

## Sauk Prairie Recreation Area

*The following comments regarding the “Outdoor Recreation Emphasis” conceptual alternative were received by the Department through the online survey during the public comment period (July 15 through August 31, 2013). The contents of the responses submitted are copied here as received. Personal names of non-public figures and addresses have been redacted.*

### **Conceptual Alternative 3: Outdoor Recreation Emphasis**

Under this management alternative, the primary purpose is getting users onto the property. Visitors would be offered a variety of outdoor recreational experiences while providing interpretive and educational opportunities related to the property’s history and restoration efforts. The visitor experience will include a higher level of development and accessibility. Opportunities for NBOAs (hunting, fishing, trapping, hiking, and cross country skiing) will be provided as well as opportunities for biking, horseback riding, motorized use and a shooting range.

### **What do you like about this alternative, what concerns you, and what other comments should the planning team take into consideration regarding this alternative?**

1	Really like the interpretation and education opps bullet. Does the DNR and its partners have the reaources to do all this?
2	This alternative, including equestrian trails, will provide direction to maintain and improve the property. Money provided by Federal, State, and local governments as well as user fees will improve jobs, offer protection and understanding of the natural world, and encourage outdoor recreation. I currently spend \$300.00 per year on equestrian campsites alone. This does not include fuel, food, and equipment. The average equestrian campsite on a state park (Including a stall) is \$70.00 for a two night stay with the only cost to the park being the negligible amount of electricity used by an equestrian camper/rig.
3	Best
4	Horseback riding
5	To much. Motorized use and shooting ranges are not NBOAs and will cause destruction of the natural area. Horseback riding and biking are low impact and should be included as NBOAs.
6	This is great, offering access to a large number of different users. However, open a portion of the grounds open to motorized off road vehicles.
7	Good. Comprehensive
8	this would benefit from a off road recreation area because there is no such thing anywhere in the surrounding area of the tri-states. I am a member in a few off road and Jeep clubs and we are excited for the possibility to have such a park area this nearby.
9	There is a large community of Fullsize OHV owners with in a 4 hour drive of this area that haveno where closer to go . This area being a area for this offroad activity would be a very good economic stimulus for the area. It would be a shame to not take advantage of the opportunity.
10	I like all of this except keep one of the buildings to house visitor center, have separate parking areas for the different visitors(hiking,biking in one spot,school buses and horse trailers in other parts)
11	I support Alternative 4 submitted by the Badger Oversight Management Commission with an emphasis on Conservation and Low-Impact Recreation as specified in the Badger Reuse Plan. There is no regional need for a shooting range or an ATV trail at Badger.

12	Please consider horse trails to double as hiking trails
13	This would be way to expensive to do and maintain.
14	I think this would be the best use of the land. However, having said that, it would be imperative that motorized vehicles and hikers/horseback riders are not sharing the same space. Most people that hike/horseback ride are looking for a quiet, peaceful setting.
15	We are in favor of a well designed, well constructed, and well managed shooting range where citizens can exercise their Second Amendment Right to keep and bear arms. We are opposed to All Terrain Vehicle (ATV) trails and snowmobile trails. [REDACTED]
16	I like that it provides for a recreational shooting range.
17	None wonderful ideas!!
18	I like the visitor enhancements, but am concerned about the more intense recreation planned for the Special Use Zone. I would like to know more about how these noisy, polluting uses would be separated from restored grasslands filled with nesting birds and hikers. Please consider Alternative 4 as proposed by the Sauk Prairie Conservation Alliance.
19	concerned that becomes a state run, over managed, lab for a limited number of special use zones.
20	Sounds ambitious good luck!
21	Finally land to be enjoyed by large segments of the population instead of shutting it down and limiting the types of access granted.
22	this is the best option
23	Sounds like the best plan, multi use, would provide jobs, and connecting trails into the Devil's Lake property makes sense. I think it would be interesting to have info on the property's history as an arms plant, of some of the other geological info is repetitive with other parks I'd skip it.
24	I like most everything about this but with all the horses in the state why not a Horseback riding trail?
25	N/A
26	This is the best choice for this property. I like all elements to this alternative.
27	I prefer this alternative as it will offer many functions and uses for the public. This is a superb opportunity to enhance Devils Lake Park with an additional venue. I feel strongly equine use should be allowed, as it helps draw in funding from the activity. The roads that are suggested to be abandoned can also be used for riding trails and horse drawn vehicles (driving) Camping facilities needs to be addressed.
28	I like the additional access for more users, though I'm concerned about motorized vs non-motorized users on the same trails of course. Fishing and access to Devils Lake State Park give families a lot more options for things to do, which is ALWAYS a good thing! I'm not that excited about the idea of a shooting range, but as long as its more isolated or in an area that doesn't have as much wildlife where the constant noise will bother those trying to enjoy nature (both animal and human), I know a lot of my friends really enjoy spending a few hours honing their skills. This is obviously a more expensive option, but allows the largest amount of people to enjoy and appreciate what the property has to offer.

29	This is an area that attracts many visitors. It would be good to have the visits controlled by what is publicly available. I dislike the shooting range only because I have been at the Southern Kettles when that shooting range is being used. It sounds like a war zone!
30	No, bad idea, no ATVs, no shooting.
31	This proposal offers the best balance of uses for the property and maximizes the benefit of the property for the most users. The site has the potential to serve a large number of Wisconsin residents because of its proximity to population areas. It also has sufficient space to be able to accommodate some regionally underserved recreational interests like motorized recreation and target shooting. The size and layout of the property would allow a variety of recreational interests to be enjoyed without interference. This option also allows for many of the important features of the other options to be part of the program. The other two options are too restrictive. This option best addresses everyone's interests. I am willing to travel a long distance to be able to participate in motorized recreation and target shooting at this site - especially since these interests are largely underserved in this part of the state.
32	This is the best alternative for reasons stated
33	equestrian use should be incorporated as well(trail development, ect.)
34	Horse riders could certainly share the trails with all other modes of travel through the area. Riders in the state (and out of state) would be drawn to the area, and that seems to be the intent of the proposal. We are always looking for new places to explore.
35	I like this alternative
36	Limit vehicle access. Provide parking area large enough for horse trailers. Prohibit motorized recreation such as dirt bikes and 4-wheelers-they destroy trails and disrupt the quiet. Depending on where the shooting range is located it might be an asset. And could possible provide some financial support.
37	AS stated include horse trail riding. We spend money where we visit
38	Providing vehicle access should be very carefully studied, so that it disturbs a minimal amount of land!!
39	The shooting ranges would be of great interest due to the several range closures in the Madison area. Since the north end of the property was developed for testing rocket motors, it would be ideal for a shooting range.
40	Yes, all inclusive. We need a motorized area in this part of the state.
41	There are plenty enough areas providing motorized recreation, including extensive use of private land by snow mobiles (trail even runs through our private property). Safe hiking, biking, and horse back riding is good. No shooting range -- again, there are plenty of these everywhere; it is difficult to find a place to hike, bike, or ride in quiet without the noise of shooting or motorized vehicles. People can get out of their automobiles and walk to points of interest, this will encourage healthy life styles, and cost the state less in the long run, with healthier citizens.
42	I am against high-impact recreation for this sensitive area, including all-terrain motorized vehicle trails, shooting ranges, and model rocketry. I believe these are not part of the original plan for this sensitive area, and are incompatible with ecological restoration and grassland bird protection. I do favor the ecological restoration option along with Alternative Four which is supported by Citizens for Safe Water Around Badger, the Sauk Prairie Conservation Alliance, and others, which would balance the need for low-impact recreation, ecological restoration, and environmental education on the property, and follow the spirit of the original Badger Reuse Plan.

