



WYOMING Rock Springs

Field Office

Recreation Fee Program Spending & Accomplishment Highlights 2022

Special Recreation Permits



Motorcycle Racers at the Killpecker Sand Dunes

The RSFO currently manages 14 Special Recreation Permits, including outfitters, tour groups, and competitive events. In 2022 RSFO hosted the first competitive motorcycle race in the Killpecker Sand Dunes Open Play Area, in collaboration with WORRA and the Killpecker MCs, a local user group. The fees collected from this event will go back to the greater Killpecker Sand Dunes area, improving interpretive signage at nearby cultural and recreation sites.

Amount Expended: \$1,207.51

Pass Sales and Distribution



RSFO Staff Leading a Field Trip

RSFO distributed 534 Interagency Passes in FY22. 415 of these passes were a part of the Every Kid Outdoors program. Through the fall and winter seasons, RSFO staff distributes these passes along with Junior Ranger booklets to every 4th grade classroom in our Field Office. RSFO staff works to accommodate every request made by teachers to provide interpretation and professional guidance in their classrooms and on field trips, to engage and enrich our future land stewards.

Amount Expended: \$0.00

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

RSFO hosted the CORE youth group at the Sweetwater Guard Station campground, where we repaired damaged trails and fences.

The RSFO's NPLD event cleaned up a massive dump site, removing over 10 tons of garbage from our public lands.

RSFO engaged with the community through local recreation collaboratives, event monitoring, and several school field trips.

RSFO continued regular maintenance on our 20 developed recreation sites and 13 Wilderness Study Areas.

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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)
<https://www.blm.gov/programs/recreation/permits-and-fees/flrea-revenue>

[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:	\$49,137.27
FY22 Revenue	
Recreation Use Permits (RUPs)	\$0.00
Special Recreation Permits (SRPs)	\$10,221.91
Individual Special Recreation Permits	\$0.00
Interagency Passes	\$7,080.00
Total Recreation Fee Revenue for FY22:	\$17,301.91

FY22 Expenditures	
Repair & Maintenance	\$7,446.03
Visitor Services	\$1,207.51
Law Enforcement	\$0.00
Habitat Restoration	\$0.00
Collections/Overhead	\$0.00
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY22:	\$8,653.54



Planned Activities



Overlook of the Green River on Wilkins Peak

The RSFO is working on several improvements to our recreational facilities, including collaborating with the NOC to develop the North Table Rock Camping area into a second gateway to the Killpecker Sand Dunes OHV area. The RSFO is collaborating with local user groups to plan an expansion of the Wilkins Peak Mountain Bike Trail System with associated facilities, as well as constructing an ADA accessible hiking trail outside of the town of Green River. The RSFO is also working to improve signage and monitoring at our Wilderness Study Areas, and interpretive signage at some of our recreation and cultural sites.

FY23 Planned Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	\$32,500.00
Visitor Services	\$1,250.00
Law Enforcement	\$0.00
Habitat Restoration	\$0.00
Collections/Overhead	\$0.00
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY23:	\$33,750.00
Carryover Funds To FY23:	\$57,785.64
FY23 Projected Revenue:	\$18,000.00

Connecting with Communities

The RSFO Recreation Department is very committed to meeting the needs of the public and increasing local involvement for our amazing recreational, cultural, and wilderness resources, and protecting these resources for future generations. The RSFO attempts to reduce financial barriers to accessing recreation by keeping all recreation sites in our field office fee free. We work to ensure that our development projects are meeting the needs and wants of the community by meeting with a variety of local user groups to gauge areas of interest and encourage involvement with our public lands. We are currently working to improve access to recreation in our community by planning for the development of ADA accessible trails close to town. The recreation program spends a significant amount of time each field season connecting with local youth by leading interpretive trips for school groups and youth camps. We also host the Conservation Outdoor Recreation Education (CORE) Casper youth program for a week at the Wind River Front Sweetwater Guard Station Campground where we work on recreational improvement projects and engage in nature-based educational activities.

