MONTANA_DAKOTAS Upper Missouri_River Breaks National Monument

Recreation Fee Program Spending & Accomplishment Highlights 2021

Trash collection services



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The BLM Upper Missouri River Breaks National Monument (UMRBNM) has three developed campgrounds that provide boat launching facilities for the Upper Missouri National Wild and Scenic River (UMNWSR). The multiple dumpsters available at each campground give highly desirable service to the public. A total of \$20,259 was used from FLREA fees collected at the monument campgrounds for trash collection services in the fiscal year 2021.

Park Rangers and river patrols



A Park Ranger repairs a vault toilet

The BLM Upper Missouri River Breaks National Monument (UMRBNM) hired six (6) seasonal Park Rangers during the summer of 2021 using \$24,301.56 of FLREA fees collected in the monument. The Park Rangers performed a variety of visitor services, such as being a friendly and knowledgeable source of information for the public and helping people understand the rules and regulations of the monument (e.g., campfire restrictions and the need to carry a waste containment system while on the river).

Recreation Fee Dollars

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 recreationDirect operating or capital costs associated with the recreation fee program

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.



Other Accomplishments

- Vault toilet pumping
- Campground water system upkeep
- Field supplies for park rangers
- Toilet paper purchasing
- Vehicles/fleet
- Printing services (stickers and magnets)
- Warehouse building construction

Vicinity Map



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Revenue & Expenditures

FY21 Revenue	
Recreation Use Permits (RUPs)	\$41,749.20
Special Recreation Permits (SRPs)	\$28,280.62
Individual Special Recreation Permits	\$32,827.00
Interagency Passes	\$1,160.00
Total Recreation Fee Revenue for FY21	\$104,016.82

FY21 Expenditures	
Repair & Maintenance	\$32,623.13
Visitor Services	\$2,254.66
Law Enforcement	\$0.00
Habitat Restoration	\$38,579.01
Collections/Overhead	\$6,242.75
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY21	\$79,699.55



Planned Activities



Visitors prepare to launch at Coal Banks Landing

The BLM UMRBNM will have an Outcomes Focused Management (OFM) study conducted throughout 2022. The OFM study will enable the BLM UMRBNM to determine the desired experiences and benefits from recreation participants, recreation-tourism providers, and communities. The BLM UMRBNM will be creating and designing all new kiosk displays at the James Kipp Recreation Area and installing new informational/directional signs. The BLM will be collaborating with multiple other federal and state agencies to produce a Montana-specific river education video.

FY22 Planned Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	\$30,000.00
Visitor Services	\$25,000.00
Law Enforcement	\$0.00
Habitat Restoration	\$45,000.00
Collections/Overhead	\$5,000.00
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY22	\$105,000.00
FY21 End of Year Carryover	\$24,317.27
FY22 Projected Revenue	\$110,000.00

Connecting with Communities

The BLM UMRBNM collaborates with the River and Plains Society (R&PS). They provide access to resources that enhance the visitor experience at the MBIC, such as displays and exhibits. Through the R&PS, the BLM has connected with local school groups and educators. Local school groups partner with the BLM multiple times per year to help facilitate overnight floating trips to connect youth to the UMRBNM. The BLM UMRBNM has updated the Frequently Asked Questions flyer about floating the Upper Missouri National Wild and Scenic River and is now available in Spanish and English. Both are available on the BLM UMRBNM webpage. Additionally, the rack card for the MBIC was updated with the National Conservation Lands "look and feel" and distributed throughout the local community and nearby population centers.