



# WYOMING

## Casper

Field Office

### Recreation Fee Program Spending & Accomplishment Highlights 2022

#### North Platte Sign Rehab



*Vandalized ID sign along North Platte.*

The Casper Field Office (CFO) obligated \$30,000.00 of FLREA dollars for new signs along the North Platte SRMA for 2022. This world-famous area is one of Casper’s most popular fishing sections and categorized by the Wyoming Game and Fish as a blue ribbon trout stream. The last installment of signs in 2017 was not that long ago however, many of these signs have been vandalized and weathered to a point where they are no longer readable.

**Amount Expended: \$30,000.00**

#### Site Maintenance



*Vehicle transporting building materials to site.*

The Casper Field Office manages 17 recreation sites, most of which are in remote locations. Accordingly, supplies, equipment and vehicles are highly important to maintain the quality of these areas. A total of \$39,776.36 of FLREA funds were used in CFO for the associated costs related to facilities maintenance and upgrades that were completed during the 2022 Fiscal Year.

**Amount Expended: \$39,776.36**

### 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.*



Other Accomplishments

- 1232 monies obligated in FY22 for Montana Conservation Corp, to be spent in FY23 (\$11,000.00)
- Provided three vehicles for Recreation Staff (\$15,487.29)
- Provided vault toilets at Ledge Creek total cost for FY21 (\$2,709.06)
- SRP monitoring, public outreach and interpretation (\$3,438.66)
- 1232 monies also obligated in FY22 supporting Tribal consultation efforts (\$1,330.00)

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:	\$141,878.47
<b>FY22 Revenue</b>	
Recreation Use Permits (RUPs)	\$25,610.79
Special Recreation Permits (SRPs)	\$67,297.39
Individual Special Recreation Permits	\$0.00
Interagency Passes	\$6,560.00
<b>Total Recreation Fee Revenue for FY22:</b>	<b>\$99,468.18</b>

<b>FY22 Expenditures</b>	
Repair & Maintenance	\$98,767.12
Visitor Services	\$32,307.65
Law Enforcement	\$4,478.31
Habitat Restoration	\$0.00
Collections/Overhead	\$0.00
<b>Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY22:</b>	<b>\$135,553.08</b>





Planned Activities



Continuing trail improvements at Blue Gulch.

- Contracts for vault toilet maintenance and pumping (Est. \$90,000)
- Providing recreation vehicles for staff (Est. \$20,000)
- Providing toilets at the Ledge Creek Est. (\$3,000)
- Gravel improvements at developed rec sites. (Est. \$10,000)
- Process/monitoring SRP's (Est \$7,000)
- Continue sign improvements along North Platte SRMA (Est. \$20,000)
- Montana Conservation Corp trail improvements at Blue Gulch and Muddy Mountain (Est. \$11,000)
- Providing water testing for Lodgepole Campground (\$200.00)
- Providing SRP Stickers for approved North Platte SRP recipients (Est. \$500)

FY23 Planned Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	\$151,000.00
Visitor Services	\$10,700.00
Law Enforcement	\$0.00
Habitat Restoration	\$0.00
Collections/Overhead	\$0.00
<b>Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY23:</b>	<b>\$161,700.00</b>
<b>Carryover Funds To FY23:</b>	<b>\$105,793.57</b>
<b>FY23 Projected Revenue:</b>	<b>\$90,000.00</b>

Connecting with Communities

The Casper Field Office has and continues to collaborate with the Central Wyoming Trails Alliance (CWTA) as well as the Casper Enduro Club (CEC). The CWTA is comprised of non-motorized trail users that conduct trail surveys throughout the Muddy Mountain trails network to help identify any potential disruptions, changes, degradation of the user landscape to ensure a quality trails experience for all the public to enjoy. They also act as stewards of the recreation site to help promote education about responsible and sustainable recreational use of all the trails. The CEC is another trails user group that focuses on motorized OHV use. This group does the same as the previously mentioned group in conjunction with the Casper Field Office. This group covers areas primarily within the Casper Field Office as well as other offices within the state. Working with these groups has helped identify misuse as well as potential misuse that could lead to degradation of the landscape. They have also orchestrated clean ups to remove trash and other discarded item's to promote a clean healthy environment for all public users.

