



COLORADO STATE PARKS MARKETING ASSESSMENT

FUTURE DIRECTIONS SURVEY REPORT

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INTRODUCTION

Corona Research is pleased to present this report of future direction survey findings to the State of Colorado Department of Natural Resources. The following report includes a description of the project background, survey methodology and implementation, along with a summary of key survey findings and detailed findings.

BACKGROUND AND OBJECTIVES

Colorado State Parks retained Corona Research to undertake a complete study of marketing issues related to Colorado's state park system, as an assessment of the needs, preferences, and priorities of its constituents. Specifically, Corona Research was obtained to conduct a comprehensive and systematic research project that identifies Colorado State Parks' position in the outdoor recreation marketplace, and to provide information for the future direction of Colorado State Parks by identifying the facilities, services, and programs valued by citizens of Colorado and visitors to Colorado State Parks. This research, undertaken in the 2008/2009 time period, includes public surveys, intercept surveys of park visitors, a future direction survey of park visitors, focus groups with visitors and non-visitors to state parks, and an economic impact analysis.

THIS REPORT

This report contains findings specific to the visitor future directions survey aspect of the project. The goal of this phase of the research was to examine visitors' attitudes towards the future directions they feel should be taken by Colorado State Parks and assess visitors' preferences for future enhancements and additions within the state park system. Philosophical user preferences, specific park enhancements and detailed questions regarding visitors' preferences towards funding sources and fee structures were also examined in the future directions survey. A goal was set to collect 200 intercept surveys at five strategically selected Colorado State Parks over a year long sampling period. The five parks selected to participate in this portion of the study were Castlewood Canyon State Park, Chatfield State Park, Eleven Mile State Park, James M Robb State Park and Mueller State Park. Overall, a total of 1,136 total future directions surveys were collected for the study, and an average of 227 surveys were collected for each park.

The following report details the visitor future directions findings for each question on the survey. Further detail by park is presented as an appendix to the report.

SURVEY METHODOLOGY

Colorado State Parks and Corona Research worked together to design a future directions survey instrument which best captured visitors' perceived needs, enhancements, and strategic long-term goals regarding the future directions of Colorado State Parks. All surveys were distributed by Colorado State Parks Rangers and Volunteers to state parks visitors on-site at each of the five strategically selected future directions parks which were selected to be representative of all Colorado State Parks. The survey instrument is provided for the reader in **Appendix A**. Execution of the survey took place from August, 2008 through July of 2009.

Prior to survey implementation, the Corona project team met with park rangers from each of the participating state parks to develop an optimal sampling plan for each state park. Each sampling plan was tailored to capture survey responses from visitors at a number of specific sites determined with ranger input for each park. Specifically Corona Staff met in-person with Colorado State Park Rangers from each to identify the following sampling plan components:

1. The most heavily trafficked entrance points within each park
2. Times during the day when visitation was highest and lowest
3. Proportional visitation rates (by season) during Weekends and Weekdays (based on official visitation statistics provided by Colorado State Park Senior Staff)
4. Visitation rates within each park by month

After consulting with Park Rangers from each park regarding these different components of the sampling plan, Corona Staff then put together final sampling plans specifically tailored to each park with the goal of gathering the most statistically reliable survey sample for each park. Each park had their own specific sampling plan which also took into account any seasonal variations noted by Park Rangers regarding visitation rates. Final survey sampling goals were created which informed Park Managers when, where and how many surveys were to be collected at different times of day, different days of the week/weekend and at different sites within each park throughout the survey execution phase of the project proportional to visitation estimates.

Sampling goals were also developed for each park by season. Seasonal visitation numbers were used to determine the total number of surveys that would be collected for each park. These seasonal visitation percentages used in the study are detailed below:

Season	Months	Visitation Percentages
Summer	May - August	63%
Fall	September - October	16%
Winter	November - February	13%
Spring	March - April	8%

Interpreting the table above, each park attempted to gather 63 percent of their total number of surveys collected during the summer sampling period, 16 percent of all surveys collected were to be conducted during the fall sampling period...etc. It should be noted that adjustments were made for parks that had seasonal park closures or other issues affecting seasonal visitation patterns.

The ultimate goal of this intricate survey sampling plan was to gather the most representative sample of visitors possible for each of the five parks participating future directions study. Colorado State Park rangers and volunteers handed out all surveys to park visitors and were trained by Corona Research Staff on the proper methods to properly execute random intercept surveys for the project. Training DVD's were created for park staff and the Corona Research Project Team gave survey implementation trainings at State Parks Regional Staff meetings prior to survey execution.

Great effort was required of Colorado State Parks Rangers and Volunteers to accurately implement such customized and detailed survey sampling plans at each park. Their dedication to this phase was crucial to the success of the overall project and it should be noted that the total number of surveys collected exceeded the original goal for all parks. As previously detailed, a total of 1,136 total future directions surveys were collected over a year-long sampling period. A list of total surveys collected at each park is provided below:

Colorado State Park	Surveys Collected (N)
Castlewood Canyon	237
Chatfield	213
Eleven Mile	209
James M Robb-Colorado River	207
Mueller	270
Total	1136

REPORTING NOTES

In reviewing the following report of findings, these notes are important to keep in mind:

- Figures in all graphs and tables have been rounded for reporting purposes. Due to this rounding, a bar graph occasionally may not add exactly to 100 percent. Also, this may cause some bars labeled with common values to have slightly different lengths.
- Labels on graphs for values of two percent or less have been removed for clarity in reading.
- Open ended survey responses are provided in the Appendices of this report by park, so that park managers from each of the five participating parks can easily assess what their visitors had to say for each open ended question regarding their specific park.

WEIGHTING NOTE

NOTE: The results presented below were not statistically weighted, as the future directions survey was designed to be a collection of surveys from five strategically sampled Colorado State Parks selected to be representative of all state parks. Final findings reported here were therefore not weighted with relationship to all state parks, but instead represent the total findings of all surveys collected at these five parks.

FINDINGS CAVEAT

NOTE: These surveys were conducted during a one-year time period from August 2008 through July 2009. Since each park represents an independent and geographically distinct natural area, it is possible, even likely, that some parks were facing extraordinary situations during the time period of the survey, which might include fires, pine beetles, drought, or other issues that might affect staff priorities or visitor perceptions.

KEY FUTURE DIRECTIONS FINDINGS

While many conclusions and implications can be drawn from the survey, several stand out as being of particular interest. These findings are discussed below. The corresponding exhibit number follows each finding.

1. **The five parks chosen for the study were indeed representative of all state parks.** Comparison questions with the Visitor Intercept Survey provided similar answers from survey respondents of the Future Directions Survey. A number of questions were asked at the beginning of the survey to compare the Future Directions survey sample with the Intercept Survey sample. Overall, findings were similar on comparison questions throughout the two different surveys. In total, 51 percent of Future Directions visitor survey respondents paid daily entrance fees while 46 percent used an Annual Pass, which was similar to the 47 percent of visitors in the Intercept Survey who used daily entrance fees and the 46 percent who used an Annual Pass of some sorts. Findings between the Future Directions and Intercept Surveys mirrored each other for overnight visitation, overall quality of experience at the state park, and customer service ratings. The only notable difference was seen in contact with state park staff. Visitor survey respondents in the Future Direction survey were notably more likely to have had contact with Colorado State Park staff than in the Intercept Survey (86 percent vs. 69 percent). On the whole, however, it was noteworthy that survey responses between the two different surveys mirrored each other so well. This is a strong sign that the five strategically selected parks chosen to participate in this portion of the study were a good sampling of all state parks. *Exhibits 1-1, and 1-4 through 1-8.*
2. **Clean parks, good weather and trails were the phrases most commonly associated with a perfect state park experience.** The words and phrases most commonly used to describe the perfect experience at a state park included good weather, clean facilities and good trails to recreate on. Also, visitors most frequently cited participating in a recreational activity that can only be done in a natural setting, relaxing to get away from the normal stresses of life and spending quality time with their family or friends as their top goals for their visit to a Colorado State Parks. In total, over half of all visitors ranked those three goals in their top three goals for their current visit and over one-third of all visitors rated participating in a recreation activity that can only be done in a natural setting as their top goal for their current trip. *Exhibits 2-2 and 2-3.*
3. **A majority of visitors felt rising fuel costs would have little to no impact on their visitation to state parks.** Overall, 53 percent of visitors said there would be negligible impacts on their state park visitation due to rising fuel costs. However, it's noteworthy that one-quarter of all visitors did say that rising fuel costs would cause them to take fewer visits, while just 15 percent of visitors indicated that rising fuel costs would either increase or prolong their visits to Colorado State Parks. Therefore, if a prolonged surge in fuel prices were to occur in the U.S. an overall decrease in Colorado State Parks visitation would be expected. *Exhibit 2-4.*
4. **Additional wildlife viewing areas was a desired future feature by park visitors.** When asked about a number of potential new features and its effect on visitation, visitors most frequently indicated that additional wildlife viewing opportunities would increase their visitation and would

be pleasing to them as a future change to the park(s). Overall, 59 percent of visitors said this would increase their visitation to state parks and 67 percent of visitors said they would be pleased with additional wildlife observation areas. Individual state parks might not be able to do much to increase the wildlife that habitat and visit their park, but if a known migratory pattern would enable the parks to promote seasonal increases in specific animal species, it could help to increase total park visitation and satisfaction levels. *Exhibits 2-5 and 4-1.*

5. **A majority of visitors preferred charging higher fees for specialized activities while keeping entry fees as low as possible.** When asked to choose between charging higher fees for specialized activities (such as boating, camping, etc...) and keeping entry fees as low as possible or increasing entry fees but keeping specialized fee rates lower, 66 percent of visitors preferred to charge higher fees for specialized activities. Only 19 percent of visitors supported keeping specialized activity fees low while increasing entrance fees. Additionally, a majority of visitors also felt that visitors who use more electricity at campsites should pay higher fees than visitors that use less electricity at campsites (61 percent). A general expectation among visitors existed regarding paying more for specialized features and services at Colorado State Parks. *Exhibits 2-7 and 3-3.*
6. **Visitors most frequently supported having a few premium facilities that cost extra and charged premium fees.** Overall, almost half of all visitors supported having a few premium facilities that had nice camp sites or cabins with electricity that cost more to access; whereas 36 percent of visitors felt facilities at all parks should be built to the same standards (and charged the same fees). Additionally, when asked if they would be willing to pay more for a heavily developed camp site or an undeveloped (more primitive camp site), a majority of respondents said they would be willing to pay more for the more developed camp site. *Exhibit 2-8 and 3-2.*
7. **Visitors would rather increase fees if it meant the conditions of facilities and natural resources were improved or upgraded.** When asked to choose between increasing fees to upgrade the conditions of park facilities, natural resources and activities or keeping all fees the same even if some facilities or natural resources might decline, 61 percent of visitors said they would prefer an increase in fees which helped improve facilities and natural resources. Contrarily, 20 percent of visitors wanted fees to remain the same even if resources and facilities might decline. *Exhibit 2-10.*
8. **A majority of park visitors felt increased recycling efforts should be a priority of Colorado State Parks.** When asked about potential energy improvements that could take place at state parks, 75 percent of visitors felt the provision of more and separate recycling containers at state parks should be either a high or moderate priority compared to other park operations. A majority of park visitors also thought that installing energy producing wind or solar power sources in out of the way areas to power the park or sell on the grid should be at least a moderate priority. Upgrading the energy efficiencies of state park buildings and vehicles were seen as lower priorities among visitors. *Exhibit 2-14.*
9. **Visitors most often preferred a park with primitive campsites with more space and privacy than a park with developed campsites.** When asked to choose between two hypothetical parks (a developed park vs. a more primitive park), almost half of all visitors preferred the more primitive (and private) park, whereas just 23 percent indicated that they preferred more highly developed state park (the remaining visitors

preferred both park types equally). However, when asked which state park they would be willing to pay more for, a 58 percent said they would pay more for the highly developed park. This further bolsters a pay as you go system. *Exhibits 3-1 and 3-2.*

10. **Colorado State Parks have lots of competition for their visitors' time.** When asked where they would go if the state park they were currently visiting was not available, visitors most frequently indicated they would go to another state park (25 percent). However, it was noteworthy that there were several substitute competitors visitors indicated they would also likely go to if that state park was no longer available. National forest areas (22 percent), neighborhood parks (15 percent), "Other" natural outdoor areas (12 percent), and national parks (10 percent) all received a mixture of support from visitors. *Exhibits 3-6.*
11. **The internet was the most frequently used information source for leisure activities among park visitors.** Overall, 45 percent of visitors said they most often get information regarding leisure activities from the internet. Similarly, when asked where they specifically get information about activities at the state park they were visiting, the second most frequently cited park-specific information source was the State Park website (18 percent). Only past experience at the park was cited more frequently as a park-specific information source (32 percent). *Exhibits 3-8 and 3-9.*
12. **Visitors would be most pleased with new land and trails as future park changes.** When asked how they would perceive a number of potential future park changes, visitors most frequently indicated that they would be pleased with additional park land and new/expanded hiking and walking trails (72 percent of visitors would be pleased with each change). Also noteworthy, additional isolated primitive campsites were also frequently rated as pleasing to visitors (49 percent). *Exhibit 4-1.*
13. **Visitors were most familiar with entrance and activity fees as funding sources for state parks.** A large majority of visitors identified entrance fees (86 percent) and activity fees (82 percent) as funding sources used to support the agency. A high percentage of visitors also identified the lottery (56 percent) and general state tax dollars (48 percent) as funding sources for Colorado State Parks. Also noteworthy, 80 percent of park visitors said they thought Colorado State Parks should receive funds from general state tax dollars. Overall knowledge of state park funding sources was reasonably high among visitor respondents. *Exhibits 4-4 and 4-5.*

SECTION 1: STATE PARK BACKGROUND QUESTIONS

In section 1, survey respondents were asked a number of questions detailing the logistical nature of their visit. Specifically, visitors were asked to describe the main reason they decided to visit, the pass type they used on their visit, their overall quality of experience at the state park during their visit and questions related to Colorado State Park employees customer service during the visit.

It should be noted that the majority of questions in Section 1 were also asked in order to check the overall reliability and ability to generalize findings from the Future Directions survey sample with that of the entire Colorado State Park system. Therefore, the majority of questions asked in this section were also asked in the visitor survey so that comparisons between the answers of visitor respondents in both surveys could be assessed.

On the whole, final findings for the duplicate questions asked between the two surveys (intercept survey and future direction) mirrored each other. This is a strong sign that the five strategically selected parks chosen to participate in this portion of the study were a good sampling of all state parks.

**PASS TYPES USED BY VISITORS
WERE CLOSE TO EQUALLY
DIVIDED AMONG
RESPONDENTS**

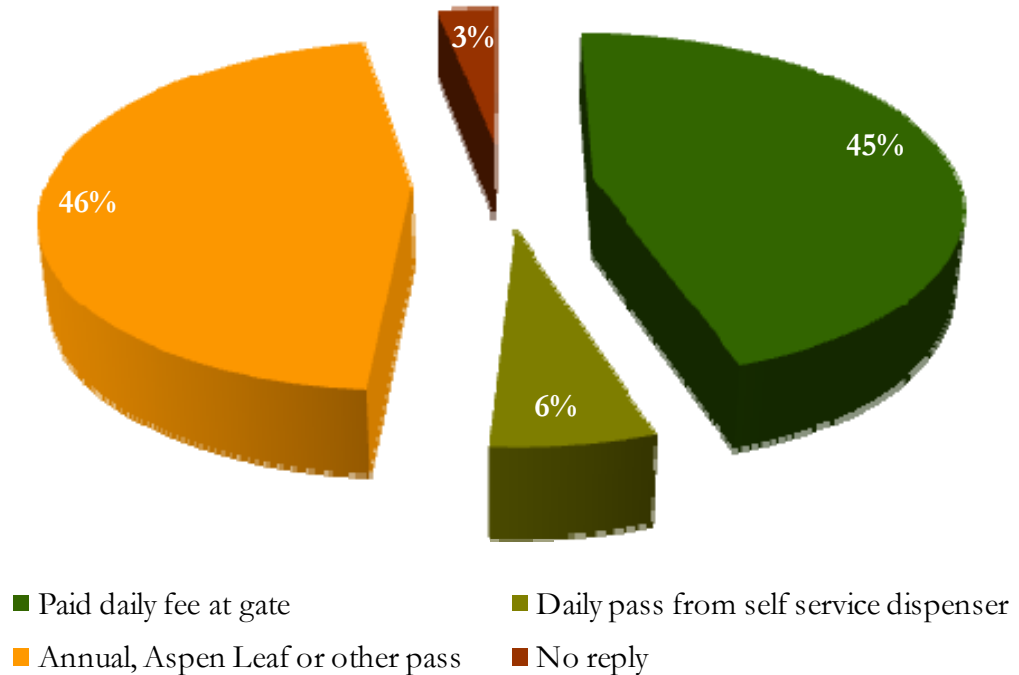
Overall, visitor survey respondents' pass type usage during their visit was fairly equally divided. In total, 45 percent of visitors who took the Future Directions survey paid a daily entrance fee at the gate, while an additional 6 percent of visitors used daily passes from self service dispensers. Contrarily, 46 percent of all visitors used an annual pass of some sorts (Annual pass, Aspen Leaf pass or some other yearly pass).

These findings also reflected the findings for pass type used in the larger intercept visitor survey (see intercept survey report for full details). In the larger intercept survey, 47 percent of visitors used a daily pass and 46 percent used an Annual Pass of some type which generally mirrors the findings shown in Exhibit 1-1.

NOTE: Annual pass holders have more repeat visits, so this is unrelated to sales.

**Exhibit 1-1
Pass Type**

(Question 2) What type of pass did you use for this visit?



VISITORS MOST FREQUENTLY FELT THEIR VISITATION TO STATE PARKS HAD REMAINED THE SAME IN THE PAST YEAR

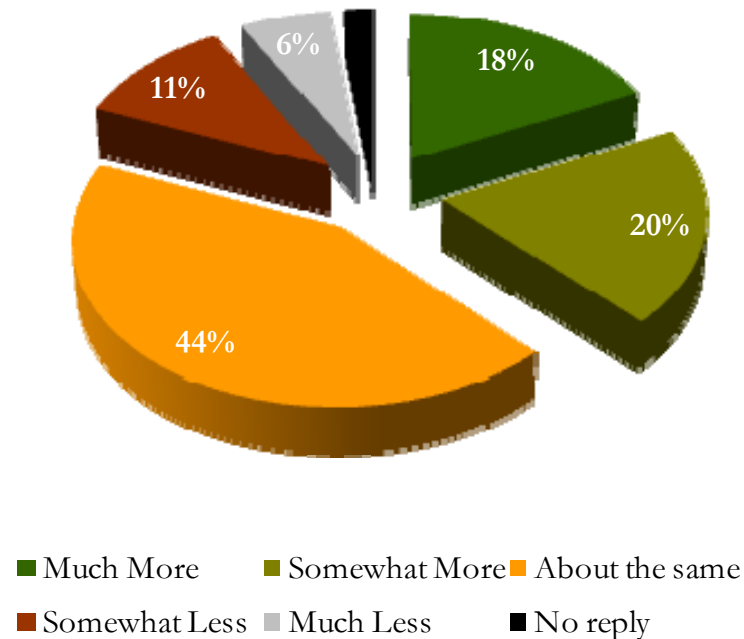
When asked to compare their visitation to state parks in the current year with their visitation levels in previous years, visitors in the future directions survey most often felt their visitation levels had remained about the same (44 percent).

Interestingly, over one-third of all visitors who completed the future directions survey indicated that they had visited state parks either much more or somewhat more in the past year, while 17 percent of visitors indicated they had visited state parks less in the past year.

It should be noted that frequent visitors would be more likely to be handed a survey for completion, and therefore the increased visitation numbers presented in Exhibit 1-2 are possibly inflated due to this increased likelihood of surveying frequent visitors.

Exhibit 1-2
Visitation in the past year

*(Question 3) Compared to previous years, how much have you visited state parks in the last year?
Please choose one:*



OVER ONE-THIRD OF VISITORS PLANNED ON STAYING OVERNIGHT IN THE PARK

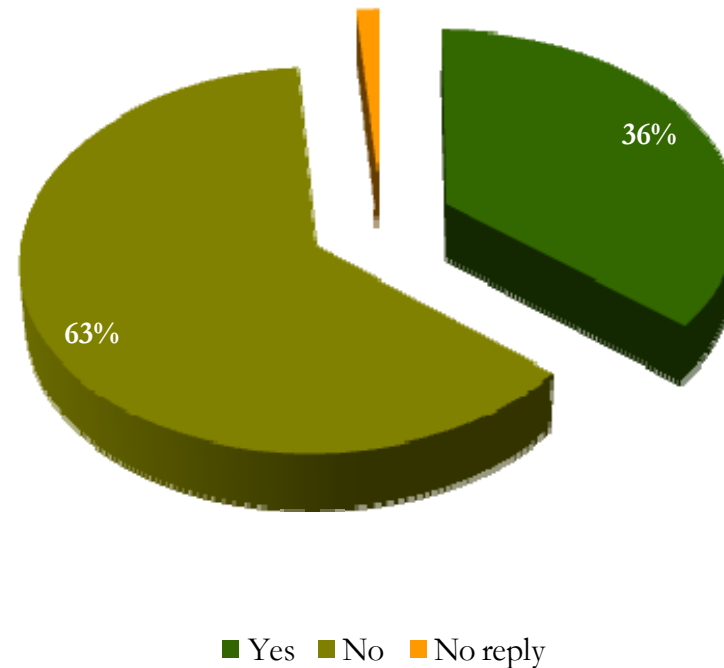
Overall, 36 percent of visitors indicated they planned on staying overnight in the park where they took the survey. Contrarily, 63 percent of visitors were day trippers.

It should be noted that these findings mirrored the findings from the larger intercept survey (conducted in every state park), where 38 percent of survey respondents said they would be staying overnight in (or near) the park.

These and other findings on the following pages serve as a confirmation that the five parks surveyed in the Future Directions survey are reasonably representative of all state parks.

**Exhibit 1-4
Overnight Visitation**

(Question 5) On this visit, have you or are you planning to stay overnight in the Park?



VISITORS RATED THEIR QUALITY OF EXPERIENCE DURING THEIR VISITS VERY HIGHLY

When asked to describe their overall quality of experience at the state park where they were surveyed on their visit, visitors rated their experiences very highly.

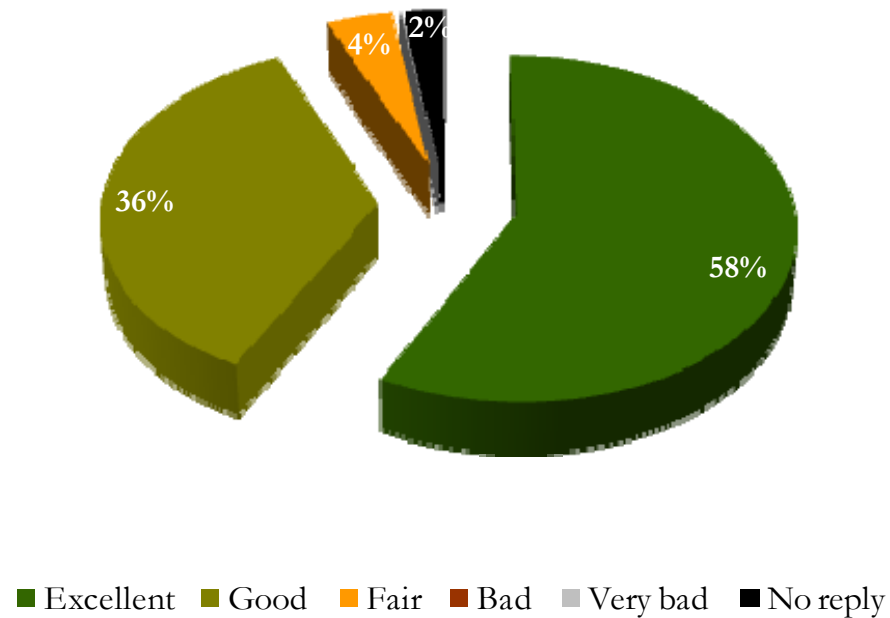
In total, 94 percent of all visitor survey respondents rated their experience as either excellent or good (with over half of all visitors rating their experience with the top possible rating).

It should be noted that these quality of experience ratings mirrored the quality of experience ratings found in the intercept visitor survey conducted across all state parks (where 92 percent of visitors rated their experience as either excellent or good).

These and other findings on the following pages serve as a confirmation that the five parks surveyed in the Future Directions survey are reasonably representative of all state parks.

Exhibit 1-5
Overall quality of experience

(Question 6) How would you describe your overall quality of experience at this state park on this visit?



A LARGE MAJORITY OF VISITORS HAD CONTACT WITH STATE PARK STAFF

Overall, 86 percent of all visitors surveyed in the future directions survey said they had contact with Colorado State Parks staff on their visit. Only 11 percent of visitors indicated they had no contact with park staff.

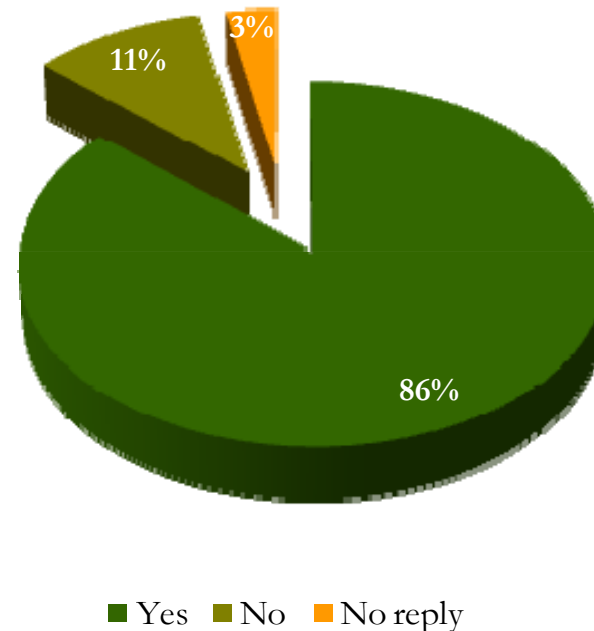
It should be noted that this was the only survey question where a notable difference was observed between visitors who took the intercept visitor survey and this future directions survey.

Visitors in the future directions survey were notably more likely to have had contact with state park staff (86 percent, compared to 69 percent in the intercept visitor survey).

Despite these findings, the other findings detailed within Section 1 serve as a confirmation that the five parks surveyed in the Future Directions survey are reasonably representative of all state parks.

**Exhibit 1-6
Contact with Park Staff**

(Question 7) Did you have any contact with Colorado State Parks employees or volunteers on this visit?



VISITORS RATED CUSTOMER SERVICE VERY HIGHLY

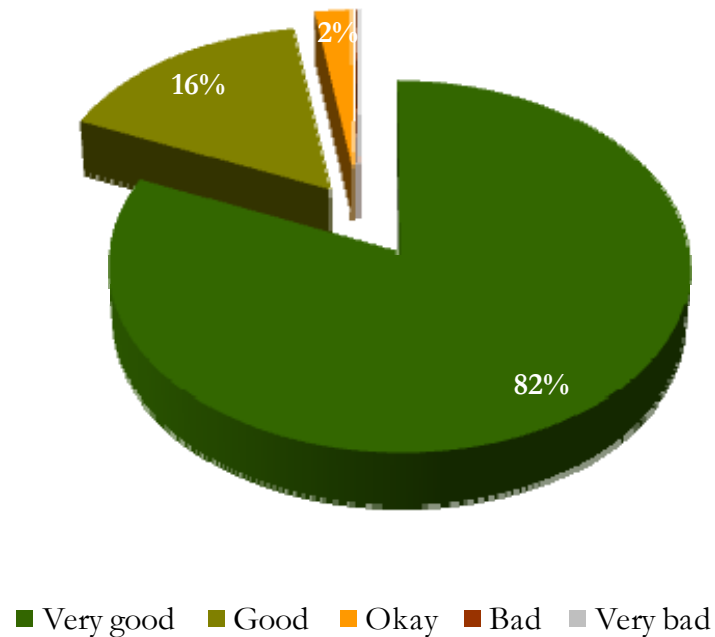
Overall, 98 percent of all visitors who participated in the future directions survey rated customer service as either very good or good, and over 80 percent of all visitors gave Park Staff customer service the top possible rating (very good).

These findings were nearly identical to visitor findings from the visitor intercept survey conducted at all state parks.

These and other findings detailed within Section 1 serve as a confirmation that the five parks surveyed in the Future Directions survey are reasonably representative of all state parks.

**Exhibit 1-7
Park Staff Customer Service**

(Question 7a) If you did have contact with Park Staff, how would you rate the customer service you received?



OVER ONE-THIRD OF VISITORS WHO DIDN'T HAVE CONTACT FELT IT WOULD HAVE BEEN BENEFICIAL

Of the visitor survey respondents who indicated they did not have contact with Park Staff, 35 percent felt that contact with Park Staff would have been beneficial during their visit.

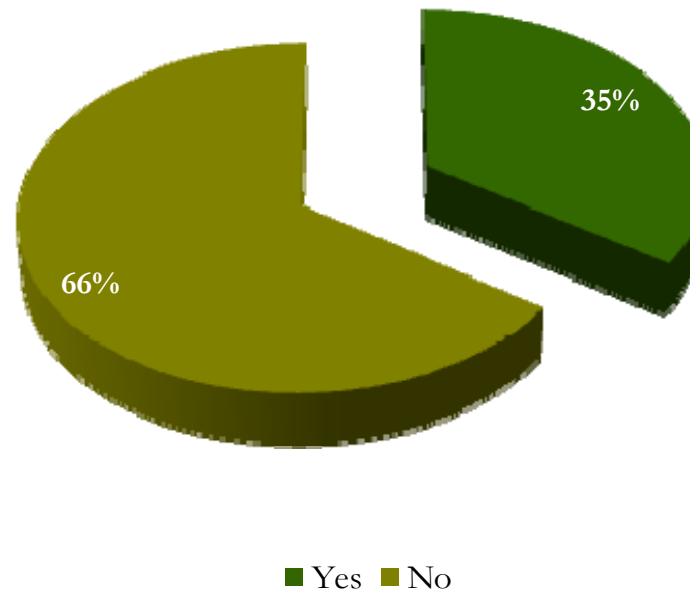
Contrarily, the majority of visitors who didn't have contact indicated they did not feel it would have been beneficial (66 percent).

These findings were nearly identical to visitor findings from the visitor intercept survey conducted at all state parks.

These and other findings detailed within Section 1 serve as a confirmation that the five parks surveyed in the Future Directions survey are reasonably representative of all state parks.

**Exhibit 1-8
Desired Park Staff Contact**

(Question 7b) If you did not have contact with Park Staff, did you feel that it would be beneficial to have contact with Colorado State Park staff or volunteers?



SECTION 2: VISITOR PERCEPTIONS AND PREFERENCES

In Section 2, survey respondents were asked a number of questions aimed at better understanding visitor perceptions, goals and preferences relating to Colorado State Parks features. Specifically, visitor survey respondents were asked to describe their perfect experience at a state park to qualitatively assess what things are essential to visitors in providing a quality experience at a state park.

Additionally, visitors were asked to give their perceptions and preferences regarding fee structures, potential future features at state parks, visitor goals and preservation of park natural resources.

A MAJORITY OF VISITOR SURVEY RESPONDENTS CAME UP WITH THE IDEA TO COME TO THE PARK THEMSELVES

When asked who first had the idea to come to the state park the day they were surveyed, 55 percent of all visitor survey respondents said they were the ones who decided to visit the park (and answer of “Me”).

