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## BLM fees on Yakima River to be year-round

**Wenatchee, Wash.** – The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will be moving to a year-round fee system at BLM sites in the Yakima River Canyon beginning Sunday, May 15. Day use and camping fees will remain the same (Day use fees \$5.00 per vehicle, per day and overnight camping fees \$15.00 per night).

With increased visitation to these areas, these fees will be used to help pay for garbage collection, cleaning of facilities, law enforcement, seasonal workers, maintenance, future site improvements, and administrative costs.

Campsite reservations may be made for dates between May 15 until Sept. 15 by contacting [www.recreation.gov](http://www.recreation.gov), look for “Yakima River Canyon” or calling 1-877-444-6777. The rest of the year, campsites are first come, first served. Campers may stay up to 7 nights at a BLM site.

For further information, call (509) 665-2100 or visit the Yakima River Canyon website at [http://www.blm.gov/or/resources/recreation/site\\_info.php?siteid=251](http://www.blm.gov/or/resources/recreation/site_info.php?siteid=251)

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The BLM manages more than 245 million acres of public land, the most of any Federal agency. This land, known as the National System of Public Lands, is primarily located in 12 Western states, including Alaska. The BLM also administers 700 million acres of sub-surface mineral estate throughout the nation. The BLM's mission is to sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of America's public lands for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations. In Fiscal Year 2015, the BLM generated \$4.1 billion in receipts from activities occurring on public lands.