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Garnet Canyon Climber Experience Survey

The focus of this study is to better understand visitor experiences and perspectives of climbing in areas accessed by **Garnet Canyon**, which is this area (*please see surveyor's map if needed*) of Grand Teton National Park. These data will be used to inform park managers about the current social conditions of Garnet Canyon, and will be considered when making future management decisions about this area.

Your participation in the study is voluntary, and your answers will remain anonymous. Our results will be summarized so that the answers you provide cannot be associated with you or anyone in your group or household. The survey will take approximately 5 minutes to complete.

Grand Teton National Park thanks you for your assistance.

PAPERWORK REDUCTION and PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT: The Paperwork Reduction Act requires us to tell you why we are collecting this information, how we will use it, and whether or not you have to respond. We are authorized by the National Park Service Protection Interpretation and research in System (54 USC §100702) to collect this information. The routine uses of this information will be for the benefit of NPS Managers and Planning staff managers to understand existing social conditions, visitor experiences, and visitor perspectives about climbing in the Garnet Canyon area of Grand Teton National Park. The data collected will be summarized to evaluate visitor uses and expectations during their visit at Garnet Canyon of Grand Teton National Park. Your responses to this collection are completely voluntary and will remain anonymous. You can end the process at any time and will not be penalized in any way for choosing to do so. All contact information collected for the purpose of the follow-up survey will be destroyed at the end of the collection period and no personal identifiable records will be maintained or stored for any purposes. Data collected will only be reported in aggregates and no individually identifiable responses will be reported. A Federal agency may not conduct or sponsor, and you are not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB Control Number (1024-0224). We estimate that it will take about 5 minutes to complete and return this on-site questionnaire. You may send comments concerning the burden estimates or any aspect of this information collection to: Jennifer N. Newton, Science and Resource Management, Grand Teton National Park, Jennifer_newton@nps.gov (email); or Phadrea Ponds NPS Information Collection Coordinator at pponds@nps.gov (email)

TOPIC AREA 5: RECREATION HISTORY (RecACT1)

1. On your climb today, did you use a guide service?
If yes, what was the name of your guide service? _____

TOPIC AREA 2: TRIP PLANNING (INFOSOURCE 9)

If no, what was your primary source of information about your climb? _____

TOPIC AREA 5: RECREATION HISTORY (RecACT24)

2. Please rate your current level of climbing experience (*Select one*):
Beginner Novice Intermediate Advanced Expert

TOPIC AREA 5: RECREATION HISTORY (PART1)

3. How many years have you been alpine climbing?
Number of years _____ (*write in number*)

TOPIC AREA 5: RECREATION HISTORY (PART2)

4. How many years have you been climbing in Grand Teton National Park?
Number of years _____ (*write in number*)

TOPIC AREA 4: TRIP CHARACTERISTICS (VISHI57)

5. Including this visit, approximately how many times have you climbed in Garnet Canyon?
Number of visits: _____

TOPIC AREA 2: TRIP PLANNING (ACCOM 1)

6. On this trip, did you and your personal group camp overnight? (*Select one*)
 Yes
 No

TOPIC AREA 5: RECREATION HISTORY (RecEXP9)

7. What climbing route(s) did you take today? *(Please select all that apply)*

- Grand Teton - Owen-Spaulding
- Grand Teton - Upper Exum
- Grand Teton - Lower Exum
- Grand Teton - Pownal-Gilkey
- Grand Teton - Other route _____
- Middle Teton - Route _____
- Disappointment - Route _____
- Enclosure - Route _____
- South Teton - Route _____
- Other _____

TOPIC AREA 5: RECREATION HISTORY (RECEXP)

8. Did you complete your objective today? *(Select one)*

- Yes
- No

TOPIC AREA 5: RECREATION HISTORY (RECEXP 8)

9. Compared to what you expected, how much time did you and your group spend on your climbing route today? *(Select one)*

- Didn't have an expected amount of time
- Spent longer time than expected
- Spent about the time expected
- Spent less time than expected

TOPIC AREA 6: VISITOR EXPERIENCES (PERSAFE 25)

10. How difficult was your climbing route today? *(Select one)*

Much easier than
expected

Somewhat easier than
expected

About as expected

Somewhat harder than
expected

Much harder than
expected

TOPIC AREA 5: RECREATION HISTORY (RecEXP 11/12)

11. The following is a list of experiences commonly associated with alpine climbing. Please indicate how important each of the items listed below was to your reason to climb in Garnet Canyon today. (*Select one for each item*)