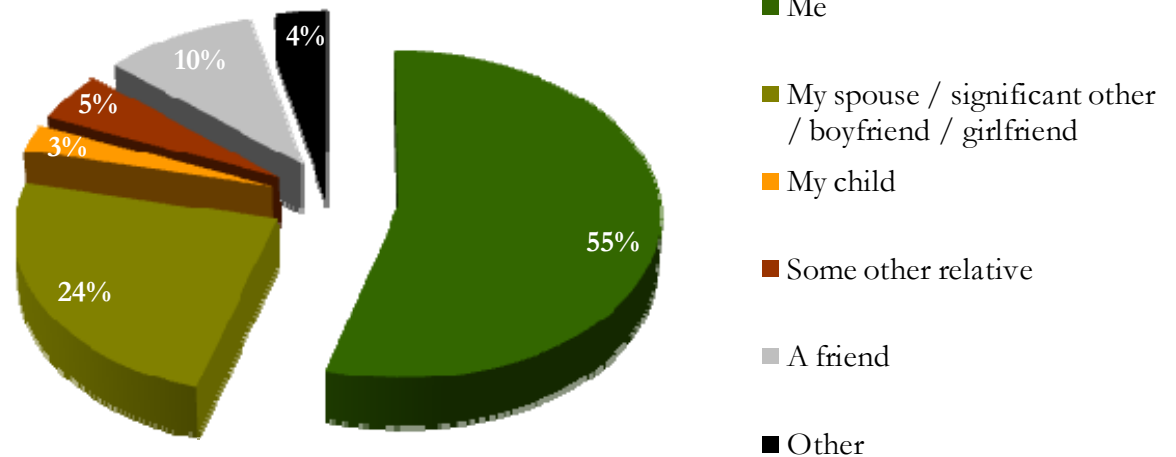
An additional 24 percent indicated their spouse or significant other thought of coming to the park, and that was why they had come for their visit.

One-tenth of respondents cited “a friend” as the person who had the first idea to visit the state park.

Subsequent follow-up analyses showed that men were more likely than females to indicate that they first had the idea to come to the park, while females were notably more likely to cite their “spouse / significant other” or “a friend” as the person who first had the idea to come to a Colorado State Park.

Exhibit 2-1
Idea to Visit a State Park

(Question 8) Who first had the idea to come to the park today?



PARTICIPATION IN OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES WAS THE MOST COMMON TOP VISITOR GOAL

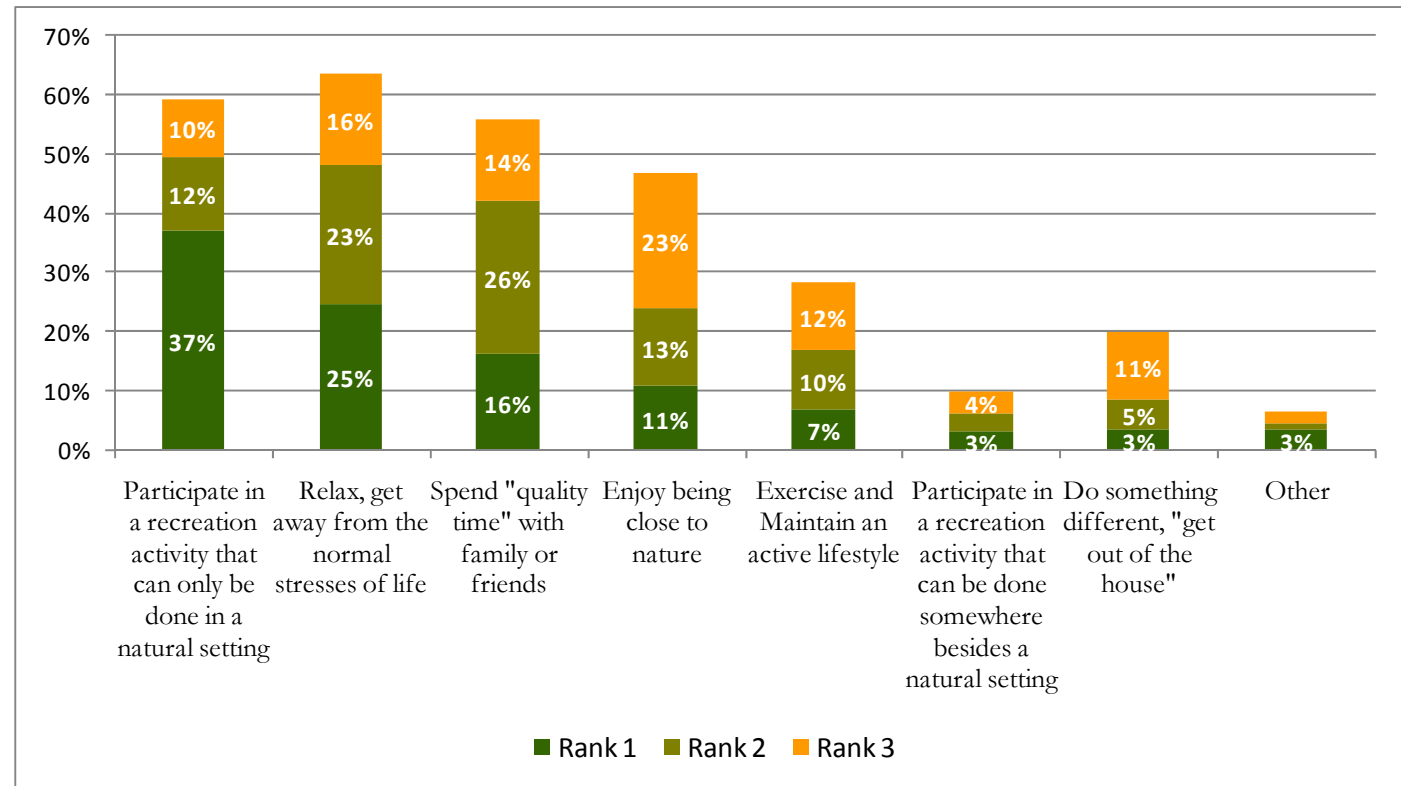
When asked to select their top three goals for their current visit to a state park, visitors most frequently ranked the following goals with their top three rankings:

1. Participate in a recreation activity that can only be done in a natural setting (37 percent of visitors gave this their top rating, 59 percent ranked it in their top three);
2. Relax and get away from the normal stresses of life (64 percent of respondents ranked this goal in their top three);
3. Spend quality time with family or friends (received a ranking from 56 percent of visitors).

The goal “Enjoy being close to nature” was also frequently rated at with a number of visitor’s top three rankings

**Exhibit 2-3
Visitor Goals**

(Question 10) What THREE things best describe your goals for this visit? Please put a “1” next to your top goal, a “2” next to your second-most important goal, and a “3” next to your third-most important goal.



OVER HALF OF ALL VISITORS FELT RISING FUEL COSTS WOULD HAVE NEGLIGIBLE IMPACTS ON VISITATION

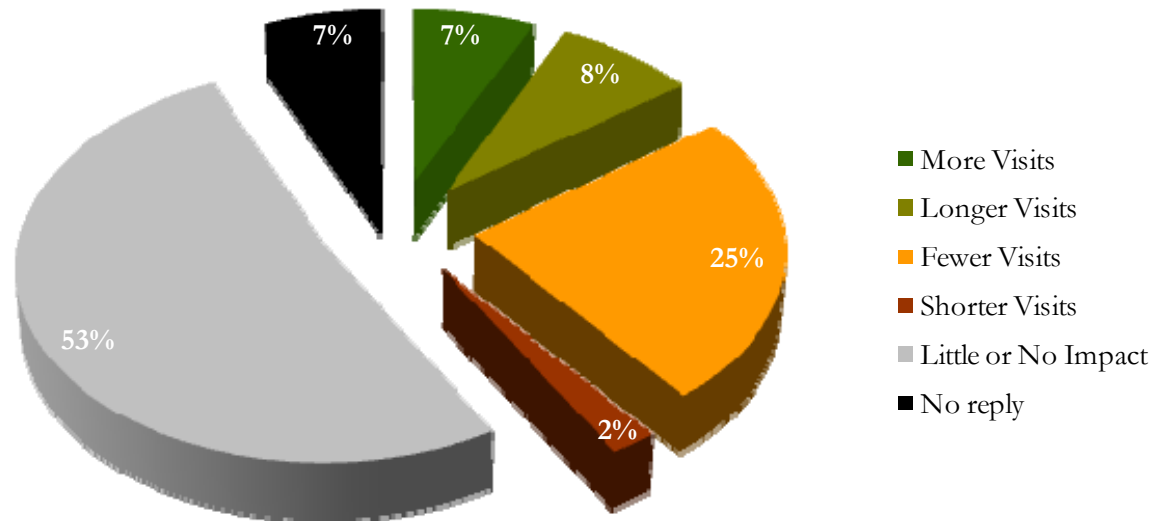
When asked how rising fuel costs would impact their state park visitation, a majority of all visitors felt rising fuel costs would have little to no impact on their visitation to Colorado State Parks.

However, it should be noted that one-quarter of all visitors felt that rising fuel costs would result in fewer visits to state parks. Contrarily, seven percent of visitors felt they would take more visits (presumably as a substitute for other more distant destinations) while eight percent said it would elongate their visits.

Only two percent of visitors felt rising fuel costs would make them take shorter visits to Colorado State Parks.

**Exhibit 2-4
Effects of Rising Fuel Costs**

(Question 11) How do rising fuel costs (gasoline or diesel) impact your state park visits?



WILDLIFE AND ENHANCED CLEANLINESS WITHIN PARK AREAS WOULD MOST GREATLY INCREASE VISITATION

When asked how a number of potential park-related features would increase or decrease visitation, visitors most frequently indicated that their visitation would increase with “more wildlife viewing opportunities” and “cleaner facilities and park areas”.

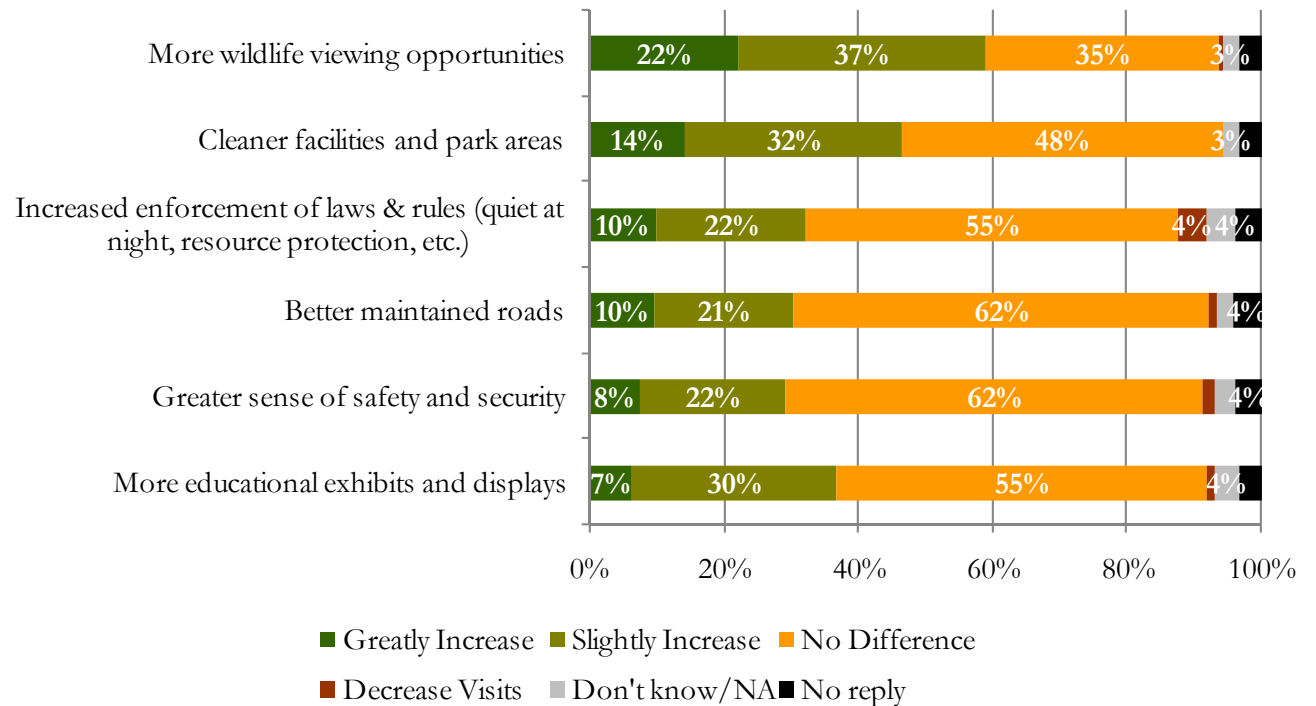
Overall, nearly a quarter of visitors said increased wildlife viewing opportunities would greatly increase their visitation (59 percent said it would at least slightly increase visitation).

Almost half of all respondents felt cleaner facilities and park areas would at least slightly increase their park visitation (46 percent). Increases to education exhibits, enforcement of laws and safety and maintained roads also received notable perceived increases in visitor visitation.

Additional potential park features are presented on the following page.

**Exhibit 2-5
Effect of Potential Features on Visitation**

(Question 12) The following lists a number of features at state parks. For each feature listed, please indicate if changes were made how it would alter the number of times you visit.



**INCREASES IN UNIFORMED
LAW ENFORCEMENT
OFFICERS WOULD DISSUADE
SOME VISITORS**

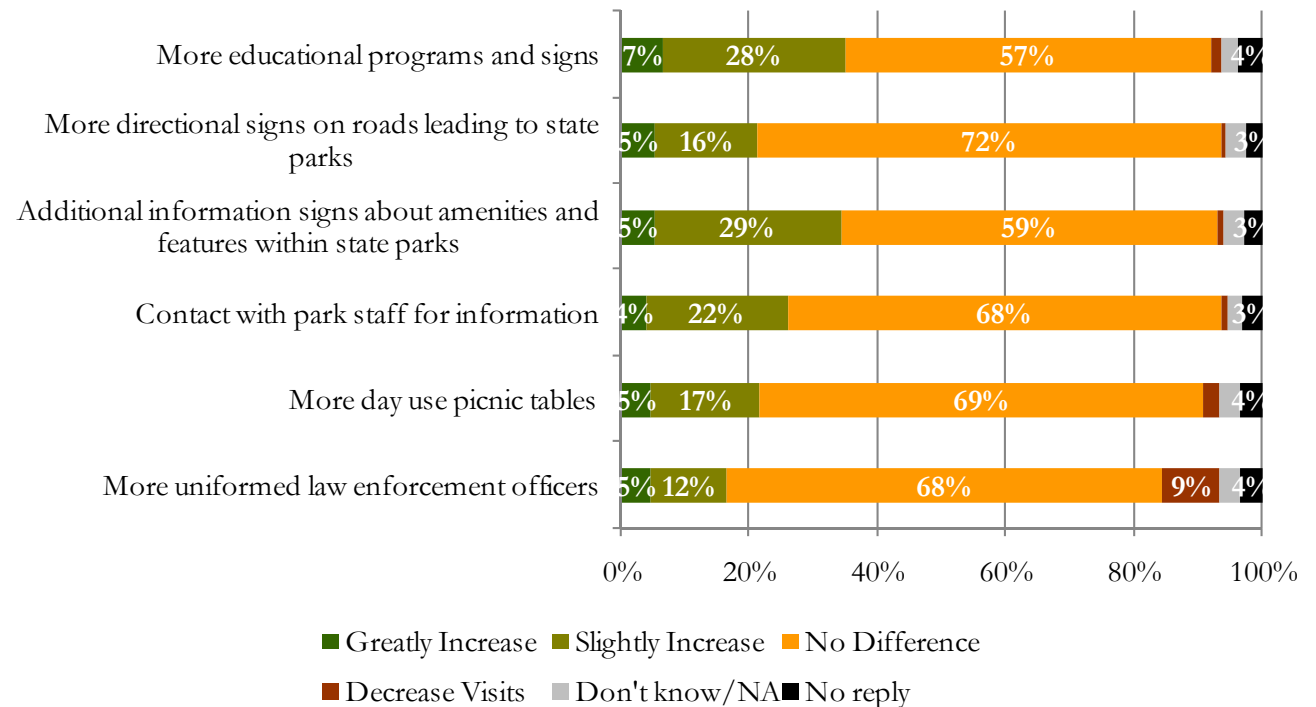
Almost one in ten visitors indicated that increases in uniformed law enforcement officers in Colorado State Parks would cause them to decrease their visitation to state parks.

A majority of visitors indicated their visitation levels would remain unchanged for all of the other features listed in the survey.

Though it's notable that over one-third of all visitors said more educational programs and signs and additional information signs about amenities/features within state parks would at least slightly increase their park visitation.

**Exhibit 2-6
Effect of Potential Features on Visitation (continued)**

Question 12) The following lists a number of features at state parks. For each feature listed, please indicate if changes were made how it would alter the number of times you visit.



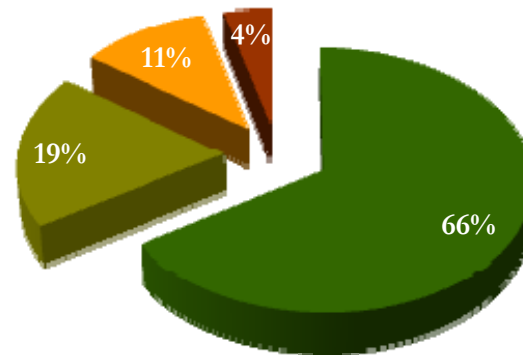
A MAJORITY OF VISITORS SUPPORTED CHARGING SEPARATE FEES FOR SPECIALIZED ACTIVITIES

Overall, 66 percent of all visitors said they supported keeping entry fees as low as possible and charging higher fees for specialized park activities (like camping or boating), while just 19 percent of visitors contrarily supported charging higher entry fees to ensure that specialized activity fees were kept low.

Eleven percent of visitors had no preference between the two options.

**Exhibit 2-7
Fee Structure Preferences**

(Question 13a) Colorado State Parks has a specific fee structure, but fee structures in other states are sometimes different. Out of each of the following pairs, please indicate which type of fee structure or philosophy you prefer.



- Keep entry fees as low as possible and charge higher fees for activities that benefit only some visitors, such as camping or boating.
- Charge higher entry fees to ensure that other activity fees such as camping are kept as low as possible.
- No preference
- No reply

VISITORS FREQUENTLY SUPPORTED HAVING A FEW PREMIUM PARK FACILITIES WITHIN THE PARK SYSTEM

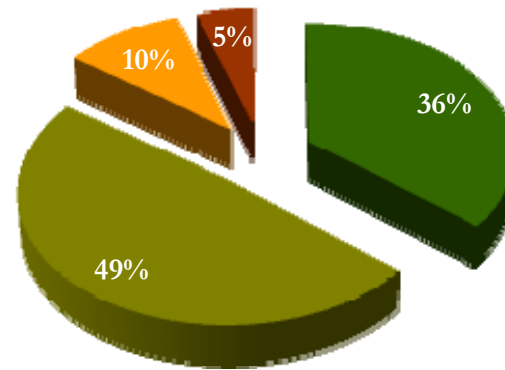
Overall, almost half of all visitors indicated that they supported having a few premium facilities (in the park system) that cost extra and are only available to those willing to pay premium fees.

Contrarily, over one-third of respondents felt all facilities should be built at the same standards and priced at the same fee structure.

One-tenth of visitors had no preferences regarding these two facility and fee structure philosophies.

**Exhibit 2-8
Fee Structure Preferences**

(Question 13b) Colorado State Parks has a specific fee structure, but fee structures in other states are sometimes different. Out of each of the following pairs, please indicate which type of fee structure or philosophy you prefer.



- Build facilities at the parks at the same standards so that everyone has the same opportunities and pays the same fees
- Have a few premium facilities such as particularly nice camp sites or cabins with electricity and other features that cost extra and are available for those who are willing to pay premium fees
- No preference
- No reply

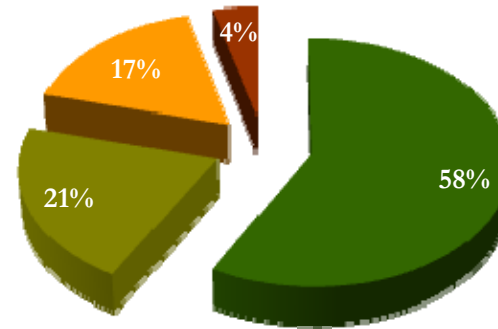
A MAJORITY OF VISITORS SUPPORTED INCREASING VOLUNTEER EFFORTS OVER HIRING MORE STAFF

In total, 58 percent of visitors supported increasing volunteering opportunities at the parks to maintain and improve facilities and conditions at the parks, while 21 percent of all visitors contrarily supported hiring more staff and spending more money to address park maintenance and natural resource issues.

Seventeen percent of all visitors had no preference between the two options.

**Exhibit 2-9
Fee Structure Preferences**

(Question 13c) Colorado State Parks has a specific fee structure, but fee structures in other states are sometimes different. Out of each of the following pairs, please indicate which type of fee structure or philosophy you prefer.



- Work with park visitors and others to increase volunteering at the parks to maintain and improve facilities and conditions at the parks
- Hire more staff at the parks and spend more money on maintenance of facilities and natural resources to improve the conditions
- No preference
- No reply

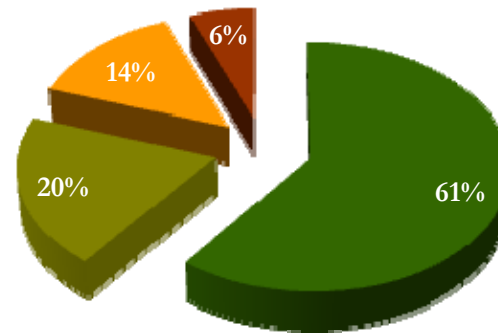
A MAJORITY OF VISITORS SUPPORTED INCREASED FEES RELATED TO MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENTS TO PARK RESOURCES

Overall, 61 percent of all visitors said they supported increases in fees at this park so that conditions of the facilities, natural resources and activities could be improved or upgraded.

On the other hand, 20 percent of visitors though fees should be kept the same, even if it meant that facilities and natural resources might decline.

**Exhibit 2-10
Fee Structure Preferences**

(Question 13d) Colorado State Parks has a specific fee structure, but fee structures in other states are sometimes different. Out of each of the following pairs, please indicate which type of fee structure or philosophy you prefer.



- Increase fees at this park so that the conditions of the facilities, natural resources, and types of activities are improved and upgraded
- Keep all fees the same, even if it means that upkeep of facilities and natural resources may decline some.
- No preference
- No reply

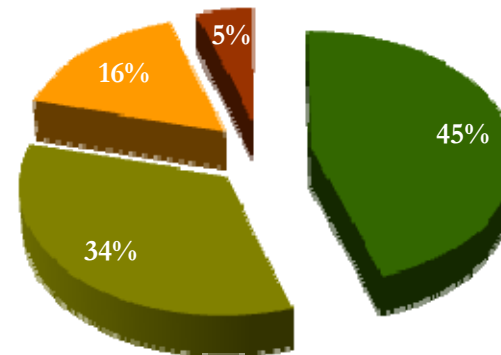
**ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS
AIMED AT KIDS WERE
SUPPORTED BY VISITORS**

Overall, 45 percent of visitors said they supported parks providing more programs and activities aimed at helping educate kids and youth about nature and the outdoors, while 34 percent of visitors felt parks should let nature speak for itself and should not worry about providing additional educational programs for people.

Sixteen percent of visitors had no preference between the two options.

**Exhibit 2-11
Fee Structure Preferences**

(Question 13e) Colorado State Parks has a specific fee structure, but fee structures in other states are sometimes different. Out of each of the following pairs, please indicate which type of fee structure or philosophy you prefer.



- Provide more programs and activities for kids and youth at the parks that help educate them about nature and the outdoors.
- Let nature speak for itself and do not worry about providing additional information or programs for people.
- No preference
- No reply

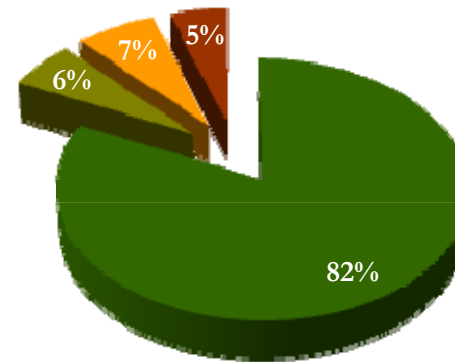
A LARGE MAJORITY OF FELT PARKS SHOULD ENCOURAGE VISITORS TO TAKE AN ACTIVE ROLE IN PROTECTING RESOURCES

A significant majority of visitors (82 percent) felt parks should encourage park visitors to take a more active role in protecting the natural resources at the parks.

Only six percent of visitors felt that protection of natural resources should be left to the paid staff that manages the parks.

**Exhibit 2-12
Fee Structure Preferences**

(Question 13f) Colorado State Parks has a specific fee structure, but fee structures in other states are sometimes different. Out of each of the following pairs, please indicate which type of fee structure or philosophy you prefer.



- Encourage park visitors to take a more active role in protecting the natural resources at the parks.
- Leave protection of the natural resources to the paid staff that manage the parks; do not expect any responsibility of the park visitors.
- No preference
- No reply

PROVIDING RECYCLING CONTAINERS AT STATE PARKS WAS THE TOP ENERGY PRIORITY

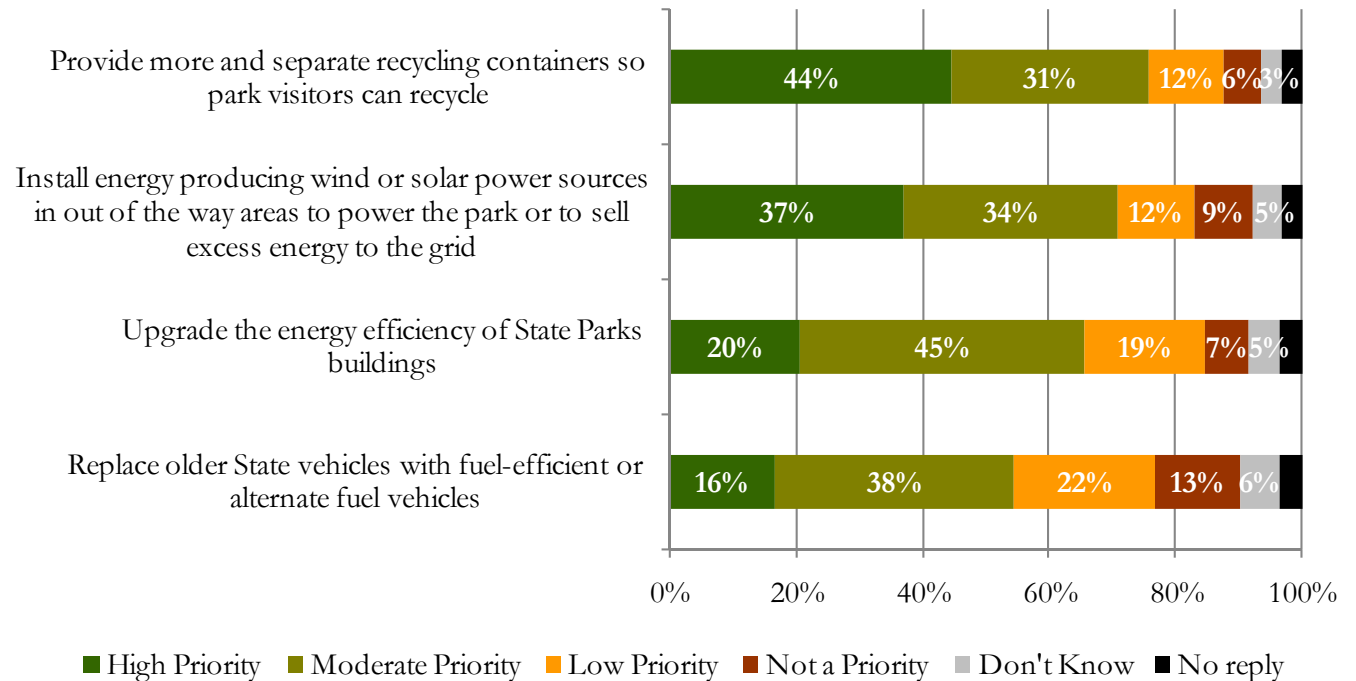
Overall, three-fourths of all visitors felt that providing more and separate recycling containers for park visitors to use at Colorado State Parks should be at least a moderate priority for state parks.

Installation of energy producing wind or solar power in discreet park areas to power the park or sell energy to the grid also saw strong support, with 71 percent of all visitors at least labeling this as a moderate priority.

Upgrading the energy efficiency of state parks buildings and vehicles were seen as lower priorities among visitors compared to the two highest ranked options, but it is noteworthy that a majority still felt they should be at least a moderate priority for State Parks.

**Exhibit 2-14
Improvement to Park Energy Efficiencies**

(Question 15) Colorado State Parks is working to improve energy use in the parks. Compared to other park operations, how much of a priority should the following types of efforts be?



SECTION 3: VISITOR PHILOSOPHIES AND INFORMATION SOURCES

In Section 3, philosophical questions regarding visitor's preferences for different types of park styles are detailed, as are visitors' decision making processes for coming to a state park. Specific questions are also asked with examine the information sources visitors utilize when selecting recreational activities and state parks.

VISITORS MOST FREQUENTLY FAVORED PRIMITIVE CAMPING DEVELOPMENT

When asked to choose between a developed park with plumbing and restrooms with showers (Park A) versus a more primitive campsite with no plumbing or electricity (Park B), visitors most frequently chose the less developed park option.

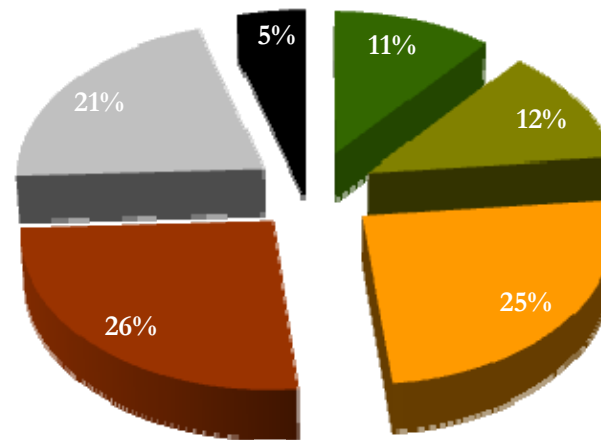
Overall, 47 percent of respondents preferred Park B either most of the time or all of the time, while 23 percent of visitors said they would prefer Park A at least most of the time.

An additional one-quarter of visitors said they had equal preference for the two different hypothetical park options.

**Exhibit 3-1
Park Type Preferences**

(Question 16) Imagine two Colorado State Parks that have similar landscapes, and which are about the same distance from your home. Park A is developed, with plumbing, electric hookups, hot showers in the restrooms. There is room for 100 campsite units with parking and picnic tables. You can see your neighbors (about 5 other units) from your site. Park B is a more natural setting with primitive camping available. (There is no plumbing or electric.) Other campsites are far enough away that campsites are spaced further apart for privacy.

Which of the following best describes your visiting preferences?



- Park A all of the time or nearly all of the time
- Park A most of the time
- Equal preference
- Park B all of the time or nearly all of the time
- Park B most of the time
- No reply

VISITORS WERE WILLING TO PAY MORE FOR A PARK WITH MORE DEVELOPED AMENITIES

When visitors were asked what they would be willing to pay for each of the hypothetical parks detailed in question 16, a majority of visitors indicated they would be willing to pay more for the more developed park.

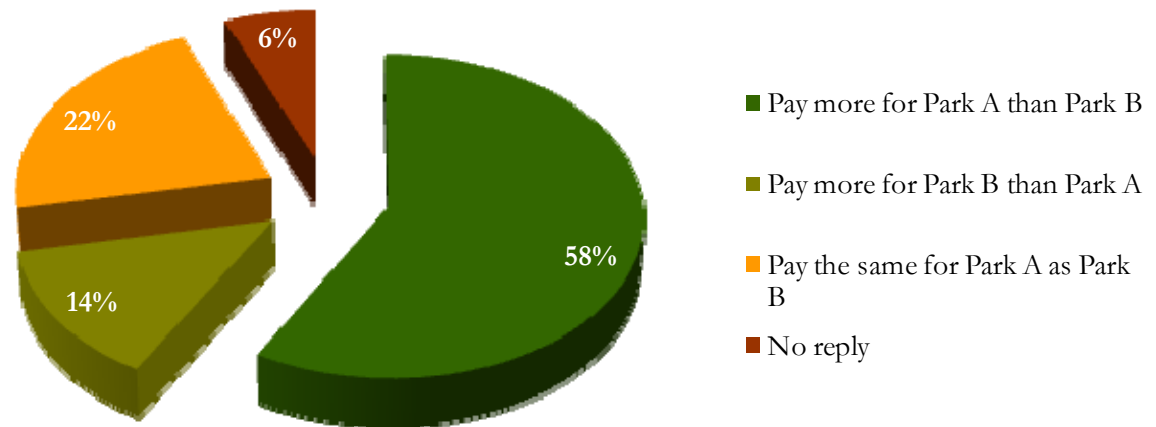
In total, 58 percent of all visitors said they were willing to pay more for Park A than Park B. Interestingly, 14 percent of visitors indicated they would pay more for Park B than Park A.

