### Susan Creek Campground Visitor Survey

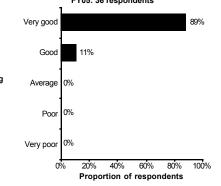
#### Introduction

In order for the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) to comply with the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA), and better meet the needs of the public; a visitor satisfaction survey was conducted at 12 BLM recreation sites in 8 states during fiscal year 2005 (FY05). The survey was developed to measure each site's performance related to BLM GPRA Goal 3.1 - Provide for a quality recreation experience, including access, and enjoyment of natural and cultural resources on DOI managed and partnered lands and waters; and Goal 3.2 - Provide for and receive fair value in recreation. The information collected during the survey will also help the BLM better serve the public. The survey collected visitor satisfaction data regarding visitor information (i.e., use of maps, signs, brochures), developed facilities, managing recreation use, resource management, BLM staff and customer service, and educational and interpretive materials.

The results of the visitor satisfaction survey conducted at Susan Creek Campground are summarized in this data report. A description of the research methods and limitations can be found on the next page. Below (left) is a graph summarizing visitor opinions of the "overall quality of recreation experience." The satisfaction measure next to this graph is a combined percentage of "good" and "very good" responses. This is the primary performance measure for GPRA Goal 3.1 and should be used for reporting performance. for this goal (NOTE: the satisfaction measure may not equal the sum of "very good" and "good" percentages due to rounding).

The response rate for this site survey was 16%. The graph and satisfaction measure summarizing visitor opinions of the "value for fee paid", which is the primary performance measure for GPRA Goal 3.2, can be found on page 9.

### Overall quality of recreation experience



FY05 Satisfaction measure: 100% Average evaluation score: 4.9

#### FY05 GPRA Satisfaction Measure

Percentage of site visitors satisfied overall with appropriate facilities, services, and recreational opportunities:

100%



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#### Susan Creek Campground Research Methods

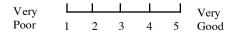


#### **Understanding the Results**

Inside this report are graphs that illustrate the survey results. The report contains 8 categories of data regarding BLM amenities, staff, and services plus selected demographics. Within these categories are graphs for each indicator evaluated by site visitors. For example, the Visitor Information category includes indicators such as "providing useful maps and brochures", "adequate signs on site for direction," and so forth. In each category there is a graph entitled "Everything Considered" this graph is the basis for determining visitor satisfaction for each category and GPRA reporting numbers.

Each graph includes the following information:

- The number of visitor responses for the indicator;
- The percentage of responses which were "very good," "good," "average," "poor," and "very poor;"
- A "satisfaction measure" that combines the percentage of total responses which were "very good" or "good;", and
- An average evaluation score (mean score) based on the following values: very poor= 1, poor= 2, average= 3, good= 4, very good= 5.



- The higher the average evaluation score, the more positive the visitor response
- Graph percentages may not equal 100% due to rounding

#### **Research Methods**

Surveys were distributed to a random sample of visitors at this site during a selected period in FY05, The survey response rate is described on the first page of this report, meaning that 16% of those randomly sampled responded to the survey. The data reflect visitor opinions about this site's facilities, management, services, educational opportunities, and fees during the survey period. Visitor activities and selected demographics were also captured. A representative sample of the general visitor population were surveyed at selected locations. The results do not necessarily apply to visitors during other times of the year, or visitors who did not visit the survey locations on site.

Returned surveys were electronically scanned and the data analyzed. Frequency distributions were calculated for each indicator and category. All percentage calculations were rounded to the nearest percent.

The survey response rate is described on the first page of this report. The sample size (n) varies from figure to figure, depending on the number of responses.

Caution is advised when interpreting any data with a sample size of less than 30. In such cases, the word "CAUTION!" is included in the graph. This report excludes any indicator with less than 10 responses.

For most indicators, the survey data are expected to be accurate with in  $\pm$  6% with 95% confidence. This means that if different samples had been drawn, the results would have been similar ( $\pm$ 6%) 95 out of 100 times.

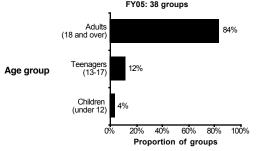
For more information about this survey, contact Jennifer Hoger, BLM Survey Project Coordinator at the University of Idaho Park Studies Unit (208) 885-4806

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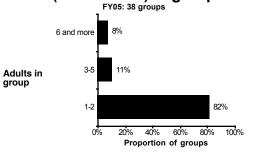


### Susan Creek Campground Demographics

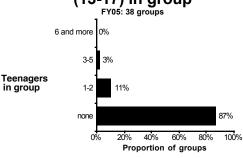
#### Visitor group composition



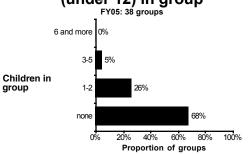
### Number of adults (18 and over) in group



