Recreation Site Facility Master Planning

5-year Proposed Program of Work
and
Programmatic Effects of Implementation

BITTERROOT National Forest
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RECREATION FACILITIES ANALYSIS

5-year Program of Work

Bitterroot National Forest

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1. INTRODUCTION

This document is a living, working road map to guide the Forest in providing a quality, sustainable recreation sites program. It describes the vision for the overall Forest recreation program and outlines proposals specific to individual developed recreation sites.

The proposals and guidance contained in this document were developed through, and are the end result of, the national Recreation Facility Analysis or RFA (formerly Recreation Site Facility Master Plan or RS-FMP) process. Existing and projected visitor demands, recreation program niche, resource conditions, links to the community, program costs, and revenue were all considered in developing proposals.

This document will serve as a framework from which the Forest will prioritize investments, and pursue changes in operations or maintenance of recreation sites. Proposals are wholly consistent with the Northern Region's "Recreation Strategy" and the Bitterroot Forest Land and Resource Management Plan.

The Forest recognizes that site-specific analysis and public involvement may be necessary prior to implementing some of the proposals contained in this document. As implementation of site-specific proposals are considered, they will be evaluated to determine if they are subject to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and all required procedures shall be executed.

The Forest also recognizes that proposals relating to fees will require consistency with criteria outlined in the Recreation Enhancement Act (REA) and coordination with the appropriate Recreation Resource Advisory Committee (RRAC).

2. PLAN SUMMARY - Programmatic Effects Of Implementation

A. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF PROCESS

The purpose of Recreation Facility Analysis is to display the proposed tasks needed over the next 5 years to bring the Forest's recreation infrastructure into alignment with the resources available to operate and maintain it to standard. Many of our facilities were built 30-50 years ago and have reached the end of their useful life without significant deferred maintenance investment. Other facilities receive no or little use, and no longer serve the demand that existed 30-50 years ago. The fundamental premise of the proposed program of work is to create an inventory which is sustainable and flexible enough to be annually adapted to any changes in available resources. The proposed program of work is designed to meet the following objectives:

- Operate and maintain sites to standard within available revenue stream.
- Reduce deferred maintenance by 20% over the 5 year life of the program of work.
- Focus available resources on sites which conform most closely to the Forest Recreation Program Niche.
- Maintain and enhance customer satisfaction with available sites.

The RFA is needed to define the proposed actions for management of forest recreation sites in order to meet the desired future condition that aligns with the Forest Plan. For purposes of the analysis and planning for future proposed actions, four categories (A-D) of proposed management are used. These categories are:

1) Category A: sites that are under some type of operational or contractual agreement whose terms are longer than the 5-year period of the RFA.

2) Category B: sites that meet the unit niche; are environmentally sustainable within the capability and capacity of the natural resources; are supported by and provide support to local communities; and have a sustainable management cost-benefit ratio.

3) Category C: sites that do not meet all of the above criteria, but with a combination of mitigation, additional resources, or other type of action could be made to qualify for Category B status.

4) Category D: sites that do not meet all of the (Category B) criteria; or fall sufficiently short in one or more of the criterion so as to render the capability of meeting it unsustainable. These sites may be managed for dispersed recreation opportunities.

Sites were evaluated and ranked based on conformance to the forest niche and amount of recreation use (35%), financial efficiency (35%), and environmental and community sustainability (30%).

Some sites were identified as non-discretionary based primarily on existing agreements such as concession permits.

B. FOREST RECREATION NICHE

Our Wild Backyard

Scenic mountains, rugged canyons, wild rivers, Wilderness and wildlife are all just outside your backyard on the Bitterroot National Forest. Over one thousand miles of trails and routes provide easy access to areas of solitude and beauty. Many were carved in by indigenous people and early explorers and are an experience in themselves, connecting today's users to the past. The mountains of the forest will always provide a scenic backdrop and thus a component of the quality of life in the Bitterroot Valley. Scenery pulls you in and trails lead the way for daily renewal as well as challenging excursions deep into the wilderness.

Settings, Special Places, and Values:

Mountainous terrain, with peaks over 9,000 feet, and spectacular, alpine glaciated peaks cap the Bitterroot Range. The Sapphire Mountains are gentler and more rounded by eons of time. The Forest is the headwaters of the Bitterroot River which helps make the arid valley hospitable for residents from pre-historic times to current day. The Forest is a fire influenced ecosystem, which has an impact on the recreational use in wilderness and backcountry.

Backyard wilderness – Rugged canyons, mountain freshwater creeks and waterfalls attract people to this nearby Wilderness. This setting also includes many areas of roaded and non-Wilderness lands.

Overnight Wilderness – The Frank Church-River of No Return and Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness Areas combine to become one of the largest contiguous wildernesses in the lower 48 states. They and the Anaconda-Pintler Wilderness provide backcountry opportunities on thousands of miles of trails, the wild and unpredictable Selway River, alpine lakes, and the awesome experience of remote solitude.

Corridors – Road and river corridors offering expansive views of the entire Forest area. The corridors provide access to historic cabins. The "Magruder Corridor" is a primitive road that winds between two vast Wilderness Areas.

Backcountry - Forested Mountains provide a backcountry experience in these primarily roadless areas. National historic trails and areas provide a remnant of the cultural pathways of Native Americans, including the Nez Perce and the Bitterroot Salish, as well as early explorers (Lewis and Clark).

Easy Access – Rolling Mountains with lots of roads offer easy access year round to a variety of forest-based activities. Area includes abundant big-game wildlife including big horn sheep, elk, moose and whitetail deer.

Activities/Opportunities/Experiences:

Over 1600 miles of trail provide opportunities for hiking in a wilderness setting, backpacking, horseback riding, and winter recreation. The Bitterroot and Selway Rivers provide outstanding floating and fishing. Cabin rentals provide a safe, comfortable alternative to camping. Opportunities include a forest and wilderness conservation education program; and interpretation of historic trails, sites, and cabins occurs around the Forest.

Backyard wilderness – Often daily hiking and walking. Lake Como, a concentrated use node within this setting, provides the primary highly developed facilities for boating, developed camping, horseback riding, fishing, swimming, and hiking.

Overnight Wilderness - Backpacking, hunting, horse packing, whitewater rafting and fishing. Recreational challenges are heightened by wildland fire use on the Forest. Outfitter/Guides offer an alternative for visitors less willing to venture on their own to the Wilderness and backcountry.

Corridors – Rustic developed camping, driving for pleasure, viewing scenery and wildlife, river and lake fishing, snowmobile riding and cross-country skiing.

