

Alpine Loop Brochure Re-print



The Alpine Loop Summer Travel Routes Map

Amount Expended: 10,000.00

The Gunnison Field Office used FLREA funding to reorder the essential 'Greater Alpine Loop Area Motor Vehicle Summer Travel Routes' map for distribution to visitors throughout the Special Recreation Management Area. This project enabled BLM to distribute over 7,000 maps to local visitor centers and service providers in our gateway communities. The map shows open travel routes and provides interpretive and stewardship information to the public about recreation along the Alpine Loop Backcountry Byway.

Recreation Management Intern



David Adams reviews an interpretive panel

Amount Expended: \$5,737.23

The GFO used FLREA funding and partnered with the WCCC to hire David Adams as an Intern for the summer of 2024. A student at Western Colorado State University, David is part of the "Incubator Program;" an initiative designed to provide local college students with exposure to job opportunities in public lands management. Over the summer season David was able to manage recreation resources in the Gunnison Resource Area and work with partners from CPW's trails program, Gunnison Trails, and multiple outfitters. David is pursuing a career in law enforcement.

Revenue & Expenditures

FY24 Revenue	
Recreation Use Permits (RUPs)	\$120,496.95
Special Recreation Permits (SRPs)	\$73,805.89
Individual Special Recreation Permits	\$138.00
Interagency Passes	\$1,880.00
Total Recreation Fee Revenue for FY24	\$196,320.84
Carryover from Prior Years	\$161,743.63
Total Available Funds for FY24	\$358,064.47

FY24 Expenditures	
Repair & Maintenance	\$43,247.10
Visitor Services	\$6,260.72
Law Enforcement	\$3,601.33
Inventory, Monitoring and Planning	\$34,045.21
Collections/Overhead	\$0.00
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY24	\$87,154.36
Total Carryover Funds for FY25	\$270,910.11



Other Accomplishments

- During the summer of 2024, the BLM Gunnison Field Office used FLREA funds to assist with providing needed waste management services at hard-to-access facilities on the Alpine Loop. Costs were shared with BLM COSO.
- BLM replaced fire rings at Redbridge
 Campground as part of the 'Highlighting the Old
 Spanish Trail' project in partnership with National
 Parks Foundation. The project will interpret OST
 and improve rec opportunities.
- [OtherAccomplishments3]

Vicinity Map



Planned Activities



Rangers educate visitors about wildflowers

BLM will implement the 'Highlighting the Old Spanish Trail' project by procuring and installing kiosks and developing signage for campers and day users (\$15,000). Fee revenue will provide services such as cg hosts, toilet pumping as well as fleet vehicle costs to maintain recreation amenities where fees are generated (\$75,000). FLREA funds will also be used to purchase field supplies (ie. cleaning products, toilet paper, hardware) to maintain recreation facilities (\$20,000). As was the goal in FY24, BLM GFO will pursue external funds for field-going labor and thereby retain any fee overage to cover field going-labor expenses in future years. No balance will remain after the third year.

FY25 Planned Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	\$90,000.00
Visitor Services	\$19,000.00
Law Enforcement	\$28,000.00
Inventory, Monitoring and Planning	\$22,000.00
Collections/Overhead	\$27,000.00
Total Planned Expenditures for FY25	\$186,000.00
Total Projected funds for FY25	\$270,910.11
FY25 Balance after Planned Expenditures	\$84,910.11

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

<u>Published FLREA Annual Revenue and Spending Plans</u> https://www.blm.gov/programs/recreation/permits-and-fees/flrearevenue

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%20Recreation50 8.pdf