Ultimately, this it is important that visitors reiterated that they would be willing to pay more for a park with more amenities and reaffirmed the findings detailed in Question 13b (Exhibit 2-8) where they indicated they would prefer to have some parks with more amenities that visitors would have to pay more to access.

Note that the previous exhibit also indicated a preference for the less developed park.

**Exhibit 3-2
Willingness to Pay**

(Question 17) For park A and B as described above I would be willing to:



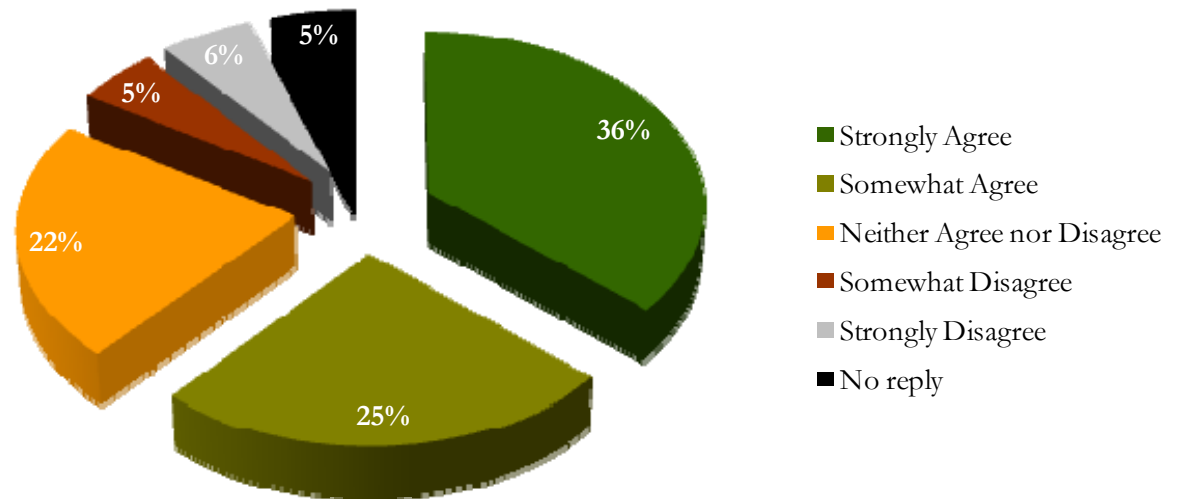
**A MAJORITY OF VISITORS
AGREED THAT CAMPSITE
FEES SHOULD BE TIED TO
RESOURCES USED PER
VISITOR**

Overall, 61 percent of all visitors indicated that they either somewhat or strongly agreed that those visitors who use less electricity at campsites should pay lower fees than visitors who use more electricity.

In contrast, on 11 percent of visitors disagreed with this statement while 22 percent indicated that they neither agreed nor disagreed with the statement.

**Exhibit 3-3
Electricity Fees**

(Question 18) Please mark one choice for how you feel about the following statement: Those who use less electric at a campsite should pay a lower fee for that campsite than those who use more electric?



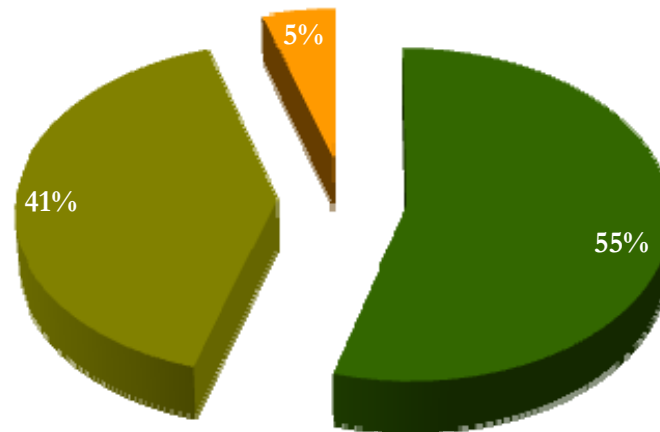
**A MAJORITY OF VISITORS
DECIDE ON ACTIVITIES THEN
SELECT THE PLACE TO
PARTICIPATE IN THOSE
ACTIVITIES**

In Question 19, visitors were asked to philosophically assess their decision process for coming to a state park. Overall, 55 percent of visitors indicated that they typically decide what activities they want to participate in (hiking, fishing, etc...) and then decide that a state park is a good place to do that activity.

In opposition, a strong minority of visitors said they decide first that they would like to visit a state park and then decide on the activities they are interested in pursuing during their visit.

**Exhibit 3-4
Decision Process**

(Question 19) Which statement best describes your normal decision process in coming to a state park?



- I decide what I want to do (i.e., fishing, hiking, etc.) and the state park is a good place to do that activity
- I decide to come to the state park because I like the setting and the sense I get from being there, and then I decide on activities to do during my visit
- No reply

**FINAL DESTINATIONS VARIED
SIGNIFICANTLY BY PARK**

A full list of visitors' final destinations is provided in by park in **Appendix F** so that park managers who participated in the future direction survey will have a better idea on where their visitors are going to after their visit to that state park.

**Exhibit 3-5
Final Destinations**

(Question 20) **If this park is not your final destination, where are you going?**

NOTE: Visitor responses regarding final destinations are provided by park in **Appendix F**

VISITORS' OTHER AVAILABLE OPTIONS WERE DIVERSE

When visitors were asked where else they would have gone if the state park they were currently visiting was not available, their responses were diverse and wide ranging.

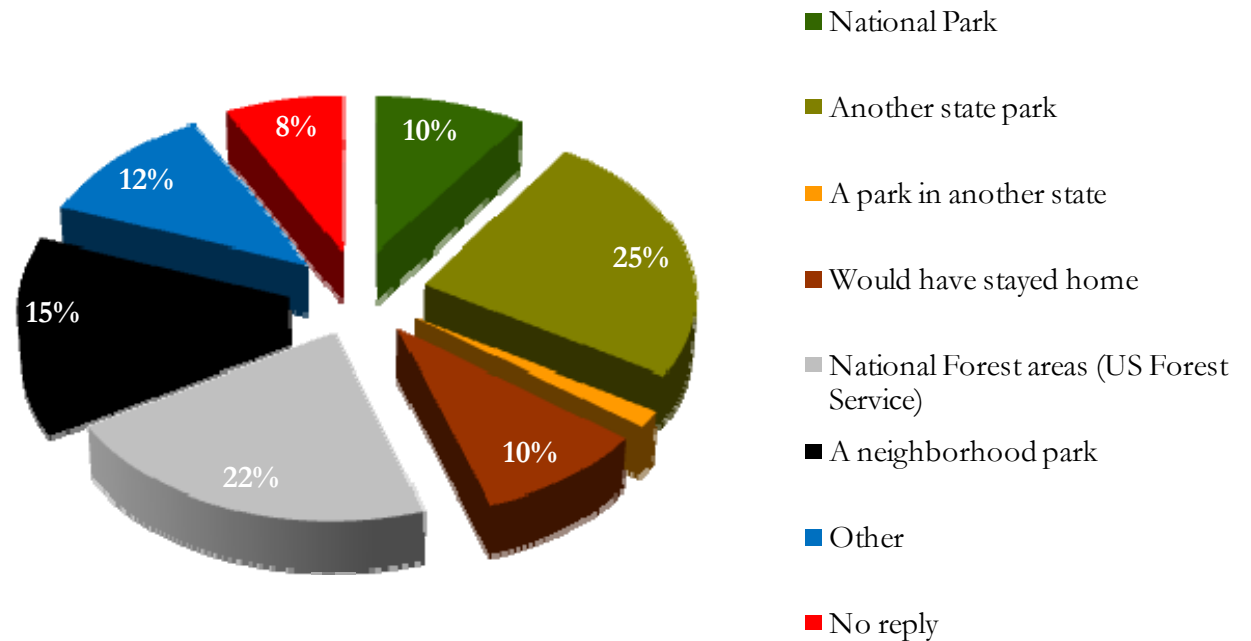
Overall, visitors most frequently said they would go to another state park if the current one they were visiting were unavailable (25 percent).

Other options frequently selected included: National Forest Areas (22 percent); A neighborhood park (15 percent); and "Other" options (12 percent).

It's encouraging from a Colorado State Park perspective that visitors most commonly said they would go to another state park, but the wide range of support for other options highlights the competition Colorado State Parks faces for its visitors time.

Exhibit 3-6
Other Potential Recreation Destinations

(Question 21) Where else would you have gone this time if this state park were not available?



PROXIMITY TO HOME WAS THE TOP CRITERIA CITED BY VISITORS

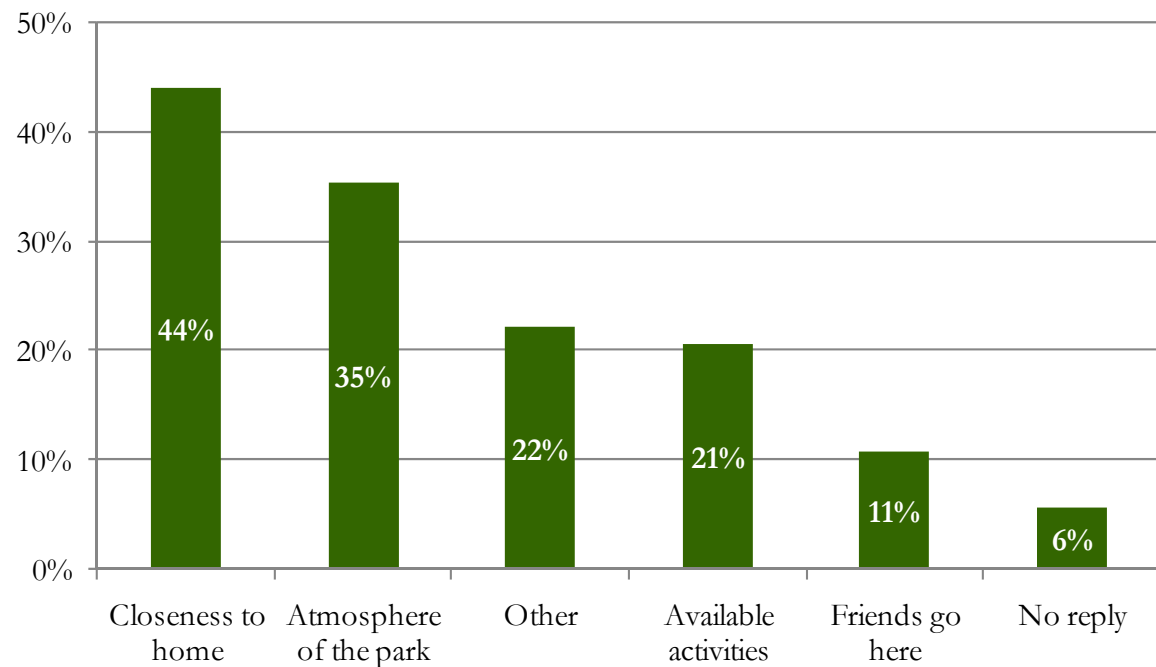
When asked why they choose a state park over other possible destinations, visitors most frequently indicated that the state parks close proximity to their home was a factor in their decision (44 percent).

Other factors frequently cited by visitors included atmosphere of the park (35 percent) and available activities (21 percent).

**Exhibit 3-7
Selection of State Park**

(Question 22) Why did you choose this state park over question 21's other choices?

[Respondents were instructed to select all options that applied to them, so the total adds up to over 100 percent]



PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE IN A STATE PARK WAS A COMMON INFORMATION SOURCE FOR VISITORS

Overall, nearly one-third of respondents said they received most of their information about activities at the state park from their previous experiences at the park.

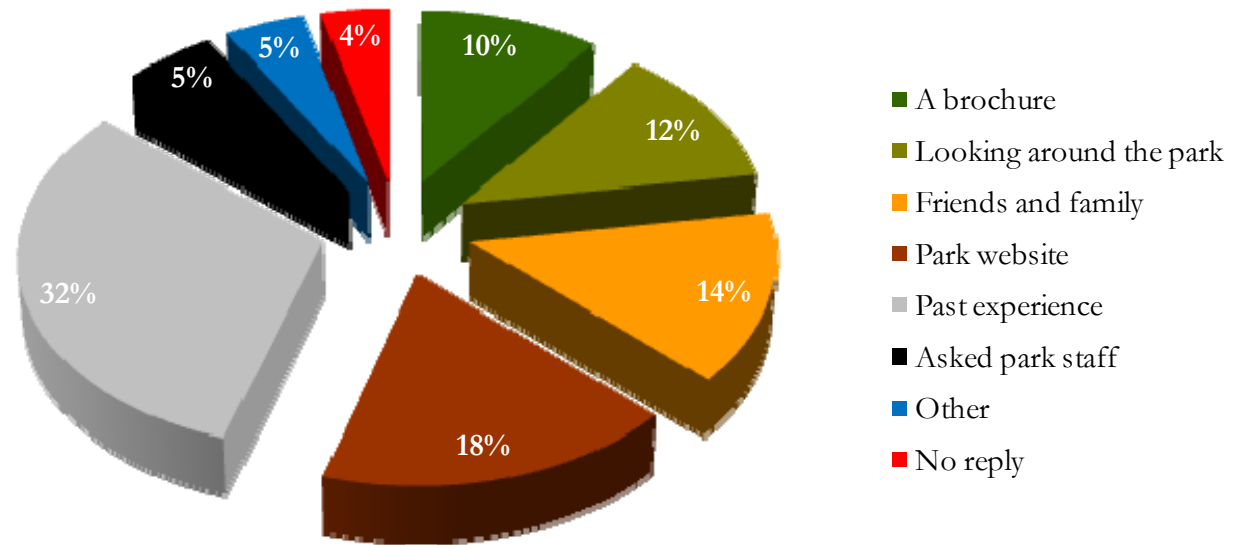
As noted earlier, repeat and high volume visitors were possibly more likely to participate in the survey, so citation of past experience as an information source could be elevated for this question.

The Colorado State Park website was the second most frequently cited information source (18 percent), while friends/family (14 percent) and just looking around the park (12 percent) were also commonly cited by visitors.

It should be noted that one in ten visitors said they got their information from a park brochure.

**Exhibit 3-8
State Park Information Sources**

(Question 23) Where did you get the most information about the activities at this state park?



INTERNET WAS THE TOP INFORMATION SOURCE FOR LEISURE ACTIVITIES

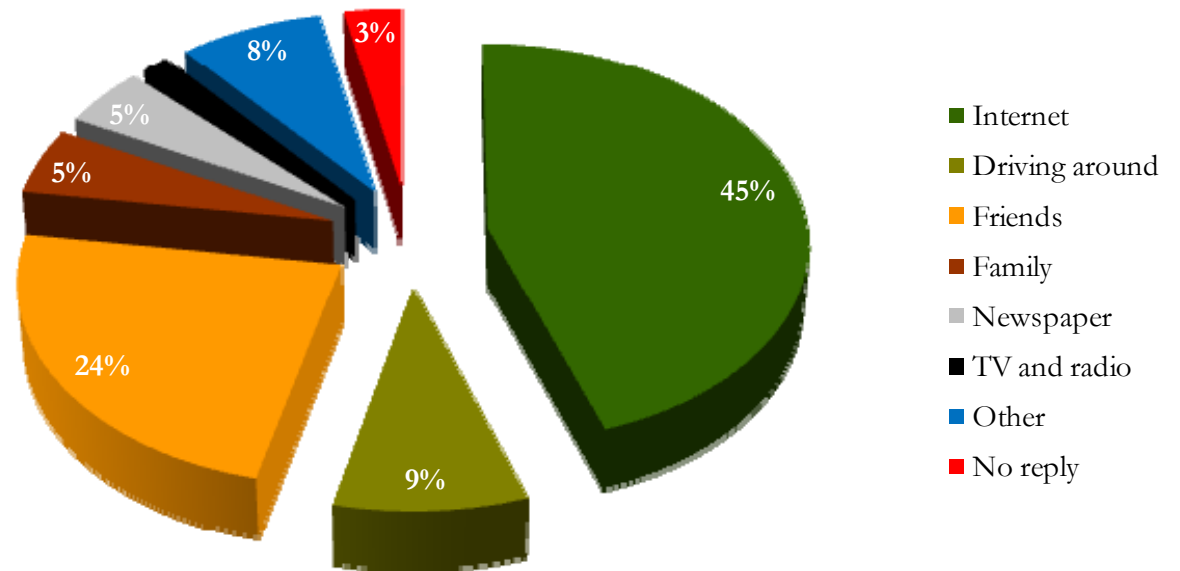
Overall, 45 percent of all survey respondents said they most often get their information pertaining to leisure activities on the internet. This was by far the most frequently selected information source.

Other information sources cited by visitors included friends (24 percent) and driving around (9 percent). The driving around information source could point to promoting Colorado State Park awareness with increased signage throughout the state.

Newspaper and TV/Radio sources were not cited often by visitors as primary information sources.

**Exhibit 3-9
Information Sources for Leisure Activities**

(Question 24) Where do you most often get information about places to go for leisure activities in general?



SECTION 4: POTENTIAL PARK FEATURES AND PARK FUNDING

In Section 4, visitor survey respondents were asked to describe how they would feel about a number of potential changes that could be implemented at Colorado State Parks in the future. Other questions in Section 4 assessed visitors' general perceptions regarding Colorado State Parks and visitors' knowledge levels of funding sources of state parks.

Visitors were also asked to give their opinion regarding whether Colorado State Parks should receive funds from general state tax dollars.

VISITORS WOULD BE MOST PLEASED BY ADDITIONAL PARK LAND, TRAILS AND WILDLIFE OBSERVATION

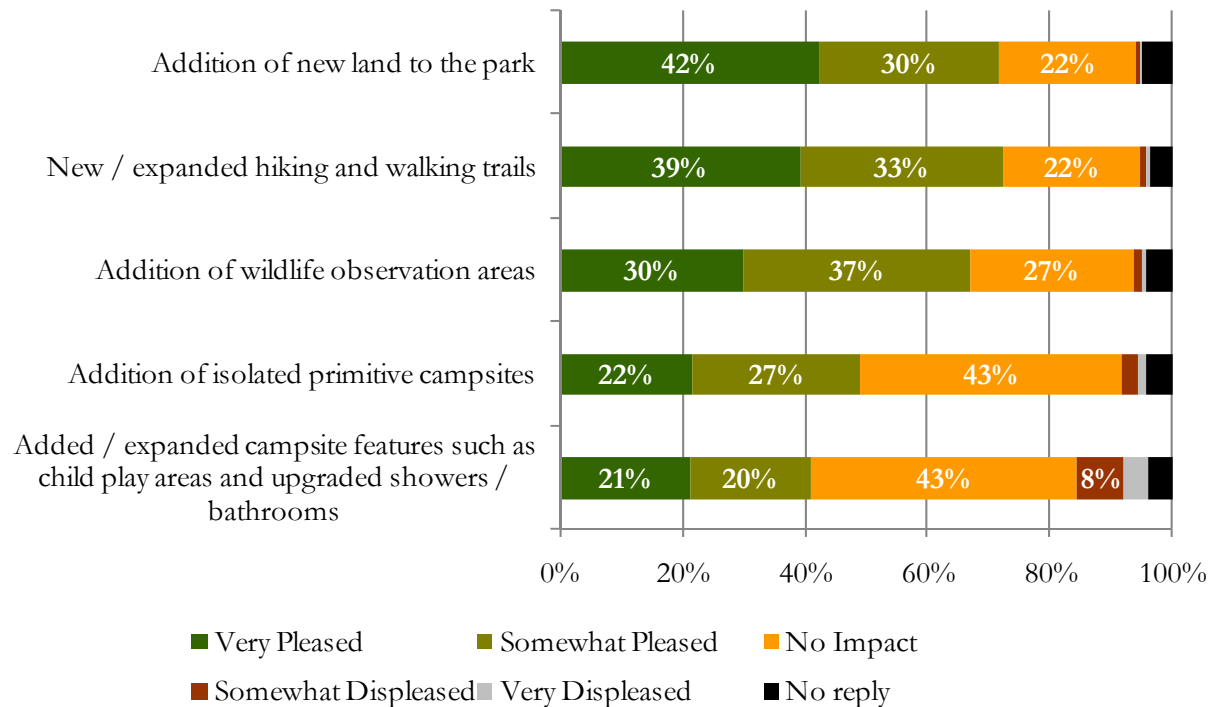
Overall, visitors were most likely to be pleased with the following potential changes to Colorado State Parks: Addition of new land to the park (72 percent at least somewhat pleased); New / expanded hiking/walking trails (72 percent at least somewhat pleased); Addition of wildlife observation areas (67 percent at least somewhat pleased).

Almost half of all visitors said additional isolated primitive campsites would please them.

It should be noted that though 40 percent of visitors said they would be pleased with added campsite features like child play areas or upgraded showers, a little over one-in-ten visitors said this added feature would be displeasing.

**Exhibit 4-1
Visitor Attitudes Towards Potential Park Changes**

(Question 25) Suppose that you came to this State Park a year from now, and the park had implemented a change. Regardless of whether or not it would change your likelihood of visiting again, how much would you be pleased or displeased by the following changes?



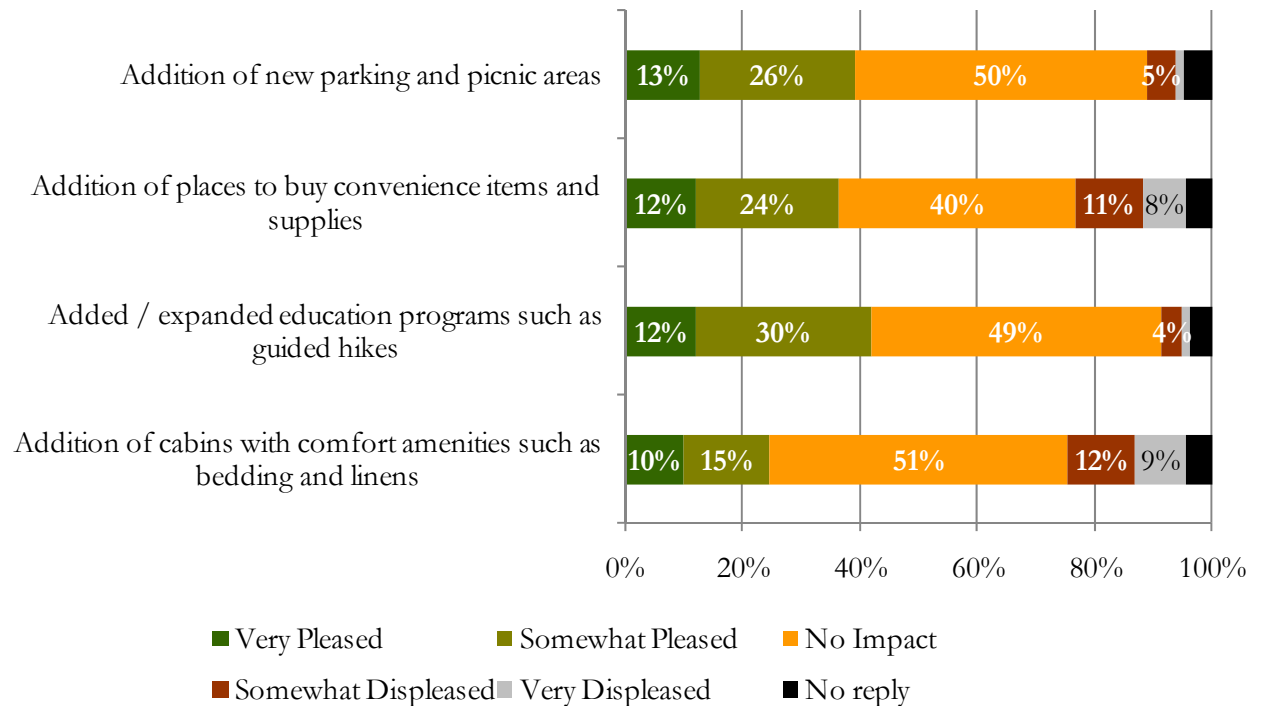
SUPPORT FOR COMFORT AMENITIES AND NEW PLACES TO BUY CONVENIENCE ITEMS WAS MIXED

Over one-third of all visitors said they would be at least somewhat pleased with the addition of new parking/picnic areas, additional places to buy convenience items/supplies and added education programs such as guided hikes.

Significant proportions of visitors were also likely to be displeased with the addition of cabins with comfort amenities like bedding and linens and the addition of places to buy convenience items and supplies.

**Exhibit 4-2
Visitor Attitudes Towards Potential Park Changes (Continued)**

(Question 25) Suppose that you came to this State Park a year from now, and the park had implemented a change. Regardless of whether or not it would change your likelihood of visiting again, how much would you be pleased or displeased by the following changes?



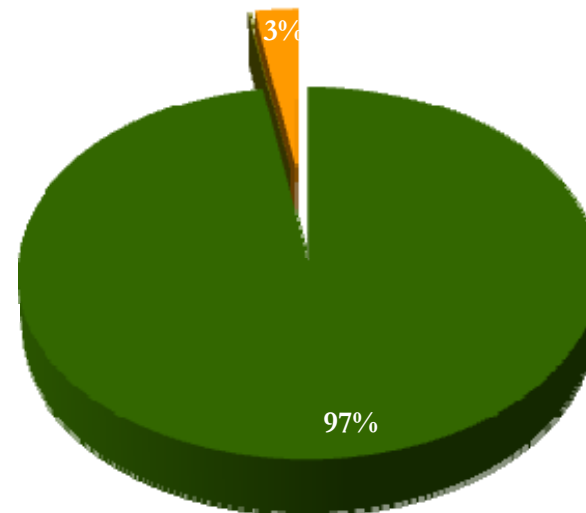
**AN OVERWHELMING
MAJORITY OF VISITORS FEEL
STATE PARKS ARE A GOOD
THING FOR COLORADO**

Overall, 97 percent of visitors felt State Parks are a good thing for Colorado.

Less than .1 percent of visitors did not agree with this statement and three percent of visitors did not reply to the question.

**Exhibit 4-3
Are State Park Good?**

(Question 26) Are State Parks a good thing for Colorado?



■ Yes ■ No ■ No reply

VISITORS WERE MOST FAMILIAR WITH ENTRANCE AND ACTIVITY FEES

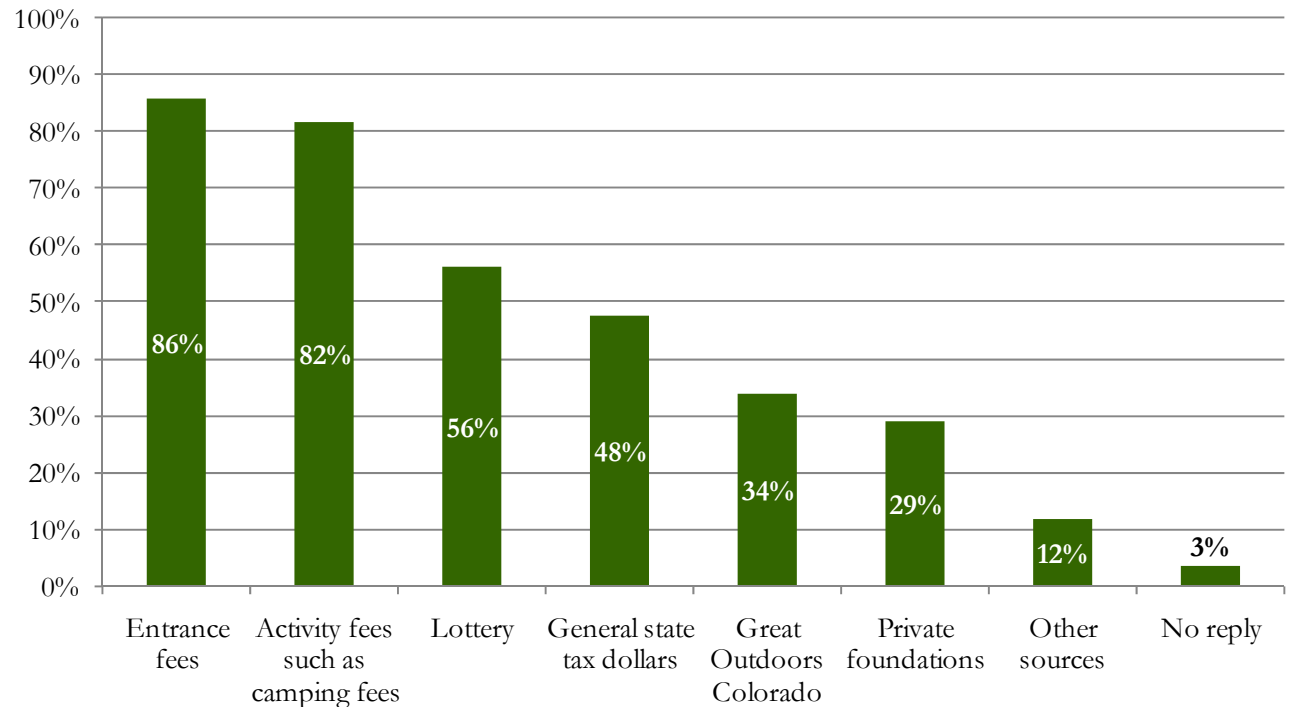
When asked what types of funding sources they thought were used to support Colorado State Parks, visitors most frequently identified entrance fees (86 percent) and activity fees (82 percent).

The lottery was also cited by over half of all visitors and general state tax dollars were cited by 48 percent of visitors.

Roughly one-third of visitors thought that Great Outdoors Colorado was a funding source.

**Exhibit 4-4
Resource Stewardship**

(Question 27) From what you know about Colorado State Parks, what types of funding sources are used to support the agency?



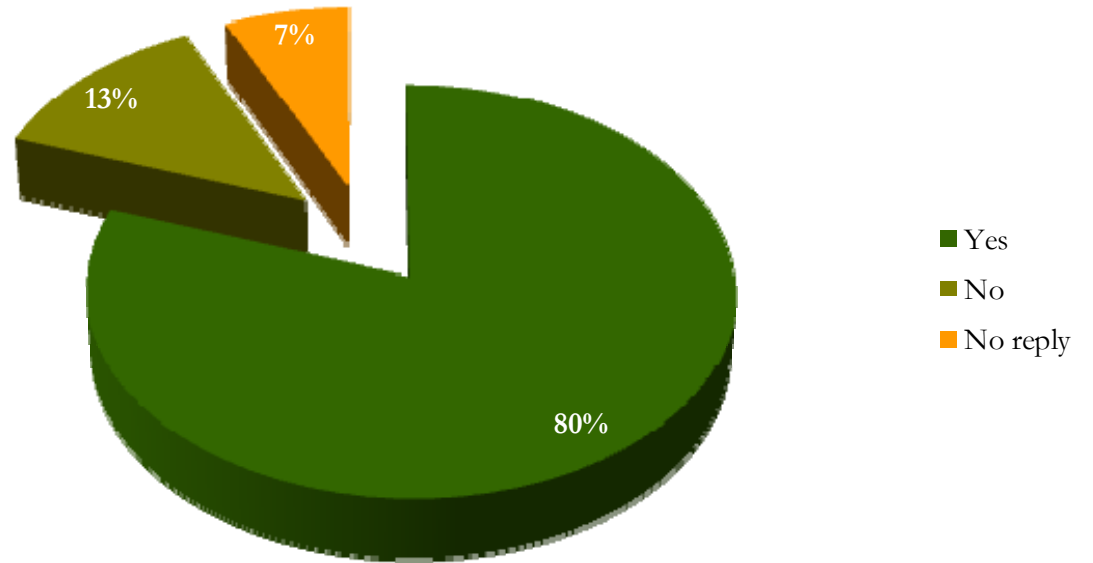
**A MAJORITY OF VISITORS
FELT STATE PARKS SHOULD
RECEIVE GENERAL STATE
TAX DOLLARS**

Overall, 80 percent of all visitors said they felt Colorado State Parks should receive funds from general state tax dollars.

