



# OREGON\_WASHINGTON Deschutes

Field Office

## Recreation Fee Program Spending & Accomplishment Highlights 2022

### Winter and Summer Staff



Winter on the Lower Crooked Wild and Scenic River

We were able to bring on winter seasonal staff in addition to summer staff. While there is still campground maintenance to be done and public contacts to be made during the slower months, our winter seasonal staff were also able to focus on other projects that we are often too busy to get to during the summer. Projects included installing and replacing bollards in campgrounds, placing boulders to limit access to closed areas, and maintaining facilities in areas with increased fall and winter use.

**Amount Expended: \$48,445.81**

### Lower Deschutes Improvements



Macks Canyon ADA site

During Fiscal Year 2022, 22 new campfire rings which meet the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards were installed at Macks Canyon Campground. The campground is located at the division of segments three and four along the Lower Deschutes Wild and Scenic River. This was the final implementation step in a greater campground renovation project which also included road access improvements, the installation of two double vault toilets, and ADA compliant parking and campsites.

**Amount Expended: \$9,999.00**

## 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

Provided funding to send our staff to training and ensured vehicles were maintained and well-kept for optimum efficiency.

Replaced and updated signage, as needed.

Vicinity Map



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

<https://doi.sciencebase.gov/flrea/>

[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

<b>End of Year Carryover:</b>	<b>\$773,335.34</b>
<b>FY22 Revenue</b>	
Recreation Use Permits (RUPs)	\$143,720.09
Special Recreation Permits (SRPs)	\$231,274.00
Individual Special Recreation Permits	\$674,823.00
Interagency Passes	\$3,080.00
<b>Total Recreation Fee Revenue for FY22:</b>	<b>\$1,052,897.09</b>

<b>FY22 Expenditures</b>	
Repair & Maintenance	\$586,467.81
Visitor Services	\$316,741.16
Law Enforcement	\$4,147.85
Habitat Restoration	\$102,259.03
Collections/Overhead	\$0.00
<b>Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY22:</b>	<b>\$1,009,615.85</b>



Planned Activities



Lone Pine Campground

- Purchase additional picnic tables to continue efforts to update all picnic tables within the Deschutes Wild and Scenic River corridor.
- Hire winter and summer Park Rangers to perform maintenance duties and monitor conditions of recreation sites. Duties will include informing the public on Leave No Trace and proper stewardship principals with health and safety in mind; performing Special Recreation Permit compliance checks; and keeping trailheads, bathrooms, and campsites clean of trash and clear of weeds.

FY23 Planned Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	\$831,000.00
Visitor Services	\$264,000.00
Law Enforcement	\$20,000.00
Habitat Restoration	\$200,000.00
Collections/Overhead	\$115,000.00
<b>Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY23:</b>	<b>\$1,430,000.00</b>
<b>Carryover Funds To FY23:</b>	<b>\$816,616.58</b>
<b>FY23 Projected Revenue:</b>	<b>\$830,000.00</b>

Connecting with Communities

Prineville is lucky to be located just north of scenic Highway 27, which turns into the Lower Crooked River Backcountry Byway. Along this route, there are several BLM campgrounds as close as 10 miles from town. The ease of access to the backcountry from Central Oregon’s backyard shines in this example of BLM’s recreation brand. Despite high gas prices, the public can still make memories by having a picnic in a day use area, staying overnight in a nearby campground, hiking along the river or up to Chimney Rock, or fly-fishing the Lower Crooked Wild and Scenic River. The fees collected at these campgrounds allow the agency to keep the sites clean, well maintained, and available for everyone who is looking to get out and enjoy their public lands - whether that be for just a few hours or a couple weeks. These recreational opportunities provide convenient access for community members as well as other campers who come from across the United States.