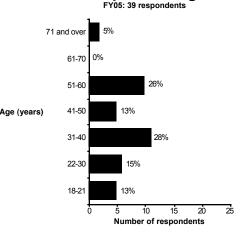
### Number of teenagers (13-17) in group



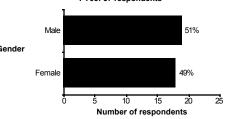
### Number of children (under 12) in group



#### Respondent age



#### Gender

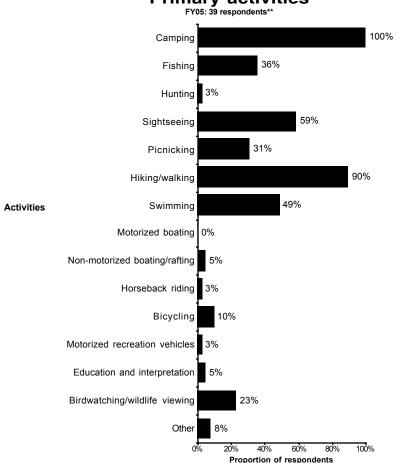


### Susan Creek Campground Primary Activities at this Site/Area



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#### **Primary activities**



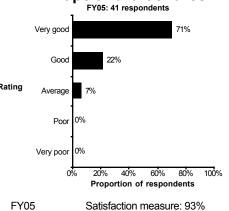
\*\* Percentages do not equal 100 because visitors could choose more than one activity.

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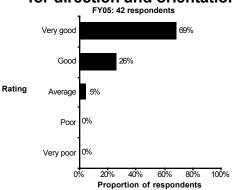
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## **Susan Creek Campground Visitor Information**

### Providing useful maps and brochures



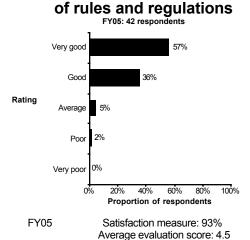
### Providing adequate signs on site for direction and orientation



FY05:

### Ensuring public awareness

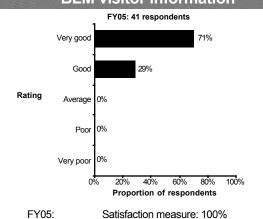
Average evaluation score: 4.6



### Everything considered: quality of BLM visitor information

Satisfaction measure: 95%

Average evaluation score: 4.6

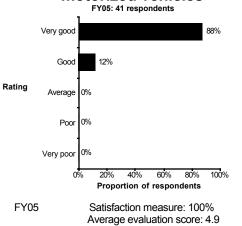


Average evaluation score: 4.7

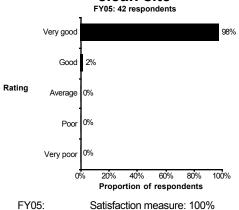
### Susan Creek Campground Developed Facilities



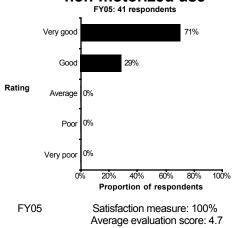
### Maintaining roads for motorized vehicles



### Maintaining a clean site

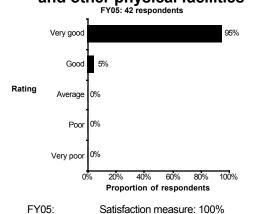


#### Maintaining trails for non-motorized use



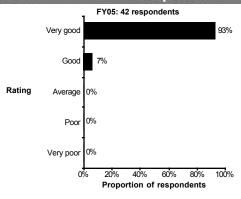
### Maintaining cleanliness of restrooms and other physical facilities

Average evaluation score: 5



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### Everything considered: overall condition of developed facilities



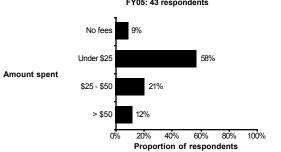
FY05: Satisfaction measure: 100% Average evaluation score: 4.9

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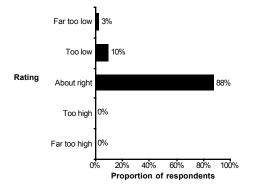
#### Susan Creek Campground Fees

#### Total fees paid



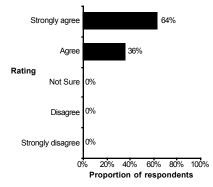
### How appropriate was the fee charged for this site/area?