Contrarily, 13 percent of visitors felt Colorado State Parks should not receive general state tax dollars.

**Exhibit 4-5
State Tax Dollars**

(Question 28) Should State Parks receive funds from general state tax dollars?



**FINAL COMMENTS VARIED BY
PARK**

Overall, many visitors provided positive feedback regarding their overall experience during their visit to the state park. A number of respondents also provided constructive feedback and suggestions to Park Staff so they could improve specific issues within the parks.

NOTE: Final comments are provided by park in **Appendix G**.

**Exhibit 4-6
Final Comments and Suggestions**

(Question 35) Do you have any other comments or suggestions or future improvements you would like to see?

NOTE: Final Comments are provided by park in Appendix G

SECTION 5: DEMOGRAPHICS

In Section 5, respondents were asked a number of demographic questions. These questions included gender, marital status, and the number of children living in respondents' households, age and ethnicity.

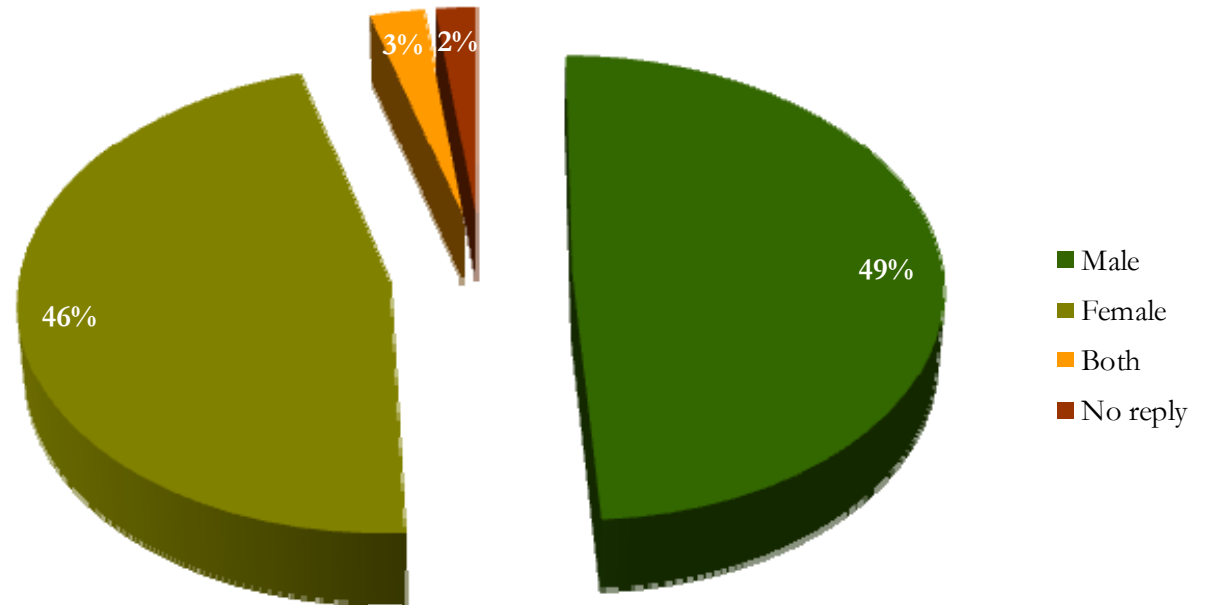
**SURVEY RESPONDENT
GENDER WAS CLOSE TO
EQUALLY SPLIT**

Overall, 49 percent of visitor survey respondents were male and 46 percent of visitor survey respondents were female.

Three percent of all surveys were conducted by both male and female visitor survey respondents.

**Exhibit 5-1
Demographics**

(Question 29) Gender (of the person answering this survey)

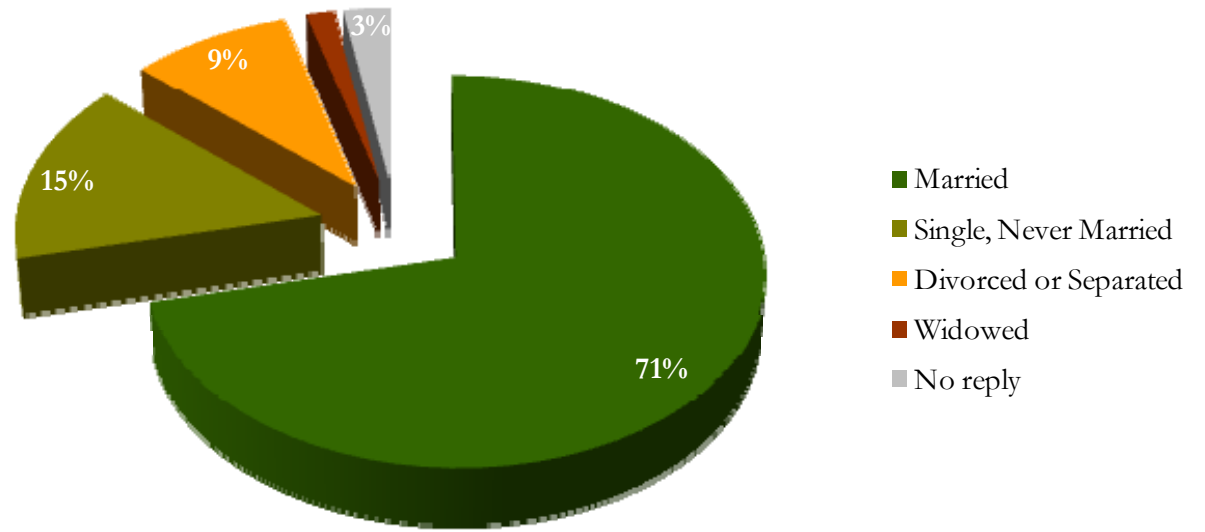


**MOST SURVEY RESPONDENTS
WERE MARRIED**

In total, 71 percent of visitor survey respondents were married, while 24 percent were single, divorced, or separated and less than 3 percent were widowed.

**Exhibit 5-2
Demographics**

(Question 30) What is your marital status?

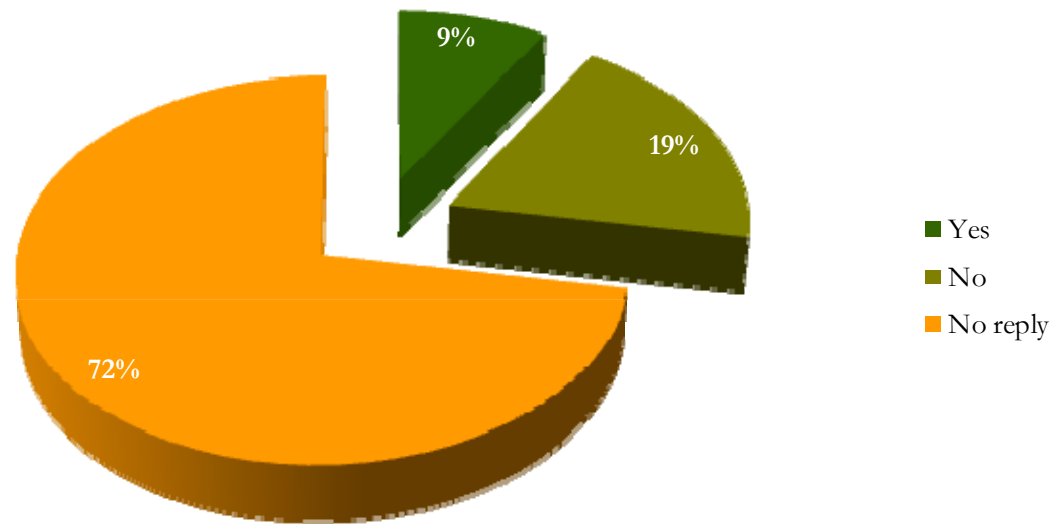


ONE IN TEN VISITORS WAS UNMARRIED BUT LIVING WITH A SIGNIFICANT OTHER

Of visitor survey respondents who were not married, nine percent indicated that they were living with a significant other, while 19 percent of visitor survey respondents were not married and not living with a significant other.

**Exhibit 5-3
Demographics**

(Question 31) If not married, do you live with a “significant other”?

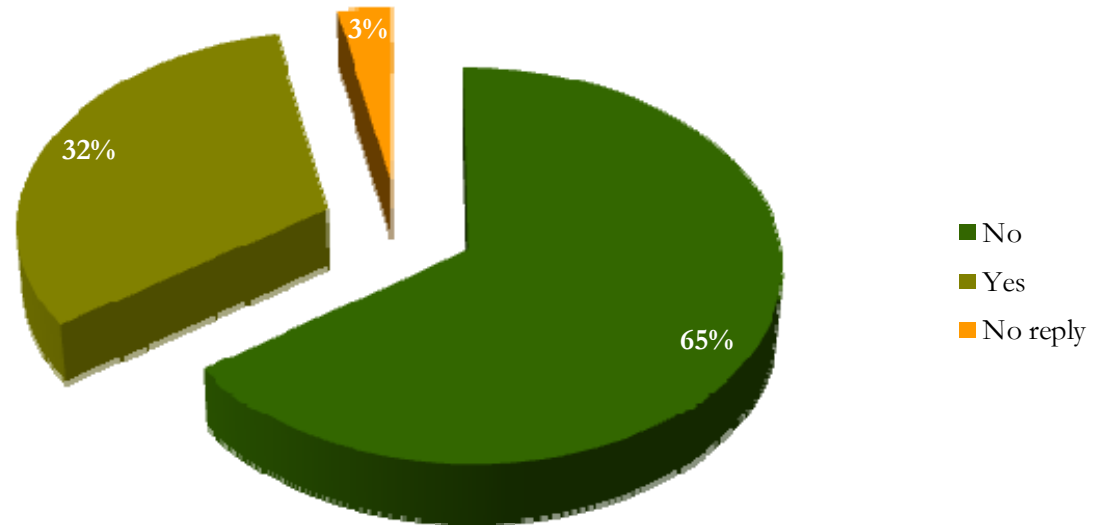


ROUGHLY ONE-THIRD OF VISITOR SURVEY RESPONDENTS LIVED WITH CHILDREN UNDER 18

Overall, 32 percent of all visitor survey respondents indicated that they currently lived with children under the age of 18, while a majority of visitors did not have children living in their home (65 percent).

**Exhibit 5-4
Demographics**

(Question 32) Do any children under the age of 18 live in your home?

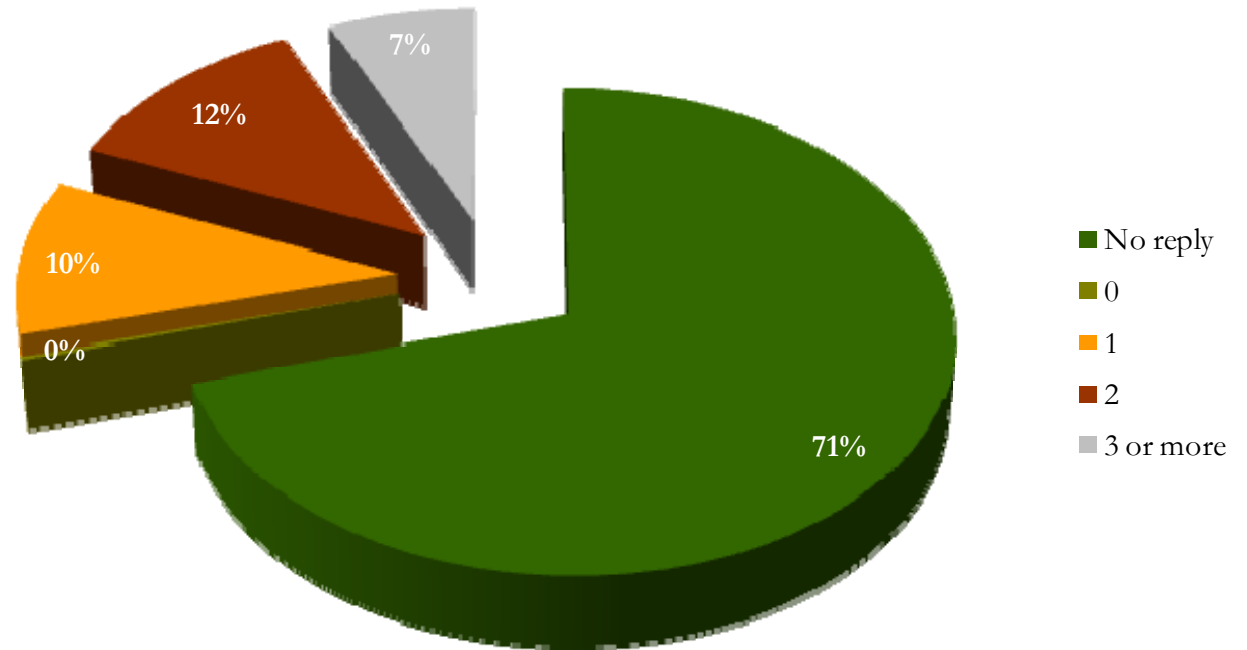


**CLOSE TO ONE-THIRD OF
RESPONDENTS HAD AT LEAST
ONE CHILD IN THEIR
HOUSEHOLD**

A total of 29 percent of respondents had at least one child under the age of 18 living in their household, while 71 percent had no children living in their household.

**Exhibit 5-5
Demographics**

(Question 32a) How many children under the age of 18 are living in your household?



**VISITOR SURVEY
RESPONDENTS WERE MADE
UP OF A DIVERSE MIXTURE
OF AGE RANGES**

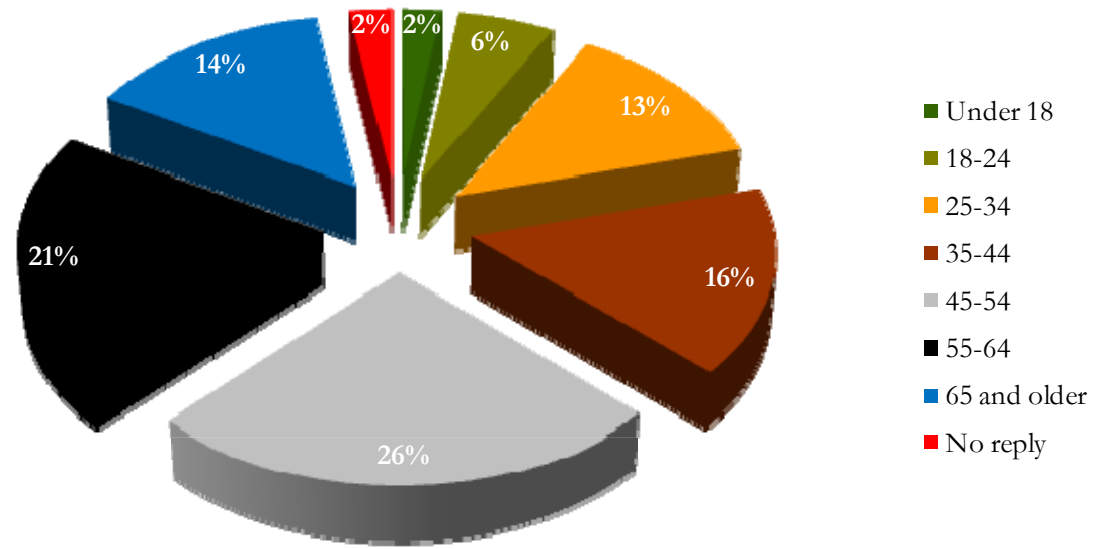
Overall, the most commonly surveyed visitor survey respondent was between 45 and 54 years old (26 percent).

Other prevalent age groups included respondents between the ages of 55 and 64 (21 percent) and respondents between the ages of 35 and 44 (16 percent).

Respondents in the oldest and youngest age groups also made up good proportions of the total survey sample, so all age groups were represented.

**Exhibit 5-6
Demographics**

(Question 33) Which of the following categories includes your age?



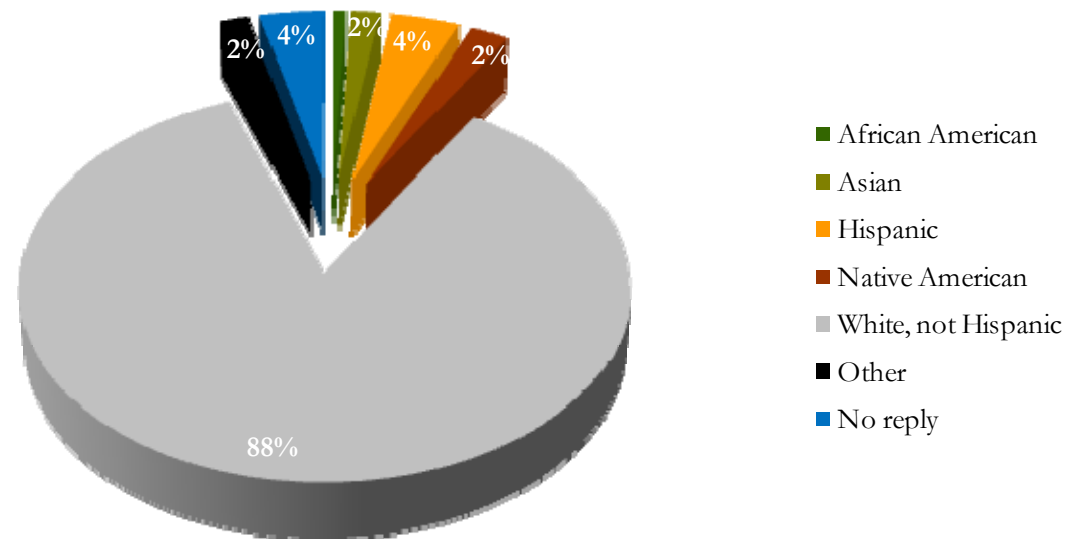
A LARGE MAJORITY OF VISITOR SURVEY RESPONDENTS WERE WHITE

Overall, 88 percent of visitor survey respondents were white, while the remaining respondents were divided among Hispanic Americans (4 percent), African Americans (1 percent), Asian Americans (2 percent), and Native Americans (2 percent).

Similar proportions were observed in the separate visitors intercept survey conducted at each of the 42 state parks.

**Exhibit 5-7
Demographics**

(Question 36) What is your ethnic or racial heritage?



APPENDIX A: COLORADO STATE PARKS FUTURE DIRECTIONS SURVEY

Colorado State Parks wants to better understand what our visitors think about State Parks and priorities for improvements. We appreciate your participation in this survey. Please put a small "x" in the "☐" for the answers that you select.

If you would like to be entered into our drawing to win one of the special prizes being offered (see complete list at park office or entrance), write your name and phone number/e-mail address here. All of the responses will be kept confidential. Name _____ Phone/E-Mail _____

1. What was the main reason that you decided to visit a park today? _____
2. What type of pass did you use for this visit? *Please check one.*
 Paid daily fee at gate Daily Pass from Self Service dispenser Annual, Aspen Leaf or other pass
3. Compared to previous years, how much have you visited state parks in the last year? Please choose one:
 Much more Somewhat more About the same Somewhat less Much less
4. If you answered "Somewhat less" or "Much less" in the previous question, please tell us why:

5. On this visit, have you or are you planning to stay overnight in the Park? Yes No
6. How would you describe your overall quality of experience at this state park on this visit?
 Excellent Good Fair Bad Very Bad
7. Did you have any contact with Colorado State Parks employees or volunteers on this visit? Yes No
 a. If yes, how would you rate the customer service you received?
 Very Good Good Okay Bad Very Bad
 b. If no, did you feel that it would be beneficial to have contact with Colorado State Park staff or volunteers?
 Yes No
8. Who first had the idea to come to the park today? *Please select one.*
 Me My spouse/ significant other/ boyfriend/ girlfriend My child Some other relative A friend Other
9. Think about a perfect experience at a state park. What three words or short phrases would best describe that perfect experience?

10. What THREE things best describe your goals for this visit? *Please put a "1" next to your top goal, a "2" next to your second-most important goal, and a "3" next to your third-most important goal. If you don't have three goals, you can mark fewer.*

___ Participate in a recreational activity that can <u>only</u> be done in a natural setting (hiking, camping, fishing, etc.) ___ Relax, get away from the normal stresses of life ___ Spend "quality time" with family or friends ___ Exercise and maintain an active life style	___ Participate in a recreational activity that can be done somewhere <u>besides</u> a natural setting (running, biking, photography, etc.) ___ Do something different, "get out of the house". ___ Enjoy being close to nature ___ Other _____
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11. How do rising fuel costs (gasoline or diesel) impact your state parks visits? *Check all that apply:*
 more visits longer visits fewer visits shorter visits little or no impact

12. The following lists a number of features at state parks. For each feature listed, please indicate if changes were made how it would alter the number of times you visit. Please note that you are asked to consider the cost vs. value that goes with the feature stated. *Please select one box per row.*

Feature	Greatly Increase	Slightly Increase	No Difference	Decrease Visits	Don't Know/ N/A
More directional signs on roads leading to state parks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Additional information signs about amenities and features within state parks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
More educational exhibits and displays	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Greater sense of safety and security	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
More wildlife viewing opportunities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
More educational programs and signs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cleaner facilities and park areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Increased enforcement of laws & rules (quiet at night, resource protection, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Better maintained roads	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Contact with park staff for information	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
More day use picnic tables	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
More uniformed law enforcement officers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

13. Colorado State Parks has a specific fee structure, but fee structures in other states are sometimes different. Out of each of the following pairs, please indicate which type of fee structure or philosophy you prefer. *Please select one box per row.*

A	Option A		Option B	B	No preference
<input type="checkbox"/>	Keep entry fees as low as possible and charge higher fees for activities that benefit only some visitors, such as camping or boating.	OR	Charge higher entry fees to ensure that other activity fees such as camping are kept as low as possible.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Build facilities at the parks at the same standards so that everyone has the same opportunities and pays the same fees.	OR	Have a few premium facilities such as particularly nice camp sites or cabins with electricity and other features that cost extra and are available for those who are willing to pay premium fees.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Work with park visitors and others to increase volunteering at the parks to maintain and improve facilities and conditions at the parks.	OR	Hire more staff at the parks and spend more money on maintenance of facilities and natural resources to improve the conditions.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Increase fees at this park so that the conditions of the facilities, natural resources, and types of activities are improved and upgraded.	OR	Keep all fees the same, even if it means that upkeep of facilities and natural resources may decline some.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Provide more programs and activities for kids and youth at the parks that help educate them about nature and the outdoors.	OR	Let nature speak for itself and do not worry about providing additional information or programs for people.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Encourage park visitors to take a more active role in protecting the natural resources at the parks.	OR	Leave protection of the natural resources to the paid staff that manage the parks; do not expect any responsibility of the park visitors.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

14. In your own words, what should be the role of each visitor to a state park in preserving natural park resources for future generations?

15. Colorado State Parks is working to improve energy use in the parks. Compared to other park operations, how much of a priority should the following types of efforts be? *Please select one box per row.*

Item	High Priority	Moderate Priority	Low Priority	Not a Priority	Don't Know
Replace older State vehicles with fuel-efficient or alternate fuel vehicles	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Upgrade the energy efficiency of State Parks buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Provide more and separate recycling containers so park visitors can recycle	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Install energy producing wind or solar power sources in out of the way areas to power the park or to sell excess energy to the grid	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

16. Imagine two Colorado State Parks that have similar landscapes, and which are about the same distance from your home. Park A is developed, with plumbing, electric hookups, hot showers in the restrooms. There is room for 100 campsite units with parking and picnic tables. You can see your neighbors (about 5 other units) from your site. Park B is a more natural setting with primitive camping available. (There is no plumbing or electric.) Other campsites are far enough away that campsites are spaced further apart for privacy. Which of the following best describes your visiting preferences? *Please select one.*

- Park A all of the time or nearly all of the time
 Equal preference
 Park B All of the time or nearly all of the time
 Park A most of the time
 Park B most of the time

17. For park A and B as described above I would be willing to:

- Pay more for Park A than Park B
 Pay more for Park B than Park A
 Pay the same for Park A as Park B

18. *Please mark one choice for how you feel about the following statement:* Those who use less electric at a campsite should pay a lower fee for that campsite than those who use more electric.

- Strongly agree
 Somewhat agree
 Neither agree nor disagree
 Somewhat disagree
 Strongly disagree

19. Which statement best describes your normal decision process in coming to a state park? *Please select one.*

- I decide what I want to do (i.e. fishing, hiking, etc.) and the state park is a good place to do that activity.
 I decide to come to the state park because I like the setting and the sense I get from being there, and then I decide on activities to do during my visit.

20. If this park is not your final destination, where are you going? _____

21. Where else would you have gone this time if this state park were not available? *Please select one.*

- National park _____
 National Forest areas (US Forest Service)
 Another state park (Which park? _____)
 A neighborhood park
 A park in another state
 Would have stayed home
 other _____

22. Why did you choose this state park over question 21's other choices? *Check all that apply:*

- Available activities
 friends go here
 closeness to home
 atmosphere of the park
 other _____

23. Where did you get the most information about the activities at this state park? *Please select one.*

- A brochure
 looking around the park
 friends and family
 park website
 other _____
 past experience
 asked park staff
 past experience

24. Where do you most often get information about places to go for leisure activities in general? *Check one.*
 Internet driving around friends family newspaper TV and radio other _____

25. Suppose that you came to this State Park a year from now, and the park had implemented a change. Regardless of whether or not it would change your likelihood of visiting again, how much would you be pleased or displeased by the following changes? *Check one response per row.*

Change	Very Pleased	Somewhat Pleased	No Impact	Somewhat Displeased	Very Displeased
Added/expanded campsite features such as child play areas and upgraded showers/bathrooms	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Added/expanded education programs such as guided hikes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Addition of cabins with comfort amenities such as bedding and linens	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Addition of isolated primitive campsites	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Addition of wildlife observation areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Addition of new land to the park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Addition of new parking and picnic areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Addition of places to buy convenience items and supplies	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
New/expanded hiking and walking trails	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

26. Are State Parks a good thing for Colorado? Yes No

27. From what you know about Colorado State Parks, what types of funding sources are used to support the agency? *Check all that apply.*

- Activity fees such as camping fees Entrance fees General state tax dollars
 Great Outdoors Colorado Lottery Private foundations Other sources

28. Should State Parks receive funds from general state tax dollars? Yes No

29. Gender (of the person answering this survey) Male Female

30. What is your marital status?

- Married Single, Never Married Divorced or Separated Widowed

31. If not married, do you live with a "significant other"? Yes No

32. Do any children under the age of 18 live in your home? No Yes (How many? _____)

33. Which of the following categories includes your age?

- Under 18 18-24 25-34 35-44 45-54 55-64 65 or older

34. Which of the following best describes your race or ethnicity? *Check all that apply.*

- African American Asian Hispanic Native American White, not Hispanic Other

35. Do you have any other comments or suggestions or future improvements you would like to see?

APPENDIX B: VERBATIM ANSWERS TO QUESTION 1

Below we provide visitors' verbatim open-ended responses to Question 1 by park. Answers are not grammatically revised, and are provided exactly how the visitor answered the question.

Question 1: What was the main reason that you decided to visit a park today?

Castlewood Canyon

Hiking with dog
Wanted to hike This is closer than the mountains.
Hike and revisit after nine years
Hiking and location
A quick getaway
Rappelling, climbing
Work
Get away from suburbia
Came to eat lunch Got off work early.
Picnic and see the canyon
Picnic
Start our kids' appreciation of hiking and nature
Day vacation outing
To go hiking
To hike
By our house
Hike
Fall bird count
New experience, wanted to hike
Hiking
Exercise dogs

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Hike and walk dog
We came to see the canyon
Love to hike Castlewood Canyon
Been here before...it's close
Climbing
Trail work, and climbing
Bird count
Exercise
Guided hike
Enjoy the outdoors
Good weather, exercise

Light hike
Gorgeous
Be in the outdoors
Newcomer
Communing with nature
Enjoy nature
Company picnic
Fresh air
Saw from 83 in the past
Hike the east canyon
Weather
Rock climbing
Picnic and hike
My wife wanted to have a picnic
Fresh air/hiking
Enjoy exercise in a beautiful setting
Trail run
The festival
Church service
To be outdoors

It's a beautiful day and we wanted to go somewhere peaceful
Exercise, walk / hike
Relaxation
To see the failed dam and for exercise
To enjoy an outing with my girlfriend
Fresh air with kids
Family outing
Hike and enjoy nature
Pictures
Enjoy outdoors/exercise/solitude
Got laid off and needed a nice place to go
Class field trip- South Elementary
Walk; enjoy out of door
Bouldering
Day off (holiday)- nice day
Close to Denver
Hike with friends
Walk on beauty
Recreation hiking enjoy outdoors
To walk our dog (and us)
To get some exercise outside
Hiking, views

Great weather/needed a Castlewood Compass
Show to a visitor
To go to the bathroom
Go for a run
Fresh air and exercise
Photography and relaxing
Walk the dog
A beautiful Colorado day to be out enjoying it
Photographs
1st date
Walking
Relaxing walk
Beautiful run in a new place
Nice weather
Just to view the beauty
See nature
Wanted to go hiking
Hiking in the beautiful outdoors
PU new park pass
Hiking and picnic lunch
Pleasure
Get outdoors
See what was here
Enjoyment
Hiking, picnicking
To be outside
Walking/exercise
Enjoy the outdoors and hiking
Because we like the rocks
Take a hike
Get out of the city
Bouldering (climbing)
Historical geology field trip
For a hike
We merely drove by and decided to stop
Hike, view wildflowers
Hike Castlewood Canyon (Creekside and Rim Rock)
Roc Climbing
Mother's Day Hike
To see the dam ruins
Nice day hike
Mother's Day
Outdoor exercise

Hike/picnic
Mother's Day picnic
Enjoy walking the trails
Wanted to do a spring hike
My wife wanted me out of the house, and it's a nice place to visit!
Birds/flowers
Holiday
Walk
Prepare for visitors coming soon
Slims
A family hike
To go enjoy nature and hike
The weather and the park beauty
We like it, close to Denver area, very quiet during the week
To go on a date with a nice hike
To entertain family from out of state To show them something they have never seen.
To explore the park
Photography-beautiful scenery-flora-wildlife
Fitness/fun
Park open July 4 and out of state visitors
Explore nature with my kids
Haven't been here in a while
Fun day with family
Outing for the day
To go hiking with family
To hike the trails
Out of town visitors
We do it [illegible] for exercise and pleasure
Wife's b-day present, been here before
To have fun and see nature
Outdoor activity
Staying in the area, wanted to hike
Hike with my wife
Bring relatives
For exercise
First time visit for fun with our neighbors
Enjoy hiking, staying close
Picnic and hiking
Bring camp group of kids rock climbing
To hike!
Rock climbing and to enjoy being here

Family gathering
Be in nature
Vacation

Chatfield

Picnic

Hiking

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Exercise

Relaxation

Vacation

Fishing

Dog park

Off leash dog area

Walk dogs-enjoy lake and boating

Regular exercise

To ride my horse, boarded at Chatfield stables

Exercise, walk dog

Take pictures

To go to the dog park

Horse boarding

Dog training area

Boating

To kayak in gravel ponds

Boating! Our boat is in the marina

Live nearby, commute through

Dog

Checking boat

Nice day, dog park

Sailing

Wildlife and quiet

Camping in park, vacation

To walk my dogs (2) sometimes (4) fishing

Launch our boat

Beautiful day

Check out sail boat at marina

Go bike riding

Take the dogs into the water

Walk my dog

Canoeing and various shenanigans

Exercise, take a walk

Camping

The beauty, serenity, and wildlife

Dog walk

Run

Multi-day camping
Rest and relaxation
Water sports
Family day
Explore new bike paths on my bike
Group bike ride
Bicycle on roads
Walk with my dogs
Walk/run on trail
Take my dogs to the dog off leash training area
Horseback ride/enjoy being outside
To view the fall colors and go for a jog
Walk my dog in natural setting
Go for a walk
Dog walk but I often fish
Drive through to see the fall season
Bike race
Model air field
SUP surfing
To fly a model airplane
Take the dogs for a walk- off leash
Take a walk with the dog
Get annual park permit
To pay for an annual park pass
Walk our dog
Dog park to run with my dogs
Take dogs to dog park
View wildlife
Kayaking
Fishing/boating
Bark park
I go to Chatfield often (3-7 per week) hike, take pictures)
Walk dogs
Purchase State Parks Pass and have a picnic
Kayaking/Fishing
We go to the Air Field for RC Planes
To take our dog to the dog park
Have not been camping in 4 years
See camping sites
Boating/water skiing
Buy annual pass
Off-leash dog park
Girls camp

