Radium Recreation Area Visitor Survey

Introduction

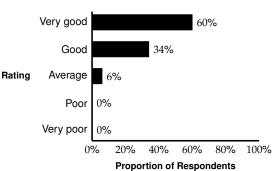
In order for the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) to comply with the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) and better meet the needs of the public, a visitor satisfaction survey was conducted at Radium Recreation Area, CO, during fiscal year 2021. The survey was developed to measure a site's performance related to Mission Area 3, Goal 2, Strategy 1 (as specified in the DOI 2019/2020 Annual Performance Plan & 2018 Report) - Enhance Public Satisfaction at DOI Sites by enhancing the enjoyment and appreciation of our natural and cultural heritage; and Mission Area 2, Goal 3, Strategy 2: Ensure Public Receives Fair Market Value for Resources by ensuring effective collection and application of recreation fees. 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, recreation use management, resource management, BLM staff and service, programs, commercial recreation operations, educational and interpretive materials, fees, accessibility for visitors with disabilities, activities, and demographics.

The results of the visitor satisfaction survey conducted at Radium Recreation Area are summarized in this data report. A description of the research methods and limitations can be found on page two. Below (left) is a graph summarizing visitor opinions regarding the overall quality of their experience at this site. The satisfaction measure below (right) is a combined proportion of "good" and "very good" responses. This is the primary performance measure for GPRA Mission Area 3, Goal 2.1 and should be used when reporting performance for this goal. (NOTE: the satisfaction measure may not equal the sum of "very good" and "good" proportions due to rounding.)

The response rate for this survey site was 66%. This indicates that 66% of those randomly sampled completed the survey. The graph summarizing visitor opinions of the "value for fee paid," which is the primary performance measure for GPRA Mission Area 2, Goal 3.2, can be found on page 9.

Overall quality of experience

FY21: 288 Respondents



FY21 Satisfaction measure: 94%

Mean score: 4.5

FY21 GPRA Satisfaction Measure

Proportion of site visitors satisfied overall with visitor information, facilities, management, interpretation/education, staff services, and programs:

94%

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Radium Recreation Area Research Methods

Understanding the Results

Inside this report are graphs that illustrate the survey results. The report contains ten 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," "providing useful information on the internet," 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.

All graphs include the following information:

- The number of visitor responses for the indicator;
- The proportion of responses for each answer choice;

Graphs for quality indicators also include:

- A "satisfaction measure" that combines the proportion of total responses which were "Very good" or "Good;"
- An average (mean) evaluation score where a number closer to five reflects a more positive visitor response;
- Quality indicators are based on the following scale:

NOTE: Graph proportions may not equal 100% due to rounding.

Procedure

Surveys were distributed to a random sample of visitors at this site on 32 days between June 27 and September 26, 2021. 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. The survey response rate is described on page one of this report. The number of respondents for each indicator is reported at the top of each figure. All proportions are reported as whole percentages while averages are rounded to the nearest tenth.

Caution is advised when interpreting any data with fewer than 30 responses. When this occurs, the word "CAUTION!" is included above the graph. This report excludes any graphs or calculations for questions with fewer than 10 responses. "NA" has been inserted in place of excluded satisfaction and evaluation calculations.

Due to the COVID19 pandemic, visitation to sites did not follow a normal pattern. Because of this, it was not feasible to provide a good estimate of visitation statistics and the Confidence Interval (Margin of Error) could not be calculated for this survey. For an infinite population 400 responses would provide ($\pm 5\%$) margin of error and 100 responses would provide ($\pm 10\%$) margin of error within a 95% Confidence Level.

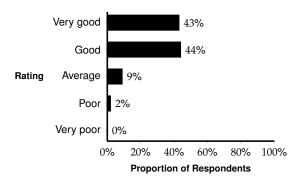
For more information about this survey, contact the Social and Economic Sciences Research Center at Washington State University (509) 335-1511 | sesrc@wsu.edu

