# Federal Lands Enhancement Act (FLREA) Entrance Fees



# **Fee Collection Authority**

- Earliest Fee Collection 1908 (Mount Rainier)
- Land and Water Conservation
   Fund Act of 1965
- Recreational Fee Demonstration Program (1998)
- Federal Lands Recreation
   Enhancement Act (FLREA) 2004
  - Expires Oct. 1, 2021





# **Types of Fees**

- Entrance Fees
   Length of Pass Varies
   Mode of Entry
   Special Discounts
- Expanded Amenity

   Camping,
   Boat Launch
   RV Waste Disposal
- Special Recreation Permit
   Picnic Shelter rental
   Off-road vehicle permits



# **Establishing Fees**

### Creating New Fees Area

 Federal Register Notice (6 months prior to implementation)
 & Civic Engagement



#### Changing Rates at Existing Areas

Civic Engagement

## **Grouped Rate Structure**

The park's designation generally determines the category the park belongs:

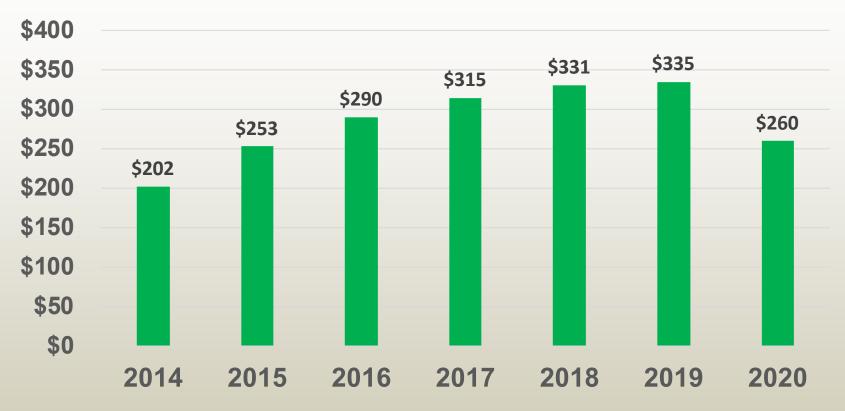
- Group 1: National Historic Sites, National Military Parks, National Battlefields, National Battlefield Parks, National Memorials/Shrines, National Preserves, Parkways
- Group 2: National Seashores, National Recreation Areas,
   National Monuments, National Lakeshores, National Historical Parks
- Group 3: National Parks w/ limited overnight lodging
- Group 4: National Parks w/ Overnight lodging

#### **Entrance Fee Rates**

	Seven-Day Vehicle Pass	Per Person Pass	Motorcycle Pass	Park Specific Annual Pass
Group 1	\$20	\$10	\$15	\$35
Group 2	\$25	\$15	\$20	\$45
Group 3	\$30	\$15	\$25	\$55
Group 4	\$35	\$20	\$30	\$70

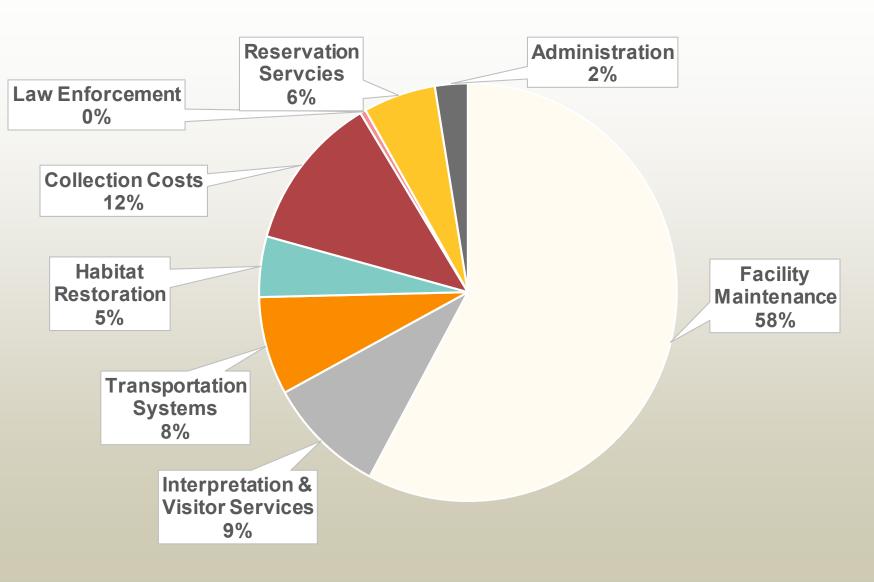
- Currently, 108 parks collect an entrance fee
- A current list of Entrance Fees by Park is available on the NPS.gov website

#### **FLREA Revenue**



- 2014 Moratorium on fee increases was lifted
- 2018 Service wide increase in rates

#### How we use our fees



<sup>\* 2019</sup> Expenditures

#### The Future

- Continue to Evaluate our Fee Model
  - Increase Revenue
  - Decrease cost
- Continue to Improve the Visitor Experience
  - Improve Speed of Transactions
  - Reduce line wait times through new technologies
- Continue to Meet Visitor Expectations
  - Greater emphasis on digital passes
  - Greater emphasis on cashless transactions

# Questions