

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT RECREATION FEE PROGRAM SUMMARY FY10 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

NAME OF FEE PROJECT: AZ17 KINGMAN FIELD OFFICE SRPs	STATE: AZ
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DESCRIPTION:

This fee project provides for the issuance and administration of Special Recreation Permits (SRPs) on a discretionary basis to manage use of public lands for recreational commercial and/or competitive activities, and organized groups in northwestern Arizona. Activities conducted with SRP authorization in the Kingman Field Office often cater to non-resident U.S. citizens and international visitors who rely on the expertise of local guides, promoters, and outfitters to help them realize the most satisfaction from their public land visits. Authorizations are given to hunting outfitters, All-Terrain-Vehicle (ATV) tour, motorcycle ride, and poker run promoters. Management activities for the SRP program include collecting fees on a timely basis, assuring that adequate insurance was in place, providing terms and conditions for use, distributing interpretive materials (i.e. Leave No Trace, Tread Lightly!, desert tortoise protection guidelines), collecting post-use data, and conducting compliance checks in the field to confirm compliance of the stipulations of the permit.

FEE SCHEDULE:

The SRP fee schedule for commercial activities is established nationally for all BLM field offices. Fee receipts derived from recreational commercial, competitive, and organized group event SRPs are routinely calculated using national fee schedule guidance found in BLM Recreation Permit Administration Manual H-2930-1, Section III.G., as established by 43 CFR 2930. As of March 2008, the SRP fee schedule is the following:

- Commercial permits are the maximum of \$95 or 3% of the gross revenue.
- Competitive permits are the maximum of \$95, 3% of gross revenue or \$5 per participant/day.
- Organized-group use is \$5 per person per day or \$95, whichever is greater.

SPECIFIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN FY10:

Kingman Field Office managed 12 commercial and 1 competitive SRP in FY10. The 12 commercial SRP's consisted of 10 Outfitter & Guide hunting permits, one ATV tour permit and one motorcycle ride permit. The competitive SRP was a motorized poker run.

Visitor Services, Interpretation:

Leave No Trace and Tread Lightly! brochures were given to the permittees to give to their participants. Fee revenues were expended on interpretative materials.

Repair, Maintenance, and Facility Enhancement:

The KFO utilizes an ATV and a trailer for monitoring SRP permittees during their events on public lands. In FY10, the ATV's trailer brakes were damaged while KFO staff was monitoring a "poker run" event. Fee revenues were expended on a contract for the repairs of the trailer brakes.

PROJECTS/ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR FY11:

The Kingman Field Office SRP program will continue to process applications as needed in FY11. It is anticipated that the number of permits administered will be similar to past years. The very limited amount of fee revenues received from this program precludes undertaking much in the way of major projects. We expect to use a percentage of fee revenues to purchase brochures and other interpretive materials (i.e. Leave No Trace/Tread Lightly!) to distribute to SRP participants and clients to promote ethical, lawful and responsible behavior on public lands. Public benefits would include a chance to learn new outdoor skills, an increase in appreciation of nature, and an awareness of man's relationship with the land.