Radium Recreation Area Visitor Information



Providing useful maps and brochures

FY21: 245 Respondents

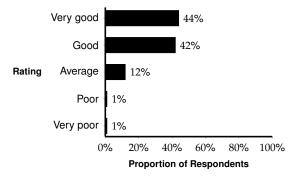


FY21 Satisfaction measure: 88%

Mean score: 4.3

Ensuring public awareness of rules and regulations

FY21: 275 Respondents

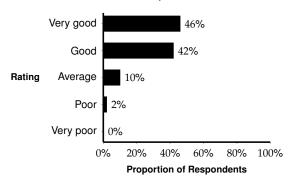


FY21 Satisfaction measure: 86%

Mean score: 4.3

Providing useful information on the Internet

FY21: 229 Respondents

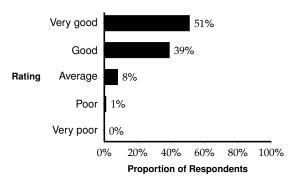


FY21 Satisfaction measure: 88%

Mean score: 4.3

Providing adequate signs on-site for direction and orientation

FY21: 282 Respondents

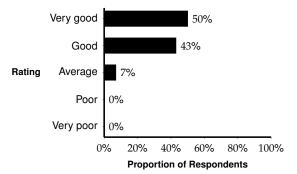


FY21 Satisfaction measure: 91%

Mean score: 4.4

Everything considered: Quality of BLM visitor information

FY21: 292 Respondents



FY21 Satisfaction measure: 93%

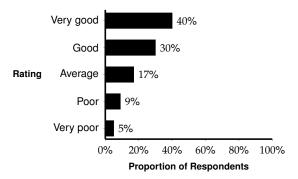
Mean score: 4.4



Radium Recreation Area Developed Facilities

Condition of roads for motorized vehicles

FY21: 305 Respondents

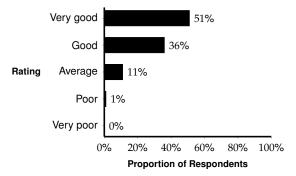


FY21 Satisfaction measure: 70%

Mean score: 3.9

Condition of trails for non-motorized use

FY21: 204 Respondents

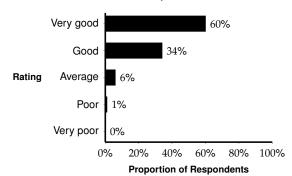


FY21 Satisfaction measure: 88%

Mean score: 4.4

Cleanliness of site

FY21: 305 Respondents

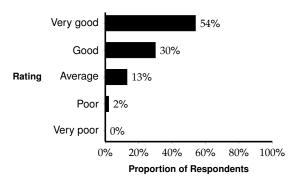


FY21 Satisfaction measure: 94%

Mean score: 4.5

Cleanliness of restrooms and other physical facilities

FY21: 293 Respondents

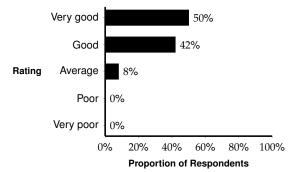


FY21 Satisfaction measure: 84%

Mean score: 4.4

Everything considered: Overall condition of developed facilities

FY21: 303 Respondents



FY21 Satisfaction measure: 92%

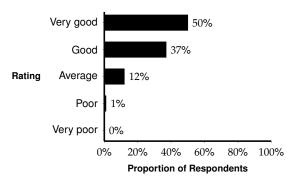
Mean score: 4.4

Radium Recreation Area Recreation Use Management



Managing the appropriate use of vehicles

FY21: 272 Respondents

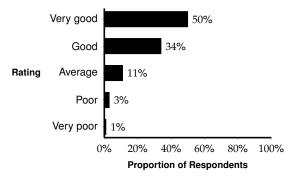


FY21 Satisfaction measure: 87%

Mean score: 4.4

Keeping noise at appropriate levels

FY21: 270 Respondents

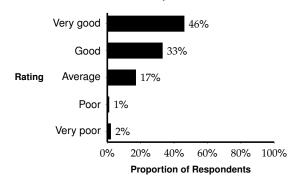


FY21 Satisfaction measure: 85%

Mean score: 4.3

Managing the number of people

FY21: 283 Respondents

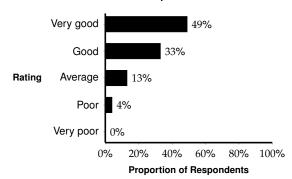


FY21 Satisfaction measure: 79%

Mean score: 4.2

Providing a sufficient law enforcement presence to prevent crime

FY21: 213 Respondents

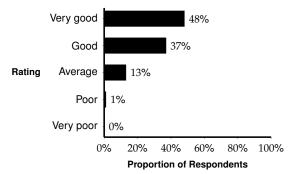


FY21 Satisfaction measure: 82%

Mean score: 4.3

Everything considered: Visitor and recreation management

FY21: 291 Respondents



FY21 Satisfaction measure: 85%

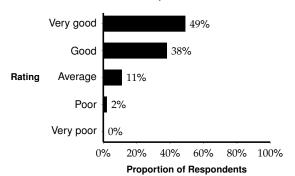
Mean score: 4.3



Radium Recreation Area Resource Management

