

Delta River (Zone 4)
NATURAL RESOURCE RECREATION SETTINGS
Criteria for Classification and Prescriptions

PHYSICAL - RESOURCES & FACILITIES: character of the natural landscape

	<i>Primitive</i>	<i>Semi- primitive Non-motorized</i>	<i>Semi-primitive Motorized</i>	<i>Roaded Natural</i>	<i>Rural</i>	<i>Urban</i>
Remoteness:	<i>Very high probability of experiencing solitude, closeness to nature, tranquility, self reliance, challenge and risk. Sights or sounds of roads and motorized use are non-existent.</i>	<i>High probability of experiencing solitude, closeness to nature, tranquility, self reliance, challenge and risk. Roads may be within sight, but greater than 3 miles distant.</i>	<i>Moderate probability of experiencing solitude, closeness to nature, and tranquility. High degree of self reliance, challenge and risk in using motorized equipment. Roads are less than 3 miles distant.</i>	<i>Opportunity to affiliate with other users in developed sites but with some chance for privacy. Little challenge and risk. On or near improved country roads.</i>	<i>Opportunity to observe and affiliate with other users and convenience of facilities is important. On or near primary highways, but still within a rural area.</i>	<i>Interactions between large number of users is high. On or near primary highways, municipal streets and roads within towns or cities.</i>
User Preference Totals	21	13	4			
Naturalness:	<i>Primitive conditions characterized by an undisturbed natural landscape.</i>	<i>Naturally-appearing landscape having modifications not readily noticeable.</i>	<i>Naturally-appearing landscape except for obvious primitive trails or motorized use.</i>	<i>Landscape partially modified by roads, utility lines, etc., but none overpower natural landscape features.</i>	<i>Natural landscape substantially modified by agriculture or industrial development.</i>	<i>Urbanized developments such as traffic lights and paved streets dominate this landscape.</i>
User Preference Totals	20	16	3			
Facilities:	<i>No facilities for user comfort. Rustic and rudimentary facilities using native materials for site protection only.</i>	<i>Some primitive trails made of native materials such as log bridges and carved wooden signs for user convenience.</i>	<i>Maintained and marked trails, simple trailhead developments, improved signs, and very basic toilets.</i>	<i>Improved yet modest, rustic facilities such as camp grounds, restrooms, trails, and interpretive signs.</i>	<i>Modern facilities such as campgrounds, group shelters, boat launches, and occasional exhibits.</i>	<i>Elaborate full-service facilities such as laundry, groceries, and book stores.</i>
User Preference Totals	24	10	6			

SOCIAL - VISITOR USE & USERS: character of recreation & tourism use

Group Size (other than your own):	<i>Majority of group sizes are fewer than or equal to 3 people per group.</i>	<i>Majority of group sizes are 3-5 people per group.</i>	<i>Majority of group sizes are 4-6 people per group.</i>	<i>Majority of group sizes are 6-10 people per group.</i>	<i>Majority of group sizes are 10-15 people per group.</i>	<i>Majority of group sizes are greater than 15 people per group.</i>
User Preference Totals	7	12	5	6	5	1
Contacts (with other groups):	<i>Fewer than 2 encounters/day on weekdays and fewer than 4 encounters/day on weekends</i>	<i>Fewer than 3 encounters/day on weekdays and fewer than 4-6 encounters/day on weekends.</i>	<i>Fewer than 4-6 encounters/day on weekdays and fewer than 6-10 encounters/day on weekends.</i>	<i>People are generally visible at campsites, but distant enough to prevent interactions.</i>	<i>People seem to be everywhere, but human contact is still intermittent.</i>	<i>Other people constantly in view.</i>
User Preference Totals	19	12	3	3		1
Types of Encounters:	<i>Users plan trips to avoid others altogether and may take evasive actions to avoid face-to-face encounters.</i>	<i>Users step aside to avoid unsafe conditions or user conflicts, sometimes grudgingly. Encounters with motorized users are perceived as negative.</i>	<i>Users may be unnerved but may not necessarily move off routes, areas, or sites to accommodate others. Encounters with motorized users are accepted.</i>	<i>Users here routinely expect, welcome, and accommodate other visitors.</i>	<i>Because crowd tolerance is a necessary condition for being here, encounters tend to be impersonal.</i>	<i>Here people accept but routinely ignore multiple crowd interactions.</i>
User Preference Totals	6	17	5	7		1
Personal Gear & Equipment:	<i>Expect very basic non-motorized watercraft, hiking, or camping gear.</i>	<i>Expect non-motorized watercraft, hiking, or camping gear.</i>	<i>Expect to see gear associated with motorized boating or off-highway vehicle use (e.g., coolers, trailers, etc.)</i>	<i>Variety of traditional camper trailers, pop-up tents, & conventional tents. Radios and music are common.</i>	<i>Upscale motor homes common, dependent on utility hookups or having generators to support home conveniences and gadgetry.</i>	<i>Very specialized gear dependent on service provider assistance (e.g., boat slips, grounds keepers, caretakers).</i>
User Preference Totals	12	17	7			1
Evidence of Use:	<i>Only footprints may be observed. Motorized use within the area is not permitted.</i>	<i>Footprints plus slight vegetation trampling at campsites and on travel routes. Motorized use within the area is not permitted.</i>	<i>Vehicle tracks, occasional litter and soil erosion. Vegetation becoming worn. Campsites show evidence of vegetation compaction and/or disturbance.</i>	<i>Well-worn soils and vegetation, but often Gravel surfaced for erosion control. Litter may be frequent in the absence of custodial upkeep.</i>	<i>Paved routes protect soils and vegetation, but noise, litter, and facility impacts are pervasive.</i>	<i>A busy place with what seems like constant noise. Unavoidable litter seems to be a lifestyle choice.</i>
User Preference Totals	9	17	8	1		

