Green Mountain National Forest

Visitor Survey

2016



Bourn and Branch Ponds

ID­­\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Admin.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Time\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Destination: □ Bourn Pond □ Branch Pond

1. Including yourself, how many people are in your personal group on this trip to Bourn or Branch Pond?

Number of people \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Are there any children under the age of 16 in your personal group on this trip to Bourn or Branch Pond? (Check one box)**

□Yes (Number of children) \_\_\_\_\_

□No

1. **On this visit, what kind of personal group were you with?**

□ Alone

□ Family

□ Friends

□ Family and friends

□ Business associates

□ Other (please specify):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. **Are you and your group traveling with any larger, organized group (e.g. outfitter, tour, scouts, club, school, etc.)?**

□ Yes

□ No

1. **Have you visited Bourn or Branch Pond before today?**

□ Yes

□ No

**If YES, about how many times have you visited Bourn or Branch Pond, including this visit?**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** Number of visits

OR

□ Don’t know/Not sure

1. **Where did you start your hike for this trip? (Check one box)**

□ Bourn/Branch Pond Trailhead

□ Lye Brook Falls Trailhead

□ Stratton Pond

□ Other (please specify):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

□ Don’t know/Not sure

1. **At approximately what time did you arrive at the trailhead today? (Enter time)**

Approximate arrival time today: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_AM/PM

OR

□ I arrived on a different day (please specify date of arrival: \_­­­­­\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_)

1. **How long do you expect to continue hiking today?**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** hours

1. **Which of the following activities did you/will you do during this trip to Bourn or Branch Pond? Check one box for each item.**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Did on this Trip** | **Will do on this Trip** | **Did/will not do on this Trip** |
| **A.** Walking/Short hike (less than 1 hour) |  |  |  |
| **B.** Day hiking (more than 1 hour) |  |  |  |
| **C.** Backpacking (# of nights): \_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |  |  |
| **D.** Camping at Bourn Pond (# of nights):\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |  |  |
| **E.** Camping at Branch Pond (# of nights):\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |  |  |
| **F.** Camping elsewhere (# of nights):\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |  |  |
| **G.** Picnicking |  |  |  |
| **H.** Swimming |  |  |  |
| **I.** Boating (including canoes/kayaks) |  |  |  |
| **J.** Fishing |  |  |  |
| **K.** Creative arts (photography/drawing/ painting/writing) |  |  |  |
| **L.** Other (Please specify):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |  |  |

b) **Which of the activities listed in Question 7 is your primary activity on this trip to Bourn or Branch Pond? (Enter Letter of primary box or check the box)**

Letter of primary activity: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. **If you fished at Bourn or Branch Pond today, how many fish of each species did you catch and/or release?**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Caught** | **Released** |
| **A.** Brook trout | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| **B.** Rainbow trout | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| **C.** | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
|  | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
|  | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
|  | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
|  | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

1. **At approximately what time did you begin fishing at Bourn or Branch Pond today? (enter time)**

Approximate time today: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_AM/PM

1. **For approximately how long did you fish at Bourn or Branch Pond today?**

Approximately \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_hours

1. **If you fished at Bourn or Branch Pond last season, how many trips did you make?**

Number of trips last season \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

12. **Please use the scale below to rate (from 1 to 5) how crowded you felt by people during this visit to Bourn and/or Branch Pond** **today. Please Circle only one.**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Not at all crowded | Slightly crowded | Moderately crowded | Very crowded | Extremely crowded |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |

13. **These questions ask for your opinion about management and conditions within the Green Mountain National Forest as a whole. Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with each of the following statements. (Circle one number for each statement.)**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  |  | Strongly  Disagree | Disagree | Neither Agree nor Disagree | Agree | Strongly  Agree |
| a. | The trails are too crowded. | -2 | -1 | 0 | +1 | +2 |
| c. | There are too many large groups hiking on the trails. | -2 | -1 | 0 | +1 | +2 |
| d. | The trails are in good physical condition. | -2 | -1 | 0 | +1 | +2 |
| e. | Signs and way-finding aids on trails should be improved. | -2 | -1 | 0 | +1 | +2 |
| k. | I am very satisfied with my recreation experience on the Green Mountain National Forest. | -2 | -1 | 0 | +1 | +2 |

14**. Do you live in the United States**?

□ Yes (What is your zip code? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ )

□ No (In what country do you live? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ )

15**. What year where you born?**

Year born: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

16**. What is your gender?** *(Please mark one.)*

□ Female

□ Male

17**. Please indicate the highest level of education you have completed.** *(Please mark only one.)*

□ Less than high school □ High school graduate/GED

□ Vocational or Technical School Certificate □ Associates degree

□ Some college □ Bachelor’s degree

□ Graduate degree or professional degree (MA, MS, PhD, JD, MBA, etc.)

18**. Are you Hispanic or Latino?**

□ Yes □ No

19**. With which racial group(s) do you most closely identify?** (*Select one or more.*)

□ American Indian/Alaska Native □ Asian

□ Black/African American □ Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander

□ White □ Refused

Thank you for your help with this survey!

Your responses are ***anonymous*** and ***confidential***.

Please return your completed questionnaire to the survey administrator.