

Rocky Mountain National Park Backcountry Visitor Post-Experience Survey 2017

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Topic Area 1: GROUP5

1) How many people are in your group including you? _____

Topic Area 1: RES2

2) Are you a permanent resident or citizen of the United States?

Yes - What is your zip code? _____

No - What is your country of origin? _____

Topic Area 4: VISHIS7

3) Have you visited Rocky Mountain National Park before today?

Yes

No

If **YES**, approximately how many times have you visited Rocky Mountain National Park? _____

4) Have you visited **this trail** within Rocky Mountain National Park before today?

Yes

No

If **YES**, approximately how many times have you visited **this trail**? _____



Reference map

Topic Area 5: PART23

9) Are there specific circumstances that would cause you to:

Participate in your primary activity elsewhere in Rocky Mountain National Park: _____

Participate in your primary activity outside Rocky Mountain National Park: _____

Participate in a different activity: _____

10) Imagine that during your next trip to this location you discovered that it was slightly more crowded with **other visitors** than you normally find acceptable. What would you do? (Select one)

- I would make an exception and still participate in my primary activity in this area.
- I would still participate in my primary activity, but elsewhere in Rocky Mountain National Park.
- I would still participate in my primary activity, but outside Rocky Mountain National Park.
- I would temporarily participate in a different activity in Rocky Mountain National Park.
- I would temporarily participate in a different activity, but outside Rocky Mountain National Park.

Topic Area 6: CROWD3

11) How did the number of people you saw at this location compare with what you expected? (Select one)

- A lot less than what you expected
- A little less than what you expected
- About what you expected
- A little more than what you expected
- A lot more than what you expected
- You did not have any expectations

Topic Area 1: AGE1

12) What is your age? _____

Topic Area 1: EDUC1

13) What is the highest level of formal education you have completed? (Select one)

- Less than high school
- Some high school
- High school graduate
- Vocational/trade school certificate
- Some college
- Two-year college degree
- Four-year college degree [or Bachelor's degree]
- Master's Degree [or Graduate degree]
- Ph.D., M.D., J.D., or equivalent

Topic Area 1: GEND1

14) What is your sex?

- Male
- Female

Topic Area 1: RACE/ETH2

15) Which of these categories best indicates your race? (Select all that apply)

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

Topic Area 1: RACE/ETH1

16) Are you Hispanic or Latino/a?

Yes

No

Topic Area 10: ECON12

17) Which category best represents your annual household income? (Select one)

Less than \$25,000

\$75,000 to \$99,999

\$25,000 to \$34,999

\$100,000 to \$149,999

\$35,000 to \$49,999

\$150,000 to \$199,999

\$50,000 to \$74,999

\$200,000 or more

Topic Area 5: RecEXP 12

18) Below is a list of possible experiences you may want to have while participating in your primary activity in Rocky Mountain National Park.

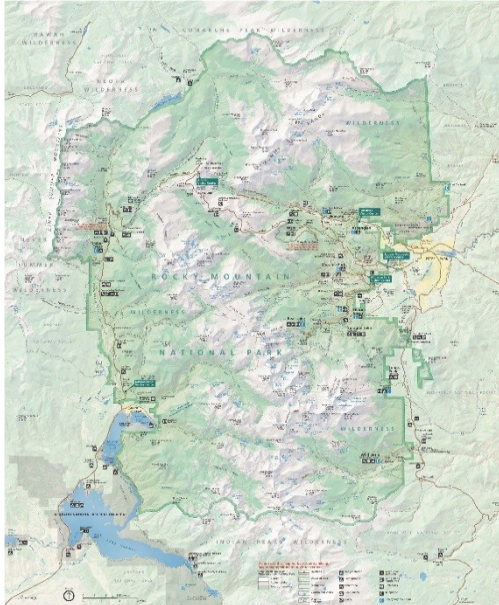
For each item, please **indicate how important the experience is to you.**

Experience	Not at all	Slightly Important	Moderately Important	Very Important	Extremely Important
To foster a connection with others in your group	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
To experience a sense of connection with nature	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
To view mountains	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
To experience new and different things	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
To experience solitude	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
To share this place with family/friends	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
To view alpine and sub-alpine lakes and streams	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
To experience excitement	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
To be alone	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
For family recreation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
To be outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
To be a beautiful place	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
To have an adventure	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
To be away from crowds of people	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

19) For each of the following experiences, **draw a circle on the map provided around location where you would go to have that experience**. If you would have to leave Rocky Mountain National Park to have that experience, leave the map blank.

Where would you go to:

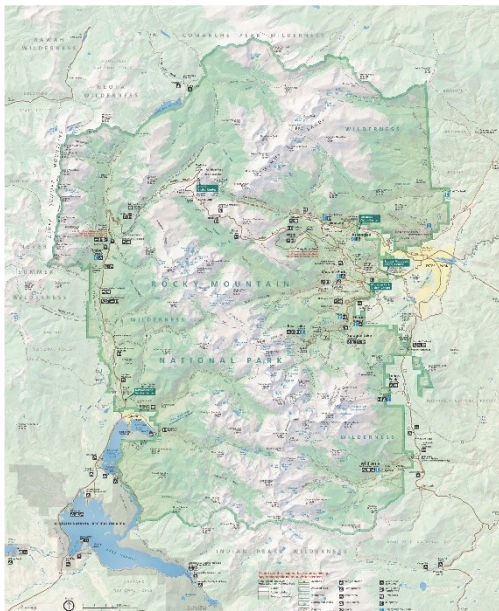
A) Connect with nature



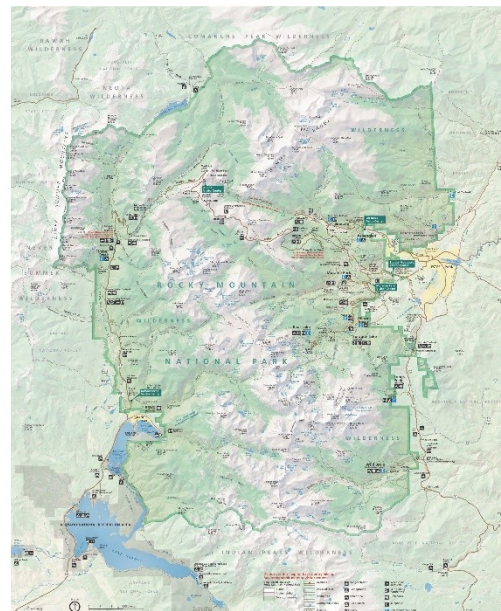
B) Experience solitude



C) Have an adventure



D.) View scenic beauty



E) Enhance personal relationships

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