Backcountry – Primarily non-motorized outside the winter months, with some low density, motorized designated trail use. Historic and scenic trail uses, hunting, and dispersed camping.

Easy Access - Horseback riding, hunting, family gatherings, bicycling, and fishing. Motorized designated trails on some existing routes, help families and motorized receptionists access the Forest for pleasure riding. Firewood and Christmas tree cutting along roads. Northern creek drainages experience localized, concentrated use. Concentrated nodes of downhill and cross-country skiing occur at Lost Trail and Chief Joseph Pass.

Primary Visitors

Local	Visitors within 2 hours, use of all the settings
National	Visitors from more than 2 hours, multi-day use of corridors & Wilderness, and day-use of Backyard Wilderness

Bitterroot National Forest 10/29/05	Developed Sites Niche Bridge for the Coming Decade A Niche Bridge is a specific tool designed to provide specific guidance to align the developed sites recreation program with the forests recreation niche for the coming decade.														
	Backyard wilderness			**Overnight Wilderness**			**Corridors**			**Backcountry**			**Easy Access**		
Setting Management How will the setting be managed to support the niche emphasis?	Provide near-by trail access to solitude and scenic beauty.			Maintain remote, solitude experience on rivers and in Wilderness.			Access and take-off points into backcountry. Maintain vistas/views			Provide trail access to solitude and scenic beauty.			Provide road and trail access to dispersed activities.		
Setting Appropriateness To what degree is the setting appropriate (in which to locate) (for) developed sites?	Low TH - High Lk Como - High			Low			High			Moderate			Moderate		
Site Function How does this site help meet the intent of the niche emphasis?	Protect the resource and provide specific access points onto Wz & non-Wz trails			Protect the Wz & W&SR resources, define & limit access			Provide destinations and take-off points to backcountry, and safe driving routes.			Provide primarily non-motorized access into areas for solitude & dispersed activities			Provide routes and access points for dispersed activities		
Key Activities in support of the niche emphasis for the coming decade	Hiking, walking. *Lake Como – water-based camping, boating, horse, fishing, swimming, hiking			Backpacking, hunting, horse packing, white-water rafting, fishing			Rustic developed camping, driving, viewing, river & lake fishing, snowmobiling, x-ctry skiing			Historic, scenic, non-motorized trails, some motorized trails, hunting, dispersed camping			Horse riding, hunting, day use family gatherings, bicycling, fishing, some motorized trails for pleasure riding, firewood gathering. Dev skiing at concentrated nodes		
Site Type / Dev Scale / Capacity Type: Capacity: low <50, med 50-150, high >150	**Type**	**Dev**	**Cap**	**Type**	**Dev**	**Cap**	**Type**	**Dev**	**Cap**	**Type**	**Dev**	**Cap**	**Type**	**Dev**	**Cap**
	TH	2-3	med	TH	2	med	TH Interp. Site	2-3 3-4	Med Low	TH	2	mod	TH	2-3	Low-med
	*CG	3-4	med	CG access river	2	low	CG Boating Site	2-3 2-3	Med Med	Rec. Lodging	3	low	Interp. Sites	2-3	Low
	*Boat Site	3-4	high				Rec. Lodging	3	low						
Programmatic Strategies to utilize in the developed site program to help achieve the niche emphasis over the next ten years															

C. CRITICAL MONETARY FACTORS

For the Forest Developed Recreation Sites program, display asset and expense information before and after 5-year Program of Work development.

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A.	CRITICAL MONETARY FACTOR	BASELINE CONDITION (Benchmark Data)	Program of Work CHANGED CONDITION (does not include CATEGORY C or CATEGORY D sites)	Program of Work PERCENT CHANGE (ddoes not include CATEGORY C or CATEGORY D sites)
OPERATIONAL ASSETS	APPROPRIATED FUNDS AVAILABLE	$ 116,726	$ 116,726	0%
	FEE RECEIPTS AVAILABLE	$ 89,073	$ 115,538	30%
	OTHER FUNDS AVAILABLE	$ -	$ 11,000	100%
EXPENSES	OPERATING COSTS	$ 161,914	$ 100,050	-38%
	ANNUAL MAINTENANCE COSTS	$ 212,991	$ 143,743	-33%
	DEFERRED MAINTENANCE COSTS*	$ 1,014,020	$ 574,695	-43%

D. INVENTORY

Display the recreation site inventory characteristics before and after 5-year Program of Work development. Display by site type and display other recreation site program characteristics including capacity, number of sites with drinking water and waste water systems, and the annual maintenance cost for drinking and waste water systems and buildings.

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B.	INVENTORY CHARACTERISTICS	BASELINE CONDITION (Benchmark Data)	PROGRAM OF WORK - CHANGED CONDITION ---------- CATEGORY A & B Sites	PROGRAM OF WORK - CHANGED CONDITION ---------- CATEGORY C Sites	PROGRAM OF WORK - CHANGED CONDITION ---------- CATEGORY D Sites
TIER SITE TYPE CATEGORY	CAMPGROUND DEV SCALE 2	6	1	0	5
	CAMPGROUND DEV SCALE 3	12	11	0	1
	CAMPGROUND DEV SCALE 4-5	5	5	0	0
	PICNIC SITE DEV SCALE 2-3	3	1	0	2
	PICNIC SITE DEV SCALE 4-5	0	0	0	0
	TRAILHEAD	24	18	0	6
	BOATING/ SWIM SITES/ FISHING SITES	6	6	0	0
	INTERP MAJOR/VC	0	0	0	0
	GROUP CAMPGROUND/ GROUP PICNIC	4	4	0	0
	CABINS/LOOK-OUTS	11	11	0	0
	INTERP MINOR/ OBSERVATION/ INFO SITES	4	3	0	1
	HORSE CAMP	3	3	0	0
	INFO SITE ADMIN	2	1	0	1
	OTHER 1	0	0	0	0
	OTHER 2	0	0	0	0
OTHER CHARACTERISTICS	CAPACITY (PAOT)**	4,014	3,579	0	435
	CAPACITY (PAOT-DAYS)**	913,101	718,607	0	79,858
	# SITES w/ DRINKING WATER SYSTEM $	11	10	0	1
	# SITES w/ WASTEWATER SYSTEM $	10	9	0	1
	DW SYSTEM ANNUAL MAINT COST	$ 14,813	$ 14,813	$ -	$ -
	WW SYSTEM ANNUAL MAINT COST	$ 2,600	$ 2,400	$ -	$ 200
	BUILDING ANNUAL MAINT COST	$ 94,598	$ 92,845	$ -	$ 1,753

**Sum of CATEGORY A&B, C and D columns do not equal Baseline column due to capacity changes in CATEGORY A and B sites

E. RESULTS

Describe the significant programmatic results of the ranking process.