We love camping here at Chatfield!
Youth camp
Church camp
Because I thought it would be a fun experience, church camp
For girls camp and to have fun at the lake
RC airplane flying
Fly RC
Camp and fly at RC field
Youth group camp
Girls camp/lake
Closest to home
Boating-fishing
Good weather for boating
Fun in the water!
Fly RC aircraft
To train my dog for water rescue
To train my dog in water rescue work
Clean and close by
Being nature
Take the baby to a nice park
To bring my dog swimming
Dog walking area
Hiking, dog park
Wonderful dog park!
I like it here
Work my dog!
Boating and water activities, camping
Boating and girls camp
We are visit family
This park is close to our home
To go boating close by
Water activity
Boating and fun for father's day
Father's day
Visiting
I have a slip at the Marina
RV camping with grand kids
Exercise my two large dogs off leash-it is like "Doggie
Disneyland"!
4th of July weekend
Boating/jet skiing
Jet skiing
Bike training for fitness and racing

Our [illegible]
Bicycling
Walk in the off-leash dog area (dog park)
To get dogs out need to run everyday
Dog park and exercise
Walk dog
Dogs
Road bike riding
Biking
Cycling
Road biking
Riding through to climb Deer Cree Canyon
Exercise and picnic
Camping with friends
Camp
We have family here and we love to camp
Family camping
To camp
We heard from family how great it is
Close to home
Close- State Park pass, nice campground

Holiday
Vacation
Fishing
Boating
Sailing
Camping
Camping with friends
Family camping
To camp
Love the views and fishing
Fish
Great location, wonderful area, good fishing
Heard about from friends
3 day weekend (labor day)
Relax
Time away w/the family
The view, the friendly people
Enjoying the outdoors
Spend more time with [illegible]
Beautiful lake, labor day
Part time resident, went sailing today
Fish w/friend
To boat/fish
Go fishing
Scenery
Lake, close, fish, relax
Get out of town and do fishing
Camping, boating, fishing
Camping, fishing
Recreation
I heard it was a beautiful place to visit, great camping
We love the beauty of nature/and fishing
Fishing and recreation
Northern pike fishing
Camping and relaxing
Fish and camp
To fish
Fish-camp
To get away from the city

Camping w/friends and fishing/hiking
Camp and fish
Camping/fishing
Fishing and camping
Trout
Fishing and resting
I like camping and 11 mile is a great facility
Family camping trip and fishing
Celebrate son's birthday
Family getaway
Camp/fishing
Snagging
Get away from home
Big fish
Like the night fishing
Vacation from work
Traveling from home, and we prefer State Parks
It was open Most close labor day- should stay open longer.
Snaging Sam
Scenery-fishing
Vacation/camping
Leisure-recreation-bird, wild life watching
Last trip of season
To enjoy some camping
Last weekend able to
Get outdoors in an interesting geological
To get away and fish
Boating fishing and camping
Fishing company
Ice fishing
Beauty
Fishing tournament
Tournament
Location, closest place to ice fish
Ice fish
The fish tournament
Husband and brother fishing contest
Ice fishing for pike and bows
Fun
Escape life
Fishing/Easter
Holiday with kids
Camp w/friends

To spend time away from the city
Camping, fishing, memorial day
Time w/family and fun in outdoors
Family recreation
Camping and fishing
Relaxation-fishing
Water (lake)
Boating/fishing/camping
Camping and relaxation
Fishing fever Springtime.
Park is clean and good fishing
Fishing/boating/camp/get away
Get out of Denver for the holiday
Fishing and boating
Camping/vacation
Spend time with family get out of the city
Eleven mile is one of our favorite getaways
Wanted to go fishing Eleven Mile only lake open now
Like the area
Family fun
Camp Memorial Day weekend
Variety of activities
We heard about the great fishing
Fishing- close to home
Our family vacation
Family camping trip
Time with family
Camping for Memorial day weekend
Never been to 11 mile, decided we needed to check it out
We come to 11-mile a lot!
Family camping, convenience
Fishing vacation
Camping/hiking
Camping trip
Fishing, camping
Beer and fish
To meet with family
Camp/fish
Fishing and picnicking
Revisit Colorado (grew up in Cripple Creek) and fish
Traveling/touring Pikes Peak
To see beautiful mountains and lake
For fishing here - family vacation

4th of July holiday with family
In Colorado camping
Fishing/camping

Hiking	0
Walking	
Walk	
Vacation	
Fishing	
Camping	
Rest and relaxation	
Biking	
To camp	
Fish	
Relax	
Recreation	
To fish	
Mt Biking.	
Semi-annual camping trip with friends/Mt Biking.	
To picnic	
To have lunch	
Kayaking river	
Mountain biking in area	
Group camping w/kids to mountain bike in Loona	
Vacation stop	
Stay here every year we work in area	
Easy to get to Within 1 hr. of home.	
Tour of vineyards, bicycle ride	
Just driving by	
Proximity to Grand Junction	
Interview-bike ride later	
Touring with family	
Took kids picnicking	
Family reunion	
It is clean and lots are large	
Camping for Peach Festival	
Family and friends	
Place to stay	
Take kids fishing	
Eat breakfast, watch geese, fish look at lake	
An annual three year Reunion Colorado's turn 2008	
Lunch	
Been here before	

We are moving to CO
Close to friend-former neighbor
Work and holiday
Camp near Fruita
We like Fruita when we are in the area of Grand Junction- it's
handy to I 70 on our way home to Evergreen, Colorado
Close to biking
Meeting relatives
Need a place to park
A place to stay
River, swim
Break in driving
Place to camp near Palisade
Like it here
To walk
Buy ATV pass
It was hot and close to Grand Junction
Go tubing
To go fishing
To fish and relax
Off road license
Register motorcycles
Scenic drive and dinosaur museum and trails
Traveling
Local comments from other campers
Overnight stop
Close to [illegible] House Pack
Just looking
Swim/picnic
Long weekend-relax
Close to Grand Junction
Escape
Location, close to Palisade town
Palasade Peach Festival
Peach Festival
To take a break from traveling
Mountain bike trip
We stayed here many times
Easy access to mountain biking
Close to family
Ease of access and fees
Convenience (sorry about the spelling)

Tired of hotels, bought a camper, love staying at campgrounds!
On way to destination
Availability-like this campground
To see the park
Needed a place to camp for the night
Rest
Fruita Festival
Fruita Fall Festival
Visit West Star Aviation and some friends
RV-overnight
Vacation-RV camping

Breakdown of RV. loss of Brakes on R.V. plus doc appointment.
Travel camp
Going to the air show in Grand Junction
Wanted showers

Traveling- good place to stay near Colorado National Monument
Air show in Grand Junction
Across the street from hotel
Stop on way home from vacation
OHV registration
ATV Stickers
ATV Regs
Watch people fish- veg out
Register snowmobile
Buy another pass
Register a boat
Wine festival
Have been here last 3 years for Wine fest with other rigs
Short trip
Grand Junction air show
Friends invited us
Check on facilities for possible camping and to take a walk
1st time RV- need to stay close in case of maintenance water

Fresh air, exercise, watch weather, watch wildlife, watch river
To walk, enjoy the scenery
Walk, fresh air, scenery, fitness exercise
Aspen Leaf Pass
Today- Ice fishing
For exercise by walking and being in nature

Need to be in nature
Walk n talk
Early fishing
I walk Mon thru Friday
Exercise, fishing
Take a short walk
Registration of OHV
Fishing with grandson
Fishing and hiking
I do every year
Register our snowmobiles
Walk the dogs w/our kids
Beautiful park
We visit every AM to walk or watch geese fly in.
Daily walk by the lake on Corn Lake
Come have lunch and watch geese and ducks
Exercise, walking dog
Walk and fish
Walking, hiking
No place else to go
Needed a place to camp
On the way to CA
Place to camp
Weekend get away
Fishing, enjoy the sun
Convenience
Mountain biking
Take a daily walk in a beautiful area and enjoy the wildlife
Walking- trying to get in better shape!
Fishing license's
Nature
Riding bicycle
Spring break-great for the kids
To get current tags for ATV
Friends and we like Colorado State Parks.
1st camping experience with new camper
Water, spend some time on the western slope
Travel and needed to stop for the night
Job
Get park passes and fishing licenses
My sons wanted to fish
To see the river running high
Love the outdoors

Family being together, without TV
Free fishing day and BBQ
Friend camping
Boat registration
Sticker for ATV
Fish and play
Register trail bike

Mueller

Picnic

To go hiking

To hike

Hike

Hiking

0

Enjoy nature

Nice weather

Vacation

Beautiful day

Camping

Camp

To camp

Relax

Scenery

To fish

Camping/vacation

Camping/hiking

Camping trip

Weekend get away

Love the outdoors

To enjoy the mountain setting in a peaceful place

Love the park-camping

Viewing the open

Fall color (almost)

Fall foliage

Birthday

Annual trip with friends

Fall colors and air

Naturalist hike

To ride horses with 6 friends

Ride horses

Mueller is a beautiful park!

Because it is a beautiful park

Enjoy the great outdoors

Heard it was beautiful

Hike, daughter visiting from PA

Vacation and camping

We love Mueller sp, come often

Fun, relax

Traveling Colorado via Pikes Peak
3 Night get away
Available camping spots w/electric
Hike and hope to see elk
Vacationing
Camping and hiking
Close to tourist attractions

Never been Wanted to find some peace and quiet in the woods.
Scenery and wildlife
Close
To see the Ute Prayer Tree and animals
Driving by
Camping/trails
Run trails
Horseback riding
Hiking/picnic
Joining friends for a hike
To go for a run
Pleasure, hike, get away
Walk with friends visiting, enjoying the view
In the area
Hiking and checking out campsites for future
Bring a friend
Hiking trails
Look around have never been here check camping
Get away
We are regular hikers- like to get out and try different trails
Outdoor recreation and hiking
Camp overnight and hike
To get away- read the paper/take a hike
Just to get away from the bustle of life for a while
Group campout
Out of town guest
To see it
Camping/recreation
Camp- Labor day weekend
Visited 2x in past and liked area and campsites
Friend brought me
Check out camping
Entertainment for Grandchildren
Hiking, educational, scenic views
To hike with friends who come from New York

We live in Colorado Springs, we camp here often We have a 3 and 5 year old that love it here. They love the wonderful hiking trails (Dragonfly Pond is a favorite, they also like to visit).
We had a reservation
We came up from Colorado Springs for a picnic and enjoy the park
Sightseeing
I love this park- it's calm, peace and delight
For a picnic
Vacation/birding/hiking/sightseeing local attractions
Read about it online
Camping with family
Camping, hiking, fishing
Visit Springs area
Get away for a while
I live in Colorado Springs- convenient and new travel trailer
Looking for opportunity on vacation to hike in nice scenery
Kid friendly
Planned camping-hiking trip
It was close
Proximity of attractions in Colorado Springs
Recommended by relative
Friend recommendation
Our camping group decided to come here again this year
1st Visit
Needed to get away and haven't been here before
Autumn colors
Plan field trip
Aspen leaves and hiking
Aspens
To hike and see the Fall colors
To hike and to enjoy the fall colors
Aspen photography
Beautiful fall day 10/3/08
See leaves
View the changing leaves
Views/changing Aspen
Friend
Horse riding
See the Aspen
A hike and a picnic
Autumn color and picnic

Aspen leaf viewing
We always vacation in September-1st Oct
Aspen viewing
Reservation at a cabin/fall colors/close to Colorado Springs
Going on a family day
Site seeing
Camping- R and R
To hike and paint
Enjoyment of camping and use of RV
Family hike
Hike and cookout
Sightsee and walk trails
Hiking, scenery
Great day
Just to get out
Hike, explore
Driving by- stopped to check out
We frequently camp and rent cabins here
Go hiking
Out of town guests
To see wildlife and enjoy the mountains
A last peace and quiet getaway before the Holidays busy ness
Saw it on a map
Moved in 2006/want to see all the sites
Known of Mueller but hadn't been here before
Hiking (day)
Visiting with group of women- stayed in a cabin
Retreat Ponderosa cabin
R and R
Walk some trails
Nice weather, photo opportunities
Snow shoeing
Snow shoe
Never been here before
Enjoy the view
We've been here before
To finish hiking the last trail
Sled, board, experience
To view nature and have fun w/family
Snow
Visit park with VA family
Snowshoeing
Get out of town for an afternoon/hike

To take pictures
Walk and renew our park pass
Photography- getting out of house
Sledding
Walk outside/exercise
Movie at 2:00
Hiking, try out new snow shoes
Sights
Wanted to check it out
Stay in cabin
1st camping trip for 2009
Sunny weather
Nice [illegible]
Sledding, snowshoeing, hiking
Rejuvenation- listen to the silence
Curiosity
To check out facilities
Check out park for future use
Stay with friends at Pine Cabin, X-country ski
Boy scout camping trip
Boy scout camp out
Boy scout camping
Camping, boy scout winter
Camping, owling
Hike- love it
Hiking, stay overnight
Stay in cabins for anniversary
To hike trails
Location and needed fresh air!
Leisure
Weekend camping
Camping and fishing with friends
A friend recommended it as a great place for camping with
great trails
Vacationing in Colorado
Buy season pass for 2nd vehicle

APPENDIX C: VERBATIM ANSWERS TO QUESTION 4

Below we provide visitors' verbatim open-ended responses to Question 4 by park. Answers are not grammatically revised, and are provided exactly how the visitor answered the question.

Question 4: If you answered "Somewhat Less" or "Much Less" in the previous question (How much have you visited state parks in the last year), please tell us why:

Castlewood Canyon

Annoying to pay park fees
Broke (r) leg, gave birth, and have another 1 yr old at home (AKA busy!!)
Buby and business
Busy
Busy schedules
Busy w/work
Busy-kids in sports
Could not afford annual price-keeps going
Don't have time
Expensive parking fees for nature
Free access to US. Forest Service Land
Health reasons
I don't have much time but I come down when I can
I don't take enough time away from chores!
I have never been here
I moved/distance
I was deployed to Iraq
I went away to college No car there.

Increase in park fees, other activities taking time on weekends
Just moved to Colorado from Wyoming
Kids are big enough to enjoy
Less free time
Less trash
Lost my hiking partner
Moved a lot but not anymore
Moved to another state
Moved to Denver
Moved to Gunnison, CO
N/A
New State residents
New to Colorado
No good answer

No money, more work
No time
Normally headed off to wilderness areas
Not
Not enough time
Ohio has a lot of municipal parks
Parks don't allow dogs
Personal schedule
Single mom
Started a family - no time with kids
Still adjusting to parenthood
This is my first time
Time
Time issue
Time restraints
Time to do it
Too busy
We forget how nice and close to home it is and let other things
get in the way
We just moved to Colorado
We moved here on Dec 2007
Young kids unable to go all day

Chatfield

Been too busy
Business
Busy schedules
Dog's getting old
Don't travel much
Economy
Family responsibilities reduced our free time
First time visit
Fuel prices
Haven't had a chance to go
Haven't had much time
Haven't had time to
I didn't have time
I went fishing and boating
Lack of time-will increase in future
Moved from Castle Rock to Northeast Denver
Moved to Pagosa Springs- go when I visit Denver
N/A
Never go camping
No time!
Now work part time days and can't get here
Out of state
The weather
The weather has been bloody awful so far this year
Too much bicycle traffic in the park-they should pay a fee to
come in and use what I pay for
Water level is too low at dog park
We just purchased 5th wheel for travel
Weather
Work, money problems

Eleven Mile

[Illegible] vacation at work
1st time camping
Beautiful
Busy travelling
Busy w/work
Can't afford gas
Cost continues to escalate
Don't fish alone- last years partner quit
Economy
Expensive
Financial-gas \$
First time
Gas
Gas is cheaper now
Gas prices
Illness in the family
Just moved to Colorado
Lack of availability when we call
Lack of opportunity
Like the area- want to come back
Live out of state
Money
Money and time
More time, [illegible]
N/A
No reservations
Not enough vacation time
Other needs to be accomplished
Recently retired with more time to camp
Salmon are gone
Sold camper, just bought another
Time
Time and money
Time good fishing weather
To busy
We just moved to Colorado
We love to get away
With camping and daily fee, price was getting too high
Work
Work schedule

Working too much
Working too much this year

1st time in state parks in Colorado
Busy with other things
Change of job limits my time off
Fees keep going up
Financial concerns
Financial reasons
Gas
Gas costs too much
Gas prices, cost of camping and fee combined
Gas prices, cost too much with camping fee plus pass
I am new to this area
I used to say (briefly) in the park 2 years ago, since then I only go occasionally
Just busy
Just moved here, didn't live close previously
Less free time
Less time for recreation
Live in Routt County came in wilderness
Live out of state
N/A
NA.
Needed wity for school homework
Never been here before- from Canada
Never, just moved here
New 4 wheeler
No fish
No time
No wheel chair access ability
Not enough free time to travel
Our first trip to Colorado
Recovering from heart attack
Schedule
This is my first trip to Colorado
Too busy
Too much house work
We did not live near one
We work too much
We've had 3 kids in 4 years...
Wife had a baby
Work

Mueller

[Illegible] weekends
2 small kids
Busier than usual schedule
Busy
Busy with college
Camped in a variety of places- mostly National Park
Can't get reservation
Cost
Cost of fuel
Crowds are getting worse
Didn't go on vacation as much
Didn't have a camper before
First Colorado State Park visited
First time here
Gas expense
Gas prices
Gone
Haven't been in a state park in 10 years
High gas prices
Hiking, camping, bring grandchildren, skiing and biking
Home projects and maintenance
I didn't visit any last year
I have been ill and unable to visit
I lived out of state
Income has decreased
Just moved to CO
Kids not into hiking or camping
Lack of companion
Less free time than last year
Less time
Less time available
Life
Live in NC
Moved a little farther away
My first visit to this park
My work has me traveling most of the time
N/A
Need to "de-stress" from work
Nice park
No shelter for eating if it's storming

No time
No time-health
Opened a new business- lack of time
Personal weekend schedule and work
Preparing for a wedding
Started grad school/busier than in past years
This is our first year in Colorado
Time management
Time not available
Too busy
Too busy and price of gas
Too busy to get away
Used to park a trout haven year round
We are busy
We are from out-of-state
We are new to the park
We just bought a RV this spring
We just haven't gotten out as much

APPENDIX D: VERBATIM ANSWERS TO QUESTION 9

Below we provide visitors' verbatim open-ended responses to Question 9 by park. Answers are not grammatically revised, and are provided exactly how the visitor answered the question.

Question 9: Think about a perfect experience at a state park. What three words or short phrases would best describe that perfect experience?

Castlewood Canyon - Word 1

Sun
America
Animals
Any
Awesome
Beautiful
Beautiful day
Beautiful sights
Beauty
Birdy
Breath-taking
Calm
Clean
Clean (no trash)
Clean bathrooms
Clean restrooms
Clean trails
Cleanliness
Cleanliness (restrooms)
Clear/natural
Climb
Climbing
Climbing allowed
Complete access
Cool weather
Crowded
Drive all thru it

Education
Enlightening
Escape
Exhilarating
Exposure to nature

Fall
Family
Few people
Fishing
Flowers
Flush potties
Fresh air
Fun
Geology
Good birds
Good trails
Good weather
Great
Hiking
Interesting
Invigorating
Landscape
Leisurely
Lots of space
Majestic
More
Natural
Nature
Nice
Nice trails
Nice weather
No
No bear attacks
No crowd
No fee
No people
Not busy
Not crowded
Not too crowded
Outdoors
Peaceful
Picturesque
Pleasant
Pleasant family day
Positive
Pristine
Quiet
Quiet environment

Relaxing
Safety
Scenery
Scenic
See animals
See wildlife
Seeing wildlife
Serene
Serens
Solitude
Solitude/nature
Spiritual
Sunny
Sunshine
Trails
Trees and trails
Uncrowded
Undeveloped
Unlittered
Variety
View of no big houses
Views
Visual
Walking trails
Warm
Weather
Welcoming
Well maintained
Well marked trails
Wildlife
Wildlife on the plains
Wind

Castlewood Canyon Word 2

450

Sun
Absence of man made items
Access
Accessible
Activities
Adventure
Adventurous

Animals
At ease
Awesome
Beautiful
Beautiful settings
Beautiful surroundings
Beautiful weather
Beauty
Birds
Bolts
Breathtaking
Calming
Camping
Cheap
Chipmunks
Clean
Clean Facilities
Clean, beautiful trees
Cleanliness
Clearly marked trails
Climbing
Comfortable
Condition of trails
convenient
Cool
Different (apart from the Rockies)
Discovery
Dog friendly
Doggy bags
Easy access
Education
Escape form city
Exciting
Exercise
Exuberant
Fair weather
Few people
Flowers
Freedom
Friendly
Fun
Good
Good company

Good hiking
Good hiking trails
Good marked trails
Good repair
Good trail
Good trails
Good weather
Gorgeous park
Great scenery
Green
Groomed trails
Hike a trail
Hiking
Hot
Inspiring
Interesting
Interesting trails
Isolation
Lake
Location
Maintained
Maintained hiking trails
Majestic
Most overcrowded
Natural
Natural environment
Natural/wild
Nature
Nice breeze
Nice weather
No bugs
No crowds
No planes overhead
No smoking
Not
Not buggy
Not crowded
Not too crowded
Open
outstanding scenery
Peace
Peace and quiet
Peaceful

Peacefulness
People
Picnic area
Picturesque
Pretty
Private campsite
Protected
Quiet
Rangers around
Renewing
Restrooms
Rock climbing
Safe
Scenery
Scenic
Secluded
See flowers
See wildlife
Sensual
Shady
Signage
Stay Safe
Sunshine
Trails
Trails maintained
Trails not overgrown weeds
Trails- well marked
Trees
Uncrowded
Unique area in landscape
Untrashed
Variety of [illegible]
Very few people
Viewing wildlife
Views
Warm
Water
Water features
Weather
Well groomed trails
Well maintained
Well maintained trails
Well-maintained trails

Wild
Wild flowers
Wilderness
Wildlife

Castlewood Canyon Word 3

Sun
65 degrees
Accessible
Adequate parking
Adventure
Affordable
Alive
Allowed
Amazing
Animals
Available water
Bathrooms
Beautiful
Beautiful scenery
Beauty
Being part if nature
Calming
Camping
Camping access
Challenging
Chicks
Clean
Clean/safe
Cleanliness
Climbing
Climbing rocks
Comfortable
Company
Cool breeze
Detailed signs
Diverse ecosystem
Dog friendly
Dog leash law/dog owner clean-up requirement
Dog-friendly
Easily accessible
Easy access

Educational
Educational tools
Enjoyable
Exercise
Exhilarating
Facilities
Fantastic weather
Flora
Freedom
Friendly
Friendly people (all people/families were friendly today)
Fun
Getaway
Good availability
Good company
Good friends
Good hiking
Good scenery
Good temp
Good trails
Good weather
Great companions
Great friends
Great scenery
Great sport activities
Great trails
Great weather
Harmony
Healthy ecosystem
Hiking
Hiking trails
Historic
Inspiring
Interesting topography
Laying Bes or River with a tambourine and a glass of bourbon
Learning
Litter-Free
Maintained trails
Movement
Nachos
Natural
Natural beauty
Natural trails

Nature
Nature filled
Nature interest to be there
Nice scenery
Nice trails
Nice weather
No bugs
No Mt Bikes
No trash
Not crowded
Not too crowded
open space
Opportunity to be alone
Outdoor activities
Peaceful
Peaceful and quiet
Peaceful, relaxing
Perfect weather and sunny
Photogenic
Picnic
Picnic areas
Pleasant
Pleasant interaction with others
Preserved
Pretty
Private campsite
Pure ecosystem
Quaint
Quiet
Real bathrooms
Recreation
Rejuvenating
Relax
Relaxing
Restrooms
Risky
Safe
Safety
Scenery
Scenic
Secluded
Seclusion
Serene

Serene/peaceful
Sky
Sunny
Sunny and warm
Take flower photos
Trails
Tranquil
Tranquility
Trees
Unique and clean
Uniqueness
Untamed
Value for my pass
Varied terrain
Variety of choices/trails
Very educational
View
Views
Warm weather
Water
Well maintained
Well marked
Well marked trails
Wild flowers
Wilderness
Wildflowers
Wildlife
Wildlife viewing

Chatfield Word 1

Sun
90 degrees
Access
Accessible
Beautiful
Beautiful site
Beauty
Big fish
Bike lanes
Biking
Calm
Calm water
Carefree
Clean
Clean campsite
Clean water
Clean, well maintained
Clean/ not crowded
Clean/well kept
Convenient
Dog area
Dog friendly
Dog park
Ebullient
Enjoy nature
Excellent camping facilities
Exciting
Fair wind
Flying the sun
Fun
Get away to
Good fishing
Good RC day
Good weather
Great hike
Great weather
Green
Hot
I like it here
Lakes

Large RV site
Less boats
Less cars
Less people
Long
Look forward to the next visit!
Mariners gutting
Memorable
More boat trailer parking
More rangers
Mountains
Natural
Nature
Nice
Nice sunny day
No bikes on road
No dog trackers, rude
No ladybugs
No mosquitoes!
No other people
No people
No rain
No wait
No waiting at boat ramp
No wind
Not crowded
Observe nature
Open
Open air
Organized
Out in nature
Outdoors
Peace
Peaceful
Privacy
Quiet
Quiet and peaceful
Rain
Real
Refreshing
Relax
Relaxation
Relaxing

Retired
Safe
Safety
Scenic
See
Serenity
Shade
Short
Short wait to unload boat
Smooth water
Socialized
Solitude
Stress free
Sunny
Sunny day
Sunset
Swim
Swimming
Trees
Unaltered nature
View
Wake boarding
Walking trails
Warm
Watching the bald eagle
Water
Weather
Weekday
Well maintained trails
Well-kept
Wilderness
Wildlife
Woodsy environment

Chatfield Word 2

Sun
a lot
a natural setting
Active
Activity
Adventure
All planes going home

Amenities
Beautiful
Beautiful Scenery
Beautiful scenic views
Beauty
Big
Bigger
Bikes on bike path
Bikes Trials
Camping
Catch fish
Clean
Clean beach
Clean water
Cleanliness
Clear
Clear roads
Convenience
convenient
Convenient to get there
Dog park
Ducks landing
Enjoyable
Enjoying hiking trails
Exciting
Exercise
Facilities
Few people
Financially
Fishing
Food
Friendliness
Friendly
Friends
Fun
Good
Good access
Good food
Good trails
Good water
Good weather
Great family experience
Great hiking

Great people
Great weather
Harmony between nature and park visitors
Hiking
Hookups
Joyful
Lake
Large spaces
Less swimmers
Let them run
Little crowds
Little wave
Lots of dogs
Lots of fish
Maintained
Many dogs
Many fish
More sun
Multiple attractions
Natural
Nature
Naturous
Neuristic
Nice organized dog area
Nice weather
No rain
No waiting
Not crowded
Open space
Order on the water
Paths
Peaceful
Picturesque
Quick boat launch
Quiet
Rain less
Ramp
Recreate
Recreation
Rejuvenating
Relaxing
Rivers/lakes/water
Run

Safe
Safety
Scenery
Scenic
Serenity
Shady
Skiing
Solitary
Spacious
Swimming
To
Trails
Uncrowded
Uncrowded water
Views
Warm
Warm weather
Water
Weather
Wide road/shoulder
Wildlife
Without

Chatfield Word 3

Ability to work online w/o being in the office!
Activities
An experience
Away from town
Bathrooms
Beautiful
Beautiful weather
Beauty
Being with loved ones
Better
Bike
Bike less
Boat
Camping
Cars
Catch fish
Cement slab
Clean

Clean bathrooms
Clean restrooms
Clear water
Cold beer
Conducive to wildlife
Cool breeze
Courteous staff
Crazy
Dog
Dog friendly
Dogs
During the summer
Easy access
Educational
Electricity and water
Empty
Excellent dog area
Expansive
Facilities
Family
Few large [illegible] boats
Fish
Fishing
Fitness oriented
Food
Free food
Freedom to roam
Fresh
Friendly
Friendly people
Friendly staff
Friends
Full hook-ups
Fun
Fun for kids
Good camping
Good fishing
Good tents
Good weather
Great environment
Grilling out
Happy
Happy dog

Independent
Invigorating
Just us!
Kayaking
Leash laws
Less people
Less power boats
Lines
Lot of room
Memories
Minimal rules
More trees/shade
Multiple available activities
Nature
Nice facilities
Nice location
Nice people
Nice visitors
No bad weather
No crowds
No entrance or boat ramp lines
Not crowded
Not too crowded
Obama
of wildlife
Only a few boats
Open
open space
Open space/limited development
Other dogs at park
Paths
Peaceful
Positive
Pretty setting
Pristine
Privacy
Put docks in middle of 2 ramps to off load passengers
Quick boat loading
Quiet
Relax
Relaxing
Relaxing and fun
Shade

Smoke free
Solitude
Sunny
Sunshine
Therapeutic
Trails
Uncrowded
Variety
View of water
Views
Walks
Warm
Warm and sunny
Warm weather
Water
Water, balloons, great landscape
Wet
Wild life
Wilderness
Wildlife
With my wife and 2 dogs (boxers)
Yea! Love seeing the Hawks

Eleven Mile Word 1

Sun
[Illegible]
A lot of fish
Ability to beach boat
Areas
Atmosphere
Beautiful
Beautiful area
Beauty
Being outside
Better roads
Big
Big pike
Bird, wildlife environment
Boobs
Campfires
Camping
Catch
Catch fish
Catching
Catching a trophy fish!
Catching fish, big ones
Caught fish
Cheap
Clean
Clean and safe
Clean camp
Clean CG
Clean facilities
Clean restroom
Cleanliness
Close to bathroom
Cool
Dry
Easy to find
Exhilarating
Facilities
Family
Faster
Fish

Fishing
Free day
Friends
Full hook-up
Fun
Good
Good fish
Good fishing
Good quiet neighbors
Good weather
Grand children in nature
Great
Great weather
Great camp w/view
Great escape
Great fishing
Great weather
Hiking in
Hot
Keep it simple
Lake w/fish
Large
Left alone
Lots of sun
Low cost
Majestic
Memories
More boat tie offs
Nature
Nice campground
Nice weather
No rain
No reservation
No wind
Not many people there
Open
Peaceful
Playground
Plentiful fish
Positive impact
Quiet
Refreshing
Relaxing

Restrooms
Scenery
Scenic
Serenity
S'mores
Sunshine
The fishing
Trees
Trout
Uncrowded
Very
Views
Warm
Water
Weather
Well maintained
Wildlife

Eleven Mile Word 2

[Expletive]
Accessibility
Activities
Adventurous
Availability
Beautiful
Beautiful surrounding
Beautiful weather
Bees
Big
Big Fish
Big trout
Calm
Campfire
Campfires
Camping
Catch fish
Catching fish
Clean
Clean bathrooms
Clean Facilities
Clean restrooms
Clean site

Clean sites
Clean/safe
Cleaning
Cleanliness
Close camping to each other
convenient
Cost/reasonable
Day
Ease of access
Easy
Easy access
Efficient
Electric
Enjoyable
Exciting
Fire
Fish
Fish biting
Fishing
Friendly
Friendly Rangers
Friendly staff
Fun
Go home safe
Good
Good amenities
Good facilities
Good fishing
Good friends
Good hiking/fishing
Good views
Good weather
Great facilities
Great fishing
Great outdoor activities (hiking, fishing)
Great scenery
Great water
Great weather
Grebes
Hike
Hiking
It's clean
Keeping