43	You need to also provide Equestrian Trails.
44	Horseback riders would have to trailer in. Would you provide a big enough area for parking of rigs? You mention that the road access would also be to the shooting range. Would there be a separate area for horse back riding away from the shooting area?
45	The recreational plan is the best use of this property. It will accommodate the largest number of users for the largest number of activities. An organized trail system for motorcycles, which currently does not exist in the area, would draw people from not only the immediate area, but around the state as well. Due to the size of the property, single track motorcycle trails and a shooting range would in no way be detrimental to the other users of the area. In fact, it would likely bring more people and money into Sauk Prairie Recreational Area than if motorized recreation and target shooting are not included. Though I live a couple hours away from the area, I would certainly travel to ride my motorcycle there. That generates not only money for the park, but also the local businesses since we as a group tend to spend more money when vacationing. The property can provide opportunities for many kinds of users and their interests. It would be a shame to exclude any potential users, specifically motorized recreation including off highway vehicles, motorcycle singletrack, and atvs from this excellent opportunity.
46	I like most of this alternative. My concerns are over- development. A few bathrooms and trails but all listed above may be too expensive to both build and maintain.
47	I love the idea of restoration of the grassland ecosystem, but allowing recreation comingled with it. I am all for hiking, skiing, fishing, and especially more HORSEBACK RIDING trails. If you decide to include horseback riding trails, there would have to be enough miles to make it worth trailering to from around the state (i.e. I live 1.5 hours away). I would love to see historic information on the site for sure; a visitor center is always a nice plus...but not a must have for me. I would not be thrilled with having a shooting range around horseback riding trails...it just takes away from a relaxing ride, but realize many interests have to be considered and offered together. It would not be my preference to have biking and ATV and horseback riding all on the same trails, but if given that option or no horseback riding trails, I would willingly share the trails :)Thank you for asking my opinion! I am excited to see what becomes of this land.
48	This sounds Awesome! Look at all those recreational opportunities that people love to do and are under served as a portion of the population. Everyone seems to get what they want in this option.
49	This is not compatible with the Badger Reuse Plan owing to lack of commitment to the partnership goals, including ecological restoration and cultural history preservation. Much of the proposed outdoor recreational activities (i.e., shooting range and motorized vehicles) are incompatible with the ecological and passive recreation goals. These proposals violate the stakeholder agreements and are not acceptable. The preferred Alternative is the BOMC Proposed Land Use Alternative 4 (see <a href="http://saukprairievision.org/">http://saukprairievision.org/</a> ).
50	I like the education opportunities about this property's location, especially the design, operation and decommissioning of the Badger Army Ammunitions Plant, facilities such as a classroom, parking area, staging area, wash station, bathroom and water area, and especially the shooting ranges.
51	I'm OK with it as long as you can incorporate several rifle ranges out to 600 yds. and several pistol bays for public use.
52	This is the action that I prefer. All users benefit.
53	as I stated horses are part of history.
54	Don't like the use of motorized vehicles and extensive, developed trails by motorized vehicles. Seen the trails in other areas having extensive erosion and over use.
55	I am not in support of either motorized or shooting range opportunities. I feel they are a direct conflict to a nature area. I would be highly in favor of a camping & trail area for equine activities.

56	I am supportive of off-road trails for ATVs & motorcycles. I also support horse riding trails. I would suggest that the horse trails & off road motor trails be separated from each other.
57	the best use of the land to benefit our future generations is the outdoor recreation option which includes the creation of a shooting range.
58	Way to much emphasis on outdoor recreation, especially those that are more invasive.
59	PLEASE KEEP OUT THE ATVs!!!! Even restricted to the special use zone the noise & air pollution effect many of the rest of us who are quiet & clean.
60	Include horse trails and related infrastructure.
61	All good... just include in the implemented by list: Providing horse trails (ridden and driven)
62	I am concerned about motorized vehicles and shooting on this land; I strongly favor the Ecological Restoration plan over this one.
63	I would possibly like to see camping offered at this location for horse riders.
64	This is a good alternative for the enjoyment of all--horse trails would bring in revenue.
65	With nearby Devils Lake campground at capacity I think additional campsites here would provide a way for additional visitors to enjoy the area. How many people are turned away from Devils Lake CG due to no vacancy? I feel this alternative would compliment the Devils Lake State park attractions. Use Richard Bong state park as the model on how to manage this new land. I especially like the improvements planned for the Lake Wis. parcel. I feel there is a need for more motorized recreation (ATV trails) opportunities as well.
66	Horse trails are a definite YES. Camping with or w/o electric/water sites would be really good as well as having a day riders area. We can always use more horse trails- the ones we have in WI are wonderful- it would be nice to have one closer to home since the gas prices aren't going down any time soon (if ever)
67	This is by far the most all encompassing alternative. It makes use of the land whiel also providing preservation. Multi-use trails are an important aspect of this plan. I would like to see a specific mention of horse back riding and driving trails which can also be shared with hikers and bikers as it is in the Kettle Moraine area. If these trails are located off the trail head facility it would provide a convenient place for horse trailers to unload.
68	I prefer this alternative. Would love to see some equestrian trails and if possible have those separate from ATV trails. More people can enjoy the space if it is used for recreation. Many clubs can help with the initiatives outlined above (time and money).
69	MAKE THE TRAILS WODE ENOUGH FOR HORSE DRIVING VEHICLES AND LIMIT THOSE TRAILS FOR EQUINES ONLY. THANK YOU
70	I like this idea the best. Citizens get to come and visit the property. In Oregon they have many multi-use trails and everyone gets along. I am excited about the potential for horse trails
71	I believe this area should be available to low impact users, I am very interested in horse trails.
72	Yes, Most Favored by family. MULTI-USE Motorized Recreation: Snowmobile, ATV, UTV, ORVEducation and Acknowledgment of the areas history would be great as well as public huntingWe need this kind of land use, it would be most enjoyed in this form
73	I like the fact that you are providing many options for visitors to want to explore this area.

74	providing trails. There should be no motorized use of the area. It should be designated as a wilderness type recreation area. There are many other State area for off road vehicles to use and not impact a sensitive natural area. The cost will be a large factor, when allowing the natural process to accomplish the restoration will cost very little.
75	I like the idea for biking and horseback riding. The thing is that if you are going to allow horses, it should also be able to be used by people that own horses but drive them with a cart. I don't like the idea of it being motorized and that there is a shooting range. The point of the land should be, to let people enjoy nature and get away from the city. Having a gun range would make the land unpleasant. Also, if you are hiking, biking, horseback riding or driving, you don't want to have motorized vehicles zooming by.
76	Again, the inclusion of horse trails is important to many in Wisconsin. So many public spaces are allowing motorized and bicycle use but not horse use. Please give us horse enthusiasts more opportunities to take advantage of the beauty that is Wisconsin.
77	This alternative covers all my concerns that I would like to see and utilize with the family and friends.
78	I do not like the idea of a shooting range.
79	Eliminate the motorized recreation and shooting range. Provide vehicle access through only a limited area, preserving large tracts where the only access would be on foot.
80	TOO MUCH DEVELOPMENT!
81	Provide equestrian trails.
82	don't forget about our horse friends who also have the right to use areas just like bikes.
83	Please provide equestrian trails as well.
84	This alternative offers the best balance of uses for the property and maximizes the benefit of the property for the most users. There is plenty of space allows for a variety of rec interests, including off road motorized recreation and target shooting and hunting.
85	You talk about trails. What kind of trails? Hiking, bicycle, ATV,s horses? The more you have the more conflict you have. A recreation corridor? Sounds like more conflicts. Provide motorized recreation. No. In an SUZ. This is sounding a lot like Bong. Motorized vehicles don't get along with ANY other activity. Mainly because of the dust and the damage they create. If there is any plan for dog training here , make it a class 1 grounds along with plenty of additional class 2 ground available. With plenty of space between them and other activities. The more the better. That's hoping that in the future there can be dog championships like the one held at Buana Vista on the Praire Chickens. Dog trainers in Madison and surrounding areas need a place close to home to train their dogs and motorized anything ARE NOT COMPATIBLE with dogs. The use of horses for dog training and pleasure has much lower impact then any motorized activity. I think the ATV's should have many small areas throughout southern Wisconsin to do what they do. By that I mean 20 or 30 small 40 acre plots with 10 acres of parking and 30 acres of turns, jumps and so on. Then there's no group conflicts. A shooting range, I don't know. We need one in the area but maybe we could work with one of the large sporting good co. and get them involved in a shooting center, sponsored by whomever near by but not on the site. Keep the tree huggers and anti's happy. Again, you mention SUZ. Sound a lot like planet Bong! The rest of the plan sounds compatible with what dog trainers and clubs do. We ARE a great ally to have when it comes to keeping things natural and improving things to benefit everything involved.
86	There are many opportunities for biking and horseback riding throughout Southern Wisconsin. The need this property can best fill is providing motorized vehicle recreation. A shooting range would be compatible with motorized recreation as well.

