

Vault Toilet Replaced



Newly installed vault toilet

Crack-In-The-Ground is one of the Lakeview Field Office's most popular recreation sites. With the increase in visitation, replacement of the old vault toilet became necessary. Using a variety of funds including recreation fee funds, the old vault was demolished and replaced in 2022. Contractors also installed a new informational kiosk at the site. This project was the first of four vault toilets that are planned to be replaced.

Back Country Byway GeoTour



Geocahers and BLM Park Ranger at Stumpied geocache

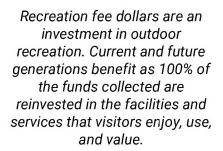
The Christmas Valley Back Country Byway GeoTour officially launched on June 29, 2022, to coincide with the 33rd anniversary of the Byway's designation. Over the July 4th weekend, approximately 300 experienced and new geocachers traveled to North Lake County, Oregon, to try and complete the 28-cache GeoTour. Since its launch, the Tour continues to be a success, with cachers out most weekends and coming from as far away as Germany to participate.

Amount Expended: \$50,000.00 Amount Expended: \$7,500.00

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





Other Accomplishments

Installed two new picnic tables and a fire ring at Duncan Reservoir group campsite.

Installed one new picnic table at Derrick Cave parking lot.

Installed three new entrance information kiosks at the Lost Forest.

Installed new aluminum boundary signs at Sunstone Public Collection Area marking the entire boundary.

Vicinity Map



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

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

Connecting with Communities BLM Recreation Strategy

https://www.blm.gov/national-office/publicroom/strategic-plan/connecting-communities-blmrecreation-strategy-summary

Revenue & Expenditures

End of Year Carryover:	\$ 179,202.79	
FY22 Revenue		
Recreation Use Permits (RUPs)	\$0.00	
Special Recreation Permits (SRPs)	\$17,920.00	
Individual Special Recreation Permits	\$0.00	
Interagency Passes	\$0.00	
Total Recreation Fee Revenue for FY22:	\$17,920.00	

FY22 Expenditures		
Repair & Maintenance	\$35,231.43	
Visitor Services	\$1,490.73	
Law Enforcement	\$0.00	
Habitat Restoration	\$11,157.56	
Collections/Overhead	\$0.00	
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY22:	\$47,879.72	



Planned Activities



Sunstones collected by visitors

Purchase and install new accessible vault toilets at Sunstone Public Collection Area and Hart Bar Day Use Site. Funds have been saved for larger projects - \$60,000

Plan for adding additional primitive campsites to the Sunstone Public Collection Site campground to include at least one fully accessible campsite with paved access to the new vault toilet - \$25,000

Redesign the Hart Bar Day Use Site incorporating modern accessibility standards - \$10,000

FY23 Planned Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	\$95,000.00
Visitor Services	\$1,000.00
Law Enforcement	\$0.00
Habitat Restoration	\$5,000.00
Collections/Overhead	\$500.00
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY23:	\$101,500.00
Carryover Funds To FY23:	\$149,243.07
FY23 Projected Revenue:	\$2,500.00

Connecting with Communities

The Lakeview Field Office is situated in the heart of the Oregon Outback, a rural and rustic ranching community with 3.2 million acres of public land. Although remote, public land users come for the unique recreational values of less developed, more naturally disbursed opportunities to choose their own adventure. Collaborating and communicating with several local groups is important due to limited volunteer resources. Groups help improve safety of the Christmas Valley Sand Dunes Off Highway Vehcicle area, a local trails group combines limited volunteer resources to build, improve and maintain all types of trails on all public lands. Recently our office has helped provide information to support the establishment of the Oregon Outback International Dark Sky Sanctuary that is under consideration for certification. By sharing our knowledge and skills with these groups and initiatives we can increase public awareness, tourism, and responsible use of public land. Project planning incorporates all aspects of accessibility and inclusion. The primitive nature of the area has been a barrier to some visitors and we are focused on improving all of our sites to be inclusive to all.