

# EcoHelpers Post-Visit Student Survey

Teacher \_\_\_\_\_  
School \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Dear Student,

Thank you for taking the time to answer these questions about your most recent experiences at Santa Mountains National Recreation Area. We would like to get your feedback about the EcoHelpers program and your field trip experience. This should take about 20 minutes to complete. **If you did not attend the field trip please do not complete the survey.**

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree or Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
I enjoyed the EcoHelpers field trip.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I like the way the Rangers presented the program.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
This program has helped me better understand concepts of nature I learned in school.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I have developed a better sense of “ecology,” (the connections between plants and animals, and how food chains and food webs work) because of this program.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I have gained a better understanding of how restoration improves the ecosystem.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The field trip has made me want to learn more about natural science (wildlife, plants, ecology).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The field trip has made me want to do more hiking and/or other outdoor activities in natural areas.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I have more interest now in nature and ecology than I did before the EcoHelpers field trip.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I am now more interested in visiting natural areas like parks and beaches for recreation and fun.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree or Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
I want to visit and explore national parks with my family/friends.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I would like to visit another park in the Santa Monica Mountains.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I would recommend this place to my friends and family.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I understand why we should protect national parks.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I want to volunteer at national parks.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I would be interested in working for the National Park Service.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Please rate the following EcoHelpers field trip activities.**

(Mark N/A if you did not participate in the activity)

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	N/A
1. Planting activity.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
2. Nature hike.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
3. Lesson and table exercises.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
4. Nature/wilderness aspect.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
5. Park Ranger presentations.	<input type="checkbox"/>				

## EcoHelpers Content Questions

**Please select true or false for each of the statements below (Circle T for True and F for False)**

T / F Restoring natural habitat improves food and shelter for wildlife.

T / F Small animals are at the base of all food chains.

T / F Individual people can take action to reduce greenhouse gases that cause global warming.

T / F Non-native, invasive plants may outcompete native plants, causing an imbalance of species and low biodiversity.

T / F Invasive weeds always provide good food and shelter for wildlife.

**Check all statements below that you believe are true.**

We can help slow the rate of climate change by:

- Recycling
- Using less electricity
- Burning more gasoline
- Riding bikes
- Carpooling

Which of these may contribute to the loss of biodiversity?

- Climate change / global warming
- Restoration projects
- Invasive plants and animals

## **EcoHelpers Program Feedback**

1. What did you like best about the EcoHelpers field trip?
2. What did you like least about the EcoHelpers field trip?
3. What would you change in the EcoHelpers field trip?
4. What do you remember most about your field trip?
5. Where do you plan to go or where would you like to go on vacation?

## Now tell us a little about yourself:

1. Are you male or female?

Male  Female

2. How old are you?

- 15 years old (or younger than 15)
- 16 years old
- 17 years old
- 18 years old (or older than 18)

3. What grade are you in?

- 9<sup>th</sup>
- 10<sup>th</sup>
- 11<sup>th</sup>
- 12<sup>th</sup>

Are you Hispanic or Latino?

Yes  No

4. Please select your race (check as many as apply):

- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Asian
- Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
- Black or African American
- White

5. My first language is English.

Yes

No – please indicate your first language: \_\_\_\_\_

6. My English language reading and writing skills are:

- Very Good
- Good
- Average
- Below Average

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