fees	Proposed Fees
Annual Day Use – walk-in	\$3.00	\$3.00
Vehicle (up to 9 passengers)	\$3.00	\$5.00
Vehicle (10-20 passengers)	\$3.00	\$15.00
Vehicle (21+ passengers)	\$3.00	\$25.00
Vehicle (up to 9 passengers)/year annual pass		\$25
V ehicle (10-20 passengers)/year annual pass		\$50

The Eugene District BLM is accepting comments on the new fee proposal between now and Sept. 7. Please send any comments to Eugene District Office BLM, 3106



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