Adequately protecting the natural resources

FY21: 283 Respondents

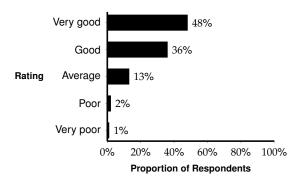


FY21 Satisfaction measure: 87%

Mean score: 4.3

Ensuring that visitor activities do not interfere with resource protection

FY21: 267 Respondents

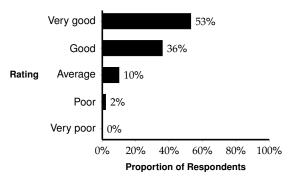


FY21 Satisfaction measure: 84%

Mean score: 4.3

Adequately protecting the cultural resources

FY21: 241 Respondents

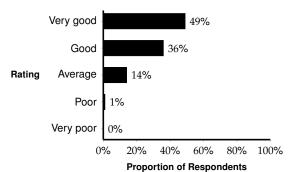


FY21 Satisfaction measure: 88%

Mean score: 4.4

Everything considered: BLM Protection of natural and cultural resources

FY21: 280 Respondents



FY21 Satisfaction measure: 85%

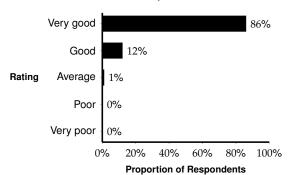
Mean score: 4.3

Radium Recreation Area BLM Staff and Service



Staff treated me courteously

FY21: 237 Respondents

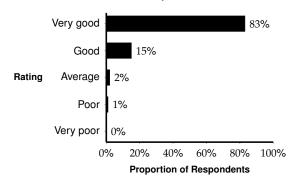


FY21 Satisfaction measure: 98%

Mean score: 4.8

Staff demonstrated knowledge about natural and cultural resources

FY21: 189 Respondents

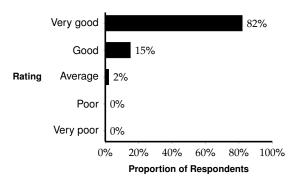


FY21 Satisfaction measure: 98%

Mean score: 4.8

Staff demonstrated knowledge about recreational opportunities

FY21: 209 Respondents

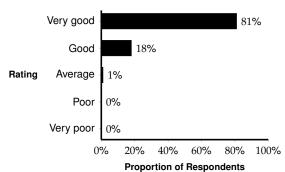


FY21 Satisfaction measure: 97%

Mean score: 4.8

Everything considered: Performance of BLM staff

FY21: 231 Respondents



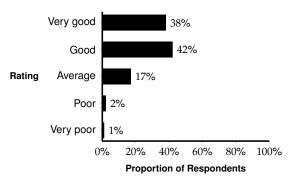
FY21 Satisfaction measure: 99%

Mean score: 4.8

Radium Recreation Area Providing Educational and Interpretive Material

Providing quality educational and interpretive material about the resources



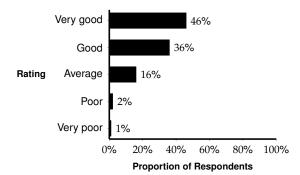


FY21 Satisfaction measure: 81%

Mean score: 4.2

Providing stewardship information on protecting cultural and natural resources

FY21: 197 Respondents

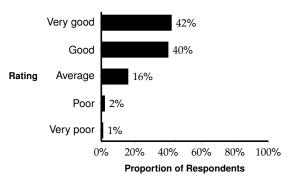


FY21 Satisfaction measure: 81%

Mean score: 4.2

Providing sufficient quantity of educational and interpretive materials about the resources

FY21: 178 Respondents

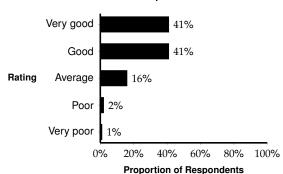


FY21 Satisfaction measure: 81%

Mean score: 4.2

Everything considered: BLM interpretive and educational program

FY21: 199 Respondents



FY21 Satisfaction measure: 81%

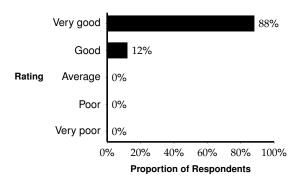
Mean score: 4.2

Radium Recreation Area Programs & Fees



Quality of program(s) attended

FY21: 34 Respondents

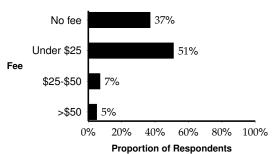


FY21 Satisfaction measure: 100%

Mean score: 4.9

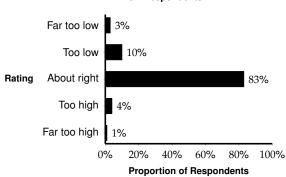
Total fees paid

FY21: 255 Respondents



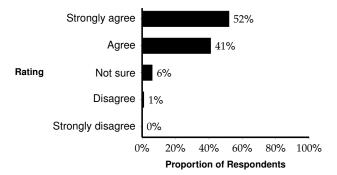
How appropriate was the fee charged for this site/area?

