



MONTANA_DAKOTAS North Dakota Field Office

Recreation Fee Program Spending & Accomplishment Highlights 2021

Schnell Picnic Shelter Project



Picnic Shelter Symbol

The North Dakota Field Office plans to use fee collection monies from FY21 and previous years to complete the installation of picnic shelters at the Schnell Recreation Area in the next 2-to 4 years. All six camping locations are rustic & nestled within rolling hills giving each guest enough room to stretch out, breathe and enjoy great family time.

Recreation Opportunities



Schnell Recreation Area Sign

The Schnell Recreation Area near Richardton, ND has many opportunities, including three miles of hiking trails and six primitive campsites. Dispersed primitive tent camping is allowed on the property except along an established 1.5-mile nature trail. Schnell is a non-motorized area with good opportunities for wildlife viewing, nature photography, hiking, mountain biking, horseback riding, cross-country skiing, camping, and environmental education.

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



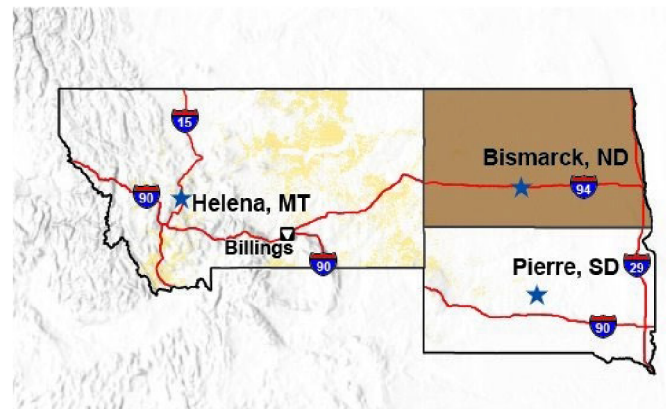
Other Accomplishments

Completed hiking trail re-route and improvements at the Schnell Recreation Area.

Maintaining high-quality recreation experiences at Schnell Recreation Area through regular maintenance, grounds keeping, weed control, and interaction with the public.

Installed a fishing dock at Slater pond, enhancing the fishing experience at the Schnell Recreation Area.

Vicinity Map



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Revenue & Expenditures

FY21 Revenue

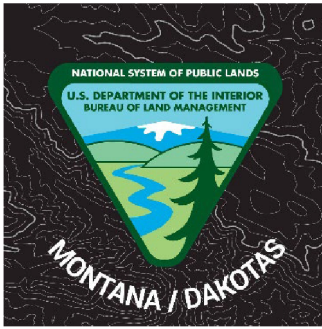
Recreation Use Permits (RUPs)	\$802.20
Special Recreation Permits (SRPs)	\$0.00
Individual Special Recreation Permits	\$0.00
Interagency Passes	\$2,480.00
Total Recreation Fee Revenue for FY21	\$3,282.20

FY21 Expenditures

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



Planned Activities



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The North Dakota Field Office currently does not plan to use fee collections funds during the 2022 fiscal year, choosing to save the funds accrued in FY22 to install picnic shelters at the Schnell Recreation Area, which has a project estimate of \$15,000 per picnic shelter.

The breakdown of the previous year's funds is as follows:

- FY17 - \$891.52
- FY18 - \$1513
- FY19 - \$1296.55
- FY20 - \$2241.15
- FY21 - \$3282.20
- Total = \$9,224.42

FY22 Planned Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	\$0.00
Visitor Services	\$0.00
Law Enforcement	\$0.00
Habitat Restoration	\$0.00
Collections/Overhead	\$0.00
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY22	\$0.00
FY21 End of Year Carryover	\$0.00
FY22 Projected Revenue	\$0.00

Connecting with Communities

The Bureau of Land Management Montana/Dakotas manages about 8.3 million acres of federal lands and about 47.2 million acres of federal mineral estate in Montana, North Dakota, and South Dakota. These public lands provide habitat for wildlife, forage for domestic livestock, forest products ranging from Christmas trees to commercial timber, and a wide range of recreational opportunities. The federal mineral estate, which includes oil, natural gas, and coal, is a critical energy source as our nation works to develop domestic resources while creating jobs.

