#### Rocky Mountain National Park Backcountry Angler Post-Experience Survey 2017

"Thank you for agreeing to complete the survey questions. Your participation is voluntary and your responses are anonymous. The survey is self-paced, and administered on an iPad. Select your responses by touching the appropriate 'buttons' on the screen. Your responses are automatically saved within the application."

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1) For your trip today, did you use a paid guide?
2) For your trip today, did you rent equipment from an outfitter?  □□Yes □□No
Topic Area 1: GROUP5
3) How many people are in your group including you?
Topic Area 1: RES2
4) 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
5) Have you visited Rocky Mountain National Park before today?
If <b>YES</b> , approximately how many times have you visited Rocky Mountain National Park?

6) Have you visited <i>this trail</i> within Rocky Mountain National Park before today?  □□Yes □□No							
If <b>YES</b> , approximately how many times have you visited <i>this trail</i> ?							
Topic Area 5: RecACT15							
7) Below is a list of common activities available at Rocky Mountain National Park. Please indicate:  A) Which one of these activities was your primary planned activity for today  B) Which of these activities did you participate in today							
Activity	(A) Primary Activity (Select one)	(B) Participated in (Select <i>all</i> that apply)					
Fishing (conventional tackle)							
Fly fishing							
Backcountry camping							
Nature/wildlife observation							
Hiking							
Climbing							
Scenic driving							
Horse-back riding							
Photography							
Other (specify):							
Topic Area 5: RecACT24							
8) Please indicate your current experience level in the fishing activity you selected above. (Select one)							
Beginner Novice	Intermediate	Advanced	Expert				

#### **Topic Area 2: INFOSOURCE9**

9) How did you or your group obtain information about fishing in Rocky Mountain National Park (ROMO)? If you used a source listed, select the box indicating how helpful the information was that you received. If you did not use a source, select "Did not use."

Source	Not helpful at all	Slightly helpful	Moderately helpful	Very helpful	Extremely helpful	Did not use
ROMO website						
ROMO visitor center						
ROMO maps, pamphlets						
Talking with ROMO personnel						
Colorado Parks and Wildlife website						
Colorado Parks and Wildlife information center						
Conservation organization website/meetings (specify):						
Newspaper/magazine articles						
Radio/TV broadcasts						
Travel guide book						
Word-of-mouth						
Previous visits						
Commercial outfitter						
Package tour/guiding companies						
Specialized recreation shops						
Transporter service						
Social media (specify):						
Online forum/blog						
Other (specify):						

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10) Did you find the type of information about fishing in Rocky Mountain National Park that you neede	d?
□□Yes	

## **Topic Area 5: HUNTFISH8**

11) If you could not fish at your current location, which other area(s) in Rocky Mountain National Park do you think can offer just as desirable an experience as this location? Indicate how desirable each location would be, and mark which is your current location. A map is provided for reference.

Location	Very Undesirable	Undesirable	Neutral	Desirable	Very Desirable	Current Location
Bear Lake Trailhead						
Fern Lake Trailhead						
Glacier Gorge Trailhead						
Other (specify):						



Reference map

Topic Area 5: PART23
12) Are there specific circumstances that would cause you to:
Fish elsewhere in Rocky Mountain National Park:
Fish outside Rocky Mountain National Park:
Participate in a different activity:
13) Imagine that during your next trip to this location you discovered that it was slightly more crowded with <i>anglers</i> than you normally find acceptable. What would you do? (Select one)
□□I would make an exception and still fish in this area.
□□ would still fish, but elsewhere in Rocky Mountain National Park.
□□ would still fish, but outside Rocky Mountain National Park.
□□ would temporarily participate in a different activity in Rocky Mountain National Park.
Usual temporarily participate in a different activity, but outside Rocky Mountain National Park.
14) Imagine that during your next trip to this location you discovered that it was slightly more crowded with <i>other visitors</i> than you normally find acceptable. What would you do? (Select one)
□□I would make an exception and still fish in this area.
□□ would still fish, but elsewhere in Rocky Mountain National Park.
□□I would still fish, 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
15) 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
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16) What is your age?

Topic Area 1: EDUC1				
17) What is the highest level of formal educatio	ou have completed? (Select one	e)		
☐ 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				
18) What is your sex? (Select one)				
Topic Area 1: RACE/ETH2				
19) Which of these categories best indicates yo	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				
20) Are you Hispanic or Latino/a?				
Topic Area 10: ECON12				
21) Which category best represents your annua	ousehold 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

22) Below is a list of possible experiences you may want to have while fishing in Rocky Mountain National Park.

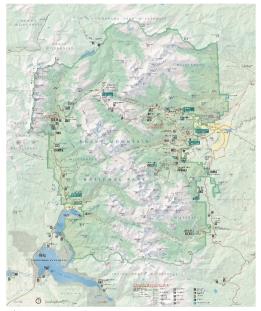
For each item, please indicate how important the experience is to you.

Experience	Not at all	Slightly Important	Moderately Important	Very Important	Extremely Important
To foster a connection with others in your group					
To experience a sense of connection with nature					
To view mountains					
For the experience of the catch					
To catch large fish					
To experience new and different things					
To experience solitude					
To share this place with family/friends					
To fish in a pristine environment					
To view alpine and sub-alpine lakes and streams					
For the sport of fishing, not to obtain food					
To catch many fish					
To experience excitement					
To be alone					
For family recreation					
To be outdoors					
To be in a beautiful place					
For the fun of catching fish					
To catch a specific species					
To have an adventure					
To be away from crowds of people					

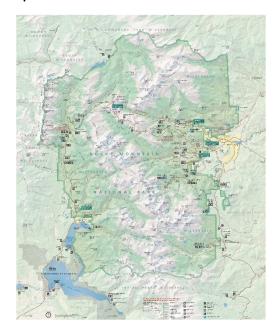
23) For each of the following experiences, *draw a circle on the map provided around location where you would go to have that experience*. If you would have to leave Rocky Mountain National Park to have that experience, leave the map blank.

Where would you go to:

#### A) Connect with nature



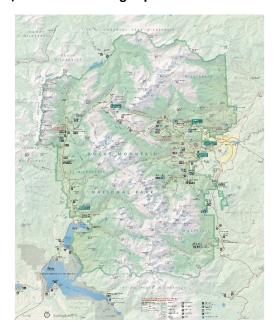
C) Have an adventure



B) Experience solitude



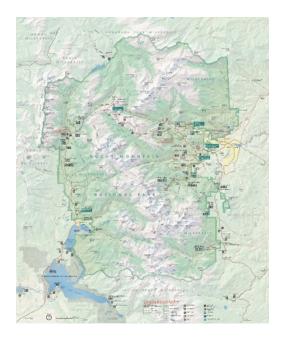
D.) Have a fun fishing experience



# E) View scenic beauty



## G) Enhance personal relationships



# F) Achieve your catch goals

