

## **Law Enforcement and Resource Protection**

- Investigated 103 incidents of destruction, vandalism and/or theft of natural resources & government property
- Investigated 135 incidents involving weapons, drugs and/or alcohol
- Recovered \$5,600,000 in restitution to the government as the result of criminal, civil and administrative investigations
- Investigated 28 human-caused fires for both cost recovery and criminal prosecutions
- Conducted investigations into damage of archaeological sites and removal of paleontological resources
- Continued investigations for financial cost recovery involving fire suppression and damage caused by a human-caused wildfire
- Provided security on wild fires in Montana and aided in evacuations of threatened homes
- Continued investigations into fraud related to the Oil & Gas and Hard Rock Mining programs
- Increased efforts to work collectively with other agencies to secure the public lands along the northern border
- Assisted in search and rescue operations and local law enforcement as requested
- Assisted state wildlife agencies in preventing and detecting hunting and fishing violations
- Augmented the field office LE staffs during high-visitation periods
- Provided special operation support to various other states
- Conducted high-visibility patrols of the Fort Meade Recreation Area during the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally in Sturgis, SD
- Provided security and law enforcement at the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Signature Event at Pompeys Pillar National Monument
- Provided advice and assistance to BLM offices regarding public and employee safety during increased terrorism threat levels.