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Las Vegas Field Office

Recreation Fee Program Spending & Accomplishment Highlights 2021

Logandale Trails Management Plan



Logandale Trails Area

Logandale Trails contains nearly 200 miles of existing trails suitable for various off-highway vehicle uses, including ATVs, modified SUVs, and motorcycles. BLM recently initiated the process of designing the 15,000-acre area as a Special Recreation Management Area and preparing a Recreation Area Management Plan. The plan would define long-term management strategies to maintain the area’s outstanding motorized recreation opportunities. It would provide management direction to mitigate identified resource concerns.

Las Vegas Field Office Clean-ups



Three tons of trash were removed from Nellis Dunes

The Las Vegas Field Office hosted several trash cleanups at recreation areas around Las Vegas, including the Nellis Dunes OHV area, Coyote Springs, and Lava Butte Road in Rainbow Gardens. The events were conducted by BLM staff and included volunteer groups and volunteers from Special Recreation Permit operators in the areas. On average, each cleanup had 25 volunteers and removed over four tons of trash, including abandoned boats and tires. This totaled over 13 tons of waste being removed by volunteers!

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 and repair of facilities directly related to visitor enjoyment, visitor access, and health and safety.
- Interpretation, visitor information, visitor services, visitor needs assessments, and signs.
- Habitat restoration directly related to wildlife- dependent recreation activities such as hunting, wildlife observation, and photography.
- Law enforcement related to public use and recreation.



Other Accomplishments

- Monitoring recreation areas throughout Field Office.
- Adding a Special Recreation Permit project manager to the table of organization.
- Supporting law enforcement staff.
- Supporting site improvements for Walking Box Ranch.
- Enhancement of recreation sites by treating invasive plant species spread along routes, trails, and recreation trailheads.
- Working on the Recreation Area Management Plan for Logandale Trails Area.

Note: This is a representative list of projects, not a comprehensive list. Other projects were completed using fee funds.

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Revenue & Expenditures

FY21 Revenue

Recreation Use Permits (RUPs)	\$0.00
Special Recreation Permits (SRPs)	\$498,558.77
Individual Special Recreation Permits	\$0.00
Interagency Passes	\$0.00
Total Recreation Fee Revenue for FY21	\$498,558.77

FY21 Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	\$70,853.00
Visitor Services	\$184,580.00
Law Enforcement	\$26,036.00
Habitat Restoration	\$326,242.00
Collections/Overhead	\$20,818.00
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY21	\$628,529.00



Planned Activities



Gypsum Cave

- There are labor and operational needs for recreation staff, support services, and law enforcement.
- Trail Maintenance.
- Adding and improving signage and kiosks
- Continuation of the contract for the Logandale Trails Recreation Area Management Plan.
- Desert cleanups throughout the Field Office
- Annual trail and facility maintenance at Logandale Trails
- Gypsum Cave Plan

All remaining funds will be used for future planning projects for Special Recreation Management Areas, including the Nellis Dunes Off-Highway Vehicle Area.

FY22 Planned Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	\$105,000.00
Visitor Services	\$255,650.00
Law Enforcement	\$30,000.00
Habitat Restoration	\$462,117.00
Collections/Overhead	\$40,000.00
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY22	\$892,767.00
FY21 End of Year Carryover	\$993,484.55
FY22 Projected Revenue	\$450,000.00

Connecting with Communities

The Las Vegas Field Office (LVFO) is creating a collaborative Recreation Management Plan that will balance the interests of all public land users. This plan will emphasize the social and economic benefits to the community. It will help sustain the distinctive character of public lands recreation settings upon which community benefits depend. This plan will guide the LVFO in performing public outreach, formalizing recreation objectives and desired outcomes, and maintaining the open space character of public lands. This will allow the LVFO Field Manager the flexibility to choose priorities and to determine, with the help of community partners, which recreation activities to support and how best to balance recreation with other activities the LVFO manages, such as energy and mineral development, utility infrastructure, transportation, and protection of natural and cultural resources. The LVFO is also maintaining an accurate inventory of data. LVFO utilizes ArcMap and Survey123 on mobile devices while conducting inventories and monitoring recreation areas, sites, roads, and trails. This has helped incorporate the strengths of GIS and other new technology into the day-to-day management needs of the Field Office.