

OPTIONAL ETHNICITY QUESTIONNAIRE

The USDA Forest Service is gathering the following information to include in an annual report to Congress and we would appreciate your assistance. Providing this information is strictly voluntary, and your privacy is protected.

This information is used to determine if our public/program outreach efforts are reaching all segments of the population, consistent with Federal equal opportunity laws.

1. Were you provided with helpful information about USDA Forest Service program opportunities?
 Yes No
2. Did you receive the information you were seeking, and in the preferred language?
 Yes No If No, which language is preferred? _____
3. Were procedures for applying and receiving services from the USDA Forest Service described clearly and simply?
 Yes No
4. Ethnicity (select one):
 Hispanic or Latino - a person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race
 Not Hispanic or Latino
5. Race (select all that apply):
 American Indian or Alaska Native - a person having origins in any of the original peoples of North or South America (including Central America), and who maintains tribal affiliation or community attachment.
 Asian - a person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent, including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, or Vietnam.
 Black or African American - a person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa.
 Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander - a person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific islands.
 White - a person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa.
6. Do you have a disability?
 Yes
 No

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