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Q#	Question	Explanation	Field Value
1	Introduction	WhoRYou	
11	Email Address *	Email Confirmation.	<i>Your email</i>
12	Steward's Name (Individual or Group) *	Select from a pre-populated drop-down list.	<i>Your name</i>
202	First and Last Name for Guests	Used when name is not in the drop down.	<i>Your name</i>
14	Phone (how can we reach you other than email?)	Primary Phone Number	<i>Your Phone Number</i>
16	SAPAA Member *	SAPAA members received a newsletter and notice about Alberta's Protected Areas.	
	Yes	<i>Not Sure</i>	
	No	<i>Not Applicable</i>	
20	Visit Details	WhereUGo	
21	Date of Visit (default = today) *	Enter if the report is being completed post-visit.	<i>Date of Visit</i>
22	Site Name	Drop down list. SAPAA PA sites only	<i>Name of Protected ARea</i>
23	Site Name- optional, use if site is not listed above	Site note listed, text box	<i>Name of Protected ARea</i>
24	Designated Steward *	Are you the Steward?	
Are you the named, Government of Alberta Steward? Are an individually named Steward or are you a member of group that is the designated Steward.			
Do you consider your self to be the 'Citizen Steward' for this area? Alternatively, just stopped by thanks..			
	<u>Gov. Steward - Individual</u>	<u>Citizen Steward</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>
	<u>Gov. Steward - Group</u>	<u>Just Interested</u>	<u>Not Applicable</u>
30	Subjective Naturalness	Impression	
31	What is the Naturalness of the Site? *	Subjective measure, valid in aggregate.	
YOUR gut reaction and assessment. 4 is for what you would expect from the site; pristine wilderness for some, mowed grass for others.			
0 is the opposite; perhaps vandalism or dumping. 1, 2, and 3 are relative points in between.			
	<u>4 - Great</u>	<u>3, 2, 2, 1, 0 - Terrible</u>	<u>Cannot Answer</u>
32	How Healthy: comments	A few words for your assessment of How Natural was the Site?	
		<i>Enter notes here relevant to this question</i>	

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40	Visit Details	How Visit
41	Trip Duration *	How Long did you spend in or around the PA?
	<u>Pass by but did not Go In</u>	<u>C) < half a day (e.g. < about 4 hours)</u>
	<u>A) < 1 hour</u>	<u>D) < day (e.g. about 4-8 hours)</u>
	<u>B) 1-2 hours</u>	<u>E) Full day (e.g. 8+ hours)</u>
		<u>F) Part of a multi-day trip</u>
		<u>Not Applicable</u>
42	Why Did you Go? *	How Visit
	Activities of interest to submitters. Options are:	
	What were you hoping to see/do when you were in the site? Check all that apply, add an activity in the comments section below.	
	<u>No Objective</u>	<u>Historical/Cultural (e.g. signed nature trail)</u>
	<u>Visit nature</u>	<u>Equestrian</u>
	<u>Hiking</u>	<u>Canoeing/Kayaking</u>
	<u>Birding</u>	<u>Dog Walking</u>
	<u>Plant identification</u>	<u>X-country Skiing.</u>
	<u>Mushrooming</u>	<u>OHV/Quading</u>
		<u>Snowshoeing, Winter hike</u>
		<u>PA Site inspection for SAPAA</u>
		<u>Night Sky Observations</u>
		<u>Other (see comments)</u>
		<u>Hunting/Trapping</u>
		<u>Not Applicable</u>
43	Visit Details *	Additional information, optional. How much of the site were you able to visit?
	How much of the site were you able to visit? What was the approximate area visited (e.g. southwest corner), how was the visit?	
	<div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 10px; min-height: 100px;"> <p style="text-align: center; color: #ccc;">Enter notes here relevant to this question</p> </div>	
50	What SHOULD be Here	Be There: What plants, animals, geological, signage or facility features did you see?
51	Ease to Visit	How easy is this site to visit? How friendly for those not used to the 'bush'.
	<u>Parking lot or parking for 2 or more cars</u>	<u>Washroom</u>
	<u>Entrance signs, information, etc.</u>	<u>Directional signs on Feeder roads</u>
		<u>Other (see comments)</u>
		<u>Not Applicable</u>

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52	Biological Observations	Summary of significant observations.	
	<i>Enter notes here relevant to this question</i>		
53	Submissions to iNaturalist	SAPAA prefers to use this online resource. If you use another tool, please provide details in the final comment box. iNaturalist is preferred, however.	
	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No, not a member of iNaturalist</u>	<u>Not Applicable</u>
	<u>No, did not see anything of note</u>	<u>What is iNaturalist?</u>	
54	Geological Observations	Significant, non-biological and non-human site changes such as land slumping, cave ins, etc.	
	<i>Enter notes here relevant to this question</i>		
55	Designation as a Protected Area	Is it obvious this is a protected area? For example government-signs, fencing, other means.	
	<u>Signage</u>	<u>Exists but in disrepair</u>	<u>Other (see comments)</u>
	<u>Fencing</u>	<u>None Noted</u>	<u>Not Applicable</u>
	<u>Stiles, Gates</u>		
56	Comments	Other health comments	
	<i>Enter notes here relevant to this question</i>		