Location
Lots of fish
Lots of friends
Majestic
Many
Mature
Memories
More
More trees
Natural
Nature
Nice
Night
No barking dogs
No entrance fee
No rain
No reservations
No wind
No wind or rain
Not crowded
Often crowded
Outdoor habitat
Outdoors
Park is clean
Peace and quiet
Peaceful
Peacefulness
Privacy
Professional
Quiet
Relax
Relaxing
Reminiscing around campfire
Restful
Safety
Saw wildlife
Scenery
Scenic
Solitude
Spectacular
Steel stake by each campsite to tie off boat
Stimulates senses
Sunny

Trees
Uncrowded
Views
Warm weather
Water
Weather
Well kept
Well kept roads
Wild life
Wildlife

Eleven Mile Word 3

Accessible
Accessible and safe
Activities
Animals
Bathroom
Beautiful
Beautiful land and weather
Beauty
Beauty of nature
Beer
Big fish
big fish caught
Big Salmon
Bite
Boating
Camp
Campfire w/meteors
Campsite
Catching fish
Child friendly
Clean
Clean bathrooms
Clean environment
Cleanliness
Close to home
Close to lake
Closeness to nature
Condition of park and roads
Conveniences
Courteous neighbors

Day
Eating fish
Enjoyable
Entertaining
Family time
Fantastic
Few boats
Fish
Fish were biting
Fishing
Fishing is good
Fishing with kids
Fresh air
Friendly
Friendly staff
Friends
Fun
Fun for the kids
Funded
Good
Good access
Good camping site
Good campsite, water
Good company
Good employees and volunteers
Good facility
Good fellowship
Good fishing
Good people
Good weather
Great park Rangers and clean toilets!
Great sailing
Helpful
Hospitality
Huge Fish
Inspires
Kayaked
Lake/view
Less people on weekends
Level campground
Level sites
Longer days
Lots of fish

Lots of friends
Nature
Nice
Nice camp sites
Nice campsite
Nice scenery
No [illegible]
No bugs
No crowds
No dogs
No flies
No hose
No rain
No wind
Non-stinky bathrooms
not too many people
open space
Park
Peace and Quiet
Peaceful
Pike
Plenty of activities
Plenty of fish
Pretty clean
Privacy
Quality camp sites
Quiet
Quietness
Relaxation
Relaxation opportunity
Relaxing fun
Resource management
Safe
Safety
Scenery
Scenic
Scenic view
Serendipity
Serene
Setting
Showers open year round
Smell of the outdoors
S'mores

Solitude
State Park
Station
Sunset
Trails
User friendly
Variety
View
Views
Warm
Water
Water access
Weather
Wild life
Wildlife
Win 1000
Wish the roads were better
Wonderful

A
Access
Astonishing
Bathroom close by
Bathrooms locked
Beautiful
Beauty
Big
Big fish!
Boating
Calm
Camping
Catch fish (kids)
Catching fish
Cheap
Clean
Clean air
Clean facilities
Clean rest rooms
Cleanliness
Cleanliness, soap hot water
Clear path
Clear sky
Color
Convenience
Courtesy
Ducks
Easy access
Family
Fish
Fishing
Free entrance fee
Fresh air
Freshly stocked lake
Friendliness
Fun
Fun time
Good
Good fishing
Good weather

Great
Great fishing
Great locations
Great locations and camping
Hot showers
It keeps me sane
Keep it clean
Lots of fish in lakes
Natural beauty
Natural setting
Nature
Nice
Nice people
Nice weather
No
No road traffic
No train
No trash
Outstand service
Pastoral
Peace
Peaceful
Picnic
Pleasant
Pretty
Pretty, quiet with trails
Quiet
Quiet/away from fwy
Refreshing
Relax
Relaxing
Restful
Safe
Scenery
Scenic
Seeing a bear or moose at CS Forest
Seeing bald eagles and fishing
Seeing turtles
Shade/Shelter
Showers
Solitude
Space
Sunny day

Sunshine
The view
Tranquility
Vary
Very
Very clean park
Very good
Very helpful
Very nice SP.
Warmer
Water
Weather
Well maintained
Wilderness

James M Robb Word 2

Accessibility
Activities close by
Amenities
Attraction
Attractive-maintained
Available info
Beautiful
Beauty
Birds
Birds singing
Boating
Camping
Carefree
Casual
Catch a fish
Catch lots of fish
Clean
Clean bathrooms
Clean park
Clean restrooms
Cleanliness
Close to home
convenient
Cool temperatures
Courtesy
Ditto

Encounter
Family
Fishing
Friendly
Fun
Functioning facilities
Geese
Good
Good company
Good eating fish
Good fishing
Good hiking
Good weather
Great
Great spots
H2O
Happy
Hook up
Hot showers
Information
Keep it peaceful
Large sites
Larger lots
Location
Lots of fish
Lots of trees
Lots of wildlife
Memorable
Natural
Nature
Nice
Nice layout
No rain
No wind
Organized
Outdoors
Peaceful
Picnic
Picturesque
Pleasant natural surroundings
Pretty
Quiet
Quiet surroundings

Quite (after 10)
Relax
Relaxation
Relaxed
Relaxing
Restful
Safe
Safety
Scenic
Serenity
Shade
Shaded camping spots
Size of sites
Spacious
Spacious sites
Spiritual
Swimming
Tranquility
Trees
Trees-shade
Unleashed
Very cold
Very friendly staff
View
Vistas
Water source
Wheelchair
Wildlife
Wildlife viewing

James M Robb Word 3

Accessible
Amenities
Animals
Back to nature
Beautiful
Beautiful area
Beautiful scenery
Beautiful views
Beauty
Birds
Bonding with family

Camping
Camping facilities
Campsites spaced well apart
Clean
Clean and shady
Clean facilities
Clean park
Cleanliness
Close to nature
Come back
Complete hookups
Connection
Convenient
Cool
Courtesy
Dark
Day
Design
Ditto
dogs!!
Easy access
Enjoyable
Escape
Exciting
Experience
Facilities
Few people
Fish
Fishing
Friendliness
Friendly
Friendly helpful stuff
Friendly people
Fun
Functional
Good facilities
Good food
Good host
Good location
Good weather
grandson
Green grass
Having fun

Hike
Hiking
Hook-ups
Hot showers
Keep it attractive
Kid and dog friendly
Location
Lots of information about area
Low fees
Natural
Nature
Night
No crowds
Open
Oriented
Outdoors
Parking
Peaceful
People on trail
Picnic
Picturesque
Pleasant
Pleasant Rangers
Pretty girls
Privacy
Private site
Quiet
Quite
Rapids
Recycling collection cans
Relax
Relax/have fun
Relaxation
Relaxing
Responsible visitors
Restrooms
Rocks
Room for our 40' MH
Roomy
Safe
Scenic
Scenic places/points of interest
Secluded feeling

Spacious lots (privacy)
Spacious, level R.V. pads
Staff at park
Sunny
Surveying
Trails
Tranquil
Uncrowded
Understanding
View
Views
Walk path
Water
Water play
Water/sewer hookups
Weather
Wide open space
Wild life
Wildlife
With restrooms

Mueller Word 1

70 degree temperature
Access
Accessible
Activities
Adventure
Allow dogs on trails
Alone
Amazing view
Animals
Aspen trees
Beautiful
Beautiful environment
Beautiful scenery
Beauty
Birds
Breath taking
Breathtaking
Breath-taking
Calming atmosphere
Camping
Catch
Clean
Clean and neat
Clean Bathrooms/showers
Clean campsite
Clean site
Clear
Close
Easy
Easy access
Exhilarating
Experience nature
Fabulous
Facilities
Family
Few people
Food
Free to Colorado Residence
Fresh air
Friendly employees

Full hook ups
Fun
Good hikes
Good hiking
Good trails
Good weather
Great
Great hiking trails
Great photos
Great scenery
Great trails
Great weather
Hike
Hiking
Informative
Interesting
Maintained
Majestic
Mountains
Natural beauty
Nature
Nice trails
Nice weather
No crowds
No garbage on trails
No litter
No people
No rain
Outdoors
Peace
Peaceful
Peaceful and quiet
Perfect way
Picnic
Picturesque
Pleasant
Pretty
Pristine
Privacy
Quiet
Quiet Quiet.
Recreation options
Relax

Relaxing
Remote
Ride
Scenery
Scenic
See wildlife
Seeing beautiful
Seeing elk and other wildlife
Seeing wildlife
Serene
Serenity
Showers/clean bathrooms
Silence
Snow
Solitude
Stillness
Sunny
Sunny days
Sunshine
This
Trails
Tranquil
Tranquility
Trees
Uncrowded
Variety trails
Very relaxing and peaceful
View
View/landscape
Water available
Weather
Wilderness
Wildlife
Wonderful
Working change machine

Mueller Word 2

Accessible
Activities
ADA access
Alone
Amenities

Ample parking
Ample space
and
Animals
Aspens
Beautiful
Beautiful nature
Beautiful/Natural
Beauty
Beauty of nature
Camp fires
Campfire
Camping
Campsites
Challenging
Clean
Clean environment
Clean Facilities
Clean Pottished
Clean, well maintained
Cleanliness
Clear trail
Comfortable
Cool
Educating
Educational
Excellent
Excellent trails
Exciting
Exercise
Exhilarating
Experience God's creation
Favorable weather
Fishing
Food
Forest
Fresh air
Friendliness
Friendly
Friendly staff
Fun
Get away
Good hiking

Good picnic areas
Good picnic tables
Good scenery
Good trails
Good weather
Great
Great camping site
Great facilities
Great trails
Great weather
Groomed trails
Hands on
Hiking
Hiking trails (short)
History
Incredible scenery
Interactive
is
Learn about nature
Location
Lots of trees
Low stress
Maintained
Majestic
Majesty
Mountain Activities
Mountains
Mt Views
Natural
Natural beauty
Nature
Nature activities
No clouds
No crowds
No pets
No traffic
No wind
Not too crowded
One w/nature
Openness
Outdoor Activities
Outdoors
Peace

Peaceful
Peaceful Beauty
Peacefulness
Photo
Photographing wildfires
Picturesque
Pleasant weather
Pretty
Pristine
Privacy
Private
Quiet
Quiet Campers
Quiet enjoyment
Quietness
Quietness/distance between campsites
Quit
Ranger Talks
Relaxation
Relaxing
Respectful guests
Restful
Ride
Safety
Scenery
Scenic
Serene
Sharing
Sites
Smells
Smells good
Solitude
Soul-cleansing
Space-not jammed together
Spacious
Still wild
Sunny
Temp control shower
Time w/family and friends
time with
To
to spend the
Trails

Trails/Maps
Tranquility
Trees
Undeveloped- not overly developed
View
Viewing nature
Views
Visible park rangers
Visitor Center
Visitor friendly
Warmer weather
Weather
Welcome pets
Well-maintained
Wildlife
Wildlife viewing
Zero trash

Mueller Word 3

[Illegible]
A site that's not over-camped
Access to wildlife
Activities
Adventure
Animals
Away
Awesome
Beautiful
Beautiful day
Beautiful natural setting
Beautiful scenery
Beautifully maintained
Beauty
Big campsites
Breath taking
Camping
Cheap
Clean
Clean area
Clean br.
Clean environment trails
Clean facilities

Clean toilets
Cleanliness
Close to nature
Cold
Colorado
Company
Convenience
Cool
Courteous
day relaxing and exploring nature
Directions
Ease of parking
Easier access to firewood
Easy directions
Electricity
Escape people
Excellent views
Exciting
Exercise
Experience
Experience beautiful scenery, camping, hiking
Experience Nature
Eye-thrills
Facilities (toilet/shower)
Fellowship
Few people
Fishing
Flowers
Flush potties
Forest trails
Free shower
Freedom
Friend
Friendly
Friendly staff
Fun
Fun adventure
Fun things to do
Get exercise and have fun!
Good hikes
Good hiking
Good services
Good sights

Good toilet facilities
Good trailer parking
Good trails
Good weather
Great trails
Great views
Great weather
Green
Having fun
Hike
Hiking
Hiking trails
Inspirational
Interesting
Invigorating
Isolation
Kid playground
Lack of noise
Learn about the area
Maintained
Natural
Nature
Nature as God intended
Nature great views
Nature trails
Nice campsites
No horses
Not crowded
Observing wildlife
Open
Outdoor activities
Overnight facilities (usually camping)
Park quality
Peace and Quiet
Peaceful
Peacefulness
Pleasant
Plenty of restrooms
Points of interest
Ponds
Privacy
Private
Quiet

Quiet/Natural
Quietness of the park
Refreshing
Relaxation
Relaxing
Release! (Only)
Restrooms
Ride
Safe
Safety
Scenery
Scenic
Secluded
Seeing wildlife
Self satisfaction
Serene
Should add wine tasting on deck!
Sitting
Skies
Solitude
Spacious sites
Stay as long as one desires
Time to meditate
Trails
Uncrowded
Uneaten (thinking bears)
Variety of activities
Views
Views/Wildlife
Warm
Weather
Weather-good
Welcoming
Well maintained
Well marked trails
Wild animals
Wildlife
Wildlife spotting
Wildlife viewing

APPENDIX E: VERBATIM ANSWERS TO QUESTION 14

Below we provide visitors' verbatim open-ended responses to Question 14 by park. Answers are not grammatically revised, and are provided exactly how the visitor answered the question.

Question 14: In your own words, what should be the role of each visitor to a state park in preserving natural park resources for future generations?

Castlewood Canyon

Active involvement

After you visit it you should appear like you weren't there

As a scuba diver, I adhere to "take only pictures, leave only bubbles" Parks need a similar slogan.

As little input as possible, stay on trails

As much as possible

As stewards of public land we should actively participate in the care and maintained of the land for the enjoyment and benefit of future generations

Avoid erosion, remove trash, be pleasant, courteous

Awareness of fragility of natural environment Responsible use.

Be gentle

Be respectful Leave everything as you found it.

Be respectful when visiting and encourage others to visit respectfully as well

Be responsible and respectful of nature and "IT'S" home

Be responsible for their actions, clean up their trash and not damage facility- be kind so that others can also use the facilities

Be stewards of the land

Boy Scouts said it best: Leave no trace We should educate each other and make sure trails are free of trash and manmade traces.

Care for nature, clean up after yourself and dogs

Careful, thoughtful use of resources, obeying park rules and doing my part to help keep park clean

Caretaker/stakeholder

Clean up after themselves, limit alcohol consumption, quiet after 10 no disruptive behavior- be respectful of others

Clean up after yourself and you pets Stay on approved marked trails.

Clean up your own trash
Clean up your trash!
Coming often to the park but letting nature be and not defiling it in any way
Conservation and employment
Do not litter; pick up after dog
Do their part to keep it clean and peaceful and safe
Don't litter, don't feed the wildlife and leave the parks the way you find them
Don't drop trash Carry out anything visitor's bring in.
Don't litter
Don't litter and leave it the way you found it
Don't litter, remove items, stay on trails
Don't litter, stay on trails, respect [Illegible] signs
Each person should have a sense of ownership and responsibility for preserving what is around them
Each visitor should keep the trails and grounds neat
Each visitor should leave the park better than they find it (litter clean-up, etc)
Each visitor should strive to leave little or no impact
Enjoy it, keep it clean, tell others, take children to it
Enjoy nature, but respect it
Enjoy the park but leave it in the same condition you found it
Enjoy, preserve, protect
Everyone has a responsibility to preserve natural resources

First do no harm, support park [illegible] man and maintenance
Follow park rules Pick up after yourself and your pets. Respect nature.
Follow posted instructions
Follow the rules!
Good stewardship
Just looking at nature, not disturbing it
Just pick up after yourself
Keep it as good if not better than when you got there!
Keep it clean

Keep it clean, minimize impact and noise to surrounding areas
Keep it clean, pick up after themselves and pets don't destroy the nature, be courteous
Keep things as you found them Pick up your stuff.
Keep your footprint small- no litter
Learn about the natural park and how to protect it

Leave it as good if not better than how they found it
Leave it as you found it
Leave it as you found it in a totally natural state, if you find
trash, pack it out
Leave it as you found it or better
Leave it as you found it!
Leave it better than you found it
Leave it cleaner than you found it
Leave it the same or better than you found it
Leave it the way it was when you showed up
Leave it the way they found it
Leave it the way you found it
Leave no footprint behind
Leave no footprints
Leave no impact!
Leave no sign of use, pick up after yourself
Leave no trace
Leave no trace or leave it better than you found it
Leave no trace Volunteer. Do not damage what is here.
Leave no trace, "ghosting" walk in same foot prints
Leave no trace, attend more programs, no flower picking, no
cutting trees, be a good cane hiker
Leave no trace, it should be better when we leave than when
we came
Leave no traces of his presence
Leave not marks

Leave nothing behind- meaning always clean up after yourself
Leave nothing behind, lessen impact
Leave nothing but footprints, take nothing but pictures
Leave nothing take nothing
Leave one park in better shape Pack out trash, stay on trails,
pick up after or leave pets at home.
Leave only foot prints, take only pictures
Leave only prints Be neat.
Leave the park better than you found it, take active park in
presentation

Leave the place that you visit the way it was when you got there
Leave things as is Don't litter.
Leave your trash in your car
Leaving it better than found

Limit trash use, follow trails, respect nature and it's habitat,
limit smoking
LNT
LNT principles should be expected and education around it
made available
Look, enjoy, but leave no sign that you were there
Make as little disturbance and impact as possible Set a good
example by picking up litter, being quiet and not disturbing wild
setting.
Making sure to respect nature and do their part by following
posted signs, recycling, etc.
Minimize impact
Minimize waste-pack it in, pack it out
No littering
No trash
Not leave trash behind Keep clean, not stay on plants.
Not litter, keep it natural
Obey park laws/clean up after yourself, respect property, use
common sense
Obey the rules and regulations Read the signs. Don't litter.
Leave no trace of your visit, except in trash cans.
Obey the rules, have common sense, clean up after yourself
Observe trail markers and don't wander off trails
Pack in, pack out
Pack in/pack out; police each other; encourage visitor to pick up
one piece of trash on their way out
Pack it in pack it out and more If it doesn't belong take it out.
Pack it in, pack it out Respect mother nature.
Pay entry fee beyond that clearly invite visitors to volunteer
Personal accountability-stay on trails, leash and pick up after
dogs, be courteous to others
Pick up after self, leave park as you found it or even better Trail
management.
Pick up after themselves
Pick up after yourself and do not leave trails
Pick up after yourself Leave the park better than you arrived.
Pick up after yourself!
Pick up after yourselves
Pick up own trash, clean up after oneself
Pick up trash
Pick up trash, no littering, walk on marked trails only, leave no
trace

Preservation of natural habitat and increased viewing of wildlife
Preserve environment by not littering or shortcut trails
Preserve the park for future visitors
Preserves trails and keep clean
Protect and preserve
Reduce, reuse, recycle
Resolve low impact use
Respect nature and the rules set down by staff
Respect nature, keep on the marked trail, and do not ruin the scenery Do not litter, don't take souvenirs.
Respect nature, leave it as you found it Don't take this for granted.
Respect nature, stay on trails, don't litter
Respect others use by quiet, stay on trail or designated areas, pack out what you pack in Realize wildlife is that and stay away safe distance.
Respect the land and facilities; clean up after themselves
Respect the natural beauty of each park and "leave it as you found it"
Respect the park for what it is and help preserve nature
Respect the park, don't damage
Respect the rules and regulations provided
Respect what's there and pack out what you bring in
Respecting surroundings
Responsible for self-behavior and education offspring's
Show respect to the ecosystem by leaving only footprints, appreciate the wildlife without disrupting their daily activities as much as possible (plants too) and gain a sense that humans are part of the planet, not separate from it
Stay on designated trails
Stay on the trails and be responsible visitors--no littering
Stay on the trails, leave no trace (water bottles) behind take only pictures and leave only footprints
Stay on trails-Do no harm Leave it better than you found it.
Steward of nature
Support/Preservation
Take care of their own garbage Leave it cleaner than when you come.
Take it in take it out
Take nothing but pictures, leave only foot prints
Take nothing, but photos Leave nothing but footprints.
Take only pictures leave only footprints

Take only pictures, leave only footprints
Take photo not survivors Pack trash out. Respect wildlife.
Taking out all of your trash Leaving the parks as natural as possible. Do not disturb the natural settings.
The same as staff, to keep the park clean and safe
They should gain a sense of their responsibility as stewards for the future
They should not litter, including picking up their dog's mess
Throw trash away
Throw trash away, pick-up after pets, stay on trail
To act as an unofficial ranger doing whatever is necessary to protect the integrity of the park
To experience, learn, take in and take home the value the outdoors provide
To keep the park clean to the best of our ability
To keep the place clean and stay on trails
To pick up litter as they see it
To try to not leave more than a footprint when you leave to preserve what we have
Tread lightly
Treat it with respect
Treat the natural and cultural sites with respect and care so it is preserved for future generations

Treat the park with the same respect that you treat your home
Take care of yourself, pick up trash, stay on trails and etc.
Try to keep our impact on the resources to a minimum-pack it in, pack it out

Visitors should be observers only and leave no impact The parks exist to preserve the existing beauty, to be changed only by natural forces.

Visitors should leave parks in a better condition than when they arrived Volunteering should also be encouraged.

Visitors should not damage the area, keep it clean and help pick up any trash Be quiet and respectful of others who want to hear nature not rowdy kids or dogs off leash.

We are guests that impact on the only home wild animals, birds have They can't always pack a van and move away from people. People move in on them.

What is carried in gets carried out, no smoking, dog clean-up requirements to be followed

What you bring in you take out

Chatfield

"Leave no trace"

After a visit, it's my belief that everything should look as it did before a visit. No rock turned over and no rubbish left unattended. It's our responsibility to ensure nothing changes due to our visitation of the park.

Always clean up after themselves and make sure [illegible]

Always pick up your own trash. Never pick any foliage and never step on wildflowers. Leave the surroundings free to enjoy by everyone. Love nature, leave it alone.

Avoid being a contributor to "tragedy of the commons" always respect and leave it better than you found it.

Be aware of [illegible] and respect nature.

Be careful. Treat it as your own property.

Be considerate of others and the land. Be clean and don't leave trash when you visit.

Be courteous and keep parks clean.

Be educated on how to treat and maintain the park.

Be respectful.

Be respectful of the nature.

Be responsible. Clean up after yourself.

Be responsible, follow park guidelines- pick up after yourself, your family, your pets- when you leave it should look like when you came.

Become aware of limited open space resources and take care.

Biased question.

Campers should plant a tree. Pick-up dog poop. Keep toilets clean. Clean-up their crap at the fishing spots by marina.

Clean up after our self.

Clean up after themselves.

Clean up after themselves, obey park rules.

Clean up after yourself.

Clean up after yourself and be courteous to others.

Clean up trash. Be polite to others and wildlife. Leash your dog.

Enjoy natural setting.

Clean up-do no harm.

Clean, unspoiled, preserve, leave undeveloped.

Cleaning up after themselves to keep the park nice.

Cleaning up any trash be it theirs or someone else's. Follow all rules and regulations as posted.

Cleanliness Respect for others and their recreational activities.

Clean-up!

Common sense

Do not destroy any nature resources by giving themselves benefits

Do not litter, clean up after themselves, do not feed animals

Don't litter- respect rules (stay on paths, etc), don't damage natural resources- help keep everything clean and natural, don't commercialize State Parks!

Don't litter, respect the privacy of others

Don't litter, stay on trails, respect wildlife

Don't misuse or abuse the resources

Each person should dispose of waste properly and responsibly

Each visitor should care for the park and leave it better than they found it

Each visitor should pick up after themselves and others They should not damage anything and respect the park.

Either improve or have zero impact with each visit

Enjoy but do not destroy Pick up you own trash and do not disturb natural things

Enjoy the park, relax, have fun Leave no trace that you were ever there so the next person may enjoy the park.

Every user needs to leave the park as good or better than it was then when we arrived

Fine people who don't respect nature

First of all keep the area that you use or picnic table area clean after you leave and being careful with fire to avoid wildfires

Follow rules, keep it clean

Follow the rules

Follow the rules and regulations

Following stated rules Courteous.

Have the least impact on flora and wildlife

He enjoys his self

I think people should take responsibility to not litter or destroy plants and wild life

If you bring it in you take it with you when you leave Pick up after your self.

It is our responsibility! (I wish visitors were more careful with trash, cleaning up after dogs

Keep clean, pack out own trash, be considerate of others

Keep fire in fire place
Keep it clean
Keep it clean it is not park workers job to clean up after us!!!
Make big fines I mean money if we make litter.
Keep it clean-same rules that apply now
Keep paths, pick up trash or dog waste
Keep the bikes on the bike path or make them pay to get in
Keep the park trails viewing area's cleaner than when they arrived
Keep thing as you found them and cleanup after yourself
Know the rules Better informative postings needed.
Know the rules! I think most people do damage just of ignorance!
Leave as little trace as possible so everyone can enjoy the beautiful nature in the future
Leave in same or better state than found
Leave it as they found it
Leave it as you found it
Leave it as you found it Clean!
Leave it as you found it Take care of it.
Leave it as you found it; be responsible for bettering when possible (p/u litter, etc)
Leave it better than you found it
Leave it cleaner than they found it
Leave it cleaner than when you arrived
Leave it cleaner than you found it!
Leave it like you found it
Leave it like you found it! Clean
Leave no trace
Leave no trace behind
Leave no trace, pick up after your party
Leave no trash, stay on roads
Leave nothing behind when we leave
Leave only foot prints
Leave only foot steps
Leave the area better than when you arrived
Leave the park as good as or better than you found it
Leave the park as you found it-or BETTER!
Leave the park cleaner than when you got here
Leave the park in better condition than you found it by cleaning up after yourself and your dog and picking up trash or debris that you see

Leave the park in the same or better condition than when we arrived

Leave things the way that you found them

Leaving it the way you found it, cleaning up after others if necessary

Look...but don't touch

Maintaining the natural environment

Make as little impact on nature as possible

No littering etc

No littering; stay on trails report problems

Not leave garbage behind stay on trails

Not leaving a mess or other visible damage

Not to vandalize or hurt nature! No littering!

Obey the rules, pick up dog waste, love the waste containers

Thank you.

Only leave your footprints when you leave

Pack in, pack out

Pack it in- pack it out/take only what you need not the limit every time

Pack it in, pack it out

Pack it in, pack it out My approach has been to leave the park in a better state than when I got there. We are always picking up litter!!

Pack out more than you brought

Park should be better when you leave, than when you arrive

Participate in activities that don't negatively impact natural resources and the environment, respect nature, clean up after yourself

Pay to maintain, no litter, stay on trails

Paying their way, respecting others, keeping it clean

Pick up after their dogs Pick trash left behind by thoughtless campers when you see it, be friendly and share info with other campers about other state parks visited.

Pick up after them

Pick up after themselves, never litter (trash receptacles need to be available and maintained) Stay on paths, respect and do not disturb wildlife, leave park as good or better than you found it.

Pick up their trash respect the facilities and land follow the rules, pay for the use

Pick up trash and dispose of properly

Pick up trash- even if it's not yours keep place clean to enjoy it forever

Pick up trash your own and others
Pick up your dog's poop
Picking up litter, being kind and polite, buying a park pass, using the park more for different things
Preservation
Protect and enjoy
Protect the park and its natural environment Take care of it, keep it clean and respect it's environment and wildlife.
Reduce human impact as much as possible
Reservation, respect for others
Respect
Respect and good regulations
Respect each other and keep clean
Respect environment and other visitors
Respect existing facilities and surroundings, preserve natural surroundings
Respect nature
Respect others, keep rules, keep area clean
Respect rights of others
Respect the environment

Respect the environment and park laws No littering, cutting through unmarked trails, should be discouraged at all times to allow natural re-growth. Teach children that the rules do apply to all.
Respect the location and other visitors
Respect the natural resources of the park
Respect the park environment, pick up after yourself Respect other park users.
Respect what you have and encourage others to do the same
Respect your environment
Responsibility for leaving campsite clean, put trash where it needs to be (etc) Follow park rules.
Responsible guest
Self policing respect for all aspects of the parks Responsible use/clean up-even others trash it etc.
Self responsible
Sorry we had to leave- would have finished rating-great Keep clean for others - do not cut/damage trees or property.
Take an active stance by preserving the natural habitat Educate children on the importance.
Take care of what you use and clean up after yourself!
Take garbage with them, keep area clean, use safe boating rules
No drinking.

Take only pictures, leave only footprints! "Pack it in, pack it out"

Take out all trash, be careful of natural resources no littering or dumping

Take out of the park such as trash what you bring in

Take out what they bring in Keep park [illegible].

Take out what you bring in including dog poop

Take responsibility for cleaning up after yourself

Take responsibility for your pet

Take your trash w/you; no littering

Teach the kids respect Clean up after dogs and self-no alcohol-no weapons, re-planting-no torture of wildlife-no feed wildlife, volunteer watch-need to have someone to report it who can follow-up with fines.

Treat natural resources as if they were a part of your family

Read posted signs and articles and follow rules of the park.

Treat this as if you lived here

Try to leave no trace, have a volunteer program to keep costs down

Use gently, leave it as you found it Be aware of the way others use it.

Use park in respectful manner clean up after self

Use the trash cans

Visitors need to care for park facilities, trails, campsites, etc, so they do not degrade. Personal responsibility for all aspects is key. Don't "trash" an area.

Visitors should toss own trash, recycle, leave no traces and teach their children the same

What you bring in you must take out

Wise usage/no abuse

Abide by the rules, release more fish

Act in responsible manner to preserve natural resources and physical facilities Pick up trash, maintain peace and quiet, learn and appreciate. Don't just use and abuse, rather protect, appreciate and respect.

Appreciate the natural surrounding and keep it clean!

Be respectful

Be respectful of facilities treatment, pick up after yourself

Be responsible

Be responsible in respecting all of the rules- pick up and clean- respect wildlife and habitat

Bios and papers maybe for children unless they would just be blowing around and not read

Bring it in, take it out, think before you break rules

Clean after self

Clean and preserve facilities

Clean up after their selves

Clean up after themselves

Clean up after themselves and animals

Clean up after themselves so others can enjoy the park

Clean up after themselves, self responsibility!

Clean up after yourself

Clean up trash

Clean up your mess!

Cleaning your own campsite before leaving; trash! Be courteous to others no loud radios, noisy drunk neighbors, etc

Do no damage and leave site better and cleaner Bring kids to ensure future generation keep coming.

Do not litter

Do unto others

Each visitor should be clean and be willing to clean up after those that aren't Willing to assist Park staff with a project or repair leave natural flora or fauna alone to be enjoyed in the future.

Each visitor should have the thought to protect-leave it as you see it and if you see a piece of trash (even if you didn't do it) pick it up

Eco friendly

Educated children at early age

Enjoy all- leave a smile behind!

Enjoy what the parks have to offer and encourage others to use those facilities Take out only what you bring in (in the way of [illegible] it clean).

Enjoy, respect and leave the area how you found it Be courteous to others.

Expect visitors to be responsible and clean up after themselves- actually, that is why we like this park it is very well maintained, except the roads are in bad shape

Follow rules

Follow the rules, clean up after use, stay on marked trails

Following rules and laws at our state parks

Have as little impact as possible

Have fun but keep a clean site!

Have more [illegible] to fish at the lake

Help keep park clean

I was taught by my father to leave your camping or hunting area cleaner than you found it in other words you may have to pick up someone else trash plus your own

If you pack in- take it all out with you No leftover lines or beer cans.

If you pack it in- take it out

It is of utmost importance for visitors to preserve nature for the future

It was all here before us lets help it last after us

Just clean up after yourself

Keep a clean camp and do a little cleaning even if it not mine

Keep a clean campsite and facilities

Keep area clean/encourage others and protect parks

Keep campsite clean, no littering no gathering of firewood, animal control respect quiet time and privacy of other campers

Keep clean "stash your trash", quiet time, return smaller fish to lake/ report violations

Keep it clean

Keep it clean and don't destroy things

Keep it clean and no poaching

Keep it clean and safe

Keep it clean, carry out what they carry in!

Keep it clean, observe and obey signs and laws

Keep it the way you see it

Keep litter and debris picked up Leave your area in better condition than you found it.
Keep our parks clean and safe
Keep path as clean as when you came in
Keep site clean
Keep their trash to themselves/respect, respect
Keep your area clean

Keep your own personal site clean and maintain all your trash during your visit Leave your space as nice as you would want it.
Keeping camp site clean and pickup after using
Keeping park clean
Leave animals alone, don't feed or harass them Pick up trash.
Leave as little human trace as possible
Leave as you found it
Leave camping area as clean as you find it
Leave everything as you found it!
Leave it as good or better than you found it
Leave it as you find it
Leave it as you find it, clean and unmarked
Leave it as you found it
Leave it better than you find it
Leave it better than you found it
Leave it just as it was when you arrived
Leave it like it was when you came
Leave it same or better as you find it
Leave it the same or better than you found it
Leave it the way you found it or better
Leave it the way you found it, don't litter and don't be a posterior end
Leave nature alone and enjoy what God have giving us
Leave no sign i.e.. litter, taking things.
Leave no trace
Leave no trace of visit
Leave no trace, or little as possible
Leave no trace, stay on paths, etc
Leave only footprints
Leave sites cleaner than when you arrived
Leave the area as clean or cleaner than it was! Keep animals on a leash and make their clean up mandatory!! Post signs
Leave the area as you found it clean up your trash

Leave the area cleaner than I found it and ask other to do the same Ask Park staff for help when needed. Help others enjoy the outdoor experience.

Leave the area the same or better than when you arrived

Leave the park as you find it Do not alter anything or leave evidence of your being there.

Leave the park better than you found it

Leave the park in the same condition as when you arrived

Leave the park the way you found it

Leave things as good or better than you found them

Leave wildlife alone and keep the park clean

Leave your area cleaner than you found it

Leave your area in the same, or better condition than you found it

Maintain there spaces like it was their own homes

Make sure they pick up their own trash!

Obey the law, keep park clean and do not feed the animals

Okay rules and laws, pick up after themselves

Pack in, pack out Bring with you, take it with you when you leave.

Pack it in - pack it out! Pick up all trash including other people's

Pack it in and pack it out- clean up after others when possible

Pack out trash

Pack out what you pack in Educate your visitors and family members what they can do to keep things clean and what animals live in the area.

Pack out what you pack in follow rules and regulations of every park

Pack out what you pack in respect others their camps, boats, ice fishing holes, keeping low tones so children don't hear vulgar speech

Pack your trash

Pay fees- leave area in better condition than you found it

Follow the rules.

People picking up after themselves and their animals Leaving the area better than they found it.1

Personal responsibility

Pick up after ourselves, maintain cleanliness

Pick up after themselves- enjoy their country if they can afford it

Pick up dog poop and put trash and cigarette butts in trash bins

Pick up litter also around shoreline
Pick up litter- respect nature and surroundings- leave plants alone
Pick up my trash and that of others Take pictures leave only tracks.
Pick up their trash
Pick up trash other idiots leave behind Leave the park better than you found it.
Pick up when you leave- everything! Leaving trash behind is disrespectful to our beautiful Colorado!
Pick up your own trash- including cigarette butts
Pick up your stuff - leave things better than you found it
Pick up your trash!
Pick up your trash, clean up after yourself, be responsible for your fire
Practice catch and release, leave no trace plant more trees- donate!
Preservation is everyone's responsibility

Promoting morals and responsibility to keep America beautiful
Protect and serve
Protect them whenever possible
Remove what you bring in, stay on trails
Respect clean up after yourself
Respect for the future experiences of others, leave the area in a better condition
Respect natural and leave it the way you found it
Respect nature Leave it how you found it.
Respect Nature, don't littler
Respect other campers
Respect the fragility of nature resources
Respect the land
Respect the park- take it in- pack it out!
Respect what is around you Clean up trash.
Stay on trails to avoid erosion, pack out what you pack in to avoid litter, keep fires in designated areas
Stay on trails Use the campgrounds, clean them up and pack out your trash.
Take care of the park and respect it
Take care to clean up after yourselves
Take in, take out leave no sign
Take out trash No cig smoking butts on ice.

Take out what you bring in, police all camp surroundings and respect natural landscapes and nature

Take out what you brought in Keep the parks clean.

Take responsibility to keep the parks clean and litter free Place more waster dumpsters in campgrounds. Start fining people for misses. Areas around Lake have a lot of litter.

That can experience the wildlife

The best thing would be to pick up after yourself- too much trash on the lake

The park is fine the way it is!

They should care about this

To be mindful of behavior and leave only footsteps

To enjoy and leave as clean as they came Do not deliberately damage anything, be it natural or artificial. Report any damage.

To enjoy and leave the way you find it

To enjoy the outdoors and leave no trace for the next visitors

To leave a space/spot cleaner than we find it

To leave the park just as it was when they entered, no littering or destruction of land

To make sure you leave it as you found it and leave as small a foot print as possible

To treat the park as a special gift

Treat as your own, leave nothing behind

Treat land like your own

Treat like it was yours, clean up after yourself Don't take away with you when you leave any part of the natural recourses.

Treat park like your own- clean up after yourselves, leave it like you find it

View enjoy and maintain existing resources

Visitors should obey park rules They should pick up trash laying around and pick up after themselves.

We are stewards of the land and resources. Protect, preserve.

We should all work to keep our parks clean and not pollute our waters

"Leave no trace" pick up all your trash No generators ever allowed.

"Pack it in, pack it out" When we keep it clean, mother nature can take care of the rest.

Abide by rules- tread lightly

All have a responsibility to preserve natural parks for future generations

Always leave it cleaner than when you came

Appreciate the land

As a visitor for trying not to interrupt or disturb

As you camp, leave it a better place

Be a good camper and leave site the way you found it- same with nature!

Be considerate to the land- pick up your trash- be nice to the animals, don't disturb their home- keep facilities clean

Be courteous

Be knowledgeable of the system and take responsibility to upkeep the parks

Be responsible Leave your campsite clean- stay on roads or trails- do not pollute waterways- keep the noise down-do not litter-do unto others as you would have them do unto you.

Be responsible for clean up

Be responsible-clean up before leaving the area-leave the area clean and ready for next visitor

Being responsible visitors, common sense and responsibility should dictate their actions If not, vigorously enforce all rules and regulations!!

Careful to leave no impact

Catch more bass and exotic fish

Clean after them self and do not destroy the scenery

Clean up after selves Do not destroy the scenery.

Clean up after them selves and take care of the site they are in and don't tear stuff up

Clean up after themselves, respect nature, don't vandalize

Clean up after yourself

Clean up after yourselves

Clean up after yourselves, recycle, burn only wood, stay on trails, be aware of your surroundings

Clean up location after themselves, no liter

Clean up their own messes and help with other that can't seem to

Clean up your mess

Cleanliness in toilets- gather all trash even if it not yours- courtesy to everyone

Cleanliness- respect property and land, support

Common sense

Connect with and care for "our host" as human users

Do not disturb the natural areas

Do not throw trash around- do not deface paths with offensive writings

Do what you can

Do your part to keep the parks clean

Dog owners: bag up droppings! Corn Lake post signs!

Don't change anything, i.e.. do not make an imprint on the park thru trash or erosion. Etc.

Don't damage the park

Each person should be responsible for any physical cause and affect in any negative/damage done to any facility, and/or property clean up after yourself and pets!

Each person should take care of it own site and keep it clean

Leave the site like you found it.

Each visitor should enjoy their stay and make sure that they leave things as they are for others

Each visitor, do not damage any tree or plants, the main building is clean and kept it clean

Enjoy and do no harm

Everyone has an obligation to preserve our resources not only for recreation but for all future operations

Everyone should be responsible for preserving the natural resources of all aspects of nature

Everyone should pick up their trash! Everyone should be less noisy! No generators, no radios or loud music

Everyone should take care of parks and leave them as they found it clean

Follow the rules (It's not hard)

Funding

Have respect for what's not yours, clean up after yourself

Help educate others on importance as well as "How To"

I think we should protect our land all of the parks facilities, always try to clean up after our outing!

I would like to see State Parks educate campers/visitors about recycling programs and making decisions that affect all wildlife

If you carry it in please carry it out

It is our park and we should keep it clean as we would our own yard and house

It is the responsibility of each visitor to leave the park as clean or cleaner than before arrival

Keep area clean after yourself

Keep area clean and don't disturb nature Parents teach your kids to respect nature and people.

Keep clean- do not remove or destroy ground or wildlife

Keep clean/leash dogs

Keep it clean

Keep it clean and be respectful

Keep it clean leave it as you found it

Keep it clean, leave it as natural as you found it

Keep it clean, leave no trace

Keep it clean, no vandalism Preserve the natural places by staying on trails

Keep parks clean and don't destroy natural things

Keep site clean and recycle if available

Keep sites clean

Keep the area in better condition than when you arrived

Keep the park clean and pick up trash and dog droppings

Keep your area clean, pack out what you pack in and report any problems to staff or parks rangers

Keep your camping and fishing area clean, pick up/trash although it is not yours

Keeping the campsites clean

Learn as much as possible Knowledge will lead the way!

Leash and clean up after your "special" dogs Get my drift?

Leave area clean without disturbing plants, animals or natural scenes

Leave as little impact as possible

Leave everything a little better than you found it! Respect, respect, respect!

Leave everything better than when you came pack your trash and other people's trash [illegible] you see it

Leave it as you found it

Leave it at least as good as you found it

Leave it better than you came

Leave it cleaner than you found it Respect the facilities that have been put there for us and whenever possible volunteer to help maintain our parks.

Leave it how you found it, try to leave it better

Leave it in a better condition than you found it

Leave it in better shape than you found it

Leave it like you found it

Leave it the way you found it Pick trash- Do not throw dead fish back into lake.

Leave no fingerprint

Leave no trace

Leave no trace and respect others

Leave no tracks

Leave only foot prints to show you were there Somewhere along the line people have grown sloppy about picking up after themselves.

Leave park a bit nice (cleaner) than when you arrived

Leave spots cleaner than when you came

Leave the area better than you found it

Leave the area cleaner than it was when you arrived

Leave the park a better place than you found it

Leave the park cleaner than when you got there

Leave the park cleaner than you found it Leave very small foot prints.

Leave the park in better condition than when I arrived whenever possible Never leave a park in worse condition.

Leave the park the same as you found it or even cleaner

Leave the park the way you find it, unless it's trashy and pick up what you see If you pack it in pack it out. I think parks should have trash cans in different spots so you don't have to carry your trash home.

Leave the parks clean and always better than you found it

Leaving a small footprint, recycling

Look to the future Your kids and/or grandkids are the ones to benefit.

Look, listen touch but leave it as you found it Carry in carry out.

Make sure that they clean up after themselves to ensure that the park will stay clean

Minimum impact, pack it in, pack it out

Mostly to clean up after themselves Some people and pigs.

Pack it in, pack it out, preserve the site for future use of others view and don't disturb wildlife

Pack out what you pack in

Pack out what you pack in Clean up after yourself and pets.
Don't allow a lot of motorized (OHV) on trails. Observe nature
don't disturb it. Inform new camper how to protect nature.
Park should be here for people who live here
Pay their way
Pick up after their dog and have the them leashed
Pick up after themselves and others to keep park clean
Pick up after yourself Leave no trash behind.
Pick up and enjoy themselves
Pick up their trash, pick up "poos" after their dogs
Pick up trash Keep to trails. Don't litter, keep quiet.
Pick up trash, keep a clean and neat camp site

Pick up what is brought in Keep clean, be considerate of others.
Pick up your trash Do not destroy. Stay with care.
Picked up after yourself and don't deface properly
Protect facilities, pick up trash even if not your own, stay on
marked trails
Provide plastic bags for dog poop on trails Lavatory in
restrooms to wash hands. Do not trash public property.
Put garbage in garbage can; leave camp site neat and clean
Realize they are in nature and appreciate what we have
Respect environment, teach children
Respect it
Respect nature
Respect nature and facilities
Respect nature and wildlife and no litter
Respect nature so our future generations can enjoy what we are
enjoying now
Respect nature, clean up after themselves, learn from nature
Respect the park natural resources
Respect the rules and others
Respect what is there Damage it in no way. Pay a little at each
visit to maintain resources.

Respect, care, consideration for all0 including plants and critters
Retain natural beauty, no damage-leave as you found it,
encourage more land acquisition for more parks like this one
Seek education and respect for our State Parks, (State Period)'s
natural resources
Take away whatever they bring!

Take care of it Enjoy it, be respectful.
Take care of the park
Take care of trash, stay on trails, stop dumping ecoli in the lake
Stop peeing on the trees.
Take care of what you have
Take in, pack out Clean up after ourselves.
Take nothing but pictures Leave nothing but footprints.
Take only pictures and leave only footprints
Take only pictures, leave only footprints
Take out what you bring in
Take out what you bring in!
Take out what you take in
Take responsibility for cleaning own sites
Take responsibility for keeping park as you found it, clean up
after self
Throw trash in trash can
To be respectful of nature and leave no trail
To come and have fun but also clean up after themselves and
keep the park clean
To enjoy and help keep it clean
To keep clean
To leave it a better place
To respect all of outdoors and treat it as such!
To respect nature and not take things out of the park
Tread lightly
Treat it like they own it
Treat the park as a very special place, leave it as good as you
found it when you came or in better shape
Treat the park as though it were your own front yard
Treat them [illegible] if they were they're own leaving it better
from when they came
Volunteering, leaving everything as clean as it was found or
cleaner Protect park environment.
We should clean up after ourselves, damage nothing and people
should clean up after their own pets
We should discourage vandalism, littering and the number of
dogs especially those that people don't clean up after

"Leave no trace" and parents should have enough information to be able to teach their children about preserving our natural resources

"Leave only your footprints"

1. Leave it as clean as you found the park. 2. Do not take anything from the park. 3. Try to minimize the human footprint.

1. Pack out own rubbish. 2. Respect wildlife. 3. Volunteer opportunities (i.e. participate).

All visitors should abide by preservation guidelines (like staying on trails) as well as ALWAYS leaving the park as good or better as you found it

All visitors should leave the park cleaner than when they arrived. Leave all natural things at park (take away pick, damage nothing), learn as much as possible of ways to protect/preserve park.

Always leave the park better than you found it

As has been said for years; leave only footprints, take only pictures or leave it better than you found it. Be responsible and teach children to be responsible to care for our natural treasures.

Be a good role model

Be an involved Visitor Conserving the Natural Beauty

Be as conscious and mindful of all the creatures that inhabit the area- including humans. Practice tolerance.

Be conscious about future visitors, leave as little impact possible

Be more careful with picking up trash

Be part of the park and work to maintain its beauty

Be polite, courteous, leave no garbage, and help keep the park clean by picking up any trash you encounter on the trails

Be respectful of the natural resources. Keep your area safe and clean.

Be responsible

Be responsible and don't litter; respect nature and pick up trash if come across it

Be responsible clean up after self

Be responsible for your presence in the park, no littering, no graffiti, etc

Beautiful

Bring it in, pack it out
Care and protect the resources...leave them better than you found them (or leave them alone)
Carry trash out, respect the park
Caution to prevent damage, a view to over use (i.e.; like Yosemite-being run into the ground)
Certainly leave it as clean as or cleaner than I found it- offer me more chances to help while I'm here
Check the rules, observe them and leave the park or camp site as you found it
Clean up
Clean up after themselves- Don't remove anything from parks or damage them Respect others and nature.
Clean up after yourself and obey park rules
Clean up after yourself, obey all rules (pets) and take good care of all park property!
Clean up any mess you make Try to make your site a little nicer than you found it. If some one else made a mess, help clean it up.
Clean up your crap
Clean up, don't disturb wildlife on park visitors
Cleaning up after themselves, staying on trails when hiking, obeying rules, not vandalizing property
Cleaning up, no motor vehicles
Conservation and care of the park
Do no harm
Do not damage park, protect nature and wildlife
Do not litter- or damage any park property
Donations/volunteer/be informed and inform others
Don't abuse the privilege
Don't deface, follow rules (fire, etc)
Don't destroy
Don't litter, clean up after your pets
Don't litter, obey rules, respect others, keep noise levels down, stay on marked paths and trails
Don't touch, respect wildlife
Each person is responsible to do so
Each person should feel a kinship with nature and the creator
This would mean having a sense of responsibility for preserving and conserving the park.
Each role of the visitor is no pets with them, and not destroying the environment

Each visitor should be informed and take a role in preferring our resources and caring for our parks

Each visitor should participate as much as possible

Each visitor should respect park rules and leave the resource with experiences and memories that will make them want to advocate for parks when they return home

Each visitor should take some responsibility to preserve the natural environment

Enjoy and leave as you found

Enjoy nature while leaving as small of a mark behind as possible

Enjoy parks but use gently

Enjoy wildlife while respecting hit

Enjoy, behave yourself Smokey rules- recycle and clean after yourself.

Enjoy, but don't harm

Enjoy, support and buy more parks

Enjoy/educate, the beauty

Every visitor should leave the park as they found it No trash left behind, no damage done to environment. It should be as if you were never there.

Everyone should leave the park the way they found it

Family camping to teach youth about values in resources

Follow guidelines given

Follow rules and leave it as found or make it better

Follow rules of park

Follow the present Roles and Regulations- especially rules regarding pets- keep them on leashes

Follow the rules

Follow the rules- i.e.. today we went on several trails w/dog poop and it is clearly marked not to bring.

Follow the rules, leave no trace Be respectful of land and people.

Have minimal impact on the natural systems in the park

Help by leaving nothing behind and removing nothing

I think visitors should be educated understand how to take care of the park, regardless how much time is spent in the park (i.e.. litter, noise, staying on trails.)

It is a responsibility of being human to protect and preserve our habitat

It is our responsibility to protect our parks for future generations

It's our duty help preserve the natural areas and be respectful

Just take care of it; and don't tear it up
Keep it clean
Keep it clean, preserve it
Keep nature as is Watch your campfires and clean up trash.
Keep things as they are found
Keep to the trails-don't act as if you are the only one who matters
Keep your space clean and be respectful to your surroundings
Keep/protect natural resources in the park
Keeping our park clean (as it is)
Keeping there camp space clean, making sure it's clean when they leave
Leave as is- do not disturb
Leave as it is
Leave as it was found
Leave as you find
Leave as you found it, stay on trails
Leave it as found, encourage recycling of anything brought in
Leave it as it was when you got here
Leave it as or better than you found it Enjoy it but disrupt it as little as possible.
Leave it as they found it
Leave it as you find it
Leave it as you found it Walk softly with respect to the land and nature.
Leave it as you found it as much as possible
Leave it at least as good as you found it; you are borrowing something and need to return it
Leave it better than you found it
Leave it better than you found it
Leave it better than you found it, obey rules, respect others
Leave it cleaner than you found it
Leave it how you found it
Leave it how you found it: undisturbed
Leave it like you found it
Leave it like you found it or in better condition
Leave it the way they found it
Leave it the way you found it, keep it natural
Leave nature as it is, photos only, no littering
Leave no footprint
Leave no footprints
Leave no trace
Leave no trace behind

Leave no trace principals
Leave no trace!
Leave no trace, and enjoy nature without destroying it
Leave no trace, pick up after yourself Pick up trash if you see it.
Obey the signs- don't be a slob in the bathrooms.
Leave no trace, pick up other people's trash
Leave no trace, release fish esp. Cut Throats.
Leave no trash or other items, also do not take items from the park
Leave nothing but footprints; take nothing but photos
Leave only footprints, take only pictures
Leave only footprints, that means NO Littering!
Leave sites a little cleaner than you found them

Leave the area the way you found it Do not destroy any trees, structures etc., Stay on designated trails and roads. Be courteous to all who visit or camp. Respect quiet time 10:00 PM to 7:00 AM.
Leave the area the way you found it if not cleaner
Leave the park and your campsite better than you found it-leave no trace, especially cigarette butts
Leave the park as you found it Stay on trails.
Leave the park cleaner than when you came/DO NOT destroy/disturb nature
Leave the park cleaner than you found it Don't pick flowers, stay on paths.
Leave the park in a better, more natural condition than when you entered
Leave the park is as good or better condition than at time of arrival
Leave trails and camp sites cleaner/better than found them
Leave your camp as clean or cleaner- send bills for clean up- to people who don't
Let it be
Look, enjoy, be respectful of nature
Low impact activities, don't litter
Low in pack
Maintain and clean up their own camp site

Make sure you leave only your footprints don't deface or trash
Minimal impact, leave it better than you found it
Minimize personal impact
Minimize your impact, pay some fees

Nature and all its beauty is a gift to humans and must be respected by all individuals
No litter, zero impact
No littering, etc
No littering, you take back with you what you brought, stay on path
No littering-use of energy efficient power supplies
None
Not only leave as is, but help improve the resource
Not walking off trail No trash.
Obey all regulations

Obey the rules and regulations for that park. Conserve on use of water electricity, etc. Where available. Respect the natural environment of that park- leaving it the same or even better than you found it.
p/u garbage leave it better than you found it
Pac-it-out
Pack it in and out where necessary
Pack it in- pack it out Don't damage anything.

Pack it in-pack it out-no damage to any plant or tree-leave it as good if not better for the next visitor-clean up after these who don't "get it"
Pack out more than you pack in
Pack out what you pack in
Pick up after one self and pets Maintain hiking trails.
Pick up after themselves and volunteer to maintain trails etc
Pick up after themselves Don't destroy nature-leave only foot prints. Don't feed animals.
Pick up trash, maintain clean environment, show respect to the park
Pick up trash, maintain trails
Pick up your garbage Enjoy God's land. Pick up the dog poop.
Picking up after themselves and leaving no trace
Preserve and maintain
Preserve natural areas for recreation and enjoyment of nature in the least disturbed yet save environment possible
Reasonable use of resources-e.g., if there are one million pine cones, taking a couple wouldn't hurt
Recycling
Recycling; litter control; respect wildlife and plant life
Respect for nature and other people, quietness no barking dogs or liquor parties Be tidy and neat.
Respect natural resources and leave it as you found it

Respect nature follow park rules built on this principle, do no disturb w/noise or music other visitors

Respect nature, do not destroy it

Respect of natural resources

Respect- pack out everything- leave it better than you found it

Respect the environment

Respect the environment and surroundings No litter, destruction, stay on trails.

Respect the environment and wildlife- leave your site clean and in better condition than you found it

Respect the rules set up by the park

Respect the terrain and do not abuse the natural resources of the park

Respect the trails and all other facilities leave things as you found them Leave nothing behind, take nothing out.

Respect your surroundings

Respectful of rules/take out litter

Responsibility Take only pictures, leave only footprints.

Responsible use; clean up

Stay on the paths- what you pack in you pack out

Stay on trail, respect nature and wildlife, don't litter, keep the park enjoyable for everyone

Stay on trails

Stay on trails and obey signs leave bath clean, don't litter

Stay on trails, carry out trash, respect wildlife

Stay on trails, obey the rules, pick up your own garbage, support funding for parks

Stay on trails, pick up litter

Staying on the trails, being responsible for leaving campground, other facilities clean

Take care of it and enjoy

Take care of resources

Take care of trash, don't cut down trees, respect wildlife

Take personal responsibility

Take pictures- leave no footprints

The visitor should take personal responsibility for safe guarding our natural resources

They need to be educated and reminded of their response

They should always pick up trash and never danger the environment

To enjoy without destruction

To follow all the rules and regulations that the park provides

To help keep park clean
To maintain- not destroy
To not destroy nature
To not disturb/alter nature
To not litter and keep it clean
To protect and preserve Natural Treasures
Tread lightly!
Treat it as if it were your own We do not own the forest. We borrow it for our kids.
Treat the resources like you would your own property
Try not to disturb nature or natural conditions
Use them often Abide by energy/all rules. Support natural resource conservation education and publicity. Facilitate classes for students by finance, program planning, teaching.
Visitor should respect staying on designated trails, leave as little impact as possible
Visitors need to make as small an impact on the environment as possible so animals will not migrate to other areas
Visitors should be responsible when using the park, then act as ambassadors to encourage others to visit
Visitors should follow all the rules We often see people "do their own thing" and then become destructive.
Visitors should not litter
Visitor's should respect all aspects of nature SH/BE respectful of other visitors- current and future- and if do all in their power to preserve our parks
Vote- for people who value nature!
Walk with care, leave no trace, clean what doesn't belong
We are a visitor and as a visitor we should listen to those who know the terrain and animals we are here to enjoy nature and protect it
We are the stewards of our parks and have a great responsibility to ourselves and future generations to protect them
When you borrow something you should return it in the same or better shape than when you borrowed it

APPENDIX F: VERBATIM ANSWERS TO QUESTION 20

Below we provide visitors' verbatim open-ended responses to Question 20 by park. Answers are not grammatically revised, and are provided exactly how the visitor answered the question.

Question 20: If this park is not your final destination, where are you going?

Castlewood Canyon

2 ponds; Standley Lake (today), Barber ponds; El Dorado Canyon State Park tomorrow
C/S
Camp by Sedalia
Cherry Creek
Colorado Springs
Cortez/4 corners New Mexico Tx etc, back to VA possibly
Glenwood Springs (family)
Cousins
Denver
Don't know- driving around
Final
Final destination
Fox Run Park, Black Forest
Garden of the Gods
Here
Home
Home to Lakewood, Colorado
I'm coming back again!
It is
Lunch at Castle Rock
Movies
N/A
None
Parker
Road trip home
Shopping
Shopping for hiking boots
This was my final
To dinner
Use of Cherry Creek bike trail
Was final
Work
Yellowstone

Chatfield

Another park
Bear Creek
Bike back to car
Bike up canyon
BLM
Cherry Creek sp.
Cottonwood riding club
Day trip
Deer creek
Deer creek canyon
Dog park
East
Encampment, Wyoming
Final
Final dist today
Grandby Lake
Green Valley, AZ
Here
Home
Home to Pueblo West
Home, work
Just bike
Mainhead-[Illegible]to entrance and Titan Road and Platte River
Trail
MN
Mountains or wilderness camping
N/A
N/A-home
NM
Not a clear question
On a 185 mile bike ride today
Park is my final destination
Petsmart for a bath!
Pueblo reservoir
Riding Platt River trail
Rifle Gap
Rocky Mountain National Park, [illegible] WY
Roxborough Park
Running home
Sometimes to my friends but it is my destination usually

St Louis, MO
The moon
This is final destination
This is it
This is it!
This was our final destination
Unfortunately home
Wellington Lake
Who knows? Free spirit
Work

Eleven Mile

Alberta
Almost full-time Rivers slowly heading to Tucson, AZ (home)
Another lake
Antero-Spinney
Arvada
Back home
Baldwin Gulch
Blue Mesa
Buena Vista
DNA
Don't know, wherever
Echo lake, Crawford
Fishing
Hella Junction
Here
Home
Home-Minnesota
Hopefully the house of the good Lord
It is
It was
Lake City, CO
Lathrop State Park
Leadville - Yellowstone, Grand Canyon
Mesa Verde
Mueller
N/A
National Forest/Game area
Navajo reservoir
No
No where
Other state parks
Pueblo
Sorry we're on our way, we have traveled around the state
hiking and fishing
Spinney, South Platte River, Tarryall Res, Antero Res.
This park is my destination
This trip final destination
To another park or Federal park
Touring more parks in Colorado and beyond
Yellowstone

[Illegible]
Another park when I leave
Archer
Arizona
Aspen/Grand Junction
AZ
BLM land
Bryce
Bullhead City, AZ (full timers)
CA
Cali
Camping by airport
Canada
Colorado National Monument
Crawford
Cruising the mountains
Delta, CO
Denver
Don't know
Eventually home to Evergreen, Colorado
Final
Final destination
Florida (home)
Forest
Fruita
Fruita [illegible]
Glenwood Springs
Grand Jct
Grand Junction
Grand Mesa
Grandmas house
Heaven to see Jesus
Here
Highline State Park
Home
Home to Canada
Home-Denver
Island Acres- they have a swim park
Kanab, UT
Lake Powell

Lake Powell, other state parks
Las Vegas
Loma to West water (kayaking)
Looking for apartment in the area!
Mesa
Moab
Moab, UT
Mohab-Arches
Mountains
N/A
Nearby points of interest
Nevada
No place
Other park
Palisade
Quray
Relatives back to PA, TX, MO, KS, back home in Fruita
Ridgway
Rifle Gap
Several locations around Colorado
Shopping
Some where to fish
South
South Dakota
Southwest Colorado
Through Colorado, NM. and AZ to home.
To see family
Travel?
Utah and home
Vega
Wellington
Work
Yes- Home

[Illegible]
Alaska
Also Rocky Mountain National Park, Colorado Springs
Another state park
Back to divide
Back to Georgia
Back to our home in North Carolina
Bees wax not yours
Breckenridge
Camping
Colorado Springs area
Cripple creek
Cripple creek Cripple Creek.
Cripple creek/victor
Day trip
Day trip from home
Deckers Deckers
Denver
Different camp
Divide
Dome Rock wildlife area
Estes Park
Fairplay, CO
Family house (parents)
Final
Final destination
Guffy cabin
Home
Home to Colorado [illegible]
Indiana
It was
Missouri
N/A
North Carolina
Nowhere else
Oktoberfest
Ridgeway sp
Rocky Mountain National park
Royal Gorge
Springs

St Elmo
The Peak
This and Florissant Fossil Bed
USAF Academy Football game
Vacation in the S Colorado
Victor
Wal-Mart
Wandering around
Yes

APPENDIX G: VERBATIM ANSWERS TO QUESTION 35

Below we provide visitors' verbatim open-ended responses to Question 35 by park. Answers are not grammatically revised, and are provided exactly how the visitor answered the question.

Question 35: Do you have any other comments or suggestions or future improvements you would like to see?

Castlewood Canyon

[Name] appreciated the clean and well maintained restrooms at Canyon View parking area.

13A-No fees! Taxes paid for it already!16D-See aboveQ18-Cost of metering not worth it.

A shorter survey-for the candy bar

Ability to drive thru whole park or most of it.

Annual pass should not be restricted to only one vehicle Person specific pass like national park pass is preferable.

Awesome visit Thanks!

Be sure there are doggy trash bags available!!

Better maps, more detailed, bigger pictures for older eyes

Better signage

Better signage to and from trails at parking area.

Build stronger/higher bridges at Castlewood Canyon

Castlewood Canyon is a great experience.

Castlewood is a treasure- don't develop it please.

Clean hiking area and enforce littering laws! Found lots of trash by dungeon - boo!

Co residents should get in free to state parks if tax dollars are used as funding.

Drinking water (well with pump for summer)

Enforce the leash rule

Enjoyed my visit very much Thanks!

Expansion of new climbing routes via permit / review system

Finish the connection to the Cherry Creek bike trail ASAP!

Gate attendant did a fabulous job of making us feel welcome

Great nature center

Great park, great climbing.

Great place to bring kids climbing - maybe more maintenance on the bolts would be my improvement!

Great year round.

I absolutely love this place!

I best like primitive areas, getting away from cultivation and deep into mother nature.

I like crazy, low prices.

I like the natural beauty here and don't want to many improvements to change it

I love camping here and wish I could get out here more often

I love Colorado State Parks!

I love this park

I love this park It's great to get away for an afternoon and I always feel safe here. Thanks.

I would like senior rates for annual pass drop to social security age of 62.

I would like the trails edged back enough that we can look for snakes easily Sometimes it's overgrown and scary. I would love to see a bathroom w/flush and sink at West entrance parking.

Improved trail markings

Installation of emergency call boxes could be welcome Thanks for maintaining Castlewood Canyon S.P. as is including the East Canyon.

Just keep it natural!

Keep as natural and quiet as possible

Keep it undeveloped

Keep low flying aircraft out of the parks airspace. Better signage regarding keeping dogs on leashes. Even better banning dogs from park trails.

Keep the parks dog friendly Make those that aren't dog friendly add ATV trails.

Keep the parks wild! If I wanted electricity and nearby neighbors, I'd never leave the city I want wild solitude!!

Keep the roads safe

Keep trails clean and plants cut back

Keep up the good work Colorado State Parks are the best.

Keep up the good work.

Less poison oak

Let's keep our parks clean.

Like the slide show

Love it!

Love State Parks

Love the parks!

Maybe some caroms on rim rocks, but not necessarily needed

More bathrooms

More bolts for Top-Rope and sport climbing (Maybe a little more climbing area maintenance such as replacing worn hardware with new stuff).

More climbing

More hiking trails

More interpretive signage about national and historical features.

More parking along the road in Castlewood Canyon State Park Thanks, Dave.

