

Red Fleet State Park

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ECONOMIC TOOLKIT INFO

- In 2009, 37,222 individuals visited Red Fleet State Park. 2009 Uintah County population was approximately 31,291 according to Governor's Office of Planning and Budget population estimates. So, in 2009, the county, the park, and its staff hosted a number of individuals that equates to slightly more than the county's current population.
- Survey research suggests that a majority of park visitors live outside of the area. Almost 74 percent of survey respondents indicated that they live outside of the county. Approximately 99 percent of survey respondents said they spent money in the county as part of their visit. Respondents said that they spent an average of \$200.87 per group, per visit.
- Division Planners estimate the 37,222 visitors to Red Fleet in 2009 generated approximately \$561,413 in local wages, earnings, rents, and tax revenues within Uintah County.
- As with Steinaker State Park, off highway vehicle (OHV) use is a major recreation activity within the area. In 2008, 4,891 OHVs and 590 snowmobiles were registered within Uintah County. These yield revenues to the county (in the form of payments in lieu of taxes) of about \$134,503 for OHV registrations and \$16,225 for snowmobile registrations for a total of \$150,728. The Division plays a key role in administering programs that provide for safe OHV and snowmobile experiences within the county.
- Through its operations at Red Fleet, the division paid \$2,679 in sales and use taxes and along with Steinaker paid \$2,593 in transient room taxes to Uintah County.
- The Division's Boating Program collects data and information on boating-related activities and opportunities in each county. In 2009, Uintah County had 5 boat dealers, 1 boat/rafting outfitter, and 12 authorized captain/guide/boat crew permittees. The division facilitates economic impacts to the county through the provision of boating opportunities.
- In 2009, the park spent about \$108,000 to maintain and operate the park and to pay for necessary infrastructure.
- Red Fleet State Park provides a number of essential, community-oriented services and frequently partnerships with the county in providing or sharing resources (PROVIDE EXAMPLES – back up for local law enforcement agencies, education programs to schools, wildland fire support, community event staff support, search and rescue availability, etc.)