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60	What are the human activities/disturbances affecting the Site?		Not There
61	Agricultural Activities	Is the PA used by a local farmer/rancher? Many sites have grazing leases.	
	<u>Domestic Animal Grazing</u>	<u>None noted</u>	<u>Not Applicable</u>
	<u>Seeded Crops</u>	<u>Other (see comments)</u>	
62	<u>Resource extraction</u>	<u>Q62: Resource extraction</u>	
	<u>Oil/Gas wells</u>	<u>Hunting (observed, blinds, etc.)</u>	<u>None Noted</u>
	<u>Mining (e.g. gravel)</u>	<u>Collecting / Trapping</u>	<u>Other (see comments)</u>
	<u>Tree Harvesting</u>	<u>Poaching (e.g. animal dressing site out of season)</u>	<u>Not Applicable</u>
	<u>Bark Stripping</u>		
63	Motorized disturbances (ATV or vehicle activity).	How pervasive is the the motorized impact on the PA	Some sites permit motorized access.
	<u>Off Highway Vehicles (e.g. quads, motorbikes)</u>	<u>4x4 vehicles</u>	<u>None Noted</u>
	<u>Other (see comments)</u>	<u>Not Applicable</u>	
64	Animal or self propelled activities	Activities other than those the submitter is engaged in. GoA Question.	
	Walking/hiking trails, skiers, snowshoeing, mountain biking, horses, other animals, canoeing. Please exclude activities you, or your party, went to the site to engage in (and asked in a prior section). This questions is based on what you observed (in)directly.		
	<u>Hiking Trails</u>	<u>Picnicking</u>	
	<u>Biking Trails (e.g. mountain bikes)</u>	<u>X-Country Skiing</u>	<u>None Noted</u>
	<u>Fishing</u>	<u>Snowshoeing</u>	<u>Other (see comments)</u>
	<u>Bird Watching</u>	<u>Equestrian</u>	<u>Not Applicable</u>
	<u>Botanical pursuits (e.g. plant identification)</u>	<u>Dog Walking</u>	
65	Gathering and Dumping Activities	Living or partying on the site.	These are human disturbances 'left behind'.
	<u>Camping (lean-to's, fire rings, etc.)</u>	<u>'Bush party' sites (e.g. bottles)</u>	<u>None Noted</u>
	<u>Buildings (non-industrial, e.g. trailers, sheds)</u>	<u>Recent fires or burns</u>	<u>Other (see comments)</u>
	<u>Homeless camp</u>	<u>Garbage dumping</u>	<u>Not Applicable</u>

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66	Infrastructure encroachment	How is industrialization and urbanization impacting the site?
	<u>Power lines</u>	<u>Pipelines</u>
	<u>Roads</u>	<u>None Noted</u>
	<u>Cut lines</u>	<u>Other (see comments)</u>
		<u>Not Applicable</u>
67	Comments	Comments on how the site is being consumed or disturbed by humans.
	<div style="text-align: center; color: #ccc; font-style: italic;">Enter notes here relevant to this question</div>	
70	What Should Be Done	2B Done: What, if anything, does the site need to improve/protect it?
71	Remediation/Protection Activities Needed	
	Select any remediation activities needed for this site (check all that apply); provide details in the comments section below	
	<u>Nothing, all good</u>	<u>Cleanup</u>
	<u>Fencing</u>	<u>Signs</u>
	<u>Re-vegetation</u>	<u>Educating Neighbours about Site Usage</u>
	<u>Invasive Weed Removal</u>	<u>Other (see comments)</u>
		<u>Continued Monitoring</u>
		<u>Not Applicable</u>
		<u>Fence maintenance</u>
72	What Have you Done Recently to Help the site?	What activities designated Stewards have engaged in.
	<u>Visit and Submitted This Report!</u>	<u>Weed Control</u>
	<u>Signs Installed</u>	<u>Other (see comments)</u>
	<u>Cleanup</u>	<u>Fencing</u>
		<u>Not Applicable</u>
		<u>Talked to nearby residents</u>
73	Nearby Stewards?	Are there nearby residents (full or part time) who might become Citizens Stewards?
	If so, include any contact details you observe (rural address, name, contact information as available).	

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74	Comments	Optional field.
	<div> <div></div> <div>Enter notes here relevant to this question</div> </div>	
80	Close Inspection	Close
81	Photos?	Include screenshots of your track from software.
	<u>No Photos</u>	<u>Send by Email</u>
	<u>Upload to GDrive</u>	<u>Other</u>
		<u>Other (see comments)</u>
		<u>Not Applicable</u>
82	Any Last Words?	Have we missed anything, any other comments or thoughts?
	<div> <div></div> <div>Enter notes here relevant to this question</div> </div>	
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