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Kern River No. 1 Recreation Project Trails

Day-Use Survey (trails)

Kern River No. 1 Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 1930)

Southern California Edison (SCE), in collaboration with the U.S. Forest Service is soliciting input from Kern River Trail Day-users to better understand recreation use. This recreation study is part of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission relicensing of the Kern River No.1 (P-1930) Hydroelectric Project. We request your help by completing the survey below. If you are traveling with multiple people, only one person in your party needs to fill out the survey. Participation is voluntary and responses will remain anonymous.

Date: _____ **Time at beginning of trip:** _____ **a.m./p.m.**

Select Current Trail Location:

- Democrat Gage Trail Cow Flat Trail Lucas Creek Trail Dougherty Creek Trail
- Stark Creek Trail Penstock/Forebay Trails

Section 1 – Demographics

1. What is your home zip code? _____
2. List the number of individuals in your group that fall within each of these age categories:
 ____ Under 16 ____ 16–19 ____ 20–29 ____ 30–39 ____ 40–49 ____ 50–59 ____ 60–69 ____ 70+
3. What is your ethnicity?
 Spanish/Latino Origin Black White Asian/Pacific Islander Other: _____
4. What is your total household income?
 Less than \$40,000 \$41,000–\$80,000 81,000 and above

Section 2 – Trail Experience

5. How would you rate your experience on this trail compared to other trails along the lower Kern River?

	Much Worse	Worse	Same	Better	Much Better
Experience on this trail compared to other trails in the area					

6. What is the reason for your rating?

7. Would you consider returning to this trail YES NO

What is the basis for your answer?

8. Are there any improvements that you would recommend for this trail? YES NO

What improvements do you recommend?

9. Do you have any additional comments about the trail?

Section 3 – User Activities

10. On this trip are you? Hiking/Walking Biking Horseback Riding Other: _____
11. How long are you planning to hike today? _____
12. Are you using this trail to get to another trail today? If so, what other trail: _____
13. What is the purpose of your visit today? (Check only one main activity in the first column.)

Check only <u>one</u> main activity	Check all other activities	Type of activities
		Exercise
		Viewing scenery/wildlife
		Spending time with friends/family
		Exploring new areas/trails
		River access (Democrat Gage Trail only)
		Other (please specify below)

If you selected "other" please describe the recreation activity or activities that you are undertaking.

14. In the last 12 months, have you utilized any of the trails listed in the table below (see map beneath lid of survey box)? If yes, please indicate in the table the number of times you visited each site during each season.

Trail	Number of Visits				
	Spring (Mar–May)	Summer (Jun–Aug)	Fall (Sep–Nov)	Winter (Dec–Feb)	Total #
Democrat Gage Trail					
Cow Flat Trail					
Dougherty Creek Trail					
Lucas Creek Trail					
Stark Creek Trail					
Penstock/Forebay Trails					

Section 3 – Surrounding Landscapes

15. What scenic feature most attracted you to this trail? Select top feature:

- General scenery such as rock outcrops, mountains, and valleys
- Views of the lower Kern River
- Scenery was not a consideration when selecting this location
- Other: _____

16. In general, how would you rate the scenic quality of the area as seen from the trail?

	Very Poor	Poor	Neutral	Good	Very Good
General scenic quality of area					

If your rating was Very Poor (1) or Poor (2), please explain:
