

Grand Teton Post-trip Survey: String and Leigh Lakes



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String and Leigh Lakes Recreational User Post-Survey - 2018

PREF5

1) Below is a list of benefits you may have attained while visiting the String and Leigh Lakes area. For each statement, please indicate how true you find each statement to be for your primary activity during your trip to String and Leigh Lakes area today.

| During my primary activity at the String and Leigh Lake area, I have... | Not at all true | Slightly true | Somewhat true | Very true | Completely true |
|---|-----------------|---------------|---------------|-----------|-----------------|
| ...improved my connection with nature. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| ...improved my appreciation of natural beauty. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| ...stimulated my senses through experiencing nature. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| ...increased my sense of absorption in nature. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| ...reduced my anxiety. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| ...restored my mind from unwanted stress. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| ...reduced my physical stress. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| ...improved my mood. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| ...gained a greater acceptance of myself. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| ...gained higher self-esteem. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| ...improved confidence in my abilities. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| ...increased my sense of adventure. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| ...enhanced my satisfaction through challenge. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| ...improved my sense of freedom. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| ...increased my sense of independence. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| ...increased my family bonds. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| ...enhanced my family life. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| ...kept the children of our group engaged in the outdoors. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| ...enhanced my socialization. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| ...improved my social bonds. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| ...enhanced my social identity. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |

ITIN26

2) Did you plan to visit the String and Leigh Lakes area **earlier** in the day than you would have liked to avoid crowds?
 (Please respond "yes" or "no")

NO YES

ITIN26

3) Did you plan to visit the String and Leigh Lakes area **later** in the day than you would have liked to avoid crowds?
 (Please respond "yes" or "no")

NO

YES

CROWD19

4) How crowded did you feel while recreating at the following sites in the String and Leigh Lakes area today? (Please select only one response per item)

| Location | Not at all crowded | Slightly Crowded | Moderately crowded | Very Crowded | Extremely crowded |
|--------------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| String Lake Picnic Area | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| String Lake Canoe Launch | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| String Lake Shoreline | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Leigh Lake Trail | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| String Lake Open Water | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Leigh Lake Open Water | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Paintbrush Canyon Trail | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Laurel Lake | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Trapper Lake | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Holly Lake | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Hidden Falls | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Inspiration Point | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Jenny Lake Loop Trail | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |

CROWD25

5) Did you do any of the following in response to the density of visitors at the String and Leigh Lakes area today?
 (Please respond "yes" or "no")

Went to a different area of the lake that has less people

NO

YES

Went to Leigh Lake to avoid crowds at String Lake

NO

YES

Continued with my planned activity and location

NO

YES

Changed my primary activity to adjust to the number of people (if yes, please specify)

NO

YES

CROWD20

6) Below is a list of possible user groups you may have encountered in the String and Leigh Lakes area. For each item please indicate how true you find the following statements about the groups you may have encountered.

| The behaviors of the following user group detracted from my experience today: | Not at all True | Slightly True | Moderately True | Very True | Completely True |
|---|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------|-----------------|
| Stand-up Paddle boarders | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Canoeists | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Kayakers | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Shoreline Visitors | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Other (please specify) _____ | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |

RecEXP17

7) You indicated that the behavior of other visitors detracted from your experience today. How did you respond to other users' behaviors that detracted from your experience today? (circle one) **(SKIP LOGIC WILL BE USED FOR THIS QUESTION. ALL RESPONDENTS WHO ANSWER 2 OR HIGHER FOR ANY CATEGORY OF QUESTION 5 WILL BE SHOWN THIS QUESTION)**

| | I DID NOT do this | I DID NOT do this, but I thought about doing this | I DID do this |
|--|--------------------------|---|----------------------|
| Changed your direction of travel | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Created more distance between yourself and other user group(s) | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Traveled to a different area on String or Leigh Lake | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Verbally engaged with other user group(s) | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Ended activity on String and Leigh Lakes earlier than planned | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Switched activity type | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Other (please specify) _____ | 1 | 2 | 3 |

PARKING 15

On this visit to the String and Leigh Lakes area, did you or your group do any of the following things in response to crowded conditions? (Please respond "yes" or "no")

| | | |
|---|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| Parallel parked along a curb | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> YES |
| Parked along the Jenny Lake Road | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> YES |
| Parked in a lot other than your preferred parking lot | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> YES |
| Waited until a parking spot opened up in my preferred parking lot | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> YES |
| Left and came back at an alternative time | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> YES |
| Came to String and Leigh Lakes because you were unable to visit another area of the park (please specify) | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> YES |
| Other (please specify) _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> YES |

LNT20

8) How did the following conditions you may have experienced **ADD** or **DETRACT** from your experience in the String and Leigh Lakes area today? (Please select only one response per item)

| Conditions | Detracted greatly | Detracted somewhat | Had no effect | Added somewhat | Added greatly | Did not experience |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|--------------------------|
| Bare soil | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Trampled vegetation | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Eroded soil | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Tree damage | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Number of undesigantated trails | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Vegetation loss on lakeshores | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Litter | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Presence of park personnel | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Water quality | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Condition of the restrooms | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Other (please specify): _____ | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | <input type="checkbox"/> |

GROUP5

9) How many people were in your personal group today, including you? (Please respond below)

____ Number of people

INFOSOURCE7

10) When planning your trip to Grand Teton National Park, which information source did you use **most** to find information about visiting the String and Leigh Lakes area? (Please select only one response)

- Brochure/map
- Ranger/employee
- Other visitors
- Newspaper
- Interpretive program
- Social media
- NPS Website
- Other website
- Signs
- Educational groups
- I did not use any of these

11) Using the map below to identify the locations you visited **today only**, please select the locations in the String and Leigh Lakes area where you experienced the following outcomes.. (Please provide only one response per item)

a. Improved connection with nature

_____ Insert Zone Number **OR** _____ Specify Other Location

b. Improved state of mind

_____ Insert Zone Number **OR** _____ Specify Other Location

c. Improved self-confidence

_____ Insert Zone Number **OR** _____ Specify Other Location

d. Enhanced sense of adventure

_____ Insert Zone Number **OR** _____ Specify Other Location

e. Enhanced family togetherness

_____ Insert Zone Number **OR** _____ Specify Other Location

f. Improved social bonding

_____ Insert Zone Number **OR** _____ Specify Other Location

g. Crowding

_____ Insert Zone Number **OR** _____ Specify Other Location

h. Conflict with other visitors

_____ Insert Zone Number **OR** _____ Specify Other Location

i. Damage of natural resources

_____ Insert Zone Number **OR** _____ Specify Other Location

j. Displacement from a location due to crowding, conflict, or resource damage

_____ Insert Zone Number **OR** _____ Specify Other Location

String and Leigh Lakes Area Recreation Zones

