

## **Criteria for Recreation Site Selections**

**(These are some helpful hints to assist you in selecting the most optimal sites.)**

- 1) Each year, select a representative sample of the different kinds of sites within the State. This helps in developing meaningful State and National benchmarks.
- 2) Give fee sites higher priority than non-fee sites. The BLM and Congressional need for data is driving this criterion.
- 3) Select sites that have an audit scheduled for the next year, so that the data may be used for self-study and to improve the site prior to the audit.
- 4) Select sites with a management presence to manage the survey administration process.
- 5) Select sites with sufficient visitors to yield approximately 125 responses in one month.
- 6) Select sites for which there is management desire/willingness to collect and use the data.
- 7) Select sites that have recently been audited. This will allow a good opportunity to follow up on the changes the site has made since the audit.

### **NOTES ON MONITORING TRENDS AND REPEAT SURVEY ADMINISTRATION TO SITES ALREADY SURVEYED**

- 8) Unless major follow-up work has been done that warrants resurveying to measure the effect of the action, incorporate new sites into the survey schedule that have not been surveyed before.
- 9) If the site is used in multiple seasons, consider rotating the season in which the survey is administered.