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Recreation Fee Program Spending & Accomplishment Highlights 2024

Paulo Picnic Shelters



Arial view of newly installed picnic shelters

Amount Expended: \$3,500.00

Some exciting changes occurred at Paulo Reservoir this past summer. Three new metal picnic shelters were installed, providing much need ed shade and ample space for visitors to relax and enjoy their time in the great outdoors. With these improvements, visitors can look forward to enjoying all that this beautiful location has to offer, and creating memories that will last a lifetime.

Cottonwood Flood Damage Cleanup



Cottonwood Flood Damage

Amount Expended: \$6,500.00

The Milk River flooded in spring of 2023 causing significant damage to the Cottonwood Riparian Recreation Area. One quarter mile of fence was destroyed and most of the gravel was washed away. The fence was rebuilt in 2023 and new gravel was purchased, delivered, and smoothed in fall of 2024.

Revenue & Expenditures

FY24 Revenue	
Recreation Use Permits (RUPs)	\$6,516.00
Special Recreation Permits (SRPs)	\$19,942.65
Individual Special Recreation Permits	\$0.00
Interagency Passes	\$400.00
Total Recreation Fee Revenue for FY24	\$26,858.65
Carryover from Prior Years	\$0.00
Total Available Funds for FY24	\$26,858.65

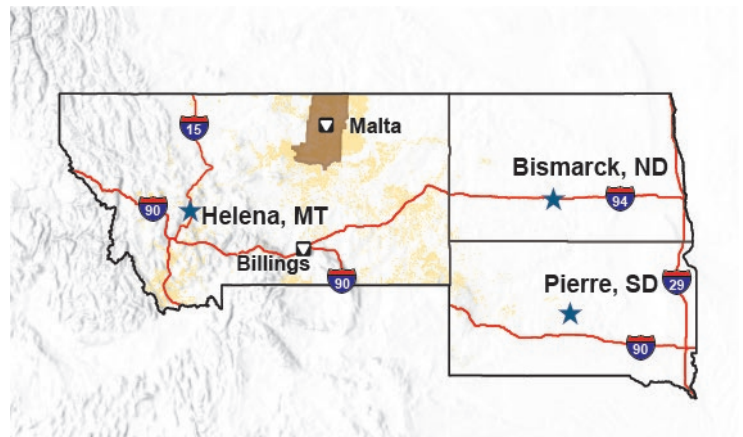
FY24 Expenditures	
Repair & Maintenance	\$8,819.05
Visitor Services	\$1,888.49
Law Enforcement	\$0.00
Inventory, Monitoring and Planning	\$5,664.39
Collections/Overhead	\$0.00
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY24	\$16,371.93
Total Carryover Funds for FY25	\$10,486.72



Other Accomplishments

- Two MCC Interns worked for the summer maintaining recreation sites. Several miles of road were graded, new picnic tables installed, and other improvements were made.

Vicinity Map



Planned Activities



Sullivan Bridge Recreation Site

Soon, vault toilets will be installed at two different recreation sites. One will be at the headwaters of the Marias River near Sullivan Bridge, south of Cut Bank, MT and the other at Black Jack Butte in the Sweet Grass Hills North of Chester, MT. Picnic tables, fire pits, gravel, and other improvements will also be made.

These additions are expected to enhance the overall visitor experience and provide ample opportunities for outdoor recreation and relaxation. With these improvements, visitors can look forward to enjoying all that these beautiful locations have to offer, and creating memories that will last a lifetime.

FY25 Planned Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	\$10,000.00
Visitor Services	\$0.00
Law Enforcement	\$0.00
Inventory, Monitoring and Planning	\$0.00
Collections/Overhead	\$0.00
Total Planned Expenditures for FY25	\$10,000.00
Total Projected funds for FY25	\$10,486.72
FY25 Balance after Planned Expenditures	\$486.72

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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.

