

South Fork Interagency Fee Program



Mike Walker Boat Access New Gangway and Dock

The South Fork Interagency Fee Program has ten developed boat access sites included in the program. Management of the ten sites is spread between the BLM, US Forest Service, Idaho Department of Fish & Game, and Bonneville, Jefferson, and Madison Counties. The strength of the interagency and county approach is rooted in the process developed for utilizing the collected funds. Regardless of which jurisdictional site funds are collected from, the working group comes to consensus on where and how the funds will be spent.

Amount Expended: \$10,000.00

Egin Lakes Campground & Day Use



Garbage collection at site

The Egin Lakes Campground located eight miles to the west from St. Anthony, ID. The developed campground offers a potable water system, RV dump station and 48 improved camp units, including electrical service. There is also a day use area and horse trailer parking area.

Amount Expended: \$20,000.00

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.

Upper Snake

Other Accomplishments

- Implemented camping reservation system and day use activity pass through Recreation.gov at Egin Lakes Campground.
- New dock system and gangway at Mike Walker Boat Access. The new system addresses deficiencies in accessibility at the site.
- Seed money set aside for asphalting two boat access sites. Funds will be used for a contract to accomplish this.
- Vault pumping and garbage removal undertaken at boat access sites, Egin Lakes Campground, and Red Road.
- Installed new fire rings and picnic tables in the group campsites at Birch Creek Campground.

Vicinity Map

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> Published FLREA Triennial Report https://doi.sciencebase.gov/flrea/

Published FLREA Annual Revenue and Spending Plans https://www.blm.gov/programs/recreation/permitsand-fees/flrea-revenue

<u>Connecting with Communities BLM Recreation Strategy</u> https://www.blm.gov/national-office/public-

room/strategic-plan/connecting-communities-blmrecreation-strategy-summary

Revenue & Expenditures

End of Year Carryover:	\$ 493,772.98	
FY22 Revenue		
Recreation Use Permits (RUPs)	\$189,047.86	
Special Recreation Permits (SRPs)	\$144,029.61	
Individual Special Recreation Permits	\$0.00	
Interagency Passes	\$12,800.00	
Total Recreation Fee Revenue for FY22:	\$345,877.47	

FY22 Expenditures		
Repair & Maintenance	\$118,601.25	
Visitor Services	\$28,046.11	
Law Enforcement	\$0.00	
Habitat Restoration	\$55,774.91	
Collections/Overhead	\$1,209.90	
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY22:	\$203,632.17	



Planned Activities



Palisades Dam Boat Access Asphalt Project

- Additional funds set aside for asphalting boat access sites.
- New signs for South Fork Fee Program
- Maintenance costs associated with fee sites.
- Vault toilet pumping and dumpster contracts at all fee sites.
- New fee tubes and informative signage for Egin Lakes and Birch Creek Campground.
- Develop additional access points at St. Anthony Sand Dunes.
- Visitor Services: includes hosts, temporary and permanent staff, and kiosk development.
- Purchase camp trailer for seasonal housing.
- Purchase and install post and cable fencing around campgrounds and other recreation sites.
- Purchase picnic tables and fire rings for Birch Creek Campground.

Connecting with Communities

The South Fork Fee Program is an expanded amenity fee which covers specialized outdoor recreation sites and services that provide direct benefits to individuals or groups. Management of the ten sites is spread between the BLM, US Forest Service, Idaho Department of Fish & Game, and three counties. A working group comprised of a representative from each agency and county is tasked with managing the basic structure and distribution of funds for projects. The group identifies projects at the sites that will benefit the community and recreating public.

According to many, St. Anthony provides sand dune enthusiasts with the best experience in the country. These world class dunes bring visitors from across the nation and serve as a vital recreation attraction that deliver clear social and economic benefits to the local community. The Upper Snake's recreation program strives to foster these community relationships by working with local businesses, vendors, event organizers, volunteers, as well as local high schools and universities.



FY23 Planned Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	\$370,300.00
Visitor Services	\$124,000.00
Law Enforcement	\$10,000.00
Habitat Restoration	\$7,000.00
Collections/Overhead	\$3,000.00
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY23:	\$514,300.00
Carryover Funds To FY23:	\$636,018.28
FY23 Projected Revenue:	\$335,000.00