

Valley of Fires Recreation Area



Camping at Valley of Fires

The Valley of Fires Recreation Area is located immediately adjacent to the Malpais Lava Flow near Carrizozo, NM and offers both camping (recreation vehicle and tent) and day use and a 3/4-mile-long accessible trail. The field office maintains and manages the Valley of Fires. In Fiscal Year 21, Valley of Fires utilized \$52,000.00 in revenue to improve and support facilities.

Tent Site Improvement



Tent Pad Replacement

In Fiscal Year 2021, the Bureau of Land Management utilized \$4,000 in Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act revenue to replace the tent pads throughout the Valley of Fires Recreation Area tent sites. The new tent pads include new timbers and fill material at each site. These upgrades are popular with tent campers, allowing them to get their tent up off the desert floor and onto the softer fill material.

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



Other Accomplishments

- Facility Improvements (Resurface pavement throughout the entire park, Re-stucco Visitor's Center, and shower building)
- Improved/replaced informational signs
- Improved or replaced existing infrastructure (new tent pads, painting, graveling, etc.)
- Install information kiosk and signs for migration to recreation.gov
- A vault toilet and dump station pumping, new safety lids for dump station
- New solar light at the entry kiosk
- Equipment maintenance and fuel •Cleaning and office supplies
- Recreation area upkeep, trash clean up, dumpster service
- Cleaning contract

Vicinity Map



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Revenue & Expenditures

FY21 Revenue	
Recreation Use Permits (RUPs)	\$61,069.75
Special Recreation Permits (SRPs)	\$0.00
Individual Special Recreation Permits	\$0.00
Interagency Passes	\$2,100.00
Total Recreation Fee Revenue for FY21	\$63,169.75

FY21 Expenditures	
Repair & Maintenance	\$0.00
Visitor Services	\$5,490.00
Law Enforcement	\$0.00
Habitat Restoration	\$0.00
Collections/Overhead	\$47,173.16
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY21	\$52,663.16



Planned Activities



Malpais Nature Trail

- Replace all interpretive signs
- Replace aging frost-free hydrants throughout the recreation area
- Replace water system for deciduous trees/plant additional trees
- Paint/improve existing picnic shelter
- Re-plumb entire shower-house
- Carport for camp host area
- Vault and dump station pumping
- Cleaning and office supplies
- Additional trails/signs
- Volunteer reimbursements
- Continue cleaning contract

Connecting with Communities

The Roswell Field Office maintains relationships and agreements with other organizations, agencies and user groups to further improve, develop and promote opportunities and awareness for outdoor recreation throughout the district.

FY22 Planned Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	\$18,000.00
Visitor Services	\$0.00
Law Enforcement	\$0.00
Habitat Restoration	\$0.00
Collections/Overhead	\$35,000.00
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY22	\$53,000.00
Prior Year Carryover	\$13,207.66
FY22 Projected Revenue	\$60,000.00