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C1.	PROGRAMMATIC RESULTS	BASELINE CONDITION (Benchmark Data)	PROGRAM OF WORK - CHANGED CONDITION (does not include CATEGORY C and D sites)	Program of Work PERCENT CHANGE (does not include CATEGORY C and D sites)
METRICS	AVERAGE NICHE CONFORMANCE SCORE	17.06	16.95	-1%
	AVERAGE DEVELOPMENT SCALE	2.95	3.19	8%
	AVERAGE UNDERSERVED POPULATION SCORE	1.71	1.70	-1%
	% OF CAPACITY ACCESSIBLE	10.3%	11.5%	12%
	% OF CAPACITY W/ ACCESSIBLE FURNISHINGS ONLY	0.7%	0.8%	12%
	PAOT-DAYS TO REGIONAL REQUIRED STANDARDS	501,235	718,607	43%
	CAPACITY (PAOT)	4,014	3,579	-11%
	CAPACITY (PAOT-DAYS)	913,101	718,607	-21%
	ANNUAL O&M COST PER PAOT DAY	$ 0.41	$ 0.34	-17%
	ANNUAL NET O&M COST PER VISIT	$ 1.03	$ 0.45	-56%

C2.	PROGRAMMATIC RESULTS	BASELINE CONDITION (Benchmark Data)	PROGRAM OF WORK - CHANGED CONDITION (does not include CATEGORY D sites)	Program of Work PERCENT CHANGE (does not include CATEGORY D sites)
	TOTAL DEFERRED MAINTENANCE	$ 1,014,020	$ 574,695	-43%

3. RECREATION SITES PRIORITY RANKING REPORT

List the Forest's Recreation sites in rank score priority order. Include site type, site rank score, site Tier Category, planned management season, and planned site capacity.

BITTERROOT National Forest	80	SITE COUNT

8. REPORT: 5-Year Program of Work - Table of Ranked Site Planned Operating Season & Capacity

MNG ORG	SITE NAME	SITE TYPE	TOTAL RANK SCORE	TIER CATEGORY	PLANNED OPENING DATE	PLANNED CLOSING DATE	PLANNED CAPACITY [PAOT]
10302	DARBY VIS CENTER	INTERPRETIVE SITE (ADMIN)	101	CATEGORY A	30-May	12-Dec	28
10304	BOULDER POINT LOOKOUT	FIRE LOOKOUTS/CABINS OVERNIGHT	101	CATEGORY A	3-Dec	1-Apr	4
10301	KOOTENAI CREEK TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	93	CATEGORY B	1-Jan	31-Dec	95
10302	SOUTH LAKE COMO BOAT LAUNCH	BOATING SITE	90	CATEGORY B	1-Jan	31-Dec	168
10301	BASS CREEK TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	89	CATEGORY B	1-Jan	31-Dec	80
10301	BLODGETT TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	89	CATEGORY B	1-Feb	1-Dec	80
10302	LAKE COMO BEACH	SWIMMING SITE	88	CATEGORY B	15-Apr	15-Oct	178
10303	TWOGOOD CABIN	FIRE LOOKOUTS/CABINS OVERNIGHT	84	CATEGORY B	28-Apr	1-Oct	8
10301	CHARLES WATERS CAMPGROUND	CAMPGROUND	83	CATEGORY B	15-Apr	30-Sep	160
10301	BEAR CREEK TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	82	CATEGORY B	1-Mar	1-Nov	70
10301	ST. MARY'S TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	82	CATEGORY B	15-May	10-Nov	70
10302	COYOTE COULEE	TRAILHEAD	82	CATEGORY B	20-Apr	15-Dec	40
10302	LAKE COMO PICNIC AREA	GROUP PICNIC SITE	82	CATEGORY B	15-Apr	15-Oct	60
10302	UPPER COMO CAMPGROUND	CAMPGROUND	80	CATEGORY B	31-May	1-Oct	110
10302	WOOD'S CABIN	FIRE LOOKOUTS/CABINS OVERNIGHT	80	CATEGORY B	20-May	1-Oct	15
10303	EAST FORK TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	80	CATEGORY B	1-Jun	15-Nov	60
10304	PARADISE BOAT LAUNCH	BOATING SITE	80	CATEGORY B	15-May	30-Aug	30
10304	SLATE CREEK BAY	BOATING SITE	80	CATEGORY B	15-Jun	30-Sep	35
10302	BLODGETT OVERLOOK TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	78	CATEGORY B	6-Apr	1-Nov	42
10302	LAKE COMO TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	78	CATEGORY B	1-Apr	1-Dec	112
10301	BASS DAY USE TRAILHEAD	INTERPRETIVE SITE (MINOR)	77	CATEGORY B	1-Jan	31-Dec	95
10303	EAST FORK GUARD STATION	FIRE LOOKOUTS/CABINS OVERNIGHT	77	CATEGORY B	1-Jan	31-Dec	8
10301	BLODGETT CAMPGROUND	CAMPGROUND	76	CATEGORY B	1-May	1-Oct	60
10301	LARRY CREEK GROUP SITE	GROUP CAMPGROUND	76	CATEGORY B	1-May	30-Sep	135
10302	ROCK CREEK TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	76	CATEGORY B	15-Apr	15-Oct	20
10303	MCCART LOOKOUT	FIRE LOOKOUTS/CABINS OVERNIGHT	76	CATEGORY B	30-May	15-Sep	4
10302	LOST HORSE GUARD STATION	FIRE LOOKOUTS/CABINS OVERNIGHT	75	CATEGORY B	25-Jul	1-Nov	6
10303	CRAZY CREEK TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	75	CATEGORY B	16-May	15-Sep	28
10301	BASS CREEK KIOSK	INFORMATION SITE	74	CATEGORY B	1-Mar	1-Nov	18
10301	BASS CREEK PICNIC AREA	PICNIC SITE	74	CATEGORY B	1-Mar	1-Nov	35
10302	BEAR CREEK PASS HORSE CAMP	HORSE CAMP	73	CATEGORY B	1-Jul	2-Dec	100
10303	INDIAN TREES CAMPGROUND	CAMPGROUND	73	CATEGORY B	16-May	15-Sep	80
10304	SAM BILLINGS MEMORIAL CAMPGROUND	CAMPGROUND	73	CATEGORY B	1-May	1-Dec	75

