

Thank you for supporting Colorado Parks & Wildlife!

Your fees support your fun

CPW doesn't receive general tax dollars. We rely on the fees from your licenses, park passes and camping fees and money from Great Outdoors Colorado and the Colorado Lottery to operate our agency.



EXPECT THE UNEXPECTED™



Park fees support:

Over 4000 campsites at our 41 state parks across Colorado. Your dollars fund well-maintained park facilities and trails, ranger and nature programs, and our knowledgeable staff.



Wildlife fees support:

90 million fish are stocked into Colorado waters every year. We support access to 2,000 natural lakes, 800 reservoirs, and 9,500 miles of streams. CPW maintains the habitat and long term health of 10 big game, and over 70 small game species.



To learn more, visit:

cpw.state.co.us/FinancialSustainability



The cost of managing outdoor recreation continues to rise.


CPW Purchases	2005	2015	% Change
Water lease from Elkhead (acre foot)	\$50	\$172	344%
Fish food (lb)	\$0.26	\$0.50	92%
John Deere tractor	\$15,500	\$28,000	81%
kWh electricity	\$0.10	\$0.14	40%
Slender wheatgrass (lb)	\$2.20	\$3.00	36%
22' fisheries work boat	\$14,300	\$17,700	24%
Yamaha outboard motor	\$9,000	\$11,600	29%

Compared to other activities Colorado Residents take part in, outdoor recreation is still a value.

Daily State Parks Vehicle Pass	\$7.00
Rock Climbing Gym Day Pass	\$20.00
Annual Fishing License	\$25.00
Resident Elk Hunting License	\$45.00
Elitch Gardens Day Pass	\$49.99
Concert at Red Rocks	\$50.00
1-Day Ski Lift Ticket	\$150.00

ADMIT ONE

Wildlife and outdoor recreation represent an important part of Colorado's economy and quality of life.

FISHING

\$ 1.9
BILLION DOLLARS

WILDLIFE WATCHING

\$ 2.2
BILLION DOLLARS

STATE PARK RECREATION

\$ 1.0
BILLION DOLLARS

HUNTING

\$ 919
MILLION DOLLARS