



ARIZONA Safford

Field Office

Recreation Fee Program Spending & Accomplishment Highlights 2024

Vault Toilet Maintenance



Single Vault Toilet at Hot Well Dunes Recreation Area

Amount Expended: \$1,900.00

There are vault toilets at all developed recreation sites managed by the BLM Safford Field Office. Vault toilets are low maintenance, non-flush waterless toilet systems that require occasional pumping of accumulated waste. Recreation fees were used for the maintenance of three vault toilets at Riverview Campground and Hot Well Dunes Recreation Area. Collected waste was removed from the toilets through a local contracted pumping service. Both campgrounds are now ready for the fall and winter busy seasons.

National Public Lands Day Clean-Up



Public Land Site Before and After Clean Up

Amount Expended: \$1,250.00

BLM Safford Field Office celebrated National Public Lands Day (NPLD) with a litter clean-up event on public land managed by the BLM and Arizona Land Trust. The site was littered with yard, construction, and household waste. 18 Volunteers and 4 BLM staff members worked to collect and load couches, mattresses, car parts, and kiddie pools into dump trailers. At the end of the event, 5,560 pounds of garbage were removed from public lands. Recreation fees were used to pay for the landfill disposal fees, tools, and supplies for the event.

Revenue & Expenditures

FY24 Revenue	
Recreation Use Permits (RUPs)	\$21,166.08
Special Recreation Permits (SRPs)	\$5,710.54
Individual Special Recreation Permits	\$71,696.10
Interagency Passes	\$800.00
Total Recreation Fee Revenue for FY24	\$99,372.72
Carryover from Prior Years	\$159,944.54
Total Available Funds for FY24	\$259,317.26

FY24 Expenditures	
Repair & Maintenance	\$30,554.61
Visitor Services	\$191.13
Law Enforcement	\$0.00
Inventory, Monitoring and Planning	\$994.70
Collections/Overhead	\$1,346.86
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY24	\$33,087.30
Total Carryover Funds for FY25	\$226,229.96



Other Accomplishments

- Processed new applications, current special recreation permits (SRPs), and letters of agreement. The SFO provides permits that contribute to local guided services like hunting, river floating, and backpacking.
- Maintained a high level of cleanliness at all developed recreation sites. This includes routine vault toilet cleaning, emptying of trash receptacles, and collecting scattered trash throughout sites.
- Provided leadership, training and mentoring for four returning volunteer camp hosts. Their assistance results in much needed labor cost savings that are carried forward into site operations.

Vicinity Map



Planned Activities



Faded Black Hills Back County Byway Sign

1. Initiate sign replacement program for Black Hills Back Country Byway, Aravaipa Canyon Wilderness, and Hot Well Dunes Recreation Area that will include new signage for kiosks, interpretative panels, new mile markers, and directional signs. \$25,000.
2. Continue replacement of aged or damaged site furnishings like fire rings, tables, or grills. \$15,000.
3. Provide routine cleaning, repairs, contract services, and maintenance of recreation fee sites. \$69,500.
4. Anticipated future expenditures for emergency repairs and major infrastructure investments. \$100,000.

FY25 Planned Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	\$109,500.00
Visitor Services	\$200.00
Law Enforcement	\$0.00
Inventory, Monitoring and Planning	\$3,000.00
Collections/Overhead	\$5,800.00
Total Planned Expenditures for FY25	\$118,500.00
Total Projected funds for FY25	\$226,229.96
FY25 Balance after Planned Expenditures	\$107,729.96*

*Amount excludes projected revenue for FY2025

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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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[Bureau of Land Management's Blueprint for 21st Century Outdoor Recreation](https://www.blm.gov/sites/default/files/docs/2023-08/Blueprint%20for%2021st%20Century%20Outdoor%20Recreation508.pdf)

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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.

