

Section 4: Conclusion

The Recreation Fee Program enables land management agencies to retain and spend recreation fees where they are collected. This enhances recreation opportunities for millions of visitors nationwide. The Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act enabled improvements to visitor services and facilities on Federal lands across the nation, authorized a new national interagency recreation pass, and established a robust process to engage the public directly in the Recreation Fee Program. While recreation fees support and enhance visitor experiences at popular sites across the country, there are also extensive opportunities for visitors to recreate on Federal lands without paying REA fees.

This second Triennial Report has presented an overview of the Recreation Fee Program from FY 2006 to FY 2008 for the five REA-participating agencies. It has updated program information and provides examples of how recreation fee revenues are being used to enhance the experience of visitors who pay these fees.

In addition to the Report itself, several Appendices have been included. Appendix A provides detailed Statistics and Budgetary data. Tables in this Appendix provide visitation data, as well as detailed revenue and obligation data. Appendix B provides detailed information on the RRAC program for the FS and BLM, including information about the committees themselves, as well as the public involvement and RRAC recommendation process. Appendix C includes the Public Participation and Notification Guidelines used by NPS for the Recreation Fee Program.



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