MNG ORG	SITE NAME	SITE TYPE	TOTAL RANK SCORE	TIER CATEGORY	PLANNED OPENING DATE	PLANNED CLOSING DATE	PLANNED CAPACITY [PAOT]
10302	SCHUMAKER CAMPGROUND	CAMPGROUND	71	CATEGORY B	1-Jul	2-Dec	80
10301	FRED BURR TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	70	CATEGORY B	1-Mar	20-Nov	29
10302	LAKE COMO CAMPGROUND	CAMPGROUND	70	CATEGORY B	20-May	1-Oct	125
10302	ROCK CREEK HORSE CAMP	HORSE CAMP	70	CATEGORY B	15-Apr	15-Oct	100
10304	LITTLE BOULDER BAY BOAT LAUNCH	BOATING SITE	68	CATEGORY B	15-May	30-Sep	60
10304	MAGRUDER RANGER'S HOUSE	FIRE LOOKOUTS/CABINS OVERNIGHT	68	CATEGORY B	1-Jun	29-Jan	6
10302	TWIN LAKES TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	67	CATEGORY B	1-Jul	2-Dec	35
10304	PARADISE CAMPGROUND	CAMPGROUND	67	CATEGORY B	15-May	26-Oct	25
10304	ROMBO CAMPGROUND	CAMPGROUND	67	CATEGORY B	20-Apr	15-Nov	80
10304	WEST FORK BOAT LAUNCH	BOATING SITE	67	CATEGORY B	15-Apr	30-Sep	16
10302	COMO-ROCK GROUP SITE	GROUP CAMPGROUND	63	CATEGORY B			75
10302	GIRD POINT LOOKOUT	FIRE LOOKOUTS/CABINS OVERNIGHT	63	CATEGORY B	15-Jun	1-Oct	4
10303	CRAZY CREEK HORSE USE CAMPGROUND	HORSE CAMP	63	CATEGORY B	16-May	15-Sep	30
10301	BIG CREEK TRAILHEAD/PICNIC AREA	TRAILHEAD	62	CATEGORY B	1-Mar	1-Dec	45
10303	SPRING GULCH CAMPGROUND	CAMPGROUND	62	CATEGORY B	16-May	15-Sep	60
10304	FALES FLAT GROUP CAMPGROUND	GROUP CAMPGROUND	62	CATEGORY B	1-May	1-Oct	90
10301	MILL CREEK TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	61	CATEGORY B	1-Mar	20-Nov	35
10304	SALMON BASE CAMP TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	61	CATEGORY B	15-Jul	12-Oct	35
10303	MARTIN CREEK CAMPGROUND	CAMPGROUND	60	CATEGORY B	16-May	15-Sep	35
10303	MEDICINE POINT LOOKOUT	FIRE LOOKOUTS/CABINS OVERNIGHT	60	CATEGORY B	1-Jul	9-Sep	4
10303	WARM SPRINGS CAMPGROUND	CAMPGROUND	60	CATEGORY B	16-May	15-Sep	85
10304	NEZ PERCE PASS TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	58	CATEGORY B	15-May	15-Nov	32
10301	WILLOUGHBY 40	INTERPRETIVE SITE (MINOR)	57	CATEGORY B	1-Feb	1-Dec	100
10302	BLACK BEAR CAMPGROUND	CAMPGROUND	57	CATEGORY B	15-May	30-Oct	30
10304	HORSE HEAVEN CABIN	FIRE LOOKOUTS/CABINS OVERNIGHT	57	CATEGORY B	15-Jul	13-Jan	4
10301	GOLD CREEK CAMPGROUND	CAMPGROUND	55	CATEGORY B	1-Mar	26-Oct	45
10304	SLATE CREEK CAMPGROUND	CAMPGROUND	52	CATEGORY B	15-Jun	30-Nov	20
10304	ALTA CAMPGROUND	CAMPGROUND	51	CATEGORY B	1-May	1-Dec	88
10304	LITTLE WEST FORK SNOWMOBILE TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	51	CATEGORY B	6-May	1-Dec	50
10303	CRAZY CREEK CAMPGROUND	CAMPGROUND	50	CATEGORY B	16-May	15-Sep	35
10304	MAGRUDER RANGER STATION OFFICE	FIRE LOOKOUTS/CABINS OVERNIGHT	50	CATEGORY B	1-Jun	29-Jan	12
10300	BITTEROOT SUPERVISOR'S OFFICE	INTERPRETIVE SITE (ADMIN)	0	CATEGORY D	1-Jan	31-Dec	10
10301	BURNT FORK TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	0	CATEGORY D	1-Mar	26-Oct	25
10302	CENTENNIAL GROVE TRAILHEAD	INTERPRETIVE SITE (MINOR)	0	CATEGORY D	15-May	30-Oct	20
10303	JENNINGS CAMP CAMPGROUND	CAMPGROUND	0	CATEGORY D	1-Jan	1-Dec	20
10304	BEAVER POINT	PICNIC SITE	0	CATEGORY D	15-May	26-Oct	5
10304	CAYUSE CREEK TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	0	CATEGORY D	15-May	26-Oct	30
10304	DEEP CREEK CAMPGROUND	CAMPGROUND	0	CATEGORY D	15-May	26-Oct	30
10304	INDIAN CREEK CAMPGROUND	CAMPGROUND	0	CATEGORY D	15-May	26-Oct	20
10304	KIM CREEK SADDLE TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	0	CATEGORY D	15-May	26-Oct	28

MNG ORG	SITE NAME	SITE TYPE	TOTAL RANK SCORE	TIER CATEGORY	PLANNED OPENING DATE	PLANNED CLOSING DATE	PLANNED CAPACITY [PAOT]
10304	MAGRUDER CROSSING CAMPGROUND	CAMPGROUND	0	CATEGORY D	15-May	26-Oct	75
10304	MAIN BLUE JOINT TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	0	CATEGORY D	15-May	15-Nov	30
10304	OBSERVATION POINT CAMPGROUND	CAMPGROUND	0	CATEGORY D	15-Jul	15-Oct	20
10304	PARADISE FLAT/WHITE CAP CREEK TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	0	CATEGORY D	15-May	26-Oct	75
10304	PETE CREEK	PICNIC SITE	0	CATEGORY D	15-May	26-Oct	5
10304	RAVEN CREEK CAMPGROUND	CAMPGROUND	0	CATEGORY D	15-May	26-Oct	10
10304	WATCHTOWER CREEK TRAILHEAD	TRAILHEAD	0	CATEGORY D	1-May	30-Nov	32

4. TABLE OF TASKS

A. SITE-SPECIFIC TASKS

For each Recreation Site, include tasks (Management Option Codes), one-time cost to implement and pertinent documentation.

