ROMO-187 (6/98)

# ROCKY MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK

Backcountry Campsite Impact Assessment and Monitoring System

Campsite Inventory Form

GENERAL CAMPSITE INFORMATION INSTRUCTIONS SITE PHOTOGRAPHS

Fill in the appropriate blank line or check appropriate box for each item. Record information when Photos are required for all campsites inventoried. Take photos of the site each time

inventorying a designated backcountry campsite on the ROMO-187 (6/98) Form. Items 1-3 can be it is inventoried. Take photos from the established photo points marked on the site

completed before you go out into the field and can be obtained from the previous year’s inventory maps from previous years' data. You may also look at old photographs of the site

 to establish the point from which the photo was previously taken.

1. Site Code: The site code is the BCIAMS code obtained from the master code list. Attempt to photo the site with no tents present. Plan to come back another day for

 photos if site is occupied, although at some point you need photos regardless.

1. Site Name: Name of the campsite Cameras have been issued to and are available in each district for the project.

 The following are photograph standards and guidelines:

1. Site Type: Indicate if the site is Individual, Group or Stock.

 \*Use 35mm, 400 ASA color prints (supplied by Wilderness Program Specialist, WPS)

1. Recorder(s): Name(s) of individual(s) conducting inventory.

 \*Take at least 2 photos of each site. Use previous years' photos as reference for same

1. Date: Date the inventory is conducted. Month/Day/Year shots.
2. Distance from Privy to Water: The measured straight line distance in feet from the privy to the \*Take additional photos, especially of new satellite sites or changes you have noticed in

 closest water source. This is not necessarily along an access or social trail. Indicate type of the site.

 water source.

 \*Record photos taken on photo log sheet. This will help you to remember what the photos

1. Firewood availability: Record if firewood is available around the site. Abundant less than 100’ were of.

 from the center of the site. Available but greater than 100’ from the center of the site.

 firewood not available. \*4x6 double prints (district responsible for development).

 1 set to remain in district

1. Facilities: Indicate what types of facilities are available at the site by marking the appropriate 1 set to WPS (labeled, but not mounted, attached to inventory).

 boxes. Also mark what the capacity of the privy is after stirring.

 \*Label back of each photo with: Date, site name, site code and recorder(s). Write on stick-

1. Barren Core Dimensions: Barren core is defined as the area(s) in the campsite that is/are bare on labels, then place it on the back of the photo. (pen marks come through photos.)

 soil. Vegetation and/or ground litter is not present. Measure the length and width in feet at

 the widest points of each barren area. If the site has several barren areas, measure each

 separately. The area is determined by multiplying the length times the width. If several

 measurements are taken, add all area calculations together to determine total area in square

 feet.

GENERAL CAMPSITE INFORMATION

1. Site Code: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 8. Facilities: [ ] Fire Grate [ ] Food Storage [ ] Hitchrack

 [ ] Tent Pad(s) #\_\_\_\_ [ ] Signs #\_\_\_\_

1. Site Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 Privy Type: [ ] None [ ] Outhouse

3. Site Type: [ ] Individual [ ] Group [ ] Stock [ ] Throne w/o screening [ ] Solar

 [ ] Throne w/natural screening [ ] Composting

4. Recorder(s): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ [ ] Throne w/constructed screening [ ] Other \_\_\_\_\_

5. Date: \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_ Privy Capacity: [ ] 0-2 ft. [ ] 2-4 ft. [ ] 4-6 ft. [ ] >6 ft.

6. Distance from privy to water: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (in feet) 9. Barren Core Dimensions: (length x width in feet at widest points)

 Type: [ ] River/Creek [ ] Lake/Pond [ ] Spring [ ]Wetland \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ + \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ + \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ + \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ + \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

7. Firewood availability: [ ] abundant <100’ [ ] available>100’ [ ]None

 Total: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Sq. ft.

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|  **IMPACT RATING (Circle One Category)** |  |
|  |  0 |  1 |  2 |  3 |  Category Impact Rating |
|  10. Vegetation/Ground Condition |   Non-impacted |   Impacted |   Bare Ground |   Eroded |  |
|  11. Tree/Shrub Damage (limbs broken, carved on, scarred, felled) |  None |  1 - 20% damaged |  21 - 50% damaged |  >50% damaged |  |
|  12. Root Exposure |  None |  1 - 20% of trees/shrubs with exposed roots | 21 - 50% of trees/shrubs with exposed roots |  >50% trees/shrubs with exposed roots |  |
|  13. Social Trail(s) (non-designated) |  None |  No more than 1 discernable |  2 - 3 discernable or max 1 well worn |  >3 discernable or >1 well worn |  |
|  14. Access Trail(s) Tread Condition |  No erosion/ widening impact |  1 - 3" deep and/or 12 - 18" wide |  3 - 6" deep and/or 18 - 24" wide |  >6" deep and/or >24" wide |  |
|  15. Illegal Satellite Site(s) |  None |  1 |  2 |  >2 |  |
|  16. Cleanliness  (# Illegal fire sites/ scars, feces, tp) |  Unnoticeable |  1 fire scar some ashes scattered  1 - 2 feces/tp visible |  2 fire scars ashes scattered noticeable 3 - 4 feces/tp visible |  >2 fire scars ashes concentrated >4 feces/tp visible |  |
|  17. Barren Core Camp Area (sq ft) |  (Individual Site) <400' |  400' - 800' |  801' - 1,200' |  >1,200' |  |
|  |  (Group/Stock Site) <800' |  800' - 1,200' |  1,201' - 2,000' |  >2,000' |  |
|  |  |  |  |  18. IMPACT RATING \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

19. COMMENTS: (management suggestions, site problems, potential impacts, reference to numbered item(s))