Y05: 40 respondents



## The value of the recreation opportunity was at least equal to the fee asked to pay.

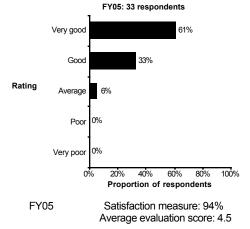
FY05: 39 respondents



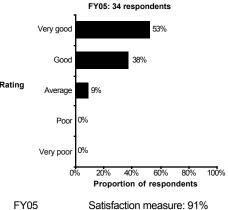
### Susan Creek Campground **Providing Educational and Interpretive Material**



#### Providing quality educational and interpretive material about the resources at this site

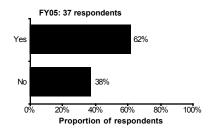


#### Providing a sufficient quantity of educational and interpretive materials about the resources at this site

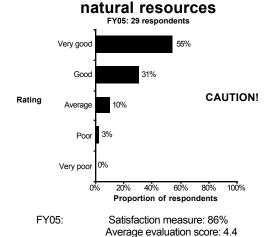


Average evaluation score: 4.4

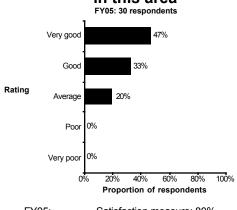
#### Should the BLM provide more educational and interpretive material about this area's resources?



#### **Providing stewardship information on** how to protect the cultural and

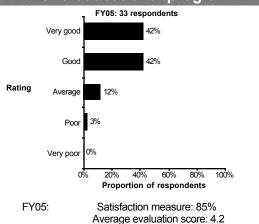


#### Providing information about resource preservation and management in this area



FY05: Satisfaction measure: 80% Average evaluation score: 4.3

#### **Everything considered: interpretive** and educational program

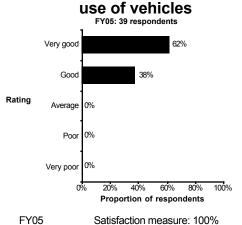


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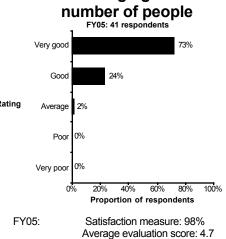


### Susan Creek Campground **Managing Visitor and Recreation Use**

#### Managing the appropriate

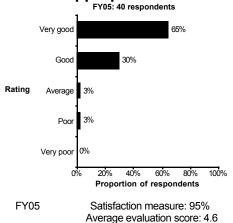


### Managing the

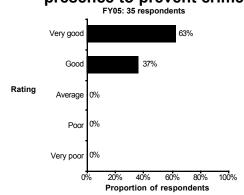


#### Keeping noise at appropriate levels

Average evaluation score: 4.6

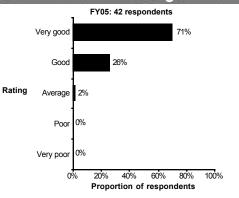


#### **Providing sufficient law enforcement** presence to prevent crime



FY05: Satisfaction measure: 100% Average evaluation score: 4.6

#### **Everything considered: visitor and** recreation management

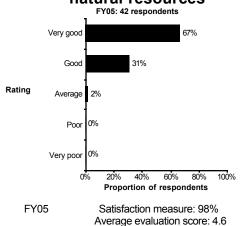


FY05: Satisfaction measure: 98% Average evaluation score: 4.7

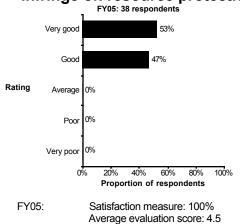
### Susan Creek Campground Resource Management



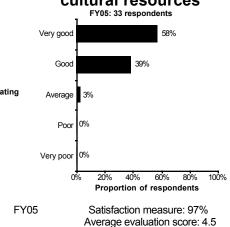
### Adequately protecting the natural resources



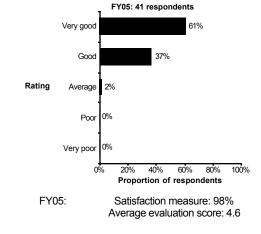
### Ensuring that visitor activities do not infringe on resource protection



### Adaquately protecting the cultural resources



### Everything considered: BLM protection of natural and cultural resources

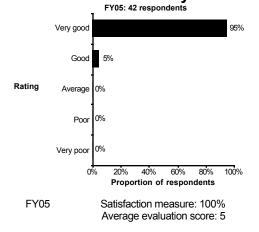


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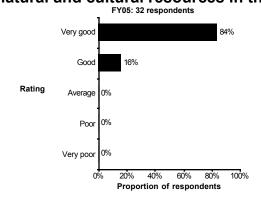
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#### Susan Creek Campground BLM Staff and Service

### Staff treated me courteously

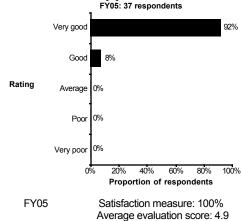


### Staff demonstrated knowledge about the natural and cultural resources in the area

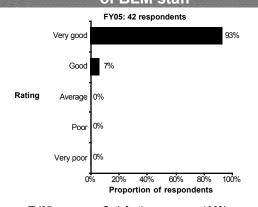


FY05: Satisfaction measure: 100% Average evaluation score: 4.8

### Staff demonstrated knowledge about recreational opportunities in the area



### Everything considered: performance of BLM staff



FY05: Satisfaction measure: 100% Average evaluation score: 4.9