

Note to the Reviewer: The text in the shaded boxes below will not be included in the survey (the visitors will not read this as a part of the survey process). This text is used to annotate the questions in response to Part A question 2 of the PRA Supporting Statement. The text boxes will be removed and will not be printed on the final version of the approved questionnaire.

NPS Study of Value of Natural Sounds: A Pilot Study

On-site Visitor Survey - Computer Tablet Version Debriefing Interview

OMB Control Number 1024-0XXX
Expiration Date: XX/XX/XXXX

Interviewer: After respondent has completed survey, record response as well as any issues you observed while respondent was taking the survey.

The main purpose of this debriefing interview is to gather feedback on the use of the tablet computer to conduct the survey of visitors on-site at the park and the use of headphones to play the audio clips used to describe the sound conditions. The feedback will be targeted to ease of use of the computer and the use of the headphones.

This debriefing interview will be conducted after a respondent has completed the audio clip version of the visitor survey using a tablet computer.

The potential respondent universe is all visitors to the park during the days that debriefing interviewing is conducted. Respondents will be approached at a highly visited but low noise site in the park (external noise would interfere with the sound clips being used). Respondents will be approached randomly throughout the day. A new respondent will be recruited shortly after the previous respondent interview is concluded. In total, 16 respondents will be interviewed.

The final form (and quantity) of the valuation exercises in the survey instrument will not be determined until the focus groups are held and the method of describing sound conditions is chosen.

This question will be used to adjust the programming or computer settings if necessary.

Q.1 Did you have any trouble using the computer to complete the survey?

This question will be used to adjust the audio equipment if necessary.

Q.2 Did you have any trouble with the equipment for listening to the audio clips?

This question will be used to clarify the questionnaire if necessary.

Q.3 Was anything confusing or not well explained?

This question will be used to add additional response categories to questions if necessary.

Q.4 Were there any questions that you were not sure how to answer? Or was the answer you would have given not an available option?

This question will be used to improve data completion rates for the final survey.

Q.5 **If the respondent skipped any questions:** I noticed you skipped Q. ____ - would you please explain why?

This question will be used to improve the introductory text if necessary.

Q.6 Did you read all the instructions for how to complete the choice exercises with the sound clips?

- a. If **NO**: Could you explain why?
- b. If **YES**: Was the text useful in helping you answer the following choice exercises? Explain why or why not.

This question will be used to clarify the choice exercises if necessary.

Q.7 Let's review the questions that asked you to choose between different trips. Did you understand the information presented and what you were being asked to do? If not, what can we do to clarify those questions?

This question will be used to discover if any of the questions if necessary.

Q.8 Are you confident in your answers? Why or why not?

This question will be used to improve the CV follow up question aimed at identifying protest zeroes.

Q.9 **If the respondent answered \$0 to the CV question (Q.18), and follow-up question is not clear:** Could you please tell me why your answered \$0 in Q.18?

This question will tell us if we should consider shortening the survey.

Q.10 What did you think of the survey length (just the survey, not this interview)?

- It was too long
- It was too short
- It was an acceptable amount of time to spend taking the survey

This question will be used to elicit more feedback on the survey that could improve it.

Q.11 Do you have any final comments about the survey or anything that we should do to improve it?

The Paperwork Reduction Act statement will be available upon request.

Q.1 **PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT STATEMENT:** *The National Park Service is authorized by 6 U.S.C. 1a-7 to collect this information. This information will be used by park managers to understand visitor perceptions of sound in [insert park name]. Response to this request is voluntary. No action may be taken against you for refusing to supply the information requested. The permanent data connected with this collection will be anonymous. Please do not put your name or that of any member of your household on the questionnaire. 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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Q.3 **BURDEN ESTIMATE:** *The public reporting for this collection is estimated to be 40 minutes per respondent. This includes the time to complete the questionnaire and to participate in the follow-up interview process. Direct comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this form to: Catherine Taylor, Volpe National Transportation Systems Center, 55 Broadway, Cambridge, MA 02142, catherine.taylor@dot.gov (email).*