87	See #8 above. Careful planning and management would be needed to eliminate conflicts between different users, and this alternative will cost some money, however, as I have noted, the BAAP property represents a one-time, non-replaceable opportunity, which should not be wasted nor frittered away. The long-term benefits of careful utilization of this property will far outweigh the not inconsiderable initial costs of doing it right. The tragedy would be to nickel-and-dime to death the initial planning and implementation of a very long-term benefit to all the citizens of Wisconsin. We will NOT get another shot at this, if we waste this one.
88	I like that the public would have a greater opportunity to experience this area. It sounds a little ambitious, but could be developed over time. The horse, hiking and cross country trails users could all use the same trails which would get a lot of people using the area rapidly.
89	I like this 1 best
90	motorized use and a shooting range concern me. I really don't think that these are needed on this property.
91	No Horse trails? I love this part of Wisconsin and would be sorrowed if I couldn't enjoy on horseback
92	i like everything about this idea
93	This is the best of the choices listed in this survey and the correct use for this fine are.
94	You didn't mention horse trails wide enough to handle horse drawn vehicles
95	I don't agree with auto access past interpretive displays. This is very costly and removes the whole remoteness aspect and will disturb a lot more of the natural area to build these roads
96	This is the best alternative, I support it completely.
97	Provide parking for truck and horse trailers with bathroom facilities and water close by, along with horse trails.
98	I like this alternative the best. I am eager to be part of the process that integrates motorized recreation with other forms of recreation. I have said it before in this survey - most off-road riders are also environmentalists as well. We care about the impact to the environment - we will work hard to see that motorized activities do not infringe on the experience of others.
99	I think the motorized recreation & shooting ranges are incompatible with restoring the area to its natural state for plant & animal species.
100	This proposal offers the best balance of uses for the property and maximizes the benefit of the property for the most users. The site has the potential to serve a large number of Wisconsin residents because of its proximity to population areas. It also has sufficient space to be able to accommodate some regionally underserved recreational interests like motorized recreation and target shooting. The size and layout of the property would allow a variety of recreational interests to be enjoyed without interference. This option also allows for many of the important features of the other options to be part of the program. The other two options are too restrictive. This option best addresses everyone's interests. I am willing to travel a long distance to be able to participate in motorized recreation and target shooting at this site - especially since these interests are largely underserved in this part of the state.
101	Adding a shooting range and expanding the use of the facility to people of many interests will allow for the most attention and financial aid to come in and assist in keeping the facility nice. Groups such as the Friends of the NRA are always willing to help with funding of facilities that promote the education about and retention of shooting sports.

102	A shooting range? That would be ridiculous, and motorized recreation is also a very bad idea for this property. This is too amazing of an opportunity to waste by breaking this large area into smaller zones. I do not like this alternative.
103	I very much like this one. Lots of family based activity can be done with this plan.
104	I like this one the best, but as a horse person I don't feel that motorized vehicles or shooting range would be the best option unless there is quite a distance away from trails.
105	Our experience in areas where biking, horseback riding, motorized use and a shooting ranges are definitely impacted by those uses. Others using trails are impacted by noise, erosion of the trail and damage to the vegetation. If an areahas such valuable, endangered habitat is shouldn't be allowed to be damaged for activities that can be done elsewhere. This is an area that needs to be preserved and not used.
106	THIS ALTERNATIVE OFFERS THE BEST USE OF THIS LAND. I WOULD BE INTERESTED IN A TRAIL SYSTEM & USING THE FIRING RANGE.
107	I support Alternative 4!
108	I will restrict my comments to this alternative. If the area were to become a recreation area in the same sense that Bong is, I would like to suggest that it be clear that the charter NOT favor any one group (as hunters are favored at Bong). Rocketeers have co-existed with other users in the Special Use Zone at Bong for quite a while through a very workable system of reservations at the beginning of the year. However, having access - or not - at the whim of the charter-favored hunting community is a real problem for other users, and I would like to see that avoided if the State establishes other Recreation Areas. It seems clear that hunters/dog trainers have quite a few places where they can conduct their activities, and should not have exclusive use of a new Special Use Zone.
109	LIKE; Shooting ranges, educational opportunities that also include property's history and restoration efforts.
110	I think there needs to be more off road trails in wisconsin
111	It's too much activity. Auto access should be discouraged. Motorized recreation (off-road vehicles) would be damaging and need to be prohibited. A shooting range is totally unnecessary and would generate noise problems and other hazards. Educational kiosks, though, are fine, as are bathrooms.
112	I do not like this alternative. It would violate the original intent of the Badger Reuse Plan and would NOT provide assistance to wildlife. Please do not adopt this alternative.
113	I have big problems with motorized use and very big problems with a shooting range. Getting people onto the property should come a long second place behind ecological preservation and restoration. Building and vehicle access should be extremely limited to only what is absolutely necessary for primary purposes of ecological maintenance (bathroom facilities at an entranceway would be okay). Hiking and bicycling (NOT motorized bikes) on an existing road would be acceptable. Building auto roads would not be. This is a chanced that won't come again to restore and increase a wildland -- and that is how it should be managed.
114	There is a great opportunity here to preserve an ecologically rich and sensitive area - motorized use and a shooting range do not seem compatible with this vision.
115	I don't like guns or RTVs. This would would ruin what is really possible here.
116	Please do not open the area to motorized recreation, shooting ranges, etc. Those activities disturb the habitat and other users.

117	Give some thought to that motorized recreation suggestion. What kind of motorized recreation? How extensive? FYI off-road motorbikes and 4-wheelers tear the land to shreds.
118	I like very little compared with the ecological restoration alternative. The idea of a visitor/interpretive center is good, but also could be implemented as part of an alternative emphasizing ecological restoration. Improving/developing extensive auto access roads and developed trails is a bad idea, and runs counter to the original ecological restoration emphasis contemplated for the property. Worst of all in this alternative is motorized recreation and shooting ranges, which will be highly disruptive and introduce a high level of noise pollution into the area. These types of uses have never been part of the plan, and should not be introduced now.
119	This alternative sounds great! Everybody get some useage. No just walk-in but several modes of transportation
120	Horse trails for sure! Many would utilize the park, and horses are much less damaging than motorized vehicles!
121	It is not a good idea to have people shooting across areas that are hiking/driving/riding use. At Bong, the hunters are at one end & others use the opposite end.
122	This cadillac approach might be a vision for the future over time, but right now this seems too much to bite off and commit to from a fiscal perspective.
123	I like this alternative because it includes motorized use. There are too few of these types of recreational areas close to Milwaukee and southeastern Wisconsin. I know that there is a big population of offroad vehicle enthusiast that would love an area like to go use.
124	This in my opinion is the best alternative. I like the element regarding motorized vehicle opportunities on this site. This is an underserved recreational benefit of the area.
125	No motorized areas no shooting areas!
126	Special use zone with motorized vehicles and access to areas with vehicles concerns me. I think that requires much much supervision and should not be done with a natural area. The Native American influence should be highlighted and interpretative and educational areas done. Biking, hiking, skiing all seem more non-invasive. No motorized vehicles please (except as needed for handicapped vets, etc)
127	Motorized recreation and shooting will defeat the intent of the Badger Reuse Plan and should not be allowed on this property. Motorized recreation and shooting will deter the wildlife that once existed here or currently exist here.
128	The biggest list of uses... great ideas. this will draw a greater diversity of users to the area.
129	Nothing !What concerns us is the carnival like atmosphere,- junk and rubbish that comes with it.Thank you.
130	Everything. How about a playground area for smaller children at the half-way mark?
131	I believe there is no need to allow motorized sports or a shooting range into the region. I could see a few trails upgraded for biking, and some horseback riding access may not be detrimental to a low-impact desire to protect the land.
132	If motorized recreational opportunities are considered, the areas for these activities should be limited so as to preserve the natural heritage of the greatest part of the site. Many times concentration a recreation activity to a relatively small area of a site can serve to provide the recreational experience while still preserving the majority of the area. This also allows for efficient placement of facilities such as restrooms, parking lots, etc.

133	The shooting range idea concerns me. Can a shooting range really be designed with enough safety in a high use recreation area? I don't think this is compatible with the overall use of the area. I like this alternative the most, but without a shooting range.
134	I like the inclusion of low impact activities such as biking and horse back riding. I would add horse driving. I do not support the incorporation of motorized vehicles such as ATVs and dirt bikes or a shooting range into the recreation options. These are highly erosive activities to the landscape and/or also create noise and safety issues. As with many parks, having road access and parking at various points for people to enjoy different sectors of the project should be considered.
135	This is what is needed in this area of the state. There needs to be areas for residents to use with out driving 3-4 hours.
136	Providing horseback riding trails throughout the property, including hitching rails and water for horses, and picnic tables for riders.
137	Incorporate horse trails
138	Nature is not a play land for humans. Low impact activities like hiking, and horse-back riding, etc are ok, but add a shooting range and motorized access and it's too noisy, dirty, invaded.
139	Shooting range is not a good mix with horse but that could be worked out to benefit all.
140	Improving parking to allow horse trailers at trail head.
141	Please include equestrian trail.
142	Move the shooting range to a different location.
143	I don't like this alternative.
144	I prefer the Badger Oversight Management Commission's Alternative 4, but it should include Restoring large, unfragmented tracts of grassland and shrubland (Habitat Management Zone) to support grassland and shrubland dependent birds and Restoring remnants of rare natural communities and the species they support (Native Community Management Zone). ATV use and shooting range would be disruptive to the natural setting and to other users. There are plenty of other shooting range opportunities in the area. Especially with increased visitation it will be essential to control invasive species, and to prevent the site from becoming a source for dispersing invasive species to other locations.
145	This alternative I believe utilizes this piece of property to its fullest. It allows a wide variety of groups to enjoy every part of the property.
146	I suspect your motives, and am against anything that you propose that does not build on the Reuse Plan.
147	Not much at all. Keep out all motorized vehicles on trails, NO guns, NO trapping, Keep trails at al minimum for natural areas to develop. This should be a low human impact area. How many of these are there in the state??? Hardly any.
148	Many of the proposed developments conflict with the primary emphasis needed: geological, ecological, natural history, Indian cultural information, European settlement, and historic plant war use. The emphasis should be on education and very low impact non-motorized access. Development should be limited to an educational visitor center with bathrooms and parking, non-motorized pedestrian trails. Limited handicap-accessible access could be included. Ecological restoration and control of invasive species need greater emphasis. The development of ATV motorized access and a shooting range is incompatible with the site values. Any bike trails must be separated from pedestrian trails to reduce conflict.

149	The horseback riding and biking (assuming this means bicycles) would be okay, but forget the shooting range and the motorized use.
150	I think its a good idea for today's young children to know more and visualize more of our american history.
151	Horse trails
152	I like this option the best, however i think Wisconsin has enough 4 wheeler trails elsewhere in the satate to use now. I don't like how the 4 wheelers erode the land with constant use on trails. One other item I would like to see added is the recognition of names of families of original land owners who had to give up the land to make this site possible years ago. I think at the very least we owe them that couresty.
153	I like it all except no horse trails.
154	Yeah, for horseback riding! Would prefer non-motorized use (ATV's) because it wrecks any of the quietness of the place.
155	A shooting range would be HORRIBLE! Let's scare the horses and disrupt the peace and quiet with gun noise?! (I'm not anti-gun, anti-hunting, by the way.) There are plenty of gun ranges already in the state, so let's keep this area peaceful and enjoyable without the possiblity of hearing obnoxious gun fire, having someone get accidentally shot or scaring horses. A shooting range is a TERRIBLE idea
156	Horse trails!
157	The wider net of recreational opportunities that can be served the greater the impact on the public as a whole. This option does not specifically address equine use of the trails which needs to be included.
158	with horse/bridle path allowed this all makes good sense
159	Add horse access with trailer parking and appropriate trails.
160	This one is better. At least horse back riding is mentioned although it would be nice if a special zone area could be used for a trailhead and please a camground too.
161	This sounds like an excellent plan to me, including many different outdoor activities. Please consider this option. It's a beautiful area that many can enjoy!
162	I am opposed to the idea of hunting/trapping and am especially upset with the idea that motorized vehicles be allowed on trails. Even before I was a horse owner, I loved walking on quite trails that were prairie restorations. I feel that motorized vehicles are the exact opposite of what is trying to be preserved.
163	I like the shooting range and ATV trail options. What's all this cost?
164	This seems like the best way to open the land to the largest audience. It also would provide an area in southern wisconsin for additional revenue as many people go away from this area for may activities like motorized recreation. Bicycle use is very common in our state's capitol as well as in the rest of the state, we should promote this activity.
165	I like the variety of uses in this alternative, something for everyone. I am a horseback rider and hiker myself, so of course welcome the idea of new trails, but I actually think it is more important to provide some of the other uses not as common in our area, especially ATV trails and shooting ranges. There just aren't may public places for those activities in southern Wisconsin!
166	I feel that if you allow off road vehicles use of this land, several clubs would volunteer time to maintainance the land.

167	Horses will not mix well with shooting and I have concerns with that. I think horse trails are much more of a natural choice than motorized vehicles which should be prohibited in this area.
168	This option should not be chosen unless the high impact uses are eliminated. I think there should be a fourth alternative that combines conservation and low impact uses, that would be the ideal alternative. High impact uses, like ATV trails, threaten the conservation and educational uses; and high impact uses conflict with the conservation vision in the Reuse Plan and the history of this process.
169	This is the plan that I like the best because it serves the largest number of people. We have abundant natural areas in Wisconsin, but fewer recreation areas that will appeal to many people. We definitely need the shooting range, but many outdoor activities can be provided by this plan.
170	I would love to have horse trails available in this area. I currently travel to Prairie du Chein to trail ride and this would be much closer to travel too.
171	Multiple uses are a must; equine, bike ped snowmobile skiers.....many trails many uses and many year round options for families to enjoy in one place! If you plan to interpret the native culture what better way to imagine you are on horse back than ride on horse on a trail and listen to guide telling you the stories and ways of the native tribes on horse back! Authentic vs.....junk
172	keep the motorized usage out. What kind of outdoors person has to have an engine to have fun? Snowmobiles, 4 wheelers, bass boats, dirt bikes, jet skis.... they are not compatible with natural areas. They stink, make too much noise, just plain obnoxious.
173	Provide trails for trail riding for horses.
174	I do not support this alternative because it focuses too much on human use of the property vs. ecological restoration. It robs us of the opportunity to restore this property to a natural landscape that is unique and important to numerous bird and plant species. This alternative includes too much development of the property vs. ecological restoration of the property.
175	Everything
176	Horseback riding trails would be a great addition to this area of Wisconsin!
177	I like the idea of including managed horse riding trails in the recreation area. These opportunities are limited in our area currently and this would absolutely be a much welcomed addition to the property. Thank you for your consideration!
178	I love the idea of horse riding trails. Trails which can be shared with hikers on foot with no problem whatsoever.
179	some aspects of this plan are OK, like the trails and bike access. But shooting and ATVs (Special Use Zone) have no place on public lands. There is enough noise on our highways that we shouldn't use taxpayer money to create more areas where people can intentionally make noise.
180	I like the fact that you have included horses in this section! I like designated parking, picnic and viewing areas. I personally have no problem with a shooting area as long as it's only the noise that impacts others. All in all, this looks good!
181	This is the best alternative for all of the population. OHV, ATV, and shooting activities are poorly represented if not non-existent in the WI State Park system. It is everyone's land and should be open and available to all types of recreation. The OHV and ATV community is ready to help and pay for access. Ask that question of the Bikers and Hikers.
182	this alternative would provide many employment opportunities and generate the most revenue

183	We don't need all of this since Devils Lake, Mirror Lake, and Natural Bridge all have most of these options. We should spend state funds to duplicate these efforts, but rather use this property to expand on other items not available locally, such as water access and a shooting range.
184	Seems to have too much access. Would rather to limit motorized access except for emergency or police vehicles.
185	I like everything about this alternative. I addressed this on page 2 as I did not see this coming. This sort of thing is desperately needed.
186	I like most of this alternative a lot.
187	I am most interested in motorized recreation opportunities, particularly off-road motorcycles (unlike some ATV trails which EXCLUDE motorcycles). The size and layout of the property would allow a variety of recreational interests to be enjoyed without interference. This option also allows for many of the important features of the other options to be part of the program. The other two options are too restrictive. This option best addresses everyone's interests. I am willing to travel for motorized recreation at this site - especially since these interests are largely underserved in this part of the state.
188	I like a lot of this!! The problem I have is the limitations of only a Special Use Zone for trails that are unsurfaced for motorized recreation. I believe there should be mild trails at slow speeds that are throughout the property as shared trails for all users. I also have issue with the Special Use Zone suggested since I have been this has high contamination levels!!
189	This is the alternative that I support the most. Restoration of the grasslands and oak savanahs along with extensive public access to the property is best. I love connecting trails into Devil's Lake State Park!!
190	Equine trails etc
191	I like this emphasis the best. It appears to off the best balance between resource preservation and recreational use. I especially like the option of a shooting range and would use this facility regularly. Thank You for taking the time to gather potential users' comments.
192	Would like to see horse trails listed specifically.
193	I like that it recognizes horseback riding. Motorized use and shooting range is a concern due to past history of motorized vehicles not respecting the ecosystem and causing damage to trails.
194	sounds great except your missing horse trails.
195	Hunting and a shooting range are complehy has the DNR gone to a view that favors Hunters over the general populace? We have never had a problem finding areas to hunt yet you seem to think the non-Hunters should not have any rights anywhere on public lands..
196	The property is big enough, that there could be multiple uses in the park, and still have natural space Central Wisconsin is a beautiful place, and with the foresight to properly develop this opportunity .Please consider this as your must attractive option, and share the beauty of the area with all users.
197	This is the best use of the property. It is great that restoration takes place. But access is needed to participate in what the area has to offer. Educational experiences can be designed to educate all recreational user groups as they recreate. This option allows for interaction and education with all user groups.
198	Many of these uses are incompatable with the ecological restoration which has been promoted by the DNR in the past and virtually promised to the conservation allaince that has work so diligently to build a public interest and trust. I would be seen as a breech of contract and add to the divisive feelings that are developing in our beautiful state. Shooting and motoring through the area is like selling the southwestern banks of the Wisconsin river for fracking sand. It gives open for business a whole bitter new meaning!

