

VILAS COUNTY OUTDOOR RECREATION SURVEY



The Vilas County Forestry, Recreation, and Land Department is creating an *outdoor recreation plan* for 2014-2019 and we would like your input. The five-year outdoor recreation plan will be used to identify new projects for development as well as which local and county parks or forest segments need additional, repurposed, or reconstructed recreational facilities (e.g. trails, buildings, water access sites, or camp sites). The plan enables County and local government eligibility for competitive grants of 50% from the DNR Stewardship Fund, and other federal sources, and for annual planning and budgeting.

This survey and a planning timeline are available at:

<http://www.ncwrpc.org/vilas/orp.html>

Please complete this survey at a posted public meeting.

1. Community:

Town of Arbor Vitae

2. What are the top three outdoor recreational issues facing Vilas County?

These issues could be a combination of strengths and desires to maintain what exists.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

3. How shall the recreational issues described above in Question 2 be satisfied?

4. What existing outdoor recreation facilities in Vilas County need improvement?

5. How would you improve outdoor recreation in Vilas County?

Please describe what is needed, and why.

Thank You For Your Participation!

Please feel free to make additional comments on a separate sheet of paper and mail that sheet with this completed survey to be **postmarked by August 31, 2013,**

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT SURVEY RESULTS:

Each town and the City of Eagle River was asked to complete the attached survey in a publicly posted meeting. The following communities returned surveys: City of Eagle River, and the Towns of Arbor Vitae, Boulder Junction, Conover, Land O' Lakes, Plum Lake, Presque Isle, Washington, and Winchester.

The Towns of Boulder Junction and Conover both provided a survey from each town board member (3 per town). The Town of Presque Isle provided 25 surveys, because they opened up the survey for each resident to pick up and return. NCWRPC summarized each batch of surveys separately by community to produce 1 survey.

Only this question (#2) was summarized:

“What are the top three outdoor recreational issues facing Vilas County?”

5 responses – Have bike/multi-use (non-motorized) trails connect to others.

3 responses – Need fish stocking/no bag limits.

3 responses - Develop and maintain access to lakes, boat landings, campsites, and beaches.

2 responses – Look at UTVs/ATVs for trail creation.

2 responses – Threat of Aquatic invasive species

2 responses – Keep ATVs out of Vilas County

1 response – Closure of logging roads.

1 response – Increase snowmobile funding.

1 response – Only 1 public disc golf course exists.

1 response – Need high speed internet.

1 response – Money.

1 response – Inadequate bridge access for pedestrians and bicyclists.