

Interviewer Introductory Script (for conferences/meetings)

Good morning [/afternoon]. My name is (first and last name), and I am conducting a study for the Alaska Federal Land Management Agencies to learn about users' transportation experiences on Federal public lands. We will use this information to better understand the types of transportation improvements needed on Federal public lands.

Your participation is voluntary and all responses are anonymous. Would you be willing to take 10 minutes to help?

IF NO: Thank you. I understand. Enjoy the conference.

IF YES: "Thank you! You can take the survey using this tablet computer, or if you prefer, we also have a paper version of the survey."

Federal Lands Transportation Survey: Alaska Residents

*This survey is about your transportation experiences on Federal public lands in Alaska. Examples of Federal public lands include National Parks, National Forests, National Recreation Areas, and National Wildlife Refuges. When we use the term "**public lands**," we are also referring to the roads, trails, rivers, and lakes on those lands.*

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1. (TDEST13) We would like to get an idea of the trips you take to or through Alaska Federal public lands (including National Parks, National Forests, Wildlife Refuges, National Conservation Areas, and Wild and Scenic Rivers). Using the map on this tablet computer and the stylus pen, please draw the routes you use for trips to or through Federal public lands. Please include all roads, trails, waterways, and aircraft landings that you use. **[HAND RESPONDENT LAPTOP; HELP THEM ZOOM IN AND OUT OF DIFFERENT REGIONS, AS NECESSARY]**. For each route, we will ask you which season you use it, the purpose of your travel, the form of transportation used, and any transportation or safety concerns.

MAP ON TABLET – CAN ZOOM INTO
DIFFERENT REGIONS OF THE STATE

[After first route is drawn, pop-up boxes for a, b, c and d appear]:

- a. [VHIS8] Do you use this route in:

- Winter
- Summer/Fall
- Year round

- b. [VHIS20] In general, how often do you use this route?

- Daily
- Weekly
- Monthly
- Only specific times during the [season/year]

- c. (TPURP8) What is the purpose of your travel on this route? *Check all that apply.*

- Subsistence
 - Gathering
 - Hunting
 - Fishing
- Travel to native allotment/in-holding
- Cultural activities
- Social (e.g., visit friends, family activities)
- Shopping
- Medical
- Recreation
- Employment
- Other (please specify: _____)

d. (TRANUSE7) Please indicate which of the following forms of transportation you use on this route. *Check all that apply.*

- Private vehicle (car, truck)
- All terrain vehicle (ATV)
- Foot
- Motorized boat
- Non-motorized boat (canoe, kayak, etc.)
- Alaska Marine Ferry System
- Snowmachine
- Dog sled
- Cross country skis, snowshoes
- Aircraft
- Other (please specify: _____)

[USING MAP ON SCREEN:]

2. (EVAL5) What transportation-related issues or problems have you faced when traveling on or through Federal public lands in Alaska? Please mark the approximate spot of the problem with an "X" on the map.

[FOR EACH "X" A POP WINDOW ASKS:] What was the transportation related issue or problem?

- Poor road conditions
- Poor trail markings
- Thin/changing ice
- Impassable trails/roads
- Changing water conditions
- Shore/bank erosion
- Other (please specify: _____)

[USING MAP ON SCREEN:]

3. (SAFE8/SAFE9) Please mark with an "X" the location of any transportation-related accidents, incidents, or safety concerns (e.g., concern about potential injury) you have experienced on Federal public lands.

[FOR EACH "X"]

- a. Please briefly describe what happened _____
- b. **[IF AN ACCIDENT OT INCIDENT]:** Did you report the accident or incident?
___ Yes
___ No
- c. **[IF YES]** To whom? _____

Now we'd like to ask you a few general questions about your use of travel information when traveling to or through Alaska federal public lands.

4. (TINFO4) In the past year, which of the following sources of travel information have you used before making a trip on Alaska Federal public lands? *Check all that apply.*
 For each source used, how helpful was that source of information? *Check one response for each source used.*

	Used	Not at all helpful	Slightly helpful	Moderately helpful	Very helpful
Federal or State websites					
Other websites					
Social media (e.g., Facebook, Twitter, etc.)					
Maps (e.g., Motor Vehicle Use Maps for National Forests)					
Brochures or pamphlets					
Radio/TV broadcasts					
Word of mouth (e.g., friends or relatives)					
Previous visits					
Other (Please specify)					

5. (TINFO25) When on Alaska Federal public lands, do you carry any of the following electronic devices with you? *Please check one response for each item.*

For each electronic device that you carry on Alaska Federal public lands, do you use it to obtain transportation or travel related information (e.g., directions, location of trails, etc.?)

	<u>Carry</u>		<u>Use for travel Information</u>	
	Yes	No	Yes	No
Smartphone (e.g., iPhone, Android)	___	___	___	___
Cell phone (not web-enabled)	___	___	___	___
Satellite phone	___	___	___	___
Global Positioning System (GPS)	___	___	___	___
Marine/Aircraft Radio (2-way radio)	___	___	___	___
CB Radio	___	___	___	___
Emergency location transmitter	___	___	___	___
Other portable electronic device (please specify: _____)	___	___	___	___

6. (TINFO5) Is there any type of travel information about Alaska Federal public lands that you have searched for but that you were unable to find?

Yes → What type of information was that? _____
 No

7. (TACT14/15) Have you participated in a Federal or State subsistence hunt in the past 12 months?
(Check all that apply)

Yes, Federal subsistence hunt
 Yes, State subsistence hunt
 No
 Not sure

8. (TACT16/17) Have you participated in a Federal or State subsistence fishery in the past 12 months?
(Check all that apply)

Yes, Federal subsistence fishery
 Yes, State subsistence fishery
 No
 Not sure

9. (OPIN7) Please indicate whether you would you like to see more of, the same, or less of each of the following facilities on Alaska Federal public lands. *For each item, please check one response.*

	Less	Same	More	No Opinion
Trails for hiking, biking, or horseback riding				
Trails for all-terrain vehicles or snowmachines				
Roads for passenger vehicles				
Primitive roads (e.g., high clearance roads)				
Campgrounds				
Signs that include directions or wayfinding information				
Safety cabins				
Remote airstrips				
Boat launches, moorings and docks				
Accessible friendly (e.g., for wheelchairs) sites and facilities				
Trail Markers				
Other (please specify: _____)				
Other (please specify: _____)				

10. (EVAL6) Do you have any suggestions for how travel or transportation could be improved on Federal public lands in Alaska?

Now we have just a few additional questions.

11. (GEN2) Are you:

Male

Female

12. (AGE1) What is your age?

18-24 years

25-44 years

45-64 years

65 +

13. (RES6) In which village or town do you live? _____

14. (RES6) What is your zip code? _____

15. (RACE2) What is your race? *Please check one or more.*

American Indian or Alaska Native

Asian

Black or African American

White

Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander

Other

16. (EDU1) Please indicate the highest level of education you have completed. *Please check one response.*

Less than high school

High school graduate/GED

Vocational or Technical school certificate

Some college

Associates degree

Bachelor's degree

Graduate degree or professional degree (MA, MS, PhD, MD, JD, MBA, etc.)

17. (INC1) Which category best represents your annual household income (before taxes) last year? *Please check one response.*

Less than \$24,999

\$25,000-\$34,999

\$35,000-\$49,999

\$50,000-\$74,999

\$75,000-\$99,999

\$100,000-\$149,999

\$150,000 +

Do not wish to answer

Thank you very much for participating in this survey. We sincerely appreciate your time.