



Recreation Fee Program Spending & Accomplishment Highlights 2022

Guided Hunting Use



Camp site in RDO

The Arctic District Office (RDO) issues authorizations to permitted guides for special recreation permits (SRPs) that offer hunting opportunities to small groups for species such as caribou, moose, and grizzly bear. Often, these groups will operate out of spike camps for the length of their guided hunt, which is typically a week or less.

Guided Tour Use



Boat ready to go in RDO

Hunting isn't the only reason people visit lands managed by RDO. The RDO also processes SRP authorizations for guided rafting, hiking, and wildlife viewing tours. These trips often require overnight camping at multiple locations along the route, typically for no more than two nights at each spot.

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 recreation
- Direct operating or capital costs associated with the recreation fee program

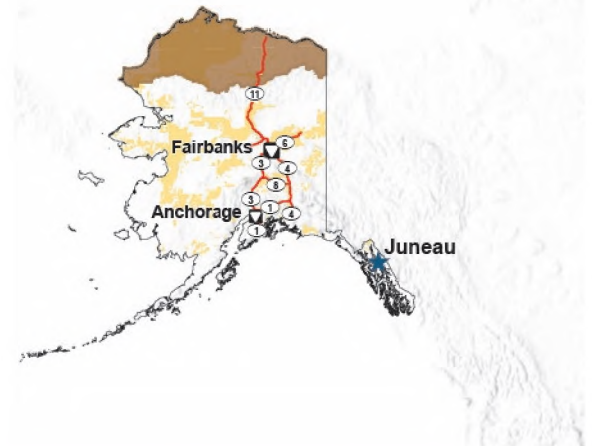
Recreation fee dollars are an investment in outdoor recreation. Current and future generations benefit as 100% of the funds collected are reinvested in the facilities and services that visitors enjoy, use, and value.



Other Accomplishments

RDO monitors the SRP camp locations to ensure that guides are following all permit requirements.

Vicinity Map



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[Published FLREA Triennial Report](https://doi.sciencebase.gov/flrea/)

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[Published FLREA Annual Revenue and Spending Plans](https://www.blm.gov/programs/recreation/permits-and-fees/flrea-revenue)

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[Connecting with Communities BLM Recreation Strategy](https://www.blm.gov/national-office/public-room/strategic-plan/connecting-communities-blm-recreation-strategy-summary)

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Revenue & Expenditures

End of Year Carryover:	\$32,858.60
FY22 Revenue	
Recreation Use Permits (RUPs)	\$0.00
Special Recreation Permits (SRPs)	\$15,736.09
Individual Special Recreation Permits	\$0.00
Interagency Passes	\$0.00
Total Recreation Fee Revenue for FY22:	\$15,736.09

FY22 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



Planned Activities



Site for picnic shelter and picnic table.

For fiscal year (FY) 2023, RDO plans on creating a new recreation site by constructing a picnic shelter and table on BLM-managed lands along the Colville River at Umiat. The site is located at a popular take out spot for boaters, guided tour operators, and hunters in the area.

Picnic shelter and table - \$17,000

Remaining funds will be carried over to be used on future projects.

Planned Expenditures and Revenue

Repair & Maintenance	\$17,000.00
Visitor Services	\$0.00
Law Enforcement	\$0.00
Habitat Restoration	\$0.00
Collections/Overhead	\$0.00
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY23:	\$17,000.00
Carryover Funds To FY23:	\$48,594.69
FY23 Projected Revenue:	\$14,000.00

Connecting with Communities

The RDO works with communities and guides to promote open communication. Doing so helps the guides avoid Native allotments (private land conveyed to eligible individuals under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act), culturally important sites, and other known use areas to prevent user conflict. Guides are encouraged to donate any surplus meat from hunting trips to local communities.

