



WYOMING Worland

Field Office

Recreation Fee Program Spending & Accomplishment Highlights 2022

WFO Rec Site Maintenance



Shade Shelter located at Castle Gardens Site

The Worland Field Office (WFO) in the Southern Bighorn Basin allocated \$24,000 towards hiring professional cleaning contractors and providing resources to staff for maintenance of 6 recreational sites. This investment helps maintain the cleanliness and accessibility of the sites, attracts visitors and contributes to the local economy.

Amount Expended: \$24,000.00

Campground Water Testing



Water sample being performed

The WFO, is responsible for the management and maintenance of various recreation sites, including the Middle Fork Campground. In order to ensure the health and safety of visitors, the office conducted water sampling and testing at the Middle Fork Campground using approximately \$215.00 from its budget.

Amount Expended: \$215.00

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/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

Throughout the FY22 season routine supplies were needed to accomplish necessary maintenance for all of the recreation sites.

Approximately \$1,400 was used for support with the USFS to provide a ranger to monitor popular rock climbing areas.

\$348.00 were utilized for public outreach promoting responsible use of public recreation sites.

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)
<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:	\$23,529.36
FY22 Revenue	
Recreation Use Permits (RUPs)	\$0.00
Special Recreation Permits (SRPs)	\$16,095.63
Individual Special Recreation Permits	\$0.00
Interagency Passes	\$1,480.00
Total Recreation Fee Revenue for FY22:	\$17,575.63

FY22 Expenditures	
Repair & Maintenance	\$17,959.26
Visitor Services	\$5,830.97
Law Enforcement	\$0.00
Habitat Restoration	\$459.73
Collections/Overhead	\$0.00
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY22:	\$24,249.96



Planned Activities



Degraded and outdated sign.

Begin long-term updates and implementation of signs throughout the Worland field office. Approximately \$10,000.00 is initially anticipated for spending.

Routine supplies and maintenance for recreation sites is anticipated to be around \$5,000.00

WFO will also continue funding a labor position for monitoring of rock climbing areas in agreement with the USFS. Approximately \$2000.00 will go to this.

FY23 Planned Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	\$5,000.00
Visitor Services	\$12,000.00
Law Enforcement	\$0.00
Habitat Restoration	\$0.00
Collections/Overhead	\$0.00
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY23:	\$17,000.00
Carryover Funds To FY23:	\$16,855.03
FY23 Projected Revenue:	\$20,000.00

Connecting with Communities

The Bighorn River which is directly adjacent to the town of Worland as well as several other towns in the eastern half of the Bighorn Basin. Extending from Thermopolis to Greybull and up into Montana it provides blue ribbon fishing opportunities as well as other boating opportunities and holds the potential for a unique blue way trail experience That is currently being developed.

The Worland Field Office is collaborating with state, local, other federal agencies, and the public to develop a blue way trail that will run the course of the river which will provide more outdoor recreation attraction that will guide users to a different experience with in the area as well as increase economic revenues for all the population centers along it's path. Additionally with the development of this project it will direct more attention toward caring and maintaining a healthy sustainable watershed steering the Bighorn river. This project is also in it's beginning stages and anticipated to be a focus for the near future.

