



NEVADA

Black Rock Desert-High Rock Canyon Emigrant Trails

National Conservation Area

Recreation Fee Program Spending & Accomplishment Highlights 2022

Citizen Science Photo Stations



Volunteers with citizen science photo station

In September, volunteers at National Public Land Day assisted the Black Rock NCA by installing 3 citizen science photo stations. These stations were established to engage the public to collect photologs of areas within the Soldier Meadows Area of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC). The photo stations were installed to help measure changes of important areas including the public cabin, the recovery of a trespass route, and the restoration success of a protective barrier around sensitive habitat.

Amount Expended: \$1,530.00

Black Rock NCA Partnerships



Volunteers at Upper High Rock Canyon Trail

In 2022, the Black Rock NCA used \$203,000 to partner with non-profit organizations and other federal agencies through multiple agreements. Through these partnerships, the Black Rock NCA was able to work with 103 volunteers at Black Rock Rendezvous, National Trails Day, and National Public Lands Day. These collaborations have also helped BLM complete other work that helps the recreating public including trail work, road work, signage, and interpretation.

Amount Expended: \$203,000.00

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 or capital costs associated with the recreation fee



Other Accomplishments

Educational and interpretive content support for California Trail Interpretive Center (CTIC) \$75,000

Two travel trailers for NCA staff to use for onsite work- \$70,000

Emergency Gerlach Communication Tower Repair to support emergency response and public safety - \$25,700

Supplies and materials to support Black Rock NCA public outreach and environmental education - \$25,600

Black Rock Station supplies and maintenance in support of recreation events (e.g. vault toilet pumping) - \$15,900

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:	\$2,012,584.67
FY22 Revenue	
Recreation Use Permits (RUPs)	\$0.00
Special Recreation Permits (SRPs)	\$411,911.36
Individual Special Recreation Permits	\$0.00
Interagency Passes	\$480.00
Total Recreation Fee Revenue for FY22:	\$412,391.36

FY22 Expenditures	
Repair & Maintenance	\$12,414.04
Visitor Services	\$636,410.28
Law Enforcement	\$74,900.08
Habitat Restoration	\$100,217.33
Collections/Overhead	\$0.00
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY22:	\$823,941.73



Planned Activities



2022 NPLD - Soldier Meadows ACEC

Maintain the road system and restore sensitive habitat within the Soldier Meadows ACEC.

Improve visitor enjoyment by expanding partnerships, engaging the public, and hosting public events, including Black Rock Rendezvous and National Trails Day.

Coordinate with the CTIC to provide educational and interpretive content on the National Historic Trails.

Support law enforcement services directly related to public use and recreation.

Pump vault toilets at recreation sites and any required repairs to facilities.

FY23 Planned Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	\$100,000.00
Visitor Services	\$400,000.00
Law Enforcement	\$35,000.00
Habitat Restoration	\$150,000.00
Collections/Overhead	\$50,000.00
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY23:	\$735,000.00
Carryover Funds To FY23:	\$1,601,034.30
FY23 Projected Revenue:	\$2,000,000.00

Connecting with Communities

A focus for the Black Rock NCA is to ensure that priorities for recreation opportunities reflect the goals and capabilities of affected communities. The Resource Management Plan for the NCA lists many objectives concerning public outreach and visitor services. One particular objective is “to enhance visitor experiences, foster economic development, and protect area resources, by encouraging development of visitor services and facilities on private and Tribal lands or on public lands located outside the planning area. The BLM has helped to meet this objective through special recreation permits (SRP), establishing local partner groups, and using local suppliers for goods and services. Speaking specifically of SRPs, our managing unit administers the largest and most complex SRP in the bureau which has made the local community a desirable recreation destination, promoted a more vibrant local economy, and brought more job opportunities to the area. Our office also manages dozens of other permits that aid in the growth of several different recreation industries. We work with businesses focused on hunting, off-road tours, competitive races, and even amateur rocketry.