199	I LIKE IT AS LONG AS IT INCLUDES OFF ROADERS . AND A STICKER SYSTEM .
200	This is awesome! A shooting range is a great idea and motorized use for all snowmobiles,utv's,atv's and motorcycles. The auto routes and motorized off road trails are great tools to enable residents to enjoy the park that are unable to hike and bike. The visitors center should focus on the history of the Badger Ammunition plant and it's importance in the freedom that it helped this country maintain.
201	I think this option will cost too much and we don't have the money for this option. Also, I feel the increased usage of motorized vehicles will be detrimental to the mission of the area.
202	This plan is the most appealing to me. I feel that it is the best compromise & use of the land. I would gladly drive up from Janesville, WI to use the land for motorized recreation.
203	This sounds like the near perfect use for this public land, encouraging interaction with nature in several diverse ways that build families and fitness, as well as a love for the land, environmental education, and economic growth for the state. I would however request that more thought be put into creating a safe, non hunting zone in the state, so that the recreational use is the primary use. There are many wildlife areas in the state where hunting is the emphasis, and I would like to see family and nature be the emphasis at the Sauk Prairie Recreation Area.
204	This proposal offers the best balance of uses for the property and maximizes the benefit of the property for the most users. The site has the potential to serve a large number of Wisconsin residents because of its proximity to population areas. It also has sufficient space to be able to accommodate some regionally underserved recreational interests like motorized recreation and target shooting. The size and layout of the property would allow a variety of recreational interests to be enjoyed without interference. This option also allows for many of the important features of the other options to be part of the program. The other two options are too restrictive. This option best addresses everyone's interests. I am willing to travel a long distance to be able to participate in motorized recreation and target shooting at this site - especially since these interests are largely undeserved in this part of the state.
205	Dislike motorized recreation and the shooting range. These noisy activities will greatly diminish the enjoyment of the area by those that enjoy hiking, birding, botanizing, etc. My birding excursions to Bong in Kenosha Co. we're always frustrating due to the inescapable dirt bike noise. As grassland species decline it is extremely important that large tracts of grassland remain unaltered and restoration takes place to create more habitat for rapidly declining species like Upland Sandpiper.
206	LIMITED management by the state. More tax dollars with minimal return.
207	The outdoor recreation alternative seems to be the most sensible to me. I like the idea of a shooting range on this site. Publicly available ranges across the state are severely limited in terms of distances available to shoot at. Most ranges are limited to 100yds while some go to 300 or 600yds. With the amount of acreage available a range catering to long range competitions (800-1500yds) would be possible. In addition to serving the public, the range could hold competitions that would draw shooters from around the Midwest, country and even world and provide a continued economic benefit to the surrounding area while ensuring the land remains undeveloped. In all, only a few hundred acres would likely need to be allocated to this purpose leaving plenty for the other recreational opportunities. Additionally, having a learning center on-site that could be employed to teach the various hunter safety and conservation courses would be a real benefit. New hunters passing through the program could be given the opportunity to hunt right on the grounds and gain critical instruction not available to people without ready access to land or experienced hunters to learn from.
208	Horse trails are where it's at. And in the winter, cross country skiers can use those same trails. Year round use! How awesome is that! HORSE TRAILS!!!
209	no shooting range or ATV's
210	We strongly oppose providing motorized vehicle and shooting range opportunities in the special use zone.
211	A shooting range is definitely needed.

212	I live in the Town of Lodi. From the town, you have easy access Devil's Lake State Park (9,200 acres); Riverland Conservancy (1,800 acres); and the Ice Age Trail. With the addition of the Sauk Prairie Recreation area (7,200 acres), we have over 18,000 acres of conservation lands. The entire town is 16,000 acres. These recreational areas are larger than the entire town itself! At Devil's Lake you can fish, swim, hunt, hike and preserve and restore nature. At Riverland, you can hunt, hike, and preserve and restore nature. The Ice Age Trail provides nearly 5 miles of hiking and nature preservation. The other proposals for the Sauk Prairie Recreation area will allow farming (USDA & Ho-Chunk), hiking, hunting, and the preservation and restoration of nature. The proposed area for a rifle range and ATV park is less than 500 acres. Its location was specifically chosen because it is an area that is secluded and segregated from the rest of the park. Its total use is less than 6/100th of the entire property. These activities are low impact recreational activities as they relate to the overall use of the property! The nearest rifle range is in Deerfield, WI – an hour's drive. The nearest ATV park is in Black River Falls – over 2 hours away! Plan 3 not only allows the traditional activities we have come to know and love, but also provides new opportunities for people who have to travel hours to enjoy their sports!
213	This is the best alternative, it provides opportunity for all types of outdoor enthusiasts truly encompassing what Wisconsinites and Midwesterners are all about
214	I strongly oppose motorized recreation on any of the area. I strongly oppose any shooting ranges. Vehicular access should be limited to what is appropriate to low impact recreation and should include adequate access for people who use disability equipment.
215	I am glad to see that horseback riding is mentioned. There are ways to combine trails so that many people such as skiers, hikers, ATVs and bikers can share the same trail. We have experienced this in South Dakota, Wyoming, Colorado, Minnesota, Romania and Ireland so I know that we can make it successful at Badger. Through education and information one learns to appreciate and preserve the environment. This allows a large variety of individuals to benefit from Badger.
216	This looks like a SPLENDID idea!!
217	If this option is selected, I recommend a provision allowing for continued use of the Sauk Prairie Recreation Area for Army aviation training. The Badger Army Ammunitions Plant has served as a training site for military rotary wing aircraft for many years. This use complements the site's history and heritage. Moreover, the site provides an accessible tactical flight training area for Army aviation crewmembers. The next closest tactical flight training area (Fort McCoy) is approximately a forty (40) minute (round trip) flight away. The DOD reimbursable rate per hour for the UH-60M aircraft is in excess of \$3,500 per hour (per <a href="http://comptroller.defense.gov/rates/fy2013/2013_f_h.pdf">http://comptroller.defense.gov/rates/fy2013/2013_f_h.pdf</a> ). Given the amount of training per crewmember required to maintain proficiency, continued use of the Sauk Prairie Recreation Area for Army rotary wing training could save taxpayers hundreds of thousands of dollars per year. Use could be restricted by location (perhaps to the Special Use Zone) or time (perhaps unrestricted access during hours of darkness) to minimize impact on other activities. This use ensures a trained, ready, and capable aviation force, poised to safely deploy in support of natural disasters, homeland defense, or overseas contingency operations. Thank you for your consideration.
218	Anything motorized should be for Handicapped. We all need more exercise. Use bicycles. Motorized, perhaps electric golf-type carts for the elderly. Just like Devil's Lake NOT GAS MOTORS. There would be ram-rodding around by youth or motor heads. One person's fun is another person's disturbance. There are so few places left undisturbed where we can reconnect with nature. Man needs to learn his place on this planet and forget that he is the planet's master.
219	NO! Who decided ATV riding is public recreation? Then why doesn't the DNR supply us with a public scrapbooking building? Or how about a Sauk Recreation Area Smart Car track? Why should ATV riders get taxpayers to provide them with a place for their specific hobby that has NOTHING to do with natural resources? Let the DOT, (not the DNR) provide ATV tracks if ATV riders are concerned about their licensing fee going to their chosen vehicle interests. ATVs do NOT belong with natural resources! We sit at our home in West Point and listen to the sounds of gun fire at the Merrimac gun club. (Yes, the sound travels all the way across the lake and inland through the hills). Many folks in the Lodi area use the Winnequah gun club or travel to Portage to use that gun club. I'm sure there are other shooting ranges/gun clubs in Sauk County. So why are we going to spend MORE taxpayer money on ANOTHER shooting range? Why?! Why would we take business away from existing businesses that try hard to be good neighbors with the local communities? Please spend my dearly earned tax money on NATURAL RESOURCES and quit expanding into areas that are not necessary!

220	I would like to see horse trails on low impact areas that would be separate from ATV trails and a shooting range. Parking would need to accommodate larger horse trailers. Horse trails can be used together with hiking and biking. Thank you for considering horse trails in your plan.
221	I like the multiple uses it proposes, add horse-back riding trails.
222	Likes: EVERYTHING. This is preferred option. Concerns: Addition of horse trailer parking and riding trails.
223	I like this alternative. It would provide a needed balance of recreation opportunities for the area. I have noticed a trend in many state lands (state natural areas) to more restricted uses. I believe that offering access to varied recreation allows users to connect with the land and develop a love for it. Resulting in more respect, conservation and protection of all lands.
224	That you'd be expanding the recreation further that links with Devils Lake.
225	The elements that concern me are the proposed uses for the Special Use Zone, which so clearly conflict with the other proposed uses. I'm not anti-gun or anti-ATVs, but this isn't an appropriate place for either.
226	I like motorized recreation opportunities, ATV trails.
227	The Special Use Zone was not in the original Badger Reuse Management Plan and should be eliminated. The DNR should follow the guidelines that were developed by consensus in the original reuse plan, as they agreed to do when they purchased the property.
228	ATV owners in the southern half of Wisconsin need a place to ride.
229	as I said before, I do not like the idea of a shooting range.
230	I want this alternative.
231	I favor integrating some of these approaches where they can serve the ultimate goal of a high quality restored prairie. Some parking would be needed for educational opportunities. I think something like UW arboretum or the Leopold Center would be appropriate. Perhaps something more in coordination with the Ho-Chunk Nation would be mutually beneficial experientially and financially.
232	Do NOT have recreation vehicles and shooting ranges on this property. The development of these activities would ruin opportunities for all other enthusiasts.
233	Bridle paths.
234	This seems somewhat overdeveloped. Can there be a happy medium between 8 & 9? Toning down the need for so much building and definitely keeping the area non-motorized. ATVs and snowmobiles are loud, gasoline fumes are detrimental to the environment, the tires/treads can cause damage to wooden walkways (the snowmobile trail was recently relocated at NHAL state forest because the traffic was breaking down the wooden walkway crossing the bog) and natural vegetation. They're not compatible with the idea of getting out and enjoying the peace and quiet of a natural area.
235	We would not favor motorized vehicles on the trails at Black Hawk ridge. Horses, hikers, non-motorized biking, skiing in winter are all compatible but not motorized vehicles. We like the concept of good trail maintenance.
236	I like the low impact options; I strongly oppose the higher impact activities. Above, I noted the major problem with invasive species. Guess what species is most invasive - Homo sapiens!
237	Horse back riding trails and camping from Sauk Prairie Recreation Area into Devils Lake State Park.

238	I like everything about this option with the exception of ATV and rifle range use. As good as all of the rest of the ideas are in this phase it would be better to leave it lay idle than to destroy the land with ATV's and rifle ranges.
239	Horse back riding and horse cart driving should be included.
240	I am TOTALLY opposed to motorized recreation and a shooting range!!! this does not follow the preliminary vision and disrespects the history and land. some of the other options may be long term goals but are cost prohibitive. A wealthy donor or some grant process may enable some of the visitor and interpretive centers/sites to be developed but I oppose shooting ranges or ATV/motorized recreation on this sacred land.
241	Shooting and hunting would need to be separated from picnicking/ hiking/ horseback riding.
242	This is by far the best option. It would be nice if the buildings that are already there could be redone into something of use. We are too much of a throw away society. Linking Devils Lake park to this one is a wonderful idea. This land should be for all people with different ways to enjoy the outdoors. There are not enough multiple use areas for all to enjoy. We all pay taxes so more areas that are not limited to walking, and biking alone should be developed. This not easy of course, but this will be permanently in the governments ownership and over time can be a reality. Volunteers, and DNR involvement are equally important. I know there are a lot of special interest groups that all want their interest to have the most attention. But we should be able to compromise for the benefit of everyone.
243	Why are horses not included in this alternative. Historically, they had a prominent role.
244	Sounds like a lot of money. Don't like that. Don't like the shooting, motorized rec opportunities as I've already mentioned. Sounds like a ton of stuff, which surely will bring out the crowds for driving around and making big noise. I'm not a big fan of this proposal.
245	Yes!! I think part or all of the area should be used for this! Keep areas for the hikers and bikers and the fishers and the hunters and the horseback riders, but make up an are for the motorized sports- ATVs, Bikes, UTVs AND trucks as well. there is a huge opportunity to do a little bit of everything so there is something for EVERYONE!!
246	This alternative would serve a large majority of users/visitors.
247	Equestrian use
248	I like the horseback riding and the cross country skiing. Let's use this site and enjoy and preserve it.
249	Motorized recreation is unnecessary and will dramatically increase the spread of invasive plants, disturb wildlife, and infringe on citizens trying to enjoy quiet, less polluting activities.A shooting range would be ridiculous; totally incompatible with other uses.
250	Love the outdoor plan
251	This plan has many excellent features most of which could be gradually implemented.The SPECIAL USE ZONE SHOULD BE CAREFULLY SELECTED TO NOT INTERFERE WITH THE PRAIRIE EXPERIENCE, and should not include motorized recreation or a shooting range. Canoeing is not a good activity and should not be included, but a fishing pier and picnic area might be acceptable.
252	Get rid of these two areas:Providing motorized recreation opportunities in the Special Use ZoneProviding shooting range opportunities in the Special Use Zone
253	There will need to be clearly posted speeds for ATVs if the trail is close or over laps the horse trails. People that yield to horses and respect them and lower their speed there is generally not a problem. But any trail that I have encountered that allows ATVS and horses, I have seen ATVer's on purpose using high speeds to spoke horses. To the point that horse people will not use the trails.

254	I have noticed that where places allow ATV use, it eliminates anyone else wanting to use the site. Not only is it loud and disruptive, but it is unsafe for walkers, skiers, children, and horses. I would not mind limited horse trails and bicycle trails, silent sports. There are many opportunities for vehicular sports elsewhere. Extensive trails do not seem necessary when there are many other maintained trails in the area. And overall, where would the funding come from to develop, maintain and police this area? Is it truly feasible?
255	I like the lower impact aspects of this alternative. I like picnic area, canoe launch, providing hiking and biking opportunities via the existing Burma road. I would strongly encourage the use of native plants in landscaping these sites, rather than non-natives like kentucky bluegrass. I am emphatically against motorized travel opportunities. In addition to the ecological degradation potential of this use, the noise from motors affects all other visitors within hearing range, and negatively influences the hikers or picnics' experience through noise pollution. I feel very conflicted about the rifle range idea. We do need a 200 yard rifle range (in contrast, it seems there are many existing highly disturbed (i.e. weedy)sites that can be used for ATVs, but the gunfire will disturb some visitors strongly, and introduction of lawn (kentucky blue grass) in landscaping the rifle range would be a negative. If native landscaping could be used, and the hours of range use restricted and clearly posted everywhere (not just at the range) so visitors accessing from other points are aware of the potential to hear gunshot, I think that this is an acceptable use.
256	PLEASE DO NOT PROVIDE A special use zone for hunting, firing range and motorized recreation. This should be a quiet prairie where people on foot or in a canoe can see and enjoy prairie and wildlife, enjoy quiet contemplation undisturbed by noise of shooting and ATVs. Not to mention it is not safe to have a firing range where hikers are.
257	This is the best alternative. There really is nothing like this in south central Wisconsin and we need the development with a wider variety of recreation opportunities. There are ample large tracts of natural areas throughout the region where there is little or no development.
258	NO MOTORIZED USE!!!!
259	Restoration, picnic and viewing vistas, fishing pier and lake access are all good things. Interpretation areas of importance. Providing trails across the property and connecting to Devil's Lake. Basically I like all, except the loud motorized vehicles and the loud shooting range. This is the perfect opportunity for the State of Wisconsin to preserve habitat for the state residents to appreciate and enjoy.
260	This plan meets needs that are not available in the area and provides a comprehensive approach to managing the property.
261	We do not support this Emphasis due to recreational vehicles and shooting range. The area should be kept as natural as possible with walking, biking trails.
262	While would logically be the alternative many respondents would choose, it would also be the most expensive. I would opt for a combination of the second and this alternative. Maintaining some roads for vehicular traffic would be preferred as not all visitors would be able or willing to hike or bike. Having some type of interpretative center would be important to help educate visitors of the history of this area. I would believe that it would be reasonably easy to obtain the services of volunteers, myself included. However, I would not support adding a shooting range, motorized ATV trails, and most definitely, would not support trapping on this property.
263	To repeat, Lets consider offering recreation that will attract a wide variety of people to use it. To offer up a portion of Badger as a four wheeler park is a great idea, as is a shooting range, off road biking, music events, the possibilities are endless. Why would we want to limit it's use. Let's generate revenue for local residents and businesses alike and help make Merrimac a veritable destination.
264	This is a really diverse plan and should be the focus of developing Badger for for public use.
265	This is the alternative I prefer. I just visited the Northern Great Lakes Visitor Center near Ashland and was very impressed. Something like that is a great educational tool for all ages and is a way to tell the history of the land and the people. I don't see a need for a shooting range at all. There are plenty of gun clubs around for that. An ATV trail would be acceptable, especially if it is the same trail used for snowmobiles in the winter.

