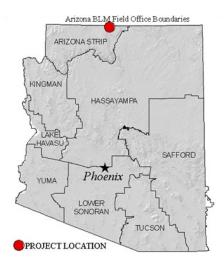
BLM and Equestrian Group Enhance Recreation Site

Popular recreation areas in Arizona such as the Vermilion Cliffs-Paria Canyon Wilderness Area in the Vermilion Cliffs National Monument offer visitors a variety of diverse options from hiking and equestrian trail riding to California condor viewing and unparalleled landscape photography.

Several projects funded through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) have improved visitors' recreational experiences and provided increased opportunities for exploring the nearby national monuments and other features.

Located near the internationally renowned geologic feature known as "the Wave" in Coyote Buttes, the Stateline Campground is often at full capacity. Visitors also stay at the campground to hike the Paria Canyon-Vermilion Cliffs Wilderness area or to use the hiking and equestrian trails provided by the nearby Arizona National Scenic Trail. The campground is co-managed by the BLM's Arizona Strip Field Office and BLM's Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument.



ARRA funds of \$121,000 have enabled the BLM to complete a number of improvement projects in and around the campground, which is on the Arizona-Utah border.



ARRA funded improvements to the popular Stateline Campground

The projects provide much-needed amenities while reducing overflow camping, thereby decreasing associated resource impacts in the remote area. Where there once was only a rustic campsite, there now are four new campsites with fully accessible picnic tables and fire rings, six shade structures with

concrete pads, an accessible vault toilet, 2,500 square feet of compacted, hardened, surface gravel parking areas and 4,700 square feet of compacted, hardened, surface gravel trails to assist with access to campsites, and an overlook.



Volunteers from Backcountry Horsemen of Utah

Increased visitor use has generated increased equestrian use. To help address the needs of equestrians, in November 2009, seven members of the Back Country Horsemen of Utah joined BLM staff to build horse corrals at the campground. The installation of a two-unit, wood pole horse corral with high quality, heavy duty gates also helps to decrease resource impacts at the site.

