



Wayne National Forest Fee Demo Program Fact Sheet

Fee Demo Project Area

The Wayne N.F. manages approximately **282 miles** of OHV (All-terrain vehicles and Off-highway motorcycles only), horse, and mountain bike trails under the Fee Demo program.

* Total of miles available for each trail use type:

- ❖ OHV – 116 miles
- ❖ Horse – 88 miles
- ❖ Mt. Bike – 213 miles

** Due to the multiple-use or “shared” nature of some of the Forest’s trails, the miles of trails available for each trail use type will total higher than the 282 total miles of trails managed.*

2002 Statistics on Permit Sales

- ❖ In 2002 the Wayne National Forest sold over 11,000 permits.

Table 1-1: Fees Collected from Trail Use under the Fee Demo Program (1998-2002)

Wayne N.F. Fee Demonstration Project	Number of Recreation Visits	Fee Demonstration Revenues (100%)	Cost of Fee Collection		Expenditure of Fee Demo Revenues*
			Capital	Operations	
FY-1998	4,000	\$50,200.00	\$0	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
FY-1999	12,000	\$113,800.00	\$0	\$10,000.00	\$40,800.00
FY-2000	30,000	\$136,000.00	\$0	\$24,000.00	\$66,000.00
FY-2001	32,000	\$187,000.00	\$0	\$21,500.00	\$89,900.00
FY-2002	35,000	\$194,000.00	\$0	\$55,900.00	\$122,900.00
TOTAL	113,000	\$681,000.00	\$0	\$116,400.00	\$324,600.00

* Of the 80% retained for on-the-ground work.

Eighty percent of the fees collected are retained by the Forest for use “on the ground”. Fifteen percent is retained by the Forest for administrative costs, such as printing of the permits. Five percent is deposited in a Fee Demo account in the Regional Office to cover program administration costs.

In FY 2003, the Forest has an allocated budget of \$95,000 for “on the ground” trail work. If the Fee Demo collections for this year are similar to FY 2002’s collections, the Forest will collect

\$155,200 for actual “on the ground” work such as that displayed below. **In short, the FD revenues represent 62% of the Forest’s budget available for trail maintenance/reconstruction activities.**

2002 Trail Project Accomplishments:

- ❖ Performed deferred maintenance work (earth work, gravel, brushing, signing) on 47 miles of ATV/Off-highway motorcycle and mountain bike trails and 4 miles of horse trail.
- ❖ Revised and purchased 12,000 OHV trail maps.
- ❖ Purchased and installed trail signs and markers.
- ❖ Executed trail patrol and monitoring.

2001 Trail Project Accomplishments:

- ❖ Performed deferred maintenance work (earth work, gravel, brushing, signing) on 42 miles and relocated 4 miles of OHV trails.
- ❖ Trail maintenance and law enforcement equipment was purchased including:
 - 2 gravel haulers (gators)
 - 2 All-terrain vehicles
 - 1 tractor
- ❖ Designed and purchased 20,000 new OHV trail maps.
- ❖ Executed trail patrol and monitoring.

2000 Trail Project Accomplishments:

- ❖ Purchased pre-cast concrete toilet and placed at OHV trailhead;
- ❖ Rented SWECO trail machine was rented and used to perform heavy maintenance on the OHV trails.
- ❖ Executed trail patrol and monitoring.

1999 Trail Project Accomplishments:

- ❖ Funds helped leverage projects as a match for a “TEA-21” transportation grant to:
 - Construct 8 miles of trails,
 - Expand an off-road vehicle parking area, and
 - For a cost share agreement to use a geographic positioning system (GPS) on forest trails to create quality trail maps.
- ❖ Rented portable restrooms for trailheads.
- ❖ Purchased gravel hauler to maintain trails.
- ❖ Purchased trail signs for the emergency helicopter landing areas along trails.

1998 Trail Project Accomplishments:

The Wayne N.F. initiated its Fee Demo program in FY-1998. The Forest collected fees in 1998 to be able to expend funds in 1999.