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$243,264	RECOMMENDED MAXIMUM ONE-TIME COST TO IMPLEMENT TASKS
$406,000	TOTAL ONE-TIME COST TO IMPLEMENT TASKS

8a. INFO ENTRY: 5-Year Proposed Program of Work - Table of Tasks

MANAGING ORG	SITE NAME or PROGRAMMATIC ACTION	TASK	START DATE	FINISH DATE	ONE-TIME COST TO IMPLEMENT ACTION	TASK COMMENTS
10304	LITTLE BOULDER BAY BOAT LAUNCH	REDUCE COST SOURCE	2007	2007	$0	Joe Butsick – Lead. Develop strategy for managing & reducing operation costs
10301	BASS CREEK KIOSK	No change			$0	
10301	BASS CREEK PICNIC AREA 71	REDUCE SEASON, ADD AMENITIES	2008	2008	$4,000	Picnic shelter
10301	BASS CREEK TRAILHEAD	No change			$0	Change to Dev Scale 3 IWEB
10301	BASS DAY USE TRAILHEAD 77	ADD AMENITIES	2009	2009	$2,000	Add rock barrier to define parking lot
10301	BEAR CREEK TRAILHEAD	REDUCE SEASON	2006	2006	$0	
10301	BIG CREEK TRAILHEAD/PICNIC AREA	REDUCE SEASON	2006	2006	$0	High OM cost for site type/ dev scale and use
10301	BIG CREEK TRAILHEAD/PICNIC AREA	REPLACE EXISTING FEATURE	2009	2009	$15,000	Replace SST
10301	BLODGETT CAMPGROUND 76	REDUCE SEASON, CHARGE FEE (NEW)	2007	2007	$2,000	30 DAY REDUCTION OF SEASON. Propose new REA fee to RAC fall 2006
10301	BLODGETT TRAILHEAD	REDUCE SEASON	2006	2006	$0	
10301	BURNT FORK TRAILHEAD	REMOVE FACILITIES,CHANGE SITE TO GFA	2007	2007	$0	OH has been destroyed, fire crew will clean up 2006, leave picnic table until it deteriorates
10301	CHARLES WATERS CAMPGROUND	REDUCE SEASON, INCREASE EXISTING FEE	2007	2007	$0	Water system with filter, evaluate when repair/replacement needed
10301	FRED BURR TRAILHEAD	No change			$0	
10301	GOLD CREEK CAMPGROUND	RECONSTRUCT/ REMOVE FEATURES CHANGE VOLUNTEER OPERATOR	2011	2011	$100,000	Old CIP project 2009

10301	GOLD Creek Campground /Burnt Fork TH	NEPA to reconstruct and/reduce features includes	2007	2007	$8,000	Old CIP project, evaluate level and amount of development
10301	KOOTENAI CREEK TRAILHEAD	No change			$0	
10301	LARRY CREEK GROUP SITE	INCREASE EXISTING FEE, REDUCE SEASON	2007	2007	$0	Water system – hand pump evaluate when repair/replacement needed
10301	MILL CREEK TRAILHEAD	No change			$0	
10301	ST. MARY'S TRAILHEAD	No change			$0	
10301	WILLOUGHBY 40	CHANGE VOLUNTEER OPERATOR	2008	2008	$3,000	Partnership with Lone Rock school district pending, sign
10302	BEAR CREEK PASS HORSE CAMP	ELIMINATE GARBAGE, REDUCE SEASON REMOVE FACILITIES, CHANGE SITE TO GFA	2009	2009	$10,000	Remove fire rings & tables, eliminate garbage collection, and define sites for protection.
10302	BLACK BEAR CAMPGROUND	ELIMINATE GARBAGE, REMOVE FACILITIES, CHANGE SITE TO GFA	2010	2010	$4,000	As features deteriorate do not replace, Convert to GFA, eliminate garbage collection, and define sites for protection. Does not conform to niche.
10302	BLODGETT OVERLOOK TRAILHEAD	No change			$0	
10302	CENTENNIAL GROVE TRAILHEAD	ELIMINATE GARBAGE, REDUCE SEASON REMOVE FACILITIES, CHANGE SITE TO GFA	2008	2008	$1,000	As features deteriorate, do not replace, convert site to a GFA Trail head to serve anglers.
10302	COMO-ROCK GROUP SITE	INCREASE EXISTING FEE	2007	2007	$0	Lake Como HIRA
10302	COMO-ROCK GROUP SITE	UPGRADE EXISTING FACILITIES	2008	2008	$30,000	Old CIP 08 Stinky Toilet III project Define parking area
10302	COMO-ROCK GROUP SITE 65	NEPA to reconstruct site to group area	2007	2007	$3,000	
10302	COYOTE COULEE	CHANGE PARTNER OPERATOR in IWEB ELIMINATE GARBAGE REMOVAL	2006	2006	$0	Agreement with Back Country Horsemen in place through RAC project for SST

10302	DARBY DISTRICT SITES to CONVERT TO GFA	NEPA to convert Bear Creek pass, Black Bear CG and Centennial Grove to GFA sites	2008	2008	$6,000	
10302	DARBY VIS CENTER	CHANGE PARTNER OPERATOR in IWEB	2006	2006	$0	Agreement with Friends of Darby Visitor Center. Decrease AM/DM funded through Admin.
10302	GIRD POINT LOOKOUT	REDUCE SEASON	2006	2006	$0	
10302	LAKE COMO BEACH	INCREASE EXISTING FEE REDUCE SEASON	2007	2007	$0	Lake Como HIRA
10302	LAKE COMO CAMPGROUND	INCREASE EXISTING FEE	2007	2007	$0	
10302	LAKE COMO PICNIC AREA	REDUCE SEASON	2006	2006	$0	
10302	LAKE COMO PICNIC AREA	INCREASE EXISTING FEE,	2007	2007	$0	Lake Como HIRA
10302	LAKE COMO TRAILHEAD	INCREASE EXISTING FEE, REDUCE SEASON	2007	2007	$0	Lake Como HIRA
10302	LOST HORSE GUARD STATION 75	CHARGE FEE (NEW), ELIMINATE GARBAGE REMOVAL	2008	2008	$5,000	Add to Cabin rental program
10302	ROCK CREEK HORSE CAMP	INCREASE EXISTING FEE, REDUCE SEASON	2007	2007	$0	
10302	ROCK CREEK TRAILHEAD	INREASE EXISTING FEE, REDUCE SEASON	2007	2007	$0	Lake Como HIRA
10302	SCHUMAKER CAMPGROUND	ELIMINATE GARBAGE REMOVAL, REDUCE SEASON	2006	2006	$0	
10302	SCHUMAKER CAMPGROUND 68 TWIN LAKES TRAILHEAD 63	RECONSTRUCT, REPLACING EXISTING FEATURES, INCREASE CAPACITY	2009	2009	$100,000	Old CIP Stinky Toilets III, and Schumaker projects
10302	SCHUMAKER CAMPGROUND/ TWIN LAKES TRAILHEAD	NEPA for reconstruction	2008	2008	$8,000	
10302	SOUTH LAKE COMO BOAT LAUNCH	INCREASE EXISTING FEE	2007	2007	$0	Lake Como HIRA
10302	SOUTH LAKE COMO BOAT LAUNCH 90	UPGRADE EXISTING FACILITIES	2007	2007	$20,000	Redesign boat launch parking to address safety concerns
10302	TWIN LAKES TRAILHEAD	ELIMINATE GARBAGE REMOVAL, REDUCE SEASON	2006	2006	$0	
10302	UPPER COMO CAMPGROUND	INCREASE EXISTING FEE REDUCE SEASON	2007	2007	$0	

10302	WOOD'S CABIN	INCREASE EXISTING FEE	2007	2007	$2,000	Replace 2/3 of porch, not historical
10303	CRAZY CREEK CAMPGROUND	INCREASE EXISTING FEE, REDUCE SEASON,	2007	2007	$0	
10303	CRAZY CREEK HORSE USE CAMPGROUND	INCREASE EXISTING FEE, REDUCE SEASON,	2007	2007	$0	
10303	CRAZY CREEK HORSE USE CAMPGROUND	CHANGE PARTNER OPERATOR,	2009	2009	$0	Turn operations over to the Backcountry Horsemen as volunteers.
10303	CRAZY CREEK TRAILHEAD	CHANGE VOLUNTEER OPERATOR	2009	2009	$0	Turn operations over to the Backcountry Horsemen as volunteers.
10303	EAST FORK GUARD STATION 77	INCREASE EXISTING FEE	2007	2007	$10,000	Replace floor joist, flooring, and roof PIT project, recreation fees
10303	EAST FORK TRAILHEAD	REDUCE SEASON	2006	2006	$0	
10303	INDIAN TREES CAMPGROUND	REDUCE SEASON, REMOVE COST SOURCE	2006	2006	$0	Water System components Reduce garbage service
10303	INDIAN TREES CAMPGROUND	INCREASE EXISTING FEE	2007	2007	$0	
10303	JENNINGS CAMP CAMPGROUND	REDUCE SEASON,	2006	2006	$0	
10303	JENNINGS CAMP CAMPGROUND	NEPA to decommission site and harden, REPLACE EXISTING FACILITIES	2008	2008	$15,000	Old CIP Stinky Toilet project, needed for resource protection
10303	JENNINGS CAMP CAMPGROUND	Decommission glide path, CHANGE SITE TO GFA	2009	2009	$3,000	AS features deteriorate do not replace, convert GFA. Harden sites
10303	MARTIN CREEK CAMPGROUND	INCREASE EXISTING FEE, REDUCE SEASON,	2007	2007	$0	Water System
10303	MARTIN CREEK CAMPGROUND	CHANGE VOLUNTEER OPERATOR	2009	2009	$0	Possible ATV loop route/partnership with local users
10303	MCCART LOOKOUT	INCREASE EXISTING FEE	2007	2007	$0	
10303	MEDICINE POINT LOOKOUT	INCREASE EXISTING FEE	2007	2007	$0	
10303	SPRING GULCH CAMPGROUND	REDUCE SEASON, REMOVE COST SOURCE,	2006	2006	$0	Water System
10303	SPRING GULCH CAMPGROUND	INCREASE EXISTING FEE	2007	2007	$0	
10303	SPRING GULCH CAMPGROUND	REDUCE MOWED AREA	2007	2007	$4,000	Reduce the mowing area, replant in native low maintenance shrubs/ grasses
10303	TWOGOOD CABIN	INCREASE EXISTING FEE, REDUCE SEASON,	2007	2007	$0	

10303	TWOGOOD CABIN	REPLACE EXISTING FEATURE	2008	2008	$3,000	Volunteer project replace roof
10303	WARM SPRINGS CAMPGROUND	INCREASE EXISTING FEE, REDUCE COST SOURCE	2007	2007	$2,000	Remove old water line to group site, water at upper site only
10304	ALTA CAMPGROUND	INCREASE EXISTING FEE, ELIMINATE GARBAGE REMOVAL, REDUCE SEASON,	2007	2007	$0	.
10304	ALTA CAMPGROUND	CHANGE VOLUNTEER OPERATOR	2009	2009	$0	Good Sams or other local group
10304	ALTA CAMPGROUND 56	UPGRADE EXISTING FEATURE	2007 CIP project	2007 CIP project	$0	Add accessible sites, including paths, tables, and fire rings. CIP project, NEPA complete 2006
10304	BEAVER POINT	REMOVE FACILITIES, CHANGE SITE TO GFA	2010	2010	$6,000	Magruder CIP Harden site
10304	BOULDER POINT LOOKOUT	RECONSTRUCTION OF CABIN	2007	2007	$8,000	Replace catwalk, volunteers
10304	BOULDER POINT LOOKOUT	CHARGE FEE (NEW)	2008	2008	$3,000	
10304	CAYUSE CREEK TRAILHEAD	REMOVE FACILITIES, CHANGE SITE TO GFA	2010	2010	$5,000	Magruder CIP Harden site
10304	DEEP CREEK CAMPGROUND	REMOVE FACILITIES, CHANGE SITE TO GFA	2010	2010	$4,000	Magruder CIP As features deteriorate, remove them and phase site into a dispersed site. Retain restroom to protect the resource. Harden site.
10304	FALES FLAT GROUP CAMPGROUND	REDUCE SEASON	2006	2006	$0	
10304	FALES FLAT GROUP CAMPGROUND 62	INCREASE EXISTING FEE	2007	2007	$0	
10304	FALES FLAT GROUP CAMPGROUND 62	UPGRADE EXISTING FEATURE	2007 CIP project	2007 CIP project	$0	Add accessible sites, including paths, tables, and fire rings. CIP project, NEPA complete 2006
10304	HORSE HEAVEN CABIN	REDUCE GARBAGE SERVICE, REDUCE RESTROOM CLEANING	2006	2006	$0	Intermittent operations (7/15 - 10/15; 12/1 - 2/29)
10304	INDIAN CREEK CAMPGROUND	REMOVE FACILITIES, CHANGE SITE TO GFA	2010	2010	$4,000	Magruder CIP As features deteriorate, remove them and phase site into a dispersed site. Retain restroom to protect the resource.
10304	KIM CREEK SADDLE TRAILHEAD	REMOVE FACILITIES, CHANGE SITE TO GFA	2010	2010	$2,000	Magruder CIP Harden site

