**National Wildlife Refuge Visitor Survey**

**Non-Response Survey**

Dear [Name],

You visited [Refuge Name] a couple of months ago and agreed to participate in a survey of refuge visitors. As of this mailing, we have not yet received a response from you.

Your input is very important to us! We are asking those who have not yet responded to complete and return the five short questions in the enclosed postage-paid envelope in the next day or two.

If you would prefer to complete the full survey, you can still do so today using the web link and unique password below. If you complete the full survey online, there is no need to return the enclosed form.

www.fws.gov/visitorsurvey

Your Unique Password: **[Password]**

Thank you very much for helping with this important study.

Sincerely,

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PERWORK REDUCTION 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. The information that we collect in this survey will help us understand visitor satisfaction with and use of National Wildlife Refuges and to make sound management and policy decisions. Your response is voluntary. An agency may not conduct or sponsor and you are not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB Control Number. We estimate it will take an average of 5 minutes to complete this survey. You may send comments concerning the burden estimate or any aspect of the survey to the Information Collection Clearance Officer, Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, MS 222–ARLSQ, Arlington, VA 22203. OMB CONTROL # 0596-0236 EXPIRATION DATE 11/30/2020

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1. Including your most recent visit, which activities did you participate in during the past 12 months at this refuge?  
   (Mark all that apply.)

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| ❒ Wildlife observation | ❒ Hiking/Walking | ❒ Volunteering |
| ❒ Bird watching | ❒ Jogging/Running/Exercising | ❒ Environmental education program (classroom visits, labs) |
| ❒ Photography | ❒ Bicycling |
| ❒ Big game hunting | ❒ Motorized boating | ❒ Interpretative program (bird walks, staff/volunteer-led talks) |
| ❒ Upland/Small game hunting | ❒ Nonmotorized boating  (canoeing, kayaking) |
| ❒ Migratory bird hunting | ❒ Refuge special event (*specify*)  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| ❒ Waterfowl hunting | ❒ Auto tour route/Driving |
| ❒ Freshwater fishing | ❒ Foraging (berries, nuts, other) | ❒ Other (*specify*)  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| ❒ Saltwater fishing | ❒ Picnicking |

1. Which of the activities above was the primary purpose of your most recent visit to this refuge?

(*Please write* ***only one******activity*** *on the line.*) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Please indicate the degree to which you think each statement reflects your beliefs or experiences. (*Please circle* ***one*** *number for each statement.*)

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Strongly Disagree | Disagree | Neither | Agree | Strongly Agree |
| This refuge does a good job of conserving fish, wildlife, plants, and their habitats. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| I felt welcome during my visit to this refuge. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| This refuge is a safe place to visit. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |

1. In the last 12 months, how many times have you visited…

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| …this refuge (including this visit)? | \_\_\_\_\_ number of visits |
| …other national wildlife refuges? | \_\_\_\_\_ number of visits |
| …other public lands (for example, national or state parks) to participate in the primary activity from your most recent visit? | \_\_\_\_\_ number of visits |

1. In what year where you born? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (YYYY)