Notes for Campsite Inventory

- Know ahead of time what areas have been surveyed for campsites in places you intend to travel to. Go prepared with enough information to be able to Monitor, Obliterate, Rehabilitate, or Relocate a site.

- Photographs will be identified by the following naming convention in the computer: WAU + 000 (just like the Campsite ID number). If there is more than one photograph then add a seventh digit which will be A, B, C, etc. (ex. FRE026A for French WAU, campsite #26, photograph #2). Obliteration photographs need to be tied into the original photographs in a similar way.

- Inventory all campsites before OBLITERATION. If they have been inventoried previously, do not re-inventory (See the first bullet).

- Scout out the area you plan to inventory before beginning Campsite Inventory.

- Work your inventories systematically from the back of the basin to the front.

- Make an extra effort to hike to benches and potential campsites.

- Your last campsite inventoried for the day should be as thorough as your first, and vice versa.

- On 7.5 minute Quadrangles mark the following:
  - Draw a line on the map to represent the SURVEYED AREA for campsites. Measurements for: Campability: Potential and Currently Used; Meadows; and Social Trails should be based on this SURVEYED AREA.
  - Mark campsite locations on blown-up portions of a 7.5 minute Quadrangle (this is in addition to a GPS point).

- Walk around the campsite before inventory to determine the perimeter.

- Do NOT include Social Trails in perimeter of the campsite.

- Be thorough in scoping how many campsites there are. Remember in order to be a campsite there needs to be some sort of impact, not just a potential for a campsite!

- In order to have Barren Core you must have a barren area along with compaction. Kick the soil, unlike a mule, to determine compaction. Compare to areas outside of what you think is barren core. An area that is only barren, but not compacted, does not necessarily receive a high Barren Core rating. An area barren of vegetation, without compaction can grow back annual vegetation in a year.

- Camp Development - A large camp fire ring should start at a “3” rating.

- Be very clear with instruction to others that you are working with.

- Check your data as soon as you get back from the field, or to camp, for accuracy, thoroughness, and completeness.

- Record any off-site erosion in the comments section.