10304	LITTLE BOULDER BAY BOAT LAUNCH	REDUCE RESTROOM CLEANING, ELIMINATE GARBAGE REMOVAL,	2006	2006	$0	
10304	LITTLE WEST FORK SNOWMOBILE TRAILHEAD	CHANGE VOLUNTEER OPERATOR	2009	2009	$0	Partner with local users, not designated snowmobile route, wilderness concerns
10304	MAGRUDER CROSSING CAMPGROUND	REMOVE FACILITIES, CHANGE SITE TO GFA	2010	2010	$4,000	Magruder CIP As features deteriorate, remove phase site into a dispersed site. Retain restroom
10304	MAGRUDER RANGER STATION OFFICE 61	CHARGE FEE (NEW)	2008	2008	$8,000	design changes for obligated water distribution system, SST instead of septic system.
10304	MAGRUDER RANGER'S HOUSE	INCREASE EXISTING FEE, REDUCE GARBAGE SERVICE	2007	2007	$0	Intermittent operations (6/1-10/31; 12/1-2/29); Reduce cleaning by Forest Service to monthly, let renters share in cleaning.
10304	MAIN BLUE JOINT TRAILHEAD	REMOVE FACILITIES, CHANGE SITE TO GFA	2007	2007	$2,000	Harden Site – combine with 2007 CIP
10304	NEZ PERCE PASS TRAILHEAD	REDUCE SEASON	2006	2006	$0	
10304	OBSERVATION POINT CAMPGROUND	REMOVE FACILITIES, CHANGE SITE TO GFA REDUCE CLEANING,	2010	2010	$4,000	Magruder CIP As features deteriorate, remove phase site into a dispersed site. Retain restroom to
10304	PARADISE BOAT LAUNCH 80	UPGRADE EXISTING FACILITIES	2010	2010	$150,000	CIP Magruder Corridor project
10304	PARADISE CAMPGROUND	UPGRADE EXISTING FACILITIES	2010	2010	$0	CIP Magruder Corridor project
10304	PARADISE FLAT/WHITE CAP CREEK TRAILHEAD	Decommission glide path, CHANGE SITE TO GFA	2007	2007	$0	AS features deteriorate do not replace, convert GFA. Harden sites
10304	PETE CREEK	REMOVE FACILITIES, CHANGE SITE TO GFA	2010	2010	$2,000	Magruder CIP Harden site
10304	RAVEN CREEK CAMPGROUND	REMOVE FACILITIES, CHANGE SITE TO GFA	2010	2010	$5,000	Magruder CIP As features deteriorate, remove phase site into a dispersed site. Retain restroom to
10304	ROMBO CAMPGROUND	INCREASE EXISTING FEE, INCREASE SEASON	2007	2007	$0	Increase length of season that fees are collected.

10304	SALMON BASE CAMP TRAILHEAD	INCREASE SERVICES, UPGRADE EXISTING FACILITIES	2010	2010	$0	CIP Magruder Corridor project
10304	SAM BILLINGS MEMORIAL CAMPGROUND	CHARGE FEE (NEW)	2007	2007	$2,000	Fee station
10304	SAM BILLINGS MEMORIAL CAMPGROUND 73	UPGRADE EXISTING FEATURE	2007 CIP project	2007 CIP project	$0	Add accessible sites, including paths, tables, and fire rings. CIP project, NEPA complete 2006
10304	SLATE CREEK BAY	ELIMINATE GARBAGE REMOVAL, REDUCE RESTROOM CLEANING	2006	2006	$0	
10304	SLATE CREEK CAMPGROUND	REDUCE RESTROOM CLEANING	2006	2006	$0	
10304	SLATE CREEK CAMPGROUND	CHARGE FEE (NEW)	2007	2007	$2,000	Fee station
10304	SLATE CREEK CAMPGROUND	CHANGE VOLUNTEER OPERATOR	2009	2009	$0	Partnership with Good Sams or local users
10304	WATCHTOWER CREEK TRAILHEAD	REMOVE FACILITIES, CHANGE SITE TO GFA	2010	2010	$2,000	Magruder CIP Harden site
10304	WEST FORK BOAT LAUNCH	REDUCE SEASON	2007	2007	$0	
10304	WEST FORK SITES	NEPA TO DECOMMISSION SITES	2007	2007	$8,000	Magruder CIP, decommission

B. PROGRAMMATIC ACTIONS

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8b. INFO ENTRY: 5-Year Proposed Program of Work - Programmatic Actions

ACTION	LEAD	TIME FRAME
Create a final ranking Tool Update the Ranking Tool to reflect changes proposed during Action Meeting	Mary is lead, with review by Districts rec folks 4/20/06	May 1, 2006
Complete Action Plan and gain RF concurrence Work on finalizing Action Plan sheets: mid-late April		September 1, 2006
Complete Action Plan and gain RF concurrence Complete one page communication plan for RS-FMP to accompany Action Plan.	Dixie Dies lead w/Mary, WO communication plan 5/15/2006	September 1, 2006
Complete Action Plan and gain RF concurrence Develop Fee Proposal for REA/RAC process and link to RS-FMP Actions	Mary is lead, coordinate with RO	September 1, 2006
Implementation of management options Provide public information and adequate signs for sites with reduced services	Mary Laws – lead WO communication plan 5/2006 posters/signs	May 1, 2007
Develop corridor strategy for Selway and Magruder Corridors, including Magruder admin site evaluate sites within corridors to see if there are any efficiencies:	Joe Butsick - Lead, Amber Lewis Engineer. Consider where we can consolidate and/or remove facilities; criteria will primarily consider health and safety and resource protection.	December 1, 2006
Update Forest CIP List based on recommendations from RS FMP	Mary Laws lead	December 1, 2006
Decrease DM by 90% by 2020 (an average of $47,000 per year) Utilize Regional CIP $40,000; CI small projects - $25,000; each year as available	Amber, Mary, & Mary Williams; connect with Forest Budget Team.	Annual in December
Utilize ranking priorities list to decide on closures as necessary throughout planning period	Connect with Forest Budget Team	Annual in December
Develop forest recreation water or wastewater system plan; consider whether system is needed or re-evaluate the distribution system.	Mary Laws and Engineering	December 1, 2008
Update I-Web Update I-Web with decisions made in Ranking Tool	Each District will update I-Web with seasons, services, features, and cost agreed to in spreadsheet 3a of the Ranking Tool.	April 2, 2008
Pursue more aggressively partners for historic structures. Examples: Darby VIC and Gold Creek	Mary Williams lead	April 1, 2008
BITTEROOT SUPERVISOR'S OFFICE DARBY OFFICE STEVENSVILL OFFICE SULA OFFICE WEST FORK OFFICE Remove from I-Web as Dev rec site	Forest office are not considered minor interp	April 2, 2006

5. FOREST SUMMARY

A. THE OBJECTIVES AND PROCESS

The objective of the RFA process is to reduce the current deferred maintenance (DM) by 20% in the next five years and to manage Forest Service facilities to standard with the available funding. Available funding includes appropriated dollars, revenue generated from facility use, contributed labor, or other means that can be documented.