ADMINISTRATIVE - ADMINISTRATIVE & SERVICE SETTING: How Public Land Managers, County Commissioners and Municipal Governments, and Local Businesses Care for the Area and Serve Visitors and Local Residents

Visitor Services:	<i>None are available on-site. Interpretation is provided through self discovery.</i>	<i>Basic maps, but area personnel seldom available to provide on-site assistance.</i>	<i>Area brochures and maps, plus area personnel occasionally present to provide on-site assistance.</i>	<i>Information materials describe recreation areas and activities. Area personnel are usually available.</i>	<i>Everything described to the left in this row, plus area personnel do informal on-site education.</i>	<i>Everything described to the left in this row, plus regularly scheduled on-site outdoor skills demonstrations and clinics.</i>
User Preference Totals	16	20	2			1
Management Controls:	<i>No visitor controls apparent. Backcountry use restrictions are likely. Enforcement presence very rare.</i>	<i>Signs at key access points on basic user ethics. May have back country use restrictions. Enforcement presence rare.</i>	<i>Occasional regulatory signing. Motorized and mechanized use restrictions. Random enforcement presence.</i>	<i>Rules clearly posted with some seasonal or day-of-week use restrictions. Periodic enforcement presence.</i>	<i>Regulations prominent. Total use limited by permit, reservation, etc. Routine enforcement presence.</i>	<i>Continuous enforcement to redistribute use and reduce user conflicts, hazards, and resource damage.</i>
User Preference Totals	16	17	5			
Mechanized Use:	<i>None whatsoever.</i>	<i>Mountain bikes and perhaps other mechanized use, but all is nonmotorized.</i>	<i>Four-wheel drives, all-terrain vehicles and motorized boating are prevalent, in addition to non-motorized use.</i>	<i>Two-wheel drive vehicles predominant, but also four wheel drives and motorized, mechanized use.</i>	<i>Ordinary highway auto and truck traffic is characteristic.</i>	<i>Wide variety of street vehicles and highway traffic is ever-present.</i>
User Preference Totals	20	5	12			

Variations and Comments to Natural Resource Recreation Settings Criteria

Facilities:

- Keep signs for portage around falls.
- Outhouse is acceptable.
- Keep outhouse at portage.
- No toilets.

Mechanized Use:

- Motorized use should be permitted on Long Tangle Lake.
- Boats with motors are OK.
- Use of small motors for travel in slow water is OK.
- Might need use of small motors on rafts and canoes for crossing lakes.
- Small motors- 5 horsepower for rafts

- No motorized uses allowed! Zone 4 is for paddlers!
- Motorized use within the area should not be permitted.
- Four wheel drives and ATV's should not be permitted.

Group Size:

- Majority of group sizes should be 2-15 people per group.
- Maximum group size should be 12.
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- Keep groups sized to fit existing facilities.