266	I think this alternative should also call for water availability throughout the SPRA.
267	NO Atvs or horses. Allow low impact use only, hiking, biking CC skiing, hunting, fishing, trapping, canoe carry in. No motorized access inside the park, foot travel only, maintain a few trails. Provide a education/visitor center at the present office locations, with plenty parking. NO automobile touring inside the park! Gate all access, allow only maintenance vehicles inside. Foot travel only, no motorized vehicles, bikes and CC skiing ok.Fishing pier is great, we need more access to Lake Wisconsin, so a boat landing is a good idea, Grubers Grove would be a good location. Moon Valley is over used, boaters are parking on hwy 78.The present management of State properties seems to function well and is acceptable, don't provide specialized recreation to this property, like ATV trails.
268	My experience with siting of shooting ranges indicate that there is not enough buffer area around it to support a rifle range given that the adjacent uses would be seasonal use by USDA for agricultural planting & harvesting, pasture for cows and the occasional wayward hiker. The recommendations we used at the national level were at least 1/2 mile buffer for shot gun and pistol ranges and up to one mile for rifle ranges....please refer to NRA recommendations for shooting ranges.I don't object to ATV's and recognize there is a need in south-central WI. However, there doesn't appear to be enough room here to satisfy many ATV enthusiasts and the biggest problems are related to the associated law enforcement (LE) needs. As a manager of Federal lands, ATV management and enforcement was very time intensive and required an adequate LE budget. If the DNR seriously considers this, you need a commitment of funding for LE.The use of lands for a shooting range and ATV use is not within the current scope of the deed that WDNR received from the NPS.
269	I support this option only with shooting and ATV's away from private home owners. We live right across 78 from the park and don't want to hear gun shots or ATV's
270	I like the restoration, picnic, hiking, etc. I am VERY concerned about the shooting range and motorized vehicle use.
271	I do not support this alternative.
272	Should include providing horse trails for riding and properly sized trail heads to allow for trailers.
273	I strongly support BOMC Alternative 4. I strongly support the Badger Reuse Plan. I do not support ATVs, a shooting range, or other exclusionary high-impact uses. The Regional Property analysis clearly does not support these uses so I HOPE HOPE HOPE that the good science found in the excellent work by the many talented and highly trained WDNR staff working on the ground on this project will not be trampled by political people very high up in WDNR and elsewhere.
274	In the whole southern half of Wisconsin, the only thing you do in a state park is walk around and look at the birds and flowers. This is a great central location to all for expanded activities.
275	I like many aspects of this EXCEPT do not support the motorized recreation use or the shooting range. Also, no motorized boats (although it sounds like this is covered).
276	Please include a network of single track trails to accommodate mountain bikers, runners, and hikers as well as snow shoe enthusiasts and fat bikes in the winter.
277	This is far too aggressive and changes the nature of the area. This is an opportunity to preserve and restore a large area of property to be closer to what it was before the area was settled by white people. It should not be lost.
278	This is by far the most sensible solution. The second one above is too limiting and smacks of a narrow agenda to please a small minority of people. Keep it broad and open and allow for future changes in use. One can not predict the future so allow our children and theirs the opportunity to be flexible in uses.
279	I do not like anything about this alternative. By labeling Special Use Zones, that does not mean every single person will comply. People will be traveling from out of state to use this shooting range, while there are plenty of others around the area (in safer locations) and you cannot guarantee the safety of the current families and residents living nearby.

280	this offers the best balance of uses for the property and allows for maximum benefits for the property.this site allows recreational opportunities for motorized recreation and target shooting.I am willing to travel long distances for these recreational opportunities.thank you for your consideration.
281	The motorized use and shooting range would severely limit my ability to enjoy the sounds and relative quiet of nature.
282	Sounds great, but I wonder who foots the bill?
283	Provides opportunities for both silent and motorized use while protecting vegetation from overuse. Develops public (including family) education to enhance appreciation, understanding, and conservation of this special place which is important to both Native Americans and Euro-Americans.
284	None.
285	Do not believe that a shooting range on the land is appropriate use nor is the allowance of motorized recreation activities.
286	Having a shooting range with all the other outdoor activities is not a wise decision.
287	providing Horseback riding trails since there are mostly non horse related trails everywhere else
288	this would provide greater opportunities for more people to enjoy this beautiful piece of Wisconsin
289	Ditch this - too noisy.
290	I like this.
291	I love the idea that you can get to Devil's Lake from this property. Great! And that biking is included in the plan.Motorized recreation? No snowmobiles or ATV's should be used. Again, getting away from the natural use of the land and having to worry about safety. Not necessary. No hunting or shooting! Why risk people's safety?!
292	Outdoor recreation emphasis is by far preferable as it increases use potential. Motorized use and firearms would detract from the natural state of a unique area. I would prefer not to see or hear unnatural sounds while visiting.
293	This is an excellent use of this land. In particular suggest creation of an off-rad vehicle park suitable for jeeps and 4x4 as well as ATV's and gun ranges of various types (short range, long range and trap shooting)
294	I like the fact that horseback riding is included. Allowing motorized vehicles and a shooting range is a concern, however I do think all uses would be able to get along.
295	Make areas acceptable for 4 Wheel Drive trucks and jeeps. We do not need any more ATV areas in the state. Other states have made places that 4 wheelers can challenge themselves and their vehicles. Our neighbors to the west have them <a href="http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/ohv/index.html">http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/ohv/index.html</a> .Have a shooting range, public hunting areas, camping, hiking, biking Etc. It works at Bong it could work here.
296	I lie all uses except motorized vehicles
297	I like this alternative. Perhaps, bicycles could be allowed on hiking trails on a rotating day basis(even days bikes odd days hiking on complimentary trails.) Motorized recreation should not be excluded. Noise concerns may be addressed in the not too distant future by availability of electric cycles. Off highway vehicle trails in the U.P. are an excellent model of smart use and conservation.
298	I don't think we need more areas for motorized recreation.

299	I hate this option.
300	To the extent endangered species are not compromised, this plan gives the best value to the taxpayer. I would like to see horse riding and driving trails specifically addressed in a way that is safe for equestrians and other users.
301	Don't miss the opportunity to develop mountain bike trails. Single track mountain bike trails have been built in area parks for years. Trails like this (such as at Blue Mounds State Park) can be built by volunteers, are sustainable and serve multiple users.
302	This alternative will drive economic growth in the surrounding communities by bringing visitors to the property. I'll reiterate here that purpose-built singletrack mountain bike trails as I described before will attract visitors who will spend money on gasoline, food, lodging in the area.
303	motorized use should not be allowed.
304	This alternative allows users to enjoy the natural beauty of the land and increases tourism in the area.
305	This will open up the land to more users and will allow many to enjoy the land.
306	Motorized and shooting don't go well with hiking, horses and quiet.
307	This proposal offers the best balance of uses for the property and maximizes the benefit of the property for the most users. The site has the potential to serve a large number of Wisconsin residents because of its proximity to population areas. It also has sufficient space to be able to accommodate some regionally underserved recreational interests like motorized recreation and target shooting. The size and layout of the property would allow a variety of recreational interests to be enjoyed without interference. This option also allows for many of the important features of the other options to be part of the program. The other two options are too restrictive. This option best addresses everyone's interests. I am willing to travel a long distance to be able to participate in motorized recreation and target shooting at this site - especially since these interests are largely underserved in this part of the state.
308	I like this one as well. I'd be concerned about the cost of all the development and that it might get partway done and funding dry up so that one group or another gets left out. That said, I'd prefer that there be no shooting range, partly due to safety concerns. But if I can ride my horse there then the gun guys can shoot there.
309	sorry, don't mean to sound like a one trick pony (no pun intended :) but i really hope horseback riding trails will figure in to any of these use plans.thank you.
310	This would be a wonderful way to encourage visitors and raise funds for the property's restoration and ongoing development. A growing number of outdoor enthusiasts are horseback riders, and the baby boomer generation of horseback riders spends most of their horseback time trail riding. This demographic is an outstanding source of volunteers and financial donations. Horseback mountaineers can cover a lot of ground monitoring trail condition, looking for invasive species, etc. without emissions of motorized vehicles. There is a strong local community of horseback riders and owners who can support facility construction, trail maintenance, and even build trail obstacles that encourage more visitors and fund-raising opportunities such as competitive trail challenge events.
311	This alternative demands inherent impact to this area that could be pristine. This is not a great option.
312	I like most of this, but would prefer to limit the amount of motorized recreation in the area.
313	This alternative is unacceptable: shooting ranges and motorized recreation is incompatible with any of the other uses.

