

*Experience*

# YOUR OWN BACKYARD

## THE LOST RIVER VALLEYS

### SINGLE TANK OF GAS ADVENTURES

#### *Camping*

If you like to camp you will enjoy visiting the Lost River Valleys. The Salmon-Challis National Forest surrounds the town of Mackay, and offers many beautiful places to camp. Antelope Valley, Sawmill Canyon, Wildhorse, Copper Basin, and Pass Creek are some of the local favorites. Near the city of Arco is the Craters of the Moon National Monument and Preserve. The Monument also offers camping opportunities, as well as a chance to see some stunning lava formations and ice caves. Most of these campgrounds are quite affordable, with a daily fee of less than \$10.00. However, they offer few amenities, and campers should be prepared to “rough it”.

If a few more accommodations are what you prefer, the Joe T. Fallini campground at the Mackay Reservoir or the many private RV parks in both Mackay and Arco are available for RV and tent campers. The City of Mackay also offers free camping at the Tourist Park when not reserved by a large group.

From any of these camping areas you will be able to take advantage of the wide variety of activities such as hiking, biking, fishing, off-road riding, golfing, hunting, sight seeing, and soaring sports that the Lost River Valleys have to offer.

More information can be found at the following websites.

[www.fs.fed.us/r4/sc/](http://www.fs.fed.us/r4/sc/)

[www.nps.gov/crmo/](http://www.nps.gov/crmo/)

[www.blm.gov/id/st/en/fo/challis.html](http://www.blm.gov/id/st/en/fo/challis.html)

Maps and more information on the many recreational opportunities in the Lost River Valleys can be found at the following websites.

[www.mackayidaho.com](http://www.mackayidaho.com) · [www.cityarco.com](http://www.cityarco.com)

You may also contact the Lost Rivers Tourism Council at  
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