



UTAH Fillmore Field Office

Recreation Fee Program Spending & Accomplishment Highlights 2021

Baker Hot Springs



Improvements for visitors at Baker Hot Springs

Baker Hot Springs, located west of the Intermountain Power Plant, off Brush Wellman Highway, has become a popular recreation site for people who love to soak in hot springs. Due to the increased number of visitors to the area, the BLM determined that a new restroom facility was needed for public health and safety purposes. The BLM operations crew was able to install a new restroom using recreation fee funds for a total project cost of \$22,411.

Topaz Mountain



Improvements at Rock Hounding Site

Topaz Mountain is a popular rock hounding area located off Brush Wellman Highway. Since FY20, there has been an increased flow of traffic to the area. The BLM determined that a new restroom was needed for public health and safety purposes. The BLM operations crew was able to install a new restroom using recreation fee funds in the amount of \$10,637. The project was completed using \$11,744 from other funding sources.

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, including direct operating or capital costs associated with the recreation fee program



Other Accomplishments

- Pumping and cleaning of the restroom at Miller’s Canyon.
- Employees cleaned and restocked new restrooms at Topaz Mountain, Baker Hot Springs, and Lava Tubes.
- SRP’s for the motorcycle races were monitored by riding and marking the course.
- SRP’s in the field office were monitored for compliance.
- Roads were repaired after flooding at Little Sahara.
- New cattle guard was installed on white sands road.
- Contracts were used for restroom cleaning garbage services at Little Sahara.

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Revenue & Expenditures

FY21 Revenue

Recreation Use Permits (RUPs)	\$0.00
Special Recreation Permits (SRPs)	\$36,000.00
Individual Special Recreation Permits	\$776,823.00
Interagency Passes	\$0.00
Total Recreation Fee Revenue for FY21	\$812,823.00

FY21 Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	\$207,885.45
Visitor Services	\$506,209.00
Law Enforcement	\$101,209.00
Habitat Restoration	\$0.00
Collections/Overhead	\$89,331.00
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY21	\$904,634.45



Planned Activities



Installation of vehicle counters

- \$6,000 for vault toilet pumping.
- \$2,420 for vehicle counters for Gandy Warm Springs, Topaz Mountain, and Baker Hot Springs.
- \$8,071 for kiosks for Topaz Mountain and Gandy Warm Springs.
- Move White Sands Campground across the road.
- Contracting for construction of new dump station at the Sand Mountain Road and White Sands Road intersection.
- New concrete picnic tables in Oasis Campground and other locations within Little Sahara Recreation Area.
- Repair of facilities damaged by vandalism.

FY22 Planned Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	\$190,328.00
Visitor Services	\$470,107.00
Law Enforcement	\$101,209.00
Habitat Restoration	\$0.00
Collections/Overhead	\$120,000.00
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY22	\$886,868.00
FY21 End of Year Carryover	\$453,709.00
FY22 Projected Revenue	\$814,823.00

Connecting with Communities

- The FFO has been working with Juab and Millard Counties on the High Desert Trail.
- The FFO has worked for many years with Millard County on the National UTV/ATV Jamboree.
- The BLM partners with Juab County and Utah State Parks for busy weekends at Little Sahara.
- The BLM works with race groups for the annual racing events at Cherry Creek.

