



WYOMING Rawlins

Field Office

Recreation Fee Program Spending & Accomplishment Highlights 2022

Updated Drinking Water Wells



Water drilling rig actively working

Two campgrounds received new water wells, drilled for public users in the Encampment River Campground and Corral Creek Campground, both located in Carbon County. Previous wells were found to not be deep enough and did not make high marks for water quality. Fees collected from campgrounds over numerous years were put to work to pay for drilling these wells and associated costs with parts and some staff hours.

Amount Expended: \$37,000.00

Boat Permit Stickers



Boat Permit Sticker used

Fishing outfitters and guides use the North Platte River routinely and aggressively once ice has melted and BLM ramps are accessible for guiding activities. Boat permit stickers are used on both the vessel and trailer. These stickers are instrumental in identifying users with BLM permits, albeit on the water or at parking areas where trailers are left. Outfitters with authorizations in other field offices for operating, also use these stickers for compliance in those specific field offices.

Amount Expended: \$900.00

Recreation Fee Dollars

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.

They support and enhance:

- Maintenance, repair, and facility enhancement related directly to visitor enjoyment, visitor access, and health and safety
- Interpretation, visitor information, visitor service, visitor needs assessments, and signs
- Habitat restoration directly related to wildlife- dependent recreation that is limited to hunting, fishing, wildlife observation, or photography
- Law enforcement related to public use and recreation
- Direct operating/capital costs associated with the recreation fee program



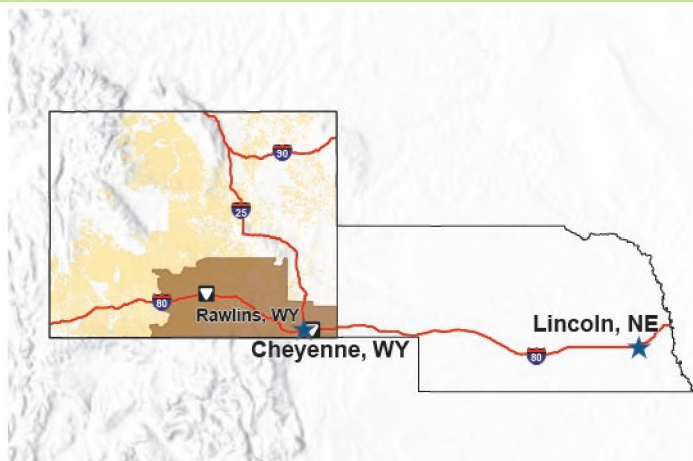
Other Accomplishments

Materials purchased for signs made by local High School students at the Red Wash Wetlands.

Pile burning occurred in Fee-Free Campground from hazardous fuels reduction project.

New campground signage installed and recreation site signs installed.

Vicinity Map



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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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[Connecting with Communities BLM Recreation Strategy](https://www.blm.gov/national-office/public-room/strategic-plan/connecting-communities-blm-recreation-strategy-summary)

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Revenue & Expenditures

End of Year Carryover:	\$35,239.26
FY22 Revenue	
Recreation Use Permits (RUPs)	\$10,794.50
Special Recreation Permits (SRPs)	\$22,934.26
Individual Special Recreation Permits	\$0.00
Interagency Passes	\$1,740.00
Total Recreation Fee Revenue for FY22:	\$35,468.76

FY22 Expenditures	
Repair & Maintenance	\$39,377.49
Visitor Services	\$9,660.08
Law Enforcement	\$0.00
Habitat Restoration	\$282.71
Collections/Overhead	\$1,410.50
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY22:	\$50,730.78



Planned Activities



General Maintenance of Rec. Sites

- Signage Purchases and Installation: The BLM will purchase and install new signage in the spring of 2023 to improve visibility and communication for guests and employees.
- Employee Time Fund Allocation: In fiscal year 2023, the BLM will allocate funds to pay for employee time to support the work of its employees.
- Boat Permit Stickers Fund: The BLM will use funds to purchase boat permit stickers for guests who wish to bring their boats.
- Light Construction Materials Fund: The BLM will allocate funding to purchase light construction materials for routine maintenance.

FY23 Planned Expenditures

Repair & Maintenance	\$2,500.00
Visitor Services	\$0.00
Law Enforcement	\$0.00
Habitat Restoration	\$0.00
Collections/Overhead	\$5,000.00
Total Recreation Fee Expenditures for FY23:	\$7,500.00
Carryover Funds To FY23:	\$19,977.24
FY23 Projected Revenue:	\$25,000.00

Connecting with Communities

Limited partnerships exist currently with the Recreation program due to staffing shortages, and vacancies. However a few partnerships with local schools have helped created opportunities for summer school students and volunteer groups to participate in helping to maintain campgrounds with isolated projects in the future for the summer of FY23.

The Recreation program is always looking to enhance or improve the visitor experience at our campgrounds, as these campgrounds experience use from visitors around the country and sometimes from other countries. The campgrounds and recreation sites are a major source of attention, and ensuring these sites continue to be a popular destination for tourists in our smaller communities is a priority.

50% of our recreation sites and campgrounds are near smaller communities that heavily depend on seasonal activities and summer tourism. Continuing to enhance access to river banks, outfitting campgrounds with wheel chair accessibility features, overflow parking areas, and hazardous fuels reduction in campgrounds are a focus for use in these areas.

