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BEAR RIVER RC&D YOUTH CAMP

Under a Special Use Permit obtained from the Forest Service in 1980, the Bear River RC&D Council has maintained and operated a high elevation campground area at the summit of Emigration Canyon on the Caribou-Targhee National Forest in Franklin County, Idaho. Located in dense spruce-fir timber, the camp offers a sizable amphitheater and A-frame building for group instruction, as well as a dozen individual camp sites (with culinary water).



This year, the Youth Camp was host to over 400 youth and their families who experienced an outstanding outdoor experience. The camp generated over \$1,500 in user fees during 2008. Also, this year the camp implemented several improvements to upgrade services, including a locking gate to insure user privacy and the building of an informational kiosk. All improvements were made by the council through the hiring of individual contractors and utilizing RC&D staff to do the work.

Future improvements include plans for a timber sale to thin the campground of hazardous fuels and the development of permanent water on the site (water is piped to the campground currently from a USFS well to the east). For more information, or to reserve the camp, call Cami King at 435-753-3871 x20.

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