More parks!

My family and I love this State Park We are here 3-4 times a week and enjoy it much.

N/A

N/A very pleased!

NC

No

No fees for regulars and locals
No more building of big homes or homes not using land such as farm/ranch.
None
None, we enjoyed our visit.
Nope
Not at this time
Not many changes needed Maybe more recycling, renewable energy sources. Keep fees low, keep nature with out too many amenities.
Nothing at Castlewood Canyon
One with dogs
Please add hand sanitizer to bathrooms.
Please give warnings before tickets Have a "local only" access pass. Have camping weekends.
Please promptly remove beetle trees to preserve this healthy forest.
Put "you are here" on maps
Put you are here indications on the park signs
Restrooms
Sale of hiking sticks
Shorter survey...seriously.
Shorter surveys
Shorter surveys please!
Signs with numbers on them on the trails that coordinate location on map
Survey is too long
Survey too long.
Thank you
Thank you!
Thanks It was a great visit. We loved the trails- good distance, varied, beautiful.
Thanks!
This is a terrific state park Keep up the good work.
This park is great Please don't tell any more people about it! This is such a gem!
This questionnaire is much too long!
Top of survey--Need more trail signs! Area map needs more detail-survey is way too longQ21-Many[Illegible] in CO.
Trails with signs all along the way Palmer Park is really bad although it's hard to get lost.
You add to the erosion if you make your own trial.
Very nice
We enjoy the park-we were glad to see the bridge back in place

We have been visiting Castlewood Canyon for many years and we would come whether it is upgraded or not Hopefully it can still be enjoyed for our future generations also!

We just love coming here to hike and rock climb!! Don't change anything!
We love the State Parks!
We love this park!

We will be back
Wider trails
Year round bathroom and off leash areas
Your doing a great job!

Chatfield

1 Yes, allowing dogs to be off leash if they are trained and under control. 2. Would be great to have a 3rd entrance at the NE corner area.

Add an electrical outlet in boat storage area (Chatfield) for battery charging

Additional areas for off leash dogs

All people using the park should have to pay entrance fee It is unfair to those that pay to use facilities (bathrooms, picnic area etc. To help those who don't pay. Change the State Constitution re this subject. Per person not per carload, it's not a drive-in movie.

Away from the highway.

Bathrooms are very dirty Lose toilet seat need to have a pay out there. Not everyone has a cell phone.

Beautiful park!

Best dog park any place.

Better fishing, habitat etc.

Better kayak or canoe launching access away from regular boat ramps on South end of lake.

Clean up the swim beach It is just nasty! You have geese problems.

Clean, well kept grounds and amenities at park entrance and designated areas but leave majority of park areas natural and undisturbed Support needs of nature and encourage natural habitat preservation. Be extremely careful with use of pesticides and interfering with foliage (thistles) that feed birds and wildlife. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to voice my opinion!

Colorado state parks are some of the best I have been to a lot of other state parks, Wyoming, Utah, New Mexico, Arizona.

Colorado State passed a law requiring State property to implement weed control Chatfield needs to implement a weed control program a few dog owners should not force a no weed control program-thistles, and other weeds are out of control at the dog park area.

Compared to other states...Colorado parks are superior.

Costs are the biggest concern, this is a good park, as it is we really enjoy it.

Cyclists need to be prohibited from riding through the south parking lot in dog park They speed through the lot instead of taking the road. This is a danger to dogs, children and automobiles in the lot. Signs should be posted prohibiting them from riding through parking lot to bike path.

Do lottery funds assist state parks?

Do not allow boats to tie up at boat ramp docks create a separate dock for off loading people.

Do not eliminate the gravel pond or restrict its use-it is the only place we can train our Newfoundland lands.

Do road work! The roads are getting pretty bad.

Dog park is great We love boating here!

Don't ever get rid of or downsize the dog park We love it!!

Eliminate one dock at both north boat ramps to allow boaters who do not need to tie up the opportunity to load/unload quicker Something similar to what they have at Pueblo state park.

Expand the park-preserve and enhance natural settings.

Extending the bike lane on main road, like the excellent [Illegible] from the dam past the main entrance.

Federal Parks have best scenery, state parks have best amenities Improvements to Chatfield are excellent. We live less than 10 miles (Lakewood) yet come there for a midweek break, hikes, bike riding and camping with grandkids.

First visit; loved it Will be getting Annual Pass next year.

Fish slot limits, better access.

Full hook ups should only be for campers not cars and tents.

Get more trees and oning other than that oh and not pay 2 shower Keep up great work.

Give the staff raises, they deserve it.

Great dog park!

Great job with everything.

Great park!

Have bike lanes go throughout entire park Pave roads. Chatfield is a beautiful park, great job and thanks.

Have bikes follow same rules as cars, they should pay for use of roads

Have cyclist stay on bike paths, not on narrow roads w/cars.

Have more dog access put in a dog wash It would make a fortune.

Hose to wash off dogs after walking!

I am distressed to hear of the loss of facilities, the loss of the south-end ponds and walking areas and general destruction of park land when the reservoir level is raised Too bad. This park is used by thousands of people and this resource won't/can't be replaced.

I don't know

I love Chatfield!

I love this park!

I think it is important to charge all park users This includes bicyclists. The revenue from bicycle passes could then be used for better/more bike paths to remove them from the roads where there is extreme danger.

I would come for educational kids programs/hikes; otherwise I camp further from home in the mountains.

I would hope that the off-leash dog area at Chatfield would remain and or expand I would like to see this at other State Parks.

I'd love to see paddle boats or rowboats available for rent That would be great!

I'm not sure I understand your system for camping availability. You might need some higher tech at the park itself.

Improve signage, maps for C470 trails east/west.
Introduce wild turtles to gravel ponds lake-west side Update facilities please.
It there're more garbage cans in dog training area would be good
It would be nice to have more shade trees but that takes time and expense Maybe rentals available for screen rooms or portable "tops" over picnic tables??
Keep up the good work.
Keep water in the ponds in the "off leash" dog area and increase enforcement of "cleaning up" your dog's fecal matter! (High priority)
Larger water area
Longer camping than 2 weeks.
Love it
Love it as it is!
Love the open water swimming at the pond-keep it going
Love the park
Love this park, employees and amenities
Loved it here.
Make bikers that park outside the park and ride in pay a fee or get a pass!
Make it safe for biking on the road.

Model airplane area nuisance, violate rules not enforced Boaters should not be allowed to beach camp overnight. Trash left behind, forest campfires-can't sleep with windows open, fire danger, campsite dirty-trash upon checking. Trailers not required to have a permit, however a motor home with a towed car must have two. Site 179 reserved for non-existent camper-entire season! Bicycles should have a pass to enter park. Noise ordinance not enforced- disturb wildlife noise from boat yard in loop D- have all boats drop masts to store.

More benches around dog park area, more trash cans around dog park area Desperately need bike path on road down the dog park!
More big trees for shade Shelters permanent.
More boat parking and ramps, south end.
More off leash State Park areas.
More state parks

More state parks that allow pets We had planned to go to Roxborough park but had to turn around after seeing no pets were allowed. It ruined picture taking and hiking plans.

More tall trees at camp sites.
More trash cans at the dog park.
More trash receptacles in the dog park area
N/A
Nice park
No
No dogs on the river.
No to dump fees! Good survey, good reach.
No!

One dog pick up sign Thanks for trash cans and bags.

Open the exit off of Santa Fe so it would be like the Roxborough Entrance This would save money by having dog park users not use the long entrance road! It would also be safer for people on bicycles if there was less traffic on the main road.

Paper towels and soap in restrooms

Park Rangers at Chatfield can be rude, hurried, not interested, non friendly, and not helpful! Sorry to complain but it is a consistent issue!

Pay for use dog park-too crowded Buy sky-type ticket annually and wear.

Pet walkers should pay extra fee; dogs should be limited per person-need more handicap/elderly friendly areas, our institutionalized seniors need activity! Help our seniors/elderly have fun/active time at parks! Please have an annual pass for long-term care (SNP LTC PC13H) vehicles

Pleas, please keep dog park!

Please protect our state parks, they are our legacy.

Question 15: Are these measures cost effective or do they just raise the fees? Question 17: I would like to see self supporting without State tax dollars, is this feasible?? Chatfield Reservoir: Need more watercraft limiting as it is very dangerous a

Reduce boat traffic and jet ski activity!

Restrooms look like bunkers or tornado shelters, they are not aesthetically pleasing.

Road needs bike lanes or have bikes use paths Enforce rules for decibel standards for powerboats. Marina needs more bathroom facilities. A dedicated restroom for marina slip holders would be nice!

Road widened to make bike paths bicyclists ticketed for not riding single file

Shorter wait time to unload and load boat

Thank you

Thank you for allowing us to have a wonderful, safe place to train our [illegible] It would be great to keep the gravel pond exactly as is for dog training, diving and non motorized boats!

Thanks for the bar (odwalla).

The dog park is an excellent resource I also like the fishing in the south ponds as the South Platte.

The Johnsons (Loop D) were great hosts!

The park is wonderful and we are happy to be here.

There are too many reserved campsites that sit unused! Open up more first come first serve camp around sites so that all have a fair shot at family camping If reserved sites are not occupied by a stated time and user has not phoned to say they will be late- open campsite to be available to other campers!

There should be a walk in gate with parking down by the dog area (for people with dogs).

The drive thru the main gate-over the dam- is way too long.

This is a great park!!

Too many bike on road way.

Train employees that tickets are not always the best solution to safety issues.

We are living in CA and traveling through CO on a trip to MO We thoroughly enjoyed Chatfield State Park and will definitely visit again if we travel thru Colorado. The ranger staff was excellent and responded professionally to our medical needs.

We love Chatfield Would like more trees. Leashed dogs need to be enforced, people need to pick-up the dog poop. How about a voluntary day to plant trees in the campground?

We love your dog training area but would like to see more trash bag stations so people would pick up more.

We really enjoy the Colorado State Parks and hope they get more funding to continue improving facilities and programs.

We travel all over the United States Chatfield state park is one of the nicest state parks around. Thanks for a great job!

We truly enjoy camping here!! See you next month!

We're having fun

Would like CO sp. to allow more than 14 days camping during off season. Feel there is an unfair charge applied to motor homes that tow a car. We must pay entry fee for both RV and car where as a trailer/5th wheel only pays for truck.

Yes! Don't require someone 65+ in vehicle to use Aspen Pass!

You have done a wonderful job with full hook ups at Chatfield and the park is very well cared for!

Eleven Mile

All sites have electricity Any boat on a trailer should pay a launching/entry fee for daily use. If a boat need to be power washed due to muscles they should pay an additional fee. Any car being towed by a motor home should not be charged an entry fee.

Another playground

As you allow dogs I see no bins for dogs poop

Bathrooms desperately need attention

Be able to park closer to the waters edge.

Being able to pay upfront for more day camping some of us are in motor homes, have to tear down just to go pay fees and set up again! A fish cleaning station would be nice

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Better roads would be nice.

Better toilets

Bike trail from back country camp to south Platte river along the north shore.

Clean up the cow poop it is pretty disgusting especially in this loop

Closer store

Do away with advance booking

Do away with the 32\$ alcohol rule.

Do not put fire pits so close to camper or trailer parking and bigger camp site.

Each camp area should have a pay/registration pole

Easy access of fees

Eliminate reservations or, at least, keep some campsites walk-ons; 1) It is an inefficient use of park personnel 2) Discriminates against "out-of-staters" which hampers Colorado's tourist industry 3) Money going to reservation company could be better used.

Energy producing wind turbines.

Enforce laws at night (10 pm to Midnight)

Enforcement of quietness!!!

Entrance fee should be the same for a motor home towing a car as it is for a vehicle towing a trailer

Fish cleaning area

Fish cleaning station

Fish cleaning station at all State Parks with lakes, more trash cans, better roads, people fined for trash waste I love the State Parks we truly enjoy our stay in them. Wish more also had water hookups too for camping. Good times in State Parks.

Fish cleaning station or let us clean the fish down at the lake.

Fish cleaning station.

Fish cleaning stations- less stinky restrooms

Fishing license valid for 12 month on purchase date.

Fix the roads! CSP and the county need to address the road into [illegible] from 285 What a joke!

Fix the roads, cabins with amenities

Get rid of daily use fee for those who are camping.

Had a great stay, thank you!

Have more fish in lake

Hire a volunteer coordinated at each park and use volunteers for the many different needs

There are a lot of good volunteers available if you organize and then treat them with respect.

I have been coming to this park for 40 years, we used to drive up on the Middle Island.

I like the idea of little cabin to rent! Think these would go over good

I love this park

I love this park It is great!

I voted to give lottery money to State Parks and the Government stole it from them.

I was very pleased with our visit and will come again

I would like more hiking trails and places that dogs under command could be off-leash.

I would like more water hookups or locations to get water

I would like to see fenced dog run areas (off leash) for exercising small dogs and large dogs with appropriate waste bags and bins.

If I make a reservation online I would like it if my site was reserved when I arrive Thanks.

Improve roads

Improve roads, fishing docks for seniors to go on lake Lower fees for veterans at any disability rate- concrete slabs to park campers on such as Site 11.

Isolated camping sites

It's beautiful here!

Keep the fish population high

Keep up the good work

Keep up the good work Deeper camp sites.

Less charge for natives on campsites

Less questions, this is too long!

Less wind, maintain what you have at current quality.

Like 11 mile very clean nice lake and park to visit

Loved it

Lower fees Colorado residents paying with a Colorado check Higher taxes for visitor out of state who may care less about our home state.

Make sure all dogs stay on leash even at campsite and encourage people to pick up their dogs waste.

More and better hot water in showers Hold more handicap sites.

More and new bathrooms (Whitcher Cove) shelter alongside picnic table, wildflower identification display.

More electric camp sites closer to the lake.

More fish

More motor home sites

More open campsites for first come first serve! (example) Stroll MTN only first come first serve for how ever long they stay!

More open hours at dump station (earlier and later)/ if you use facilities, you need to pay for that use including bicycles, those who ride should pay the same as those who boat, ski or jet ski The money the state parks spend should be shared by those who use the facilities.

More playground areas

More security at NIGHT.

More security- officers daily

More security- officers visible daily.

More water- showers to use all year, not seasonal Very nice warden, Happy friends, good job!!

Most fisherman come to 11-mile for the opportunity to catch large fish The better the fishing the more often they will visit.

N/A

Need a fish cleaning station

Need more parks to have electric hook ups please.

New Mexico has it all over Colorado as far as the price it's \$14 w/elect, water and free hot showers \$4- a night if you purchase a years pass! How do they do it?? They have nice campsites and are well taken care of.

New Mexico seems to have a good state parks system to compare with.

Nice park especially when it's slower on visitors.

No

No It was a great stay! Thanks!

No smoking unless they want to sit at the fire pit Night law enforcement for loud parties and drunken behavior.

None

Non-stinky facilities Yours are horrible bad!

Nope

Not having to pay reserve am \$8.00 for each site reservation added to site fee and entrance fee, it gets expensive to camp.

Not raise fees for a while and not drop fish bag limits.

Not sure yet 1st time to park

Our Park Ranger was wonderful, helpful, and very kind Thank you.

Over 3 decades of camping in Colorado I prefer your parks

Paved roads.

Paved RV parking sites

Phone service, showers a must 24 hours

Private spots, picnic area, children's play area

Q28 There is no state money right now.

Really nice park, well kept Vault toilets were very dirty Sunday night/Monday morning.

Repave the roads on North side of 11 Mile Stop deferred maintenance.

Reservation system is complicated to first time users Web-site does not permit immediate reservations and them walk-ins only permit 2 day. Very awkward.

Road improvements

Roads need improvement, law enforcement is at it's best here Thanks for keeping the campers safe!!

See notebook paper

Smoother roads, more electric site and picnic site at ALL state parks, more convenience stores.

Staff is kind and courteous

Staff very pleasant and informative!

Survey too long

Thank you

Thanks!

The park and site we visited were nice as usual and the park was clean.

The park staff should have access to the reservation service (hotline) so a family could pay for more than 1 day of camping at a time! The current service is very disappointing!

The roads in 11 mile, especially on the gravel road on the South side need to be improved and kept up We camp in Witchers Cove a lot and getting there is an ordeal.

This is a "fare bones" park and \$20 per night is way too high a price!

This is a great park and I enjoy it as it is But any improvements to enhance nature would be great.

This park is very nice, thanks.

To be able to pay for 3 or more days when arriving Less wind at 11 mile.

Trees, more fish, cheaper camp fees, closer to the lake camp sites, more boat launch areas with a marina and fee boat spaces.

Very good experience

Very pleased w/status of park at this time

Warmer showers, more hooks and shelves in bathroom!

We don't need more laws/regulations, but we need to enforce the ones we have, especially littering, I'm tired of picking up all the trash!!!

We have visited here and camped many times It's always been a quality experience. Great staff always!

We love Eleven Mile state park

We love the park

Whew! Long survey

Working water pumps Fish cleaning stations. Flush toilets.

Yes, please add a selection boxes to the daily use pass One should be able to select 1, 2, or 4 days stay, and pay it all at once without having to buy a daily pass each and every day.

You have a great place here at Eleven mile has been for many years Always enjoy it. Thank you.

[Name] was the best really told and helped us all the way.

1 Better turn lanes into park from highway. 2. Evening fireside programs (summer or winter). 3. Plant trees: along highway in picnic area.

1 It would be great to have an off-leash dog play area where you could throw a ball or Frisbee for your dog. 2. Recycle bins.

Ability to get individual spots for multiple people in a group- 14 day limitation can make that difficult.

Always a good time at Colorado State Parks.

Another bathroom, please Another dock on the side near river.

Ask the trains not to honk at night- also look for wasp nests near campsites.

Aspen leaf effective one year from day of purchase or a lifetime one like national parks have more lights at campsites, paper seats for toilets.

Bummer about the swim park- please open it soon

Cable TV More full hookup sites.

Charging daily fee for RV is highly unusual and excessive!

Closer disabled parking facilities.

Do not commercialize state parks.

Don't like the 14 day rule, in some cases it might be a good rule With just moving to Colorado, finding a job, and a place to live, we would have appreciated a little more time than just 14 days! We really like everything here at the Fruita location! We do understand the rule but the circumstances should be on a case by case basis.

Enjoyed, pretty clean

Every thing is excellent

Everything has been perfect! I would like to especially thank [name & name] for their helpfulness and being so uplifting.

Extend the trail from Corn Lake to Palisade Riverside Park

Fine as it is.

Fishing Boat use of lake on D road.

Great park!

Great park!!

Great place, great staff (so very polite and friendly)

Great spots, really enjoy all the state parks

Great visit, thank you, we'll be back!!!

Great, helpful staff

Hose/bike wash

I don't think parks like Arkansas River should charge what they do to camp when there is no water or no trash service.

I don't think the State Parks should have identical facilities There should be a variety of facilities and attractions throughout the State.

I love it the way it is.

I think the camping fee should include the day use if camping here This extra cost make it borderline in our decision to camp at a State Park and reduces the # of visits for us. Camping is becoming too expensive. If you camp here the day use fee should be waved.

I think the parks need to stay open later for the star gazers, like 2am.

I think the State Parks in Grand Valley, primary objective should be the linking and completion of the river bike/walk trail From Palisade to Grand Junction.

I would like to see more trash cans at the parks so people can dispose of their own trash and others don't have to so much Thanks.

I would like to see the same hours As they are and they need to be closed at night as Corn Lake is.

If all visitors leave campsites clean and tidy it encourages others to do the same

If Colorado is to continue as a tourist center, we must enlarge and open more parks Parks benefit all of us in the state. Thank you for our parks!

If state parks can not make more than one wheelchair access spots once lake the size of Blue Mesa for fishing I will not be back.

If you do expand, set full hook-up loops away from traffic (i-70) set it back.

Increase information on mobile global position satellites.

Inform staff to be honest regarding fishing! Enforce after hours quiet time More shade at tent site camping area.

It should not cost a person to spend an afternoon at the park The lottowes supposed to help. Is it?

It's a great park! The only thing I would change is more trash pick up.

Just keep up the good work at all your parks.

Keep parks clean and affordable

Keep the internet updated with current information Such as swim beach closed.

Keep the parks nice Thanks [name].

Keep up the good work

Keep up the good work!

Lake contamination- beach

Last 2 questions (33 and 34) are too personal

Local access for reservations other than an outside reservation source on internet.

Longer stays

Love to visit the park and the area All interaction with park personnel has been wonderful!

Lower day entrance fees, \$6 to picnic!?!

More bike paths

More enforcement of doggy do cleanup by dog owners on walking trails.

More park trails

More state parks and more camping spaces.

Need better information on how State Parks are funded so we can help.

Need to more strict with the speed limit in the park.

New camping place in parks.

Nice place but wouldn't want to live here.

No

No comments

No- your all doing a great job!

No, keep up the good work.

None

On line reservation up to 48 hours prior to arrival

On the trails. More doggie doo bags and more trash cans.

Once and for all time; enforce all rules regarding DOGS I have at least one negative encounter with a dog(s) and its [illegible] per visit. And I'm a nice guy!!

Our stay was terrific Staff was cheerful; helpful and informative.

Pave with asphalt, rather than concrete

Please clean up that reservoir or get rid of the smell from the H2O treatment facility,
Thanks! Also no day fee if you are camping!

Please remove excessive lighting Do not allow any electricity or generators in state parks.

Protect our natural resources and enhance our parks to attract greater visitation and youth programs.

Recycle! Cans, bottles, paper!

Relax the 14 day limit somewhat

Rest room on South side of Corn Lake and no canoes near the islands when the water fowl are nesting.

Restroom put southwest end river side of lake

Something like dropping entrance fee if camping or maybe a day pass discount for camping an full price day pass if not camping.

State park further away from noisy roads.

State Parks do a good job with what they have.

Stock it with fish more often

Stock the lakes more often

Suggest waterless urinal, such as blue seal Very nice place-thank you for the great park maintenance!

Thank you!

Thanks

Thanks for all you do to help maintain and run our beautiful state!

Thanks for everything Have a nice day.

The ability to get senior passes at more locations on weekends as well as week days.

The hot water on the sink in the men's room sticks ON is runs constantly- I shut it off twice by pulling up the knob.

The park staff at James M Robb at Fruita are very helpful. Thank you!

The sprinklers came on unexpectedly-perhaps a posting of sprinkler times would be good.

The staff makes the place enjoyable

The value of State Parks in the East was their wilderness or naturalness. In Colorado, those qualities are available elsewhere (BLM, FS, NPS) so that the State Parks are more valuable to us for their facilities and electric hookups. We have been disappointed when a state park in the right location for hiking, etc, has no camping and/or no electric hookups.

The walking paths are so perfect! They provide safety although bikers should alert walkers as they come from behind, older citizens don't always hear bikers coming. Post signs bikers.

There are some bldg cost differences here. Recycling should be easy vs. wind power.

Think they a good job

This is a beautiful well maintained park

This is a lovely park- I don't feel like it needs any improvements. If the state maintained this park just as it is, the residents should be very pleased.

This is a very nice park with friendly staff and visitors. For us a very nice stop along the way.

This is our second reunion at this State Park facilities-hotels are close-eating places close- we are pleased w/the Group camping area.

This park is very much cared for by park keepers. Good job.

This park needs fish cleaning area.

This State Park is too close to I-70 and is too noisy. Need sound wall next to I-70. Don't let State Parks become too bureaucratic. Keep it simple!

Very pleased overall with Island Acres. Chatfield is a pain sometimes.

Water at sites in the winter

We feel we should not have to pay the entrance fee as well as the camping fee.

We have thoroughly enjoyed the state parks system thus far! The price is right as well!

We have used this park several times a year and find it a delightful park and the park people are great. Thanks for a good job.

We love the park! Clean and friendly. Beautiful place. Lovely hike by the river.

We love to stay at Island Acres because the clean, quiet atmosphere. Our kids love the swimming hole, friendly employees.

Website is incomplete- should have more information about winter camping options. Not all visitors to Colorado State Parks are from Colorado and many don't understand about camping with water in the winter. Also the website says that the 1 year from purchase Aspen Leaf pass is already available- not mention of Jan 1, 2009. Also, apparently the State Park employees didn't know about Aspen Pass change until someone other than the State told them.

Wonderful park, very well maintained. Security is good. Very pleasant.

Would like access to boat ramp to be picked up.

Mueller

1 Fishing license available. 2. Fishing equipment rentals.

A wonderful place to visit

Allowing 1 minute showers

At least 1 trail where dogs can go and/or dog park near horse area.

Ban campfires It will help prevent forest fires and keep pollution down, especially when people burn trash. More campgrounds with electric hookups.

Beautiful place

Bring all of the state parks up to the quality and cleanliness, of Mueller and Steamboat state parks.

Change the money timing of the showers so one can add time one coin at a time.

Charge lower fees for scouting organizations (boy and girl)

Colorado's State Park are very good overall Keep up the good work. Raise fees if necessary. Thanks!

Crowded

Designated area away from camp ground for motorized vehicles

Detailed hiking guided at entrance would be nice

Doing a great job! We love coming to Mueller SP.

Don't have any

Enjoyable/very clean modern

Enjoyed Mueller State Park for many years and plan for many more

Enjoyed my visits at Roxborough and Mueller.

Expanded large pull through RV sites- more retirees w/large RVs Mueller Park personnel are excellent, helpful and friendly. Always a pleasure to meet with the park staff. Keep up the excellent work. Add more off season winter RV sites. Thank you.

Fire mitigation crews should have cleaned up trail #1!

Fishing areas- stocked ponds

Given the great demand for camp sites has a required arrival time, then open site for others if not occupied.

Good helpful stuff, good luck w/busy season.

Good to have people friendly park personnel, thank you

Gravel is too sharp to put a tent down-it rips the footprint Bigger areas for sites...more options to lay your tent...more privacy, Special weekend chuck wagon pancake breakfast.

Great hiking trails

Great park

Great park and staff!

Great park! Thank you!

Great park!!

Great place, good staff, keep it simple! We loved Pine Cabin!

Hairdryers in the cabin, new pillows
Handicap shower not draining properly.
I am very strongly supportive of increased funding for state parks from the state
I appreciate that your park is open year round I really like it that dogs must be only in picnic areas and on a leash.
I like Mueller very much as it is One of my favorite places
I love Mueller State Park!!
I thoroughly enjoyed our day in the park It is a great asset for the state of Colorado!!!
It would help to know the length and type of terrain on trails.
It's very beautiful here and I will continue to visit just the way it is Thank-you!
Keep Colorado beautiful
Keep full campgrounds open later in the year.
Keep parks open to horses
Keep things handicap accessible Update web site with activities and things available.
Make unclaimed campsites available to drop in campers, Great park!!
Keep up the good work Thanks.
Keep up the good work!
Keep up the great work
Kudo's to all State Parks staff members We have always appreciated their work!
Less frequent ranger patrol's Understandable if there are problems, just not continually if no trouble.
Let dog on trails This will allow more visitors.
Let's get Cheyenne Mt State Park open- it looks fantastic!
Lots more showers, electricity and a night guard to go through camp to request "Quiet after 10" (not a problem here, but at many other state campgrounds).
Loud music is the one thing that spoils my visits to state parks Please consider starting the quiet hours at 8pm. Thank you.
Love Mueller
Love this beautiful park!
Loved the concept of "luxury" camping cabins! Can't wait to try then!
Loved the trail map and [illegible]
Maintain what is here and stop increasing the prices Stop the confusion and match your age requirement for Aspen Leaf Pass to the Federal Senior Pass age of 62. Initiate and enforce a fine for not cleaning up after your pet.
Me and my really enjoyed coming here and we always come with our friends and family visitors It is a great place! Please protect it.
More parking for hikers, a pass for separate days use? Maps with hiking difficulties.
More pet friendly
More shelves next to bathroom sinks that are at least six inches wide
More stocked ponds, bear proof storage area at campsites
More stuff for the horse people (port a potty at parking lot)
More wildlife creatures
Mueller

Mueller is a great place I plan to visit more often in 2009! It's great that the cabins were added!

Mueller State Park: A section of the historic Modland Terminal RR grade passes thru Highlight this! PS we would consider a gift of money and/or labor.

Mueller state park: put lighting at park entrance on Hwy 67 At night it is very hard to see the entrance road.

N/A

Need an area for dogs to run a fenced dog park!

Need to provide an equestrian loop on South trails- school pond back tollivery or similar

Nice park 1st time in Winter

No

No #19 Both, depending on the circumstance #28 I don't know.

No- beautiful

No other comments other than the Park Staff was very courteous [Name] was pleasant to visit with. She was friendly, outgoing, and made my day even better. Thank you [Name]@Mueller State Park.

No, thank you.

None

Nope

Not at this time

Not being able to walk my dogs on the trails keeps me from visiting more often

Not really just more views of wildlife!

Noticed it's a little louder at night around the campsites Maybe encourage folks to be a little quieter early and late. Thanks.

One of the nicest if not the nicest State Park in Colorado!

Our group did not like the increased fee to use the group campground which we have had several times before However, we managed well in the Conifer Ridge Campground. The trials at Mueller are great!

Overnight camping for horses would be nice since there are so many great trails!

Permit pets

Please keep the State Parks We need them!

Please note on you brochures about this park dogs are not allowed on the hiking trails and why I'm an avid horseman and always have a dog. This one of the very few trips my husband and I made without our horses-I thoroughly enjoy hiking with my dog. I looked forward to your trails and then could not take my dog. I would have liked to have known this from a brochure description. #12e Services camping at this park was great and I would not need to see an increase of services to come back. I did not get to hike on this visit.

Purchase a highly fuel efficient vehicle(s) for general patrolling where a truck is not needed Replace older vehicles with fuel efficient units as replacement becomes necessary.

Ranger is wonderful!

Really enjoy the park Thank you!

Showers need to start with 25 or have a timer to let you know how much time remains.
Add soap to bathroom sinks. Open windows in bathroom. Reduce pressure of bathroom sinks.

Soap in bathrooms We love this park and so do our 3 and 5 year old. And your staff is always friendly, personable and helpful. Great job!

State of CO does a wonderful job w/it's Park employees are happy and friendly.

Stock more Cut Throats in Brook pond to regulate the Brook population! More fishing!

Thank you!!

Thanks!

The staff have all been friendly, well informed, helpful and pleasant- please pay them more!

The survey does not address ADA issues Think of providing a quality wheelchair experience for visitors and things would improve for me and my wife. Even something as simple as providing a trail wheel chair or making more areas accessible.

There was a sign on Trail 3 that had fallen and needs to be fixed.

This is a beautiful park!

This is a lovely State Park

This is a wonderful park just like it is Thank you Colorado!

This is our favorite park because before it officially became a state park we use to come here with the Ute Pass Crickets and remove barb wire fences, shingle come buildings, and other work that was needed to be done

This park is too small to add more buildings/campsites etc (#25) Unless you were to acquire more land.

This was a wonderful first time experience for me- right timing for new snow- walk from cabin to x-country ski trail- since I have a dog, I tend to camp more primitively away from large groups If I lived closer, I'd get an annual pass.

Too many RV sites not enough tent sites hand sanitizer in Johns

Very beautiful, great experience

Very nice

Very satisfied

Visiting from Florida, love the scenery and recreation.

Water source at campsites with electrical hookups

We love all our state parks

We love Mueller State Park and their staff is great!

We love Mueller- wish it wasn't so hard to get reservation

We love State Parks!

We loved our stay and hope to be back again soon

We realize upkeep is needed constantly but the large tree cutter/trimmer vehicles were working while we were here which made our campsite noisy, dusty with sawdust in the air. And a 6 or 8 inch by 4 inch chunk of wood was thrown off by the machine and hit our truck (we were sitting 10 feet away); Perhaps they could work elsewhere in the park when campsites are in use (this was off season so most of the park was closed and there were very few campsites in use (the day before, we were told, there were no campers). Guess they only work till noon Sat. We were at our campsite on a Friday.

We think you do great. We would like more primitive cabins that we can bring our dog to.

What a special place

When the group campground is not in use, the sites should be opened up for general use.

Would like to have ice available at campground. Not sure if you do, but we didn't see it.

Would like to see at least 1 hiking trail that allows dogs

Your 2 week limit in State Parks affect our visits in Colorado

You're doing great Thank you all! You're doing great thank you all!