**MAIL-BACK BOATER SURVEY – (Marina Tenants)**

(insert lake name) **LAKE**

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Responses should be sent to:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Chief, Natural Resources and Recreation Branch

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We are conducting a mail-back survey of boaters to help the Corps of Engineers learn more about your boating experience on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Lake. Please take a few minutes of your time to answer the following questions with reference to the last day boated on the lake. This survey is voluntary and strictly confidential. When the survey is completed, please return in the enclosed, self addressed, stamped envelope. Thank you for your time.

1. How many times per year do you typically boat on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Lake? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. How many people were in your boat the last time you boated? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 How many of those were less than 18 years of age? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3. How much time did you spend on the water? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 Of that time, about how much time would you say your boat motor was running? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4. What type of boat did you use the last time you boated? (circle)

 Runabout/Speedboat/Ski Boat Houseboat
 Fishing Boat Cabin Cruiser
 Pontoon Boat Canoe/Kayak
 PWC (Jet Ski) Sailboat
 High Performance Boat (cigarette boat) Other

5. What is the length of the primary boat you use?

6. What is the horsepower?

7. Please estimate the amount of time spent the last day you boated on the following activities. (should =100%)

 Fishing \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_% Swimming \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_%
 Cruising\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_% Relaxing \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_%
 Water-Skiing\_\_\_\_\_\_\_% Sailing \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_%
 Tubing\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_% Other (describe)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_%

FOR THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS PLEASE REFERENCE THE ATTACHED MAP

8. Do you have a favorite location to go on this lake? Yes No

If yes, why is that your favorite location? Yes No

 Name of **favorite location**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
 (Circle the above location on the map and label F1)

 Reason why: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

9. Are there any locations on this lake that you deliberately avoid? Yes No

 If yes, why do you avoid that/those locations?

 Name of **location to avoid**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
 (Circle the above location on the map and label A1)

 Reason to avoid: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

10. Are there any locations on this lake where you feel **unsafe**? Yes No

 If yes, why do you feel unsafe at that/those locations?

 Name of location is unsafe: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
 (Circle the above location on the map and label U1)

 Reason that is it unsafe: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

11. How safe did you feel the last day you boated at the following locations?

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Location** | **Not at all safe** | **Somewhat safe** | **Moderately safe** | **Extremely safe** |
| At the boat ramp | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| On the water | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |

12. Did you feel crowded by the number of boaters on the lake the last time you boated at the following locations?

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Location** | **Not at all crowded** | **Somewhat crowded** | **Moderately crowded** | **Extremely crowded** |
| At the boat ramp | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| On the water | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |

13. Do you feel there are an adequate number of boat ramps, parking areas, Water Patrol Officers/Park Rangers, and marinas on the lake? (circle)

 Boat Ramps Too many About right Need more
 Parking Areas Too many About right Need more
 Water Patrol Officers/Park Rangers Too many About right Need more
 Marinas Too many About right Need more

14. Have you noticed any positive or negative changes at this lake in the last five years? Yes No
 (If yes, can you describe those changes)

 Positive changes: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 Negative changes: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

15. Did you access the shoreline the last time you boated? (circle one) Yes No

16. To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Statement** | **Strongly Disagree** | **Disagree** | **Neutral** | **Agree** | **Strongly Agree** |
| The overall quality of my experience at \_\_\_\_\_\_ Lake has been positive. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| The level of noise from motorized boating is acceptable to me at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Lake. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| The quality of water at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Lake the last time you boated was acceptable to me. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| The traffic on the water from motorized boats is acceptable to me at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Lake. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| The size of the boats that I saw on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Lake is acceptable in terms of my experience. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |

17. Where do you live? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
 (City) (State) (Zip)

18. Do you have any additional comments? (Write comments below)

Please mail in your survey no later than (date) to:
Attn: (name and address)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME