

12. If you never arrived at or were displaced from your planned ultimate destination of choice, please check the reason(s) why.
- ☐ Distance was too great from start or from previous destination
- ☐ Weather was too severe
- ☐ Too many other visitors: Please underline which type of user displaced you
Shore-User, Water-User, Air-User, Unknown.
- ☐ Too much noise
- ☐ Other _____
13. If you did not go to your planned ultimate destination, please state the area you did go: _____

14. Please indicate what choice the alternate destination was:
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| _____ First choice | _____ Second choice | _____ Third choice (or less) |
| _____ Just happened to arrive at this place | _____ Had no choice | |
| _____ Other _____ | | |

15. Please rate the following elements for the type of experience(s) you sought in the area visited

Experience	How important was this objective?					How well were you able to attain it?				
						Not at All				Completely
	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
Experience solitude	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
Observe wildlife	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
Fish	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
Hunt	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
Experience something new	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
Experience challenge and adventure	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
Be in a wild undeveloped place	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
Enjoy natural beauty	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
Spend time with family and friends	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
See cultural sites	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5

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RECREATIONAL USER EXPERIENCE

Prince William Sound

Thank you for taking the time to fill out this trip report! The Chugach National Forest and the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill (EVOS) Trustee Council is gathering information about recreation use in Prince William Sound (PWS). In 1989, the Exxon Valdez oil spill released over 11 million gallons of crude oil into parts of PWS. One of the effects due to the oil spill was a decrease in recreation and tourism to PWS. This study is part of a research project investigating if recreation has recovered in the area, how people travel through this unique, remote landscape, and any potential conflict with other users.

This form contains several questions that we would like you to answer during your trip, and a map of PWS. Please record your trip on the map on the inside fold of this survey. Try to fill out the map completely and answer all of the questions. The quality of the project depends on your completed trip report.

Please return this Trip Report in the self-addressed, stamped envelope when completed, or drop it off at the Glacier Ranger Station in Girdwood or Cordova Ranger Station in Cordova. Thank you for your participation! Your participation is voluntary and your responses will be held strictly confidential.

1. Are you a resident of Alaska? _____ Yes _____ No
2. What was the start date _____ and end date _____ of this trip in PWS? Number of people in party _____
3. How frequently do you visit PWS?
_____ Never before _____ Once a year
_____ Once every few years _____ Two or more times a year
4. On average, how many days during one trip do you spend in PWS?
_____ 1 day _____ 2-3 days _____ 4-5 days _____ 6+ days
5. What was your point of entry into PWS on this trip?
_____ Whittier _____ Valdez
_____ Cordova _____ Other (please specify) _____
6. What is your primary mode of recreation travel in PWS on this trip?
_____ Float plane/helicopter _____ Smaller motorized boat
_____ Kayak _____ Inflatable
_____ Cruise ship _____ Tour boat
_____ Sailboat _____ Motor yacht

7. Did you use a transporter for your recreational activity? (Boat shuttle or airplane?)
 Yes _____ Name of transport service _____
 No _____
8. Did you use the services of an outfitter/guide?
 Yes _____ Name of outfitter/guide service _____
 No _____

9. What was your primary recreational activity in PWS? Please also identify activities that you participated in during your trip

Primary Activity (√ one)	Participated (√ all that apply)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Sightseeing
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Wildlife viewing
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> General boating
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Overnight mooring/anchorage
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Kayaking
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Primitive camping
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Hunting / Subsistence hunting (Please underline which)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Fishing / Subsistence fishing (Please underline which)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Hiking/backpacking
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Overnight stay in cabin
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Picnicking / family gathering / berry picking
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Visiting historic or prehistoric sites

10. To enjoy your primary recreational activity, where was your **planned ultimate destination**?

11. Please describe the characteristics of this *planned* ultimate destination that made it appealing to you (e.g. good fishing/hunting, solitude, good wildlife viewing, etc)

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Again, thank you for your participation. Your efforts will help improve the management of Prince William Sound.

Additional Comments regarding your trip (may be continued on back):

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|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Easy access to the shoreline |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Quiet and serene |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Surrounded by trees |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Scenic view |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Secluded area |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Water source nearby |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Flat ground for a tent |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Good anchorage |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Fishing/hunting nearby |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Other (list) |

26. If you typically opt to relocate to a site that has similar qualities as your favorite place, please identify what those qualities are. (Check all that apply)

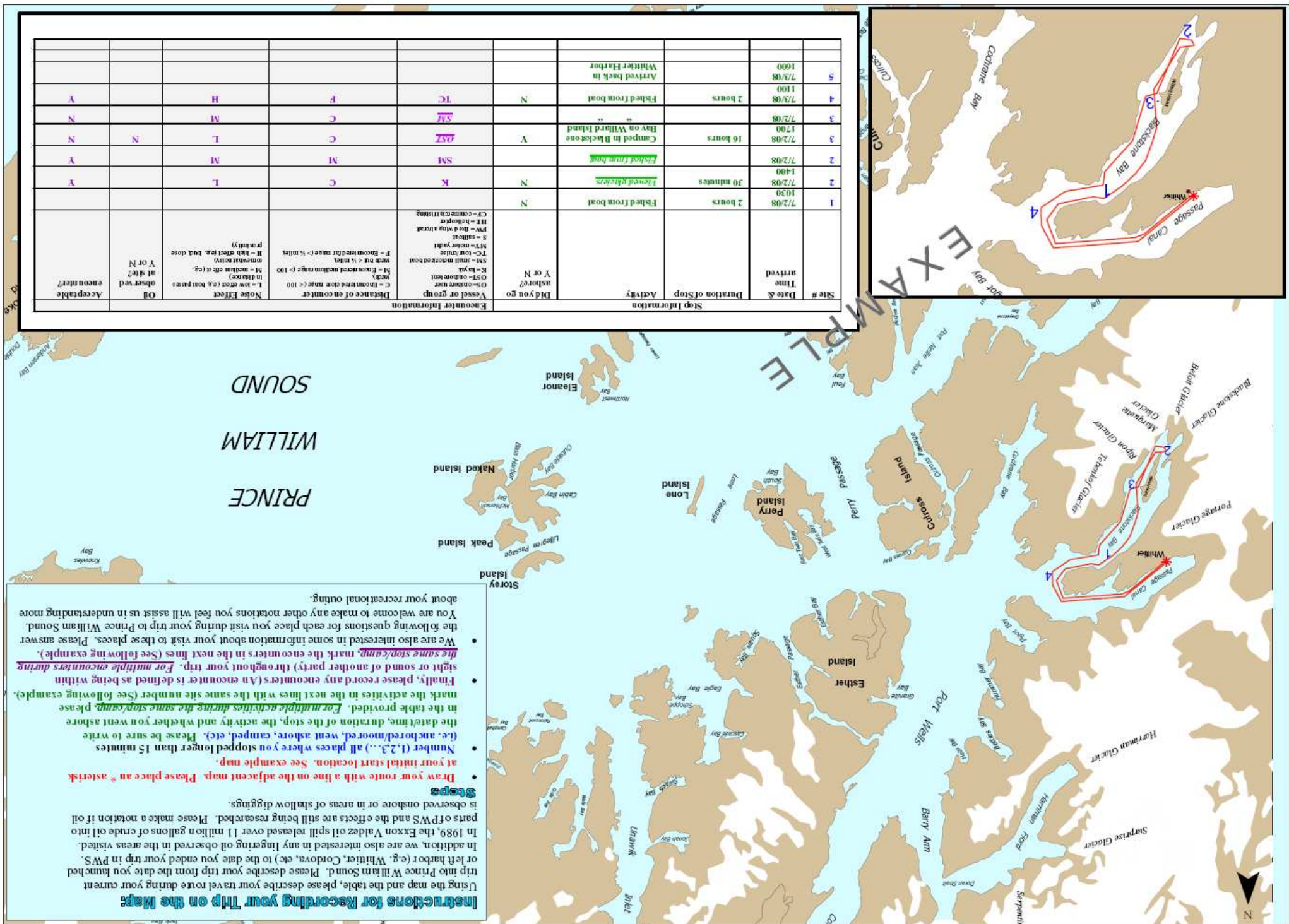
- (Check all that apply)
- | | |
|--------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Is the next available location |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Has more amenities than the site you relocated from |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Has less amenities than the site you relocated from |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Is within a reasonable distance to travel to |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Can accommodate your group size |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Has similar qualities as your favorite place |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Other (list) |

225. If you typically choose to relocate, you would select a place that: (Amenities are defined as "site qualities" e.g., freshwater source, hiking opportunities, etc.)
- ☐ Do nothing and stay in this location anyway
- ☐ Relocate to another location
- ☐ Leave and return to your point of origin
- ☐ Other (list) _____

24. If you typically arrive at a preferred destination and you find it more crowded than you like, you would:
Please also check if you did so on **this** trip

[illegible]

23. In 1898, the Exxon Valdez oil spill released over 11 million gallons of crude oil into parts of PWS. On areas that you went ashore, if you noticed any lingering oil on the shoreline surfscum, or in areas of shallow diggings, did it affect your decision to stay at the location? Yes _____ No _____



22. Are there any management actions you would suggest to improve your future visits to this area? (e.g. hardened campsites, number of visitors limited in certain areas, etc)

20. Please explain or clarify any type of negative encounter you experienced due to **other users** (e.g. group too noisy, camped/anchored too close, etc)

- Next time I will visit this area when less likely to encounter others.

19. If you were adversely impacted by encounters with **other users**, how did it affect you?
- I was somewhat impacted, but it will not affect my future decisions.

18. Would you go to the actual area you visited again? Yes _____ No _____ If not, why? _____

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|-------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---------------------------|
| Much less than expected | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Much better than expected |
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17. Overall, how would you rate your satisfaction with this trip? (Circle one)
- | | |
|------------------------|-------|
| Not enough time | _____ |
| Weather | _____ |
| Noise | _____ |
| Too many people | _____ |
| Other | _____ |
| Lack of amenities | _____ |
| No available campsites | _____ |
| Too many boats | _____ |
| Too many planes | _____ |

- defined as "site qualities" e.g. freshwater source, hiking opportunities, wildlife viewing, etc.)