Importance...	Importance					
	Not Relevant	Not at all Important	Slightly Important	Moderately Important	Very Important	Extremely Important
Remoteness	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Solitude	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pristine natural environment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Physically engaging/challenging	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unconfined recreation – free of rules and regulations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Requiring self-reliance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
To be with your companions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
A sense of accomplishment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
To experience open space	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
To expand your climbing accomplishments	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
To share your experience on social media	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
To experience a sense of wilderness	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
To reach your objective	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
To practice or train for other climbs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

TOPIC AREA 6: VISITOR EXPERIENCES (CROWD 2)

12. Did the presence of other people on the climb make you feel rushed or slow you down at any point during your climb today? (*Check all that apply*)

- Yes, I felt rushed
If yes, where and when? _____
- Yes, I felt slowed down
If yes, where and when? _____
- No

TOPIC AREA 2: TRIP PLANNING (VARIATION OF ITIN 16) -

13. During the planning process for your climb in Garnet Canyon, how did the possibility of crowding affect your trip plans? (*Select one*)

- It did not affect my plans
- I planned to visit at a time of day I thought would be less crowded
- I planned to visit on a day of the week I thought would be less crowded
- I planned to visit during the off-season when I thought it would be less crowded
- Other (please specify): _____

TOPIC AREA 3: TRANSPORTATION (PARKING 5)

14. When you planned this climb in Garnet Canyon, did you think that it might be difficult to find parking here? (*Select one*)

- Yes
- No
- Not applicable
Why? _____

TOPIC AREA 5: RECREATION HISTORY (RecEXP 5)

15. During your visit **today**, did other visitors and their activities interfere with your climb? (*Select one*)

- No
- Yes
If yes, please explain *where* and *how* _____

TOPIC AREA 6: VISITOR EXPERIENCES (CROWD 22)

16. Have you ever not been able to, or chosen not to climb where you wanted in Grand Teton because it was too crowded? (*Select one*)

- Yes
How many times? _____
What specific sites were you trying to visit? _____
- No

TOPIC AREA 6: VISITOR EXPERIENCES (CROWD 23)

17. How crowded did you feel **today** at the following locations? (*Please select one for each location*)

Location	Not at all crowded	Slightly crowded	Moderately crowded	Very crowded	Extremely crowded	Did not visit location
Your ascent	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The summit	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Your descent	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The rappel (if applicable)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3 mile junction to climb	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lupine meadows trail to 3 mile junction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Campsite	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

TOPIC AREA 7: SERVICES (EVALSERV1)

18. Overall, how would you rate your ability to feel a sense of wilderness during your climb today? (*Select one*)

- Very Poor
- Poor
- Fair
- Good
- Excellent

TOPIC AREA 5: RECREATION HISTORY (RecEXP 15)

19. What about the climb *added most* to your experience?

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TOPIC AREA 5: RECREATION HISTORY (RecEXP 16)

20. What about the climb *detracted most* from your experience?

TOPIC AREA 9: NATURAL/CULTURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT (OPMGMT 9)

21. What could the managers at Grand Teton do as they plan for the future of climbing in Grand Teton? (*Please be specific*)

TOPIC AREA 2: TRIP PLANNING (INFOSOURCE 20)

22. How do you plan to share your experience? (*Please select all that apply*)

- Word of mouth
- Social media
- Photos
- Other _____

TOPIC AREA 1: RESPONDENT CHARACTERISTICS (LANG 4)

23. Which one language do you and members of your personal group primarily use to communicate with each other? (*Select one*)

- English
- Other (please specify) _____.

TOPIC AREA 1: GROUP CHARACTERISTICS (GROUP5)

24. How many people are in your climbing party on today's climb?

_____ Number of people

TOPIC AREA 1: RESPONDENT CHARACTERISTICS (VARIATION OF AGE 1)

25. In what year were you born?

Year born: _____

TOPIC AREA 1: RESPONDENT CHARACTERISTICS (EDUC 1)

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

- Some high school
- High school graduate or GED
- Some college, business or trade school
- College, business or trade school graduate
- Some graduate school
- Master's degree
- Doctoral or professional degree

TOPIC AREA 1: RESPONDENT CHARACTERISTICS (RES 2)

27. 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 9: NATURAL/CULTURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT (OPMGMT 10)

28. Is there anything else you would like to tell us about your visit to Garnet Canyon?

Thank you for your participation!