FY21: 167 Respondents



The value of recreation opportunity and services was at least equal to the fee asked to pay

FY21: 161 Respondents

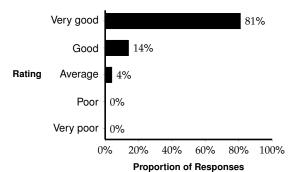




Radium Recreation Area Commercial Recreation Operations & Activities

Quality of Commercial Services

FY21: 90 Responses*

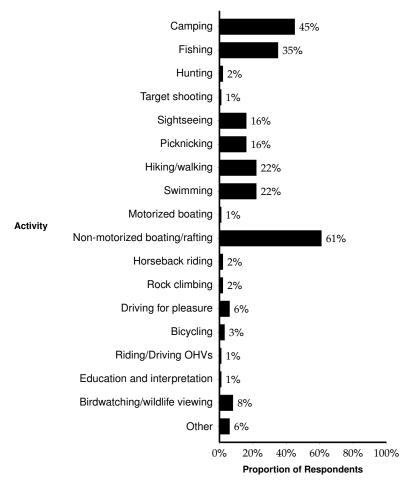


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FY21 Satisfaction measure: 95% Mean score: 4.8

Activities

FY21: 289 Respondents**

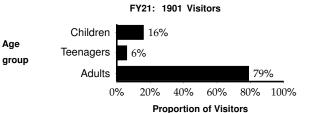


^{*}Each respondent could rate up to three services.
**Percentages do not sum to 100 because respondents could select more than one activity.

Radium Recreation Area Demographics



Visitor age groups



Number of teenagers (13-17) in group FY21: 287 Groups

6 or more 2%

Teenagers 3-5 2%

In group 8%

0% 20% 40% 60% 80% 100%

Proportion of Groups

Respondent age FY21: 286 Respondents

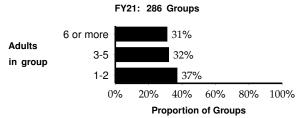
71 and over 3% 61-70 51-60 Age 41-50 23% (years) 31-40 26% 22-30 18-21 40% 60% 80% 100% **Proportion of Respondents**

Colorado visitors came from 26 different counties.

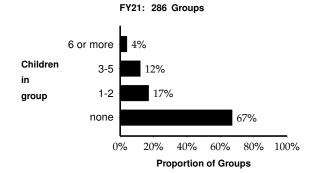
FY21: 238 Respondents

County	Count
Boulder County	29
Jefferson County	28
Denver County	23
Eagle County	23
Grand County	21
Summit County	17
Other counties	97

Number of Adults (18 and over) in group



Number of children (under 12) in group



Respondent gender

FY21: 278 Respondents

Male

Gender

Female

0% 20% 40% 60% 80% 100%

Proportion of Respondents

Visitors came from 34 states across the country

FY21: 354 Respondents

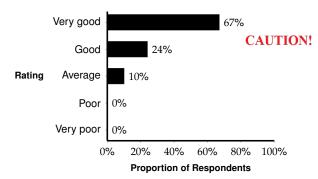
State	Count
CO	238
MO	13
TX	13
KS	8
PA	7
GA	6
TN	6
Other states	63
Other states	63



Radium Recreation Area Accessibility for Visitors with Disabilities

Ability to adequately use facilities

FY21: 21 Respondents

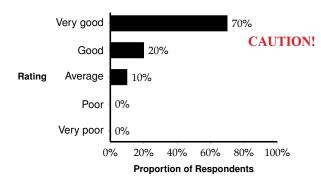


FY21 Satisfaction measure: 90%

Mean score: 4.6

Ability to access exhibits, waysides, etc.

FY21: 20 Respondents

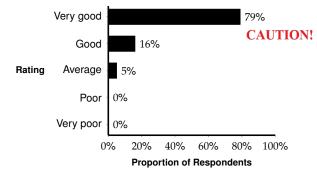


FY21 Satisfaction measure: 90%

Mean score: 4.6

Ability to understand messages

FY21: 19 Respondents

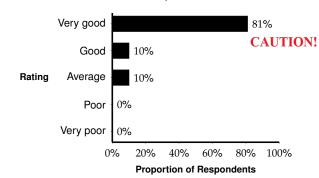


FY21 Satisfaction measure: 95%

Mean score: 4.7

Ability to use services

FY21: 21 Respondents



FY21 Satisfaction measure: 90%

Mean score: 4.7

