

Facility Management Makes a Difference

The Facility Management operation accomplished several large and important projects in 2006. The project management and engineering branch provided construction management for the complete reconstruction of the historic Lifeboat Station Marine Railway and Pier, a National Historic Landmark, using Line Item Construction funds for approximately \$1.3 million. The Drakes Beach restroom and wastewater system were upgraded and improved to meet visitor satisfaction and safety regulations. A new water system is in place for both Wildcat and Glen campgrounds and a new well was developed for the Wilkins Ranch.

The Roads branch completed an important road repair project with the entire reconstruction of the unpaved Pine Ridge Road on Ottinger's Hill. They were also responsible for the placement of rock and the ditching on Coast Camp Road, assisted Fire Management by mowing fuel breaks at several locations throughout the park, graded and ditched the entire length of Stewart Trail (9 miles), completed the armoring of parking lot surfaces with rock at Bull Point, Tomales Bay, and Five Brooks Trailheads, repaired the slide on Drakes Beach Road; and placed rock and ditched Sacramento Landing Road. In addition, the Roads branch managed the repair and chip sealing of Chimney Rock Road.

The Trails branch again provided for a successful summer YCC program maintaining over 70 miles of backcountry trails, resulting in 3,840 hours. They provided necessary clearing of Bishop Pine seedlings on Inverness Ridge and Drakes View Trails. The Trails branch also brushed 80 miles of trail and provided campground



landscaping. The Adopt-a-Trail program successfully managed 10 large groups which resulted in 3,381 hours of labor.

The Buildings & Utilities branch completed the remodel of the Bear Valley restroom facility in Fiscal Year 2006. This restroom is a model of sustainable practices and materials and was featured in the NPS Green Voice. B&U managed the removal of the Drakes Beach Café trailer, stabilized and repaired numerous flood-damaged park structures, provided for the complete rehabilitation of a residential water system, installed 12 new electrical transfer switches for emergency services, and completed over 200 work orders

Development of a new well at Wilkins Ranch (left) and sustainably designed Bear Valley Restroom (below)

