



IDAHO Shoshone

Field Office

Recreation Fee Program Spending & Accomplishment Highlights 2022

Trail Construction

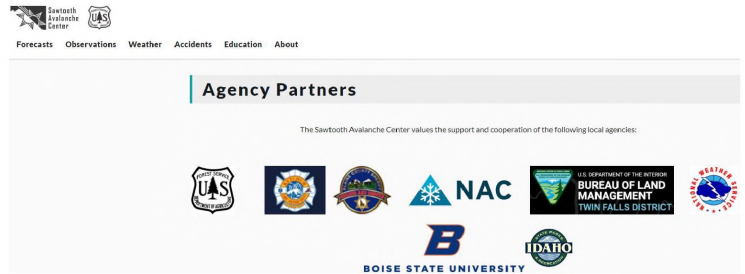


Finished trail

The BLM Shoshone Field Office has an Assistance Agreement with the International Mountain Bicycling Association (IMBA) to assist with trail construction in Idaho’s Wood River Valley. Allocated funds of \$133k were obligated to this agreement for trails to be constructed in 2023. The trails to be constructed include finishing two miles of the Belle Trail East of Bellevue and the Olympia Gulch Trail East of Hailey.

Amount Expended: \$133,000.00

Avalanche Center Partnership



Sawtooth Avalanche Center Agency Partners

The BLM Shoshone Field Office has an interagency agreement with the Sawtooth National Forest/Ketchum Ranger District and part of that agreement helps fund the Sawtooth Avalanche Center, \$5,000/year. Portions of the avalanche forecast region contain BLM land in the Wood River Valley and includes the urban interface areas of Bellevue, Hailey, Ketchum, and Sun Valley.

Amount Expended: \$5,000.00

Recreation Fee Dollars

They support and enhance:

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.

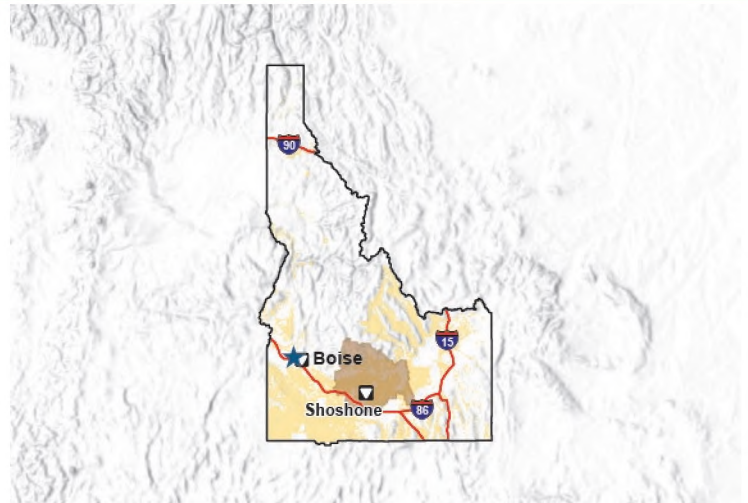
- Maintenance, repair, and facility enhancement related directly to visitor enjoyment, visitor access, and health and safety
- Interpretation, visitor information, visitor service, visitor needs assessments, and signs
- Habitat restoration directly related to wildlife- dependent recreation that is limited to hunting, fishing, wildlife observation, or photography
- Law enforcement related to public use and recreation
- Direct operating/capital costs associated with the recreation fee program



Other Accomplishments

- Shoshone Field Office (SFO) funded Jarbidge and Burley Field Offices seasonal employees and an emergency hire employee for the SFO. \$37,703
- SFO funded an agreement with the Blaine County Recreation District to assist with trail maintenance and education. \$19,200

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:	\$64,467.00
FY22 Revenue	
Recreation Use Permits (RUPs)	\$0.00
Special Recreation Permits (SRPs)	\$482,065.00
Individual Special Recreation Permits	\$0.00
Interagency Passes	\$20.00
Total Recreation Fee Revenue for FY22:	\$482,085.00

FY22 Expenditures	
Repair & Maintenance	\$183,763.00
Visitor Services	\$58,806.00
Law Enforcement	\$0.00
Habitat Restoration	\$716.33
Collections/Overhead	\$0.00
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY22:	\$243,285.33



Planned Activities



Wilson Lake Conceptual Plan.

The BLM Shoshone Field Office has saved funds to construct eight campsites, two vault toilets, day use parking, shade structures and upgrade access roads at Wilson Lake immediately north of Hazelton, Idaho.

FY23 Planned Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	\$439,139.00
Visitor Services	\$0.00
Law Enforcement	\$0.00
Habitat Restoration	\$0.00
Collections/Overhead	\$0.00
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY23:	\$439,139.00
Carryover Funds To FY23:	\$303,266.67
FY23 Projected Revenue:	\$340,000.00

Connecting with Communities

Trail construction projects as seen in Story 1 have been designed to produce the specific experiences and benefits identified in the 2006 Wood River Valley Lands Benefits Study. Public experiences include being close to nature, enjoying the outdoors, escaping everyday responsibilities, reducing built up mental stress, enjoying the scenery, and enjoying physical exercise. Personal, social, economic and environmental benefits and outcomes resulting from trail-based activities and experiences identified in the study include but are not limited to: Personal: physical fitness and fun, stress reduction, renewed spirit, increased bonding with nature, peaceful mindset, reduced travel times. Social: greater community involvement in recreation and other land use decisions, heightened sense of satisfaction with our community, increased community bonding. Economic: increased work productivity, improved local economic stability, increased desirability as a place to live or retire, increased local tourism revenue, increase in property values. Environmental: increased awareness and protection of landscapes, reduced wildlife harassment, greater retention of distinctive settings.

