

A Study of Recreational Uses of Ontario Parks and Protected Areas

The purpose of this questionnaire is to learn more about how people feel about Ontario's parks and protected areas. This questionnaire is part of a large study being conducted simultaneously at three protected areas that have been called **signature sites**. Signature sites are areas of extremely high ecological, cultural, recreational, and tourism value that merit increased planning and management. The survey asks many questions about your opinions and experiences related to the specific trip on which you received it. Your responses will be combined with the responses of a few thousand other people who use Ontario's parks and protected areas to produce a set of data that is representative of visitors to these signature sites.

Your participation is crucial in this large and important undertaking. The study has been designed and is being implemented by a group of university researchers, professional planners, and Ontario Parks. The compiled results will be made available to Ontario Parks, the Ministry of Natural Resources, and people who manage these public lands. The results will assist in decision-making about the uses of these important resources. The goal is to better understand how to ensure these lands are managed for the enjoyment of present and future citizens of Ontario. Results from this project will be summarized and made available by the Ministry of Natural Resources, Ontario Parks.

You are assured of complete confidentiality. Your individual responses will never be seen by anyone except the independent research team that is undertaking the survey. Your name will be removed from the database once your completed survey is received. Your name will **never be placed onto this questionnaire** nor associated with your responses, nor provided to any organization for any other purpose.

If you cannot recall exact trip details, please answer all of the questions with your best estimates. It is important that only the person in your group who received it complete this questionnaire.

Thank you for your help. We know that your time is valuable. Therefore, in appreciation of your help, your name will be entered in a prize-winning draw when your completed survey is received. Ten individuals will be awarded an assortment of outdoor good prizes.

Please return your questionnaire in the enclosed postage-paid envelope to:

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The questions in this first section ask about your activities, accommodations and your group on the recreation trip on which you received this survey.

1. What was your main recreational activity on this trip? (Check one box).

- Canoeing
- Kayaking
- Recreational Boating
- Small Game Hunting
- Big Game Hunting
- Fishing
- Rest and Relaxation
- Hiking
- Car Camping
- Other (*Specify*) _____

2. Did you leave home on this trip specifically to visit the Kawartha Highlands Signature Site? For example, if you left your home to visit friends or family or another site and visited the Kawartha Highlands Signature Site as a side trip, then check “no” below. If visiting the Kawartha Highlands Signature Site was the main reason for your trip, then check “yes” below. (Check one box).

- Yes, the main purpose for this trip was to visit the Kawartha Highlands Signature Site.
- No, I had other reasons for this trip, and the recreational visit to the Kawartha Highlands Signature Site was not the main reason for this trip.

3. On this recreation trip, where did you stay? (Check all that apply).

Accommodation Type	In the Kawartha Highlands Signature Site	Outside the Kawartha Highlands Signature Site	Don't Know
Tourist lodge, camp, or cabin	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Private cottage or hunt camp	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tent	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trailer or motorhome	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (<i>Specify</i>) _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does not apply - I did not stay overnight	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

4. Including yourself, please indicate the number of people in your group by each of the following age categories. (Fill in the boxes).

Age in years (yrs)	0-14 yrs	15-24 yrs	25-44 yrs	45-64 yrs	over 65 yrs	Total number in group
Number of persons						

The next questions ask about your travel and costs that you incurred for this trip. We will use this information to (1) better understand the importance of the Kawartha Highlands to visitors and (2) the importance of visitors to local communities.

5. What is your home postal code or zip code? (Fill in the blank).

Postal code or Zip code _____

6. About how far was it to travel one way from your home to the Kawartha Highlands location where you received this survey? (Fill in one of the following blanks).

_____ Kilometers, one way OR _____ Miles, one way

7. About how many hours did it take to travel one way from your home to the Kawartha Highlands location where you received this survey? (Fill in the blank).

_____ Hours, one way

8. On what date did you leave your home for this trip? (Fill in the blanks).

Month: _____ Day: _____

9. On what date did you return home from this trip? (Fill in the blanks).

Month: _____ Day: _____

10. In total, how many days were you on site at the Kawartha Highlands Signature Site? (Fill in the blank).

I was at the Kawartha Highlands Signature Site for a total of _____ days.

11. Question 12 will ask you to estimate your trip expenses in dollars. Please indicate what currency you will use for your answers. (Check one box).

Canadian Dollars

U.S. Dollars

12. This question consists of the following table of trip costs by type and place. The first two columns ask you to estimate the costs that **you alone paid**. Then, the third and fourth columns (which are shaded) ask you to estimate costs for your **group as a whole, including yourself**. Within each set of columns, we'd like you to break these costs into **"For the entire trip"** and **"within one hour's drive from the Kawartha Highlands Signature Site."**

Trip Expense Category	COST TO YOU ONLY		COST TO YOUR ENTIRE GROUP (including your own costs)	
	For the entire trip	Within one hour's drive from the Site	<input type="checkbox"/> I paid ALL costs for my entire group. (If applicable, check box and go to question 13).	
Travel & fuel costs for your vehicle	\$	\$	\$	\$
Plane fare (if applicable)	\$	\$	\$	\$
Train fare (if applicable)	\$	\$	\$	\$
Food and Beverages	\$	\$	\$	\$
Accommodation (motel, private campground, bed & breakfast, etc.)	\$	\$	\$	\$
Outfitter and equipment rental fees	\$	\$	\$	\$
Fishing / Hunting license fees		\$	\$	\$
Park Fees (backcountry permit, campground, parking, reservation)	\$	\$	\$	\$
Fishing bait and tackle	\$	\$	\$	\$
Other (specify)	\$	\$	\$	\$
TOTAL COST	\$	\$	\$	\$

Visitors to a site may experience 'crowding' due to the presence of other visitors. Crowding happens when a person's satisfaction decreases due to the presence of others. Questions 13 to 21 refers to your feelings about seeing or hearing other groups of people while at the Kawartha Highlands Signature Site.

13. Crowding may be more or less disturbing at different locations of a recreation trip. How important to you was the possibility of crowding at the following locations when you were planning this recreation trip? (For each location, check the one box that best represents your feelings).

Location where crowding is experienced	Not Applicable	Not Important	1	2	Somewhat Important	3	4	Very Important	5
At access and departure points	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
While walking or hiking on trails	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
While on the water	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
At portages	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
At the campsite or cabin	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (Please Specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

14. During this trip, for which you received this survey, did you encounter:

- More people than expected
- Fewer people than expected
- About as many people as expected

15. On average, about how many groups per day did you expect to see on this trip? (Fill in blank).

On average, I expected to see about _____ other groups per day on this trip.

16. As best as you can remember, what was the average number of people in the groups that you encountered, while on this trip? (Fill in blank).

Average number of people per group: _____

17-a. On average, how crowded did you feel near access and departure points? (Circle one number).

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
not at all crowded		slightly crowded			moderately crowded			extremely crowded

17-b. On average, how many other groups did you encounter near access and departure points? (Fill in blank).

Average number of groups per day encountered near access and departure points: _____

18-a. On average, how crowded did you feel while hiking or walking on trails on this trip? (Circle one number).

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
not at all crowded		slightly crowded			moderately crowded			extremely crowded

Not applicable because I did not hike or use trails on this trip.

18-b. On average, how many other groups did you encounter per day while hiking or walking on trails?

Average number of groups per day encountered while hiking or walking on trails: _____

19-a. On average, how crowded did you feel while on the water during this trip? (Circle one number).

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
not at all crowded		slightly crowded			moderately crowded			extremely crowded

Not applicable because I did not go boating or canoeing on this trip.

19-b. On average, how many other groups did you encounter per day during this trip while on the water?

Average number of groups per day encountered while on the water: _____

20-a. On average, how crowded did you feel on this trip while at portages? (Circle one number).

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
not at all crowded		slightly crowded			moderately crowded			extremely crowded

Not applicable because I did not use a portage on "strip.

20-b. On average, how many other groups did you encounter per day on this trip while at portages?

Average number of groups per day encountered at portages: _____

21-a. On average, how crowded did you feel on this trip while at your campsite? (Circle one number).

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
not at all crowded		slightly crowded			moderately crowded			extremely crowded

Not applicable because I did not use a campsite on this trip.

21-b. On average, how many other groups did you encounter per day while at your

campsite? Average number of groups per day encountered while camping: _____

The following questions are designed to estimate the value people place on recreation trips to this Signature Site, NOT to recommend charging user fees.

For some people, the value of a recreation trip to the Kawartha Highlands Signature Site may be small. For others, it could be a highly valued activity. Either way, your answers should realistically reflect your own trade-offs, given your present income, priorities and living costs.

The dollar amounts written into the following questions may seem very high or very low. They have been randomly assigned for statistical purposes. It is important that you give a "YES" or "NO" response to these questions so that we can collect a wide range of opinions.

22. The following questions will ask you to respond in dollar amounts. Please indicate what currency you will be using for your answers. (Check one box).

- Canadian Dollars
- U. S. Dollars

23. In Question 12, you told us what it cost you to take this recreation trip to the Kawartha Highlands Signature Site. Suppose that trip conditions were identical to those for the trip on which you received this survey, with one exception, your costs are greater. Consider for each of the dollar costs presented below whether you would still take this trip:

- **Your costs are \$ 400 higher than what you paid.**

23-a. Under these conditions, would you still have gone on this trip? (Check one box).

- Yes, I would still have gone under these conditions.
- No, I would not have gone if the trip cost me this much more than what I paid.

23-b. Now suppose your costs are \$ 415 higher than what you paid.

Under these conditions, would you still have gone on this trip? (Check one box).

- Yes, I would still have gone under these conditions.
- No, I would not have gone if the trip cost me this much more than what I paid.

23-c. The main reasons I answered question 23-a and 23-b the way I did was: (Check all that apply)

- The trip was important to me, but the dollar amount was too high.
 - The trip was important to me and it would be worth paying the extra if it was necessary.
 - I object to the way the question was asked. I felt I did not have enough information.
 - I didn't find the scenarios believable.
 - I could afford the cost increase, but I am concerned about spending this much money.
 - I would have gone elsewhere instead
 - I did not understand the question.
 - Other (*Specify*) _____
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24. Now suppose that recreation trip conditions at the Kawartha Highlands Signature Site are identical as for the trip on which you received this survey, with the following TWO exceptions:

- **First, you experience TWICE as many encounters with other groups near access and departure points.**
- **Second, your trip expenses are \$220 higher than what you paid.**

24-a. Under these conditions, would you still have gone on this trip? (Check one box).

- Yes, I would still have gone under these conditions.
- No, I would not have gone if the trip cost me this much more than what I paid.

24-b. The main reasons I answered question 24-a the way I did was: (Check all that apply)

- The trip was important to me, but the dollar amount was too high.
 - The trip was important to me and it would be worth paying the extra if it was necessary.
 - I object to the way the question was asked
 - I felt I did not have enough information.
 - I didn't find the scenarios believable.
 - I could afford the cost increase, but I am concerned about spending this much money.
 - I would have gone elsewhere instead.
 - I did not understand the question.
 - Other (*Specify*) _____
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25. Now suppose that recreation trip conditions to the Kawartha Highlands Signature Site are identical as for the trip on which you received this survey, with the following two exceptions:

- First, you experience TWICE as many encounters with other groups while hiking or walking on trails.
- Second, your trip expenses are \$ 50 higher than what you paid.

25-a. Under these conditions, would you still have gone on this trip? (Check one box).

- Yes, I would still have gone under these conditions.
- No, I would not have gone if the trip cost me this much more than what I paid.
- Not applicable, I did not go hiking or walking on trails on this trip (**Go to question 26**)

25-b. The main reasons I answered question 25-a the way I did was: (Check all that apply)

- The trip was important to me, but the dollar amount was too high.
- The trip was important to me and it would be worth paying the extra if it was necessary.
- I object to the way the question was asked.
- I felt I did not have enough information.
- I didn't find the scenarios believable.
- I could afford the cost increase, but I am concerned about spending this much money.
- I would have gone elsewhere instead.
- I did not understand the question.
- Other (*Specify*) _____

26. Now suppose that trip conditions to the Kawartha Highlands Signature Site were identical as for the trip on which you received this survey, with the following two exceptions:

- First, you experience TWICE as many encounters with other groups while on the water.
- Second, your trip expenses are \$ 100 higher than what you paid.

26-a. Under these conditions, would you still have gone on this trip? (Check one box).

- Yes, I would still have gone under these conditions.
- No, I would not have gone if the trip cost me this much more than what I paid.
- Not applicable, I did not go boating or canoeing on this trip (**Go to question 27**)

OOPS! Due to a printing error, this important question was omitted from your survey booklet. Please, answer the questions on this page and include it with your completed survey.

- 27-1. Now suppose that recreation trip conditions to the Kawartha Highlands Signaler e Site are identical as for the trip on which you received this survey, with the following two exceptions:
- First, you experience TWICE as many encounters with other groups while using portages.
 - Second, your trip expenses are \$160 higher than what you paid.
- 27-1a. Under these conditions, would you still have gone on this trip? (Check one box).
- Yes, I would still have gone under these conditions.
- No, I would not have gone if the trip cost me this much more than what I paid.
- Not applicable, I did not use portages while on this trip (Go to question 28)
- 27-1b. The main reasons I answered question 27-1a the way I did was: (Check all that apply)
- The trip was important to me, but tire dollar amount was too high.
- The trip was important to me and it would be worth paying tire extra if it was necessary.
- Iobject to tire way the question was asked.
- Ifelt I did not have enough information.
- I didn't find the scenarios believable.
- Icould afford tile cost increase, but I ant concerned about spending this much money.
- Iwould leave gone elsewhere instead.
- I did not understand the question.
- Other (*Specify*)

26-b. The main reasons I answered question 26-a the way I did was: (Check all that apply)

- The trip was important to me, but the dollar amount was too high.
 - The trip was important to me and it would be worth paying the extra if it was necessary.
 - I object to the way the question was asked.
 - I felt I did not have enough information.
 - I didn't find the scenarios believable.
 - I could afford the cost increase, but I am concerned about spending this much money.
 - I would have gone elsewhere instead.
 - I did not understand the question.
 - Other (Specify) _____
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27. Now suppose that recreation trip conditions at the Kawartha Highlands Signature Site were identical as for the trip on which you received this survey, with the following two exceptions:

- **First, you see or hear TWICE as many groups from your campsite.**
- **Second, your trip expenses are \$ 200 higher than what you paid.**

27-a. Under these conditions, would you still have gone on this trip? (Check one box).

- Yes, I would still have gone under these conditions.
- No, I would not have gone if the trip cost me this much more than what I paid.
- Not applicable, I did not use a campsite on this trip (Go to question 28)

27-b. The main reason I answered question 27-a the way I did was (Check all that apply)

- The trip was important to me, but the dollar amount was too high.
- The trip was important to me and it would be worth paying the extra if it was necessary.
- I object to the way the question was asked.
- I felt I did not have enough information.
- I didn't find the scenarios believable.
- I could afford the cost increase, but I am concerned about spending this much money.
- I would have gone elsewhere instead.
- I did not understand the question.

In Questions 23 to 27, if you indicated you would have taken this recreation trip even if it cost you more, where would this money come from? Please do not assume that your income would be larger - the added costs must fit your existing budget.

28. For each of the following items, please indicate whether you would spend less on it in order to have more money to spend for this recreation trip, if it were to cost you more. (Check all that apply).

Expense Item:	I would spend less on:
Food	<input type="checkbox"/>
Housing	<input type="checkbox"/>
Clothing	<input type="checkbox"/>
Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/>
Consumer Items	<input type="checkbox"/>
Donations to Charity	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vacation Costs	<input type="checkbox"/>
Savings	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (Please Specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>

29. After considering your budget and what you would spend less on to cover higher costs of trips like this, would you answer Questions 23 to 27 differently? (Check one box).

- NO, I would answer questions 23 through 27 the same.
 YES, I would change my mind for at least some of these questions

Please go Back and make your changes to your answers for questions 23 through 27.

The following questions ask about the reasons why you decided to visit the Kwartha Highlands Signature Site, rather than some other site for this trip. What characteristics of the Kwartha Highlands Signature Site were most important to you while you were planning this trip?

30. How important were the following reasons for selecting the Kwartha Highlands Signature Site for this trip? (For each reason, check one box that best represents your feelings on the numbered scale).

Reasons for Choosing the Kwartha Highlands Signature Site

	Not Important		Somewhat Important		Very Important
	1	2	3	4	5
It's close to home	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I have a cottage or camp here	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I am already familiar with the site	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I could rent equipment and use the services of local outfitters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The privacy of the campsites	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The cleanliness of the campsites	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The availability of campsites	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The fishing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I can use a boat with a motor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Because there are no boats with motors	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The remoteness	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The commercial lodge experience	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The lack of crowding	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The opportunity to see wildlife	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The cultural and historical features of the area	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The presence of management, regulation and enforcement	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The relative absence of management, regulation and enforcement	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (please specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

31. Suppose, for whatever reason, the Kawartha Highlands Signature Site was not available to you for this trip. Would you have chosen to take a similar type of recreation trip, but in a different location? (Check one box).

NO, I would not have taken a similar trip elsewhere.

If you answered “NO”, what would you have done instead?

- Gone on a different type of holiday
- Stayed at home and not gone to work during the same days.
- Gone back to work at my job.
- Other (Please Specify)

If you answered “NO” to question 31 above, skip to Question 33

YES, I would have taken a similar trip, but at another site.

