

BOAT RAMP EXIT INTERVIEW SURVEY
(Insert Lake Name) **LAKE**

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Boat Ramp Exit Interview Survey

(insert lake name) Lake

Date: _____ Location: _____

Time: _____

Observe what type of boat was used? (circle)

Runabout/Speedboat/Ski Boat

Fishing Boat

Pontoon Boat

PWC (Jet Ski)

High Performance Boat (cigarette boat)

Houseboat

Cabin Cruiser

Canoe/Kayak

Sailboat

Other

“Hello. My name is _____. I am conducting a survey of boaters to help the Corps of Engineers learn more about your boating experience on _____ Lake. Could I take a few minutes of your time to ask you these questions?
This survey is voluntary and strictly confidential.”

1. Have you boated on this lake before today? Yes No

If YES, How many total years have you been boating on _____ Lake? _____ .

2. How many times per year do you typically boat on _____ Lake? _____ Times Per Year.

3. How many people were in your boat today? _____

How many of those were less than 18 years of age? _____

4. How much time did you spend on the water today? _____

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

5. What is the length of this boat?

6. What is the horsepower?

7. Please estimate the amount of time spent **today** on the following activities. (should =100%)

Fishing _____%

Cruising _____%

Water-Skiing _____%

Tubing _____%

Swimming _____%

Relaxing _____%

Sailing _____%

Other (describe) _____%

Now I would like to ask you a few questions about where you go on the lake.
SHOW BOATER MAP OF THE LAKE AND TELL THEM "YOU ARE HERE"

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

Why is that your favorite location?

Name of **favorite location**: _____
(Circle the above location on the map and attach)

Reason why: _____

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

Why do you avoid that/those locations?

Name of **location to avoid**: _____
(Circle the above location on the map and attach)

Reason to avoid: _____

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

Why do you feel unsafe at that/those locations?

Name of location is unsafe: _____
(Circle the above location on the map and attach)

Reason that is it unsafe: _____

11. How safe did you feel **today** while boating or launching your boat 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 today 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 the boat ramps at the lake **today** were:

Not congested	Adequate	Moderately congested	Extremely congested
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14. 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	Too many	About right	Need more
Park Rangers	Too many	About right	Need more
Marinas	Too many	About right	Need more

15. 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: _____

16. Did you access the shoreline today (circle)? Yes No

17. 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 today at _____ Lake is 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

18. Where do you live? _____ / _____ / _____
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME