

For the purposes of this review and submission the justifications for each question or section of questions is highlighted in a shaded text box above each question. These text boxes will not be printed on the final version of the surveys. The Topic Areas noted are consistent with the currently approved pool questions for the NPS Programmatic Review Process (1024-0224). The questions that are slight variations are denoted as such. Any questions that are outside the general scope of the programmatic review process have been carefully discussed and generally approved by the NPS Information Collection Review Coordinator with understanding that those questions will require further review and consideration by OMB before full determination and approval can be granted.

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INTERVIEWER NAME _____

LOCATION: ___ Snake Bight Pole and Troll Zone

DATE: _____ TIME: _____

Everglades National Park Snake Bight Pole and Troll Zone Survey

Did you fish inside the Snake Bight Pole and Troll Zone during this visit?

Yes

No → go to EVER Angler Survey

Don't know - The interviewer will provide anglers a map that shows different areas of the park. Interviewer will note whether the anglers fished in the Snake Bight Pole and Troll Zone

Would you like to participate in our survey?

If **YES** → Begin with question #1.

If **NO** → Would you be willing to answer three quick questions

If **YES** → go to Non-respondent survey questions in the box below

1) How many hours were you recreating on the water today? # hours _____

2) How many people did you have onboard your vessel? # People _____

3) Where is your primary resident? Primary Residence _____

If **NO** → END CONTACT. Thank you for your time. Have a good day.

SECTION 1

TOPIC AREA 1 - AGE2

1. Were you born before 1995?
 - No → END CONTACT (proceed to next person in group). The next person in the group will be the oldest individual on board the vessel. Interviewer will ask what the birth year of the remaining individuals is and select the individual with the lowest birth year.
 - Yes – are you willing to participate in this study?

TOPIC AREA 3 - TRIPC8

2. How many hours were you recreating on the water today? _____
 - Don't know
 - Refused to respond
3. How many people did you have onboard your vessel? _____
 - Refused to respond

TOPIC AREA 1 - RES1

4. Where is your primary residence?
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Country (if not U.S.) _____
 - Refused to respond

TOPIC AREA 3: ACT 2 and ACT10

5. Were you fishing in Everglades National Park today?
 - Yes
 - Are you fishing with an EVER permitted guide?
 - Yes -→ [the interviewer will END CONTACT and will not collect any additional information. Select the next boating/angling party to interview. Thank the visitor for their time].
 - No → END CONTACT. Thank you for your time. Have a good day.
 - Don't know → Show the respondent a park map which shows its boundary and allow them to point to where they fished. If they can determine that they were fishing in the park continue to next question #6 below. [If interviewer cannot determine if the respondent was fishing in the park, the interviewer will END CONTACT and thank the visitor for their time].
 - Refused to respond

TOPIC AREA 3: ACT 3: variation - this question is needed to provide an estimation of fish caught and harvested in EVER. This will help managers assess the need to implement a fish management plan. The time needed to measure the fish has been averaged based on previous experiences and is accounted for in the total burden for this collection.

10) May I measure the fish that you harvested? This will help the park in determining age classes for each species.

- YES → Interviewer will record the length of each individual fish, and then go to Section 2 below.
- NO → Go directly to Section 2 below.
- NO HARVESTED FISH → Section 2 below.

SECTION 2

TOPIC AREA 3

11) Will you tell me about your fishing experience in the Snake Bight Pole and Troll Zone today?

- No → go to question #14 below.
- YES
 - Did you fish in the area before it was a designated Snake Bight Pole and Troll Zone?
 - Yes → If "YES," continue to question #12.
 - No → go to question #14
 - Don't know
 - Refused to respond
 - Don't remember

TOPIC AREA 6

12) Do you believe the fishing has improved since the zone's implementation?

- Yes
- No
- No Opinion
- Opinion did not change

TOPIC AREA 6

13) Was your overall fishing experience enhanced within the Snake Bight Pole and Troll Zone?

Yes - Why? _____

No - Why not? _____

Topic Area 7 - Individual Opinions on Park Management

14) If you were a park manager, what aspects of the Snake Bight Pole and Troll Zone would you change?

- Size
- Add other Snake Bight Pole and Troll Areas
- Depth
- Eliminate Snake Bight Pole and Troll Zone
- No Opinion
- Other

END CONTACT. Thank you for your time. Have a good day.

Paperwork Reduction Act Statement: The National Park Service is authorized by 16 U.S.C. 1a-7 to collect this information. This information will be used by park managers to better understand and define the population status of the Park’s target gamefish, and to identify visitor experiences in the newly designated “Snake Bight Pole and Troll Zone” in the Snake Bight area of Florida Bay. Your response to this request is voluntary. The data collected will be completely anonymous and there will be no way to connect your responses back to you as an individual. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

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