If you answered ‘YES’, what site would you have most likely chosen as the best alternative to the Kawartha Highlands Signature Site for this trip? (Check one square).

- Algonquin Provincial Park
- Killarney Provincial Park
- Quetico Provincial Park
- Woodland Caribou Provincial Park
- Wabikimi Provincial Park
- Lake Superior Provincial Park
- Nagagamisis Provincial Park
- Bruce Peninsula National Park
- Pukaskwa National Park
- Frost Center Lands
- St. Raphael Signature Site
- Algoma Headwaters Signature Site
- Temagami Area
- French River
- Spanish River Valley Signature Site
- Haliburton Forest Reserve
- Georgian Bay and North Shore Coastline
- Lake Superior Coastline
- Other public land in central Ontario (Barrie to North Bay)
- Other public land in northeastern Ontario (North Bay to Sault Ste. Marie & north)
- Other public land in northwestern Ontario (Sault Ste. Marie to Manitoba & north)
- Other (please specify) _____

32. How important were the following reasons for selecting the best alternative to the Kawartha Highlands Signature Site for this recreation trip? (For each reason, check one box that best represents your feelings on the numbered scale).

Reasons for Choosing Your <u>Best Alternative</u> to the Kawartha Highlands Signature Site	Not	Somewhat			Very
	important	important	important	important	important
	1	2	3	4	5
It's close to home	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I have a cottage or camp here	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I am already familiar with the site	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I could rent equipment and use the services of local outfitters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The privacy of the campsites	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The cleanliness of the campsites	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The availability of campsites	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The fishing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I can use a boat with a motor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Because there are no boats with motors	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The remoteness	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The commercial lodge experience	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The lack of crowding	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The opportunity to see wildlife	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The cultural and historical features of the area	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The presence of management, regulation and enforcement	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The relative absence of management, regulation and enforcement	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (please specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Visiting the Kawartha Highlands Signature Site may increase a person's general state of health and well-being. Four types of health and well-being benefits are:

Benefit	Examples of impacts from a recreation trip
Physical Health	Physical activities such as hiking, canoeing, fishing, and relaxing.
Mental Well-being	Skills and awareness gained from participating in outdoor recreation.
Social Well-being	Interactions between people sharing experiences on a recreation trip.
Spiritual Well-being	Artistic inspiration, sense of wonder and appreciation for nature.

Your response to the following question will help to better understand the range and complexity of these health and well-being benefits to all visitors to the Kawartha Highlands Signature Site.

36. To what extent do you feel this visit to the Kawartha Highlands Signature Site has improved your general state of health and well-being? (For each benefit, check one box that best represents your feelings).

Health and well-being impact	Don't Know	Not improved	Somewhat improved	Very improved		
		1	2	3	4	5
Physical health	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mental well-being	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Spiritual well-being	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Social well-being	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (Specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

The following questions about you are for statistical purposes. Your responses greatly help to better understand who uses this site. Your answers to all questions in this survey are COMPLETELY CONFIDENTIAL.

No individual or organization will be given access to the individual information you supply in this survey.

37. What is your age? (Fill in the blank).

I am _____ years old.

38. Including yourself, how many people are in your household? (Fill in the blank).

There are ____ people in my household.

39. What was the highest grade of school you completed? (Check one box).

- Less than grade 9
- Between grades 9 and 13 (i.e. high school)
- Community college
- University
- Graduate school or professional degree
- Other (*Specify*) _____

40. Please indicate your household income from all sources before taxes in 2002. (Check one box).

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|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Under \$10,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$70,000 to \$79,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$140,000 to \$149,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000 to \$19,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$80,000 to \$89,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$150,000 to \$159,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$20,000 to \$29,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$90,000 to \$99,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$160,000 to \$169,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$30,000 to \$39,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$100,000 to \$109,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$170,000 to \$179,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$40,000 to \$49,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$110,000 to \$119,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$180,000 to \$189,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$50,000 to \$59,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$120,000 to \$129,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$190,000 to \$199,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$60,000 to \$69,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$130,000 to \$139,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> Over \$200,000 |

41. Is your income as indicated above in Canadian or U.S. Dollars? (Check one box).

- Canadian Dollars
- U. S. Dollars

42. Please provide us with any other comments or suggestions with regard to the Kawartha Highlands Signature Site, its planning and management:

Please return the completed questionnaire to us immediately in the enclosed postage-paid envelope. Thank you very much for your assistance!

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