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Burley Field Office

Recreation Fee Program Spending & Accomplishment Highlights 2021

Milner Recreation Historic Site



New Kayak Launch at Milner

Fee dollars provided funds to help the recreation program to purchase various supplies for cleaning and repairs at fee sites, and:

- Funds were spent on routine and annual services such as garbage dumpster service.
- Purchased various supplies to perform deferred maintenance of facilities at both fee sites.
- Improved visitor services with a new kayak launch.

Oregon National Historic Trail



Interpretive Panel for Oregon NSHT

Over 100 years ago, emigrants on the Oregon Trail passed through what is now the Milner Historic Recreation Area, creating ruts as they traveled through the soft soil of the area. The historic recreation area preserves these still visible Oregon Trail ruts. Centered within the historic recreation area is a 1.3-mile paved ADA walking path that follows the historic ruts. Visitors can find interpretive panels and a hiking trail that leads to some of the Oregon Trail ruts.

Recreation Fee Dollars

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.

They support and enhance:

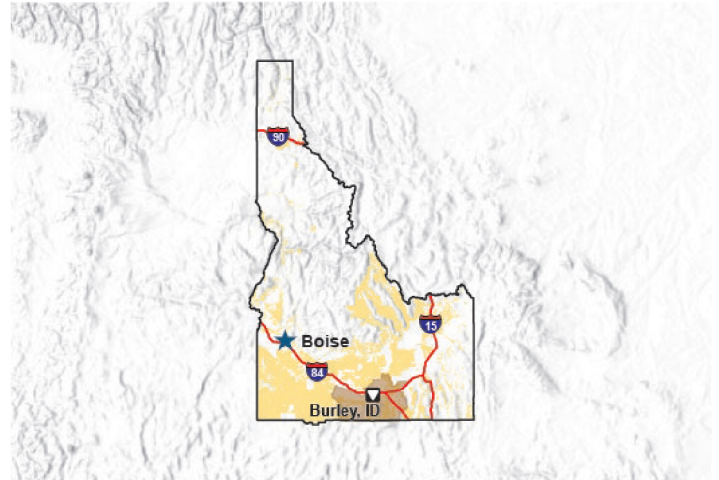
- Maintenance, repair, and facility enhancement related directly to visitor enjoyment, visitor access, and health and safety
- Interpretation, visitor information, visitor service, visitor needs assessments, and signs
- Habitat restoration directly related to wildlife- dependent recreation that is limited to hunting, fishing, wildlife observation, or photography
- Law enforcement related to public use and recreation Direct operating or capital costs associated with the recreation fee program



Other Accomplishments

The Burley Field Office completed an EA for general recreation upgrades throughout the Field Office in FY2020. Twin Falls District Engineering staff is currently working on a design for a toilet installation at the Smokey Mountain dispersed recreation area south of Almo. In the future, the office plans to purchase additional toilets for installation at Smokey Mountain, Big Cottonwood, and Indian Springs. Some 1232 funds will be used to fund these upgrades.

Vicinity Map



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Revenue & Expenditures

FY21 Revenue

Recreation Use Permits (RUPs)	\$23,792.74
Special Recreation Permits (SRPs)	\$1,823.50
Individual Special Recreation Permits	\$0.00
Interagency Passes	\$1,920.00
Total Recreation Fee Revenue for FY21	\$27,536.24

FY21 Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	\$12,104.50
Visitor Services	\$0.00
Law Enforcement	\$0.00
Habitat Restoration	\$0.00
Collections/Overhead	\$0.00
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY21	\$12,104.50



Planned Activities



Launching Boats at Lud Drexler Recreation Site

Funds will be used to replace the RV dump station at Lud Drexler Park. With increased construction costs and inflation since the estimate was done in early 2021, the final costs could be \$30,300 or even higher by the time the contract is done.

- Approximately \$6,500 will be used for garbage service and \$2,000 for toilet pumping, for \$8,500 for routine and annual maintenance.
- It is estimated we will fund a camp host for about \$3,000 and could use up to \$11,600 for temporary work months, depending on the cost of the Lud Drexler RV dump station.

FY22 Planned Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	\$38,800.00
Visitor Services	\$3,000.00
Law Enforcement	\$0.00
Habitat Restoration	\$0.00
Collections/Overhead	\$0.00
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY22	\$41,800.00
FY21 End of Year Carryover	\$53,846.00
FY22 Projected Revenue	\$25,000.00

Connecting with Communities

The Burley Field Office is located in Burley, Idaho, in south-central Idaho. Population in south-central Idaho has grown steadily from 183,814 in the eight-county area in 2009 to 201,031 in 2019, an increase of 9.4%. The highest growth county was Twin Falls at almost 14%. Recreation activities in this area include mountain biking, hiking, hunting, skiing, fishing, recreational shooting, and water-related sports. The Burley Field Office manages two fee sites, Milner Historic Recreation Area along the Snake River and the Lud Drexler Park along the Salmon Falls Reservoir. Increases in recreation on public lands in the Burley Field Office have resulted in several conflicts. An increase in target shooting near mountain bike trails, hiking trails, and homes in the area has resulted in several close calls. Currently, Recreation staff are working with Twin Falls County on a plan to make recreation at Indian Springs, south of Twin Falls, safer.