The Action Plan will be reviewed annually, with updates agreed upon by the Forest Leadership team.

Prior to the RFA process;

- Recreation, Buildings and Water/Waste Water modules in IWEB were 20-30% incomplete and/or inaccurate
- Developed recreation sites were operated within our budget, with no particular "focus" in the program
- Estimated FY05 Operation and Maintenance (OM) Costs was $170,000 over budget - Resulting in declining condition of all facilities
- Backlog DM of approximately $1,000,000 in developed recreation alone

After the RFA process:

- Recreation Sites Module in IWEB will be updated and be between 85-95% accurate.
- Recreation program focused on our "Wild Back Yard" Niche; local day use and nearby trails
- Developed recreation program reduced from 80 sites with $170,000 OM cost over budget, to 64 well managed sites with our current budget
- Recommend reducing the development scale at 16 trailheads and small campground, removing features except those needed to protect resources (outhouses in Magruder Corridor).
- We met the first goal of reducing our Deferred Maintenance by 20% by 2010, reducing instead by 43%. After all of the site hardening and removal of features our deferred maintenance backlog will be approximately $600,000.

B. BITTERROOT LEADERSHIP TEAM MANAGEMENT ACTION DIRECTION;

Following are general guidelines for the completion of the management actions as recommended by District Rangers at the Forest leadership Team meeting.

Continued Operation of Developed Recreation Sites to Standards

The Bitterroot will continue to operate to regional standards 64 of the 80 initial developed sites across the forest. A variety of management options have been proposed to enable us to meet this goal. These include:

- Raise fees at all 26 current fee sites, implement new fee at 6 sites
- Reducing cost source, services or season of operation at 33 sites
- Remove features at 16 sites, convert to concentrated use sites in General Forest Area
- Change the operator at 10 sites (volunteer or other operate and maintain)

Water and Waste Water systems

Over the last several years the forest has upgraded or improved all of our 11 developed recreation sites water systems. With changes in regulations in required facilities to charge a recreation fee, and the increased use of bottled water by the public, all developed recreation water systems will be evaluated over the next 5 years.

- Water systems with annual maintenance costs over 20 percent of total receipts, or repair/replacement cost over $5,000 will be considered for decommission or a change in operator.
- Existing Systems: (D1) Charles Waters CG, Larry Creek Group site, (D2) Lake Como (public), (D3) Spring Gulch CG, Warm Springs CG, Indian Trees CG, Martin Creek CG, East Fork Guard Station, (D4) Rombo CG, Alta CG, Magruder Ranger Station.

Review of Fees

Fee changes were proposed on 32 of the 64 sites managed as developed sites. Of the 32 sites, 26 fee increases are proposed (13 campgrounds, 8 cabins and 5 sites at Lake Como HIRA). New fees are proposed at 6 sites: Blodgett, Sam Billings and Crazy Creek Horse Campgrounds; Lost Horse, Magruder Office, Boulder Lookout cabin rentals.

We anticipated fees will changed prior to the summer season of 2007, except for the cabin rentals proposed for 2008. Proposed changes are subject to review by the public with final approval by the Regional Forester, as specified by the Recreation Fee Enhancement Act of 2004 and Regional direction.

Reduce Development Scale

Sixteen developed sites were identified that ranked low for meeting our Forest Recreation niche, had low use and/or high maintenance and/or large deferred maintenance needs, and were beyond our ability to manage to standards based on current budgets.

These sites will continue to be managed, however improvements will be focused on resource protection only. Facilities for user convenience will be removed (fire rings, tables, signs, and services) as they deteriorate. Sites will be hardened as necessary to protect resources.

NO SITES are proposed to be close to the public.

Within three years these sites will be changed in IWEB to lower development scales. The three year time period allows time for public notification and the identification of funding to accomplish this work.

Stevensville Ranger District	Burnt Fork Trailhead	Outhouse removed 2006
Darby Ranger District	Black Bear Campground Centennial Grove Trailhead	Retain SST for resource protection
Sula Ranger District	Jennings Campground	Retain SST for resource protection
West Fork Ranger District Many WF campgrounds are small; 1-4 sites with minimal to no features. These sites are more appropriately managed under GFA setting – resource protection.	Beaver Point Cayuse Creek Trailhead Deep Creek Campground Indian Creek Campground Kim Creek Saddle Trailhead Magruder Crossing Campground Main Blue Joint Trailhead Observation Point Campground Pete Creek picnic Raven Creek Campground Watchtower Creek Trailhead Paradise Flat/White Cap TH	 Retain SST for resource protection Retain SST for resource protection Retain SST for resource protection Retain SST for resource protection Retain SST for resource protection

Contributed or Alternative Workforce Identification

A three year window is identified for finding an alternative workforce or volunteers to contribute to the maintenance or operations of a facility. The alternative workforce must be identified within the Recreation module in I-WEB when their services are secured. If after three years, an alternative workforce for a facility is not secured, the facility will be considered along with other forest facilities the Site Ranking Tool to determine if any further action is needed.

Stevensville Ranger District	Gold Creek Campground Willoughby 40	School group contacted
Darby Ranger District	Coyote Coulee Trailhead Darby Visitor Center	Back Country Horsemen agreement Friends of DVC agreement
Sula Ranger District	Crazy Creek Horse Campground Crazy Creek Trailhead Martin Creek Campground	
West Fork Ranger District	Alta Campground Little West Fork Trailhead Slate Creek Campground	

Improvements

Through the planning process in addition to projects to reduce deferred maintenance, 7 sites were identified for capitol improvements in the next 5 years. These sites will be evaluated along with our deferred maintenance needs for future funding.

Stevensville Ranger District	Bass Creek Recreation Area	Picnic shelter
Darby Ranger District	Lake Como Campground (RV) Lake Como Picnic Area Lake Como/Rock Cr group site Lake Como Boat Launch Schumaker Campground and Twin Lakes Trailhead	Second loop for campground Erosion control, additional tables Convert CG into group site Increase parking capacity Reconstruct campground, add sites along lake