314	Shooting and hunting would greatly disturb a peaceful environment and also affect the wildlife in the area....please there are enough areas for hunting now.
315	as an avid horseman i like this approach also and have no problem sharing trail corridors. the site is large enough for the variety of recreation opportunities suggested to be included. i suggest confining/concentrating general public access and parking in one area to take advantage of the site's biggest opportunity which is the ability to get a remote hiking, horse trail riding, winter use or pack in camping expereince.
316	I think the pier, canoe/boat access and picnic area are good ideas, as well as a small visitor center for educational activities. I don't see the need for extensive motor vehicle access. I am not in favor of a shooting range nor an off-road vehicle zone. A bathroom and water area would be necessary. Large signs with information on Native American and Euro-American history on the site, as well as descriptions of the ammunitions plant era, would be sufficient. Vegetation management is very important, as our natural areas are being degraded by the influx of garlic mustard, buckthorn, autumn olive, wild parsnip and other alien species. We must be vigilant about keeping them out.
317	Strongly support, but only if it includes a closed loop trail system for two wheeled vehicles. If licensing is an issue, mandate street legal. Not having a safe, legal place to ride in southern Wisconsin is long overdue.
318	Horse trails are needed
319	This option sounds quite popular. It would include the community in the use of the land. Thank you for including horseback riding. The only concern is the shooting range and the noise it provides, which can spook horses and also detract from the natural beauty. Please consider noise control for the shooting range.Also, the trapping is of concern for hikers and dog walkers. Please consider limiting trapping or removing it as an option for safety.Thank you for offering this survey!
320	This plan sounds perfect! Everything I would ask for, as long as horses are sure to be involved! Love that so many different folks will be able to enjoy and learn from the land!
321	Don't like a shooting range or ATV's
322	Horse trails!!! cross country skiing,
323	I like this alternative the best again emphasizing the horse trails, and where possible (both in location and monetarily) I would suggest rather than building new buildings restore selected old plant offices and buildings for parks offices and group reservable bunk houses for schools and youth groups to use. The old Badger Ammunitions plant is a large property and I think we can find ways to incorporate all of the uses listed here while maintaining the rustic value and restoration of the natural area.
324	very nice
325	I like the motorized rec and shooting range. This provide these activities closer to the people of southern Wisconsin and thus get more use and bring in more revenue to the area.
326	it would be nice to have natural ecosystems restored.
327	The incorporation into the Badger Use Plan of motorized trails and a shooting range is OUTRAGEOUS! It is inconsistent with the original plan, is in direct conflict with the other low-impact uses proposed for the site, and smacks of political payback. This property is a phenomnenal resource that needs to be managed as an integrated whole.
328	Most of this looks positive except for the motorized recreation and auto access. Recreational and educational uses could be restricted to the perimeter with natural uses in the interior of property. There is no need for a shooting range on this property. It is a sad reminder of the perhaps necessary, but unfortunate, role the facility played as a military supply location. The lives lost and pollution of the property are a bad enough legacy of that period. We should inform the public about the history, but we do not need to glamorize or continue that destruction.

329	The motorized recreation area is not part of a trail system
330	This is my preferred usage.
331	I LIKE EVERYTHING EXCEPT HUNTING, TRAPPING, ANOTHER SHOOTING RANGE, AND NOISY LOUD ANNOYING ATV'S. WHY DON'T WE ALL BRING LOUD NOISY CHAINSAWS TOO? HAVE YOU EVER COUNTED THE NUMBER OF SHOOTING RANGES IN WISCONSIN? ONE IN EVERY TOWNSHIP PRACTICALLY. AND FARMERS INVITING CITY FOLKS BY THE DOZENS TO HUNT ON THEIR LAND AROUND HERE FOR FREE. IF THIS IS WHAT YOU LIKE, LET THEM IN YOUR BACKYARD! THANK YOU FOR READING & ALLOWING THIS INPUT. [REDACTED]
332	Horse riding trails are important recreation and should be in this plan.
333	I like in this alternative the more positive approach to APPROPRIATE visitor access; the provision for a visitor/interpretive center; connections to Devil's Lake State Park (and you should include the Ice Age Trail).Concerns: The Special Use Zone is inappropriate for many reasons, and should be deleted. It includes the best prairie remnant at Badger, one which I have spent many volunteer hours helping to restore. It includes an important pioneer cemetery. It itself is critically important as grassland bird habitat. It will produce noise that will be unwelcome by other users and the local neighbors, and will affect wildlife populations. It goes counter to the Badger Reuse Plan and the DNR-NPS agreement. It does not belong. take the best of this alternative and alternative #2, and abide by the values and criteria of the Badger Reuse Plan.
334	there are too many interests pulling at this option - I don't see how they can work together. I support low impact use only and support a quiet area to enjoy nature. already on each side you have commercial recreation going on. Lake Wisconsin, WI Dells, etc. Let's keep the Baraboo bluffs, river and the transition area peaceful for all. I don't see how adding motorized access, boat access and shooting (rifle range - I support hunting) is in keeping with preserving the land.
335	This was never the vision for the SPRA and it should not even be considered now. No high-impact activities of any sorts should be allowed in the SPRA--meaning every such consideration is concerning (biking, horseback riding, motorized use, shooting ranges, extensive vehicle access).
336	While I like most of this, how will these uses be managed, maintained and paid for? If it is true that components of this alternative are in direct conflict with the agreement signed with the national park service, I would seriously consider removing such components. Does this respect the aspects of the Badger Reuse Plan and local land use plans? Are the suggested locations for the uses compatible with the ecological, cultural and geological significant components of the property?
337	I am in favor of emphasis on recreation. This large parcel can be used by many different user groups. I like creating a designated area with adjacent trails for ATV users. I strongly support having access on both the Hwy 12 - Baraboo side and the Hwy 78 Merrimac Side. I would support a public road from Hwy 78 to Hwy 12 through the plant. This would take stress from Hwy 113 to the North and provide better access from the Merrimac area to Baraboo and the North via the new Hwy 12.
338	I like the idea on getting more users to engage with the property, but my concern is making sure one use does not negatively impact other uses or even draw too many users beyond what the area could handle.
339	I love everything about this plan...this is exactly what our area needs to draw additional visitors which in turn puts heads in beds, increases revenue to local restaurants, etc.
340	I would rather see private developer's be in charge to allow demand to steer the use and development, rather that a government run and funded scheme.
341	Do not provide motorized recreation areas. Do not provide shooting range.
342	Don't like the idea of noise, love tranquility. A shooting range just doesn't do it for me. Just like in the national parks, snowmobiles, trains, planes are limited because of noise quality/pollution.

343	I believe we should focus on the silent sports : No off-road motorized vehicles No shooting range No gun deer seasonIf trapping is allowed for fox/coyote, I believe dogs or other pets will be inadvertently trapped.
344	Move the airport there.
345	And all of this should be done except allowing access to any areas for motorized recreation or shooting ranges. There has been no established need for more shooting ranges in the area (we already have plenty) and no need or want established for ATV use.
346	I do not want this alternative. Too hard on the land. Too noisy.
347	I live in the Waters Edge development adjacent to the Sauk Prairie Recreation Area (SPRA). My major concern is that activities with high noise impact, such as a shooting range, would negatively impact our area. Maybe it is possible to locate these types of activities in an area of the SPRA where this would not occur, but I and my neighbors would strongly oppose these activities if this is not done. We have already been harmed by the groundwater contamination at Badger and we are quite sensitive to any further negative impacts. Linking the SPRA to Devils Lake State Park via bike trails and hiking trails is a very good idea. Also, I wonder if it is a good use of public funds to create and staff a visitor center at SPRA. Could information about the SPRA be available in brochures or other media at Devils Lake State Park?
348	Is this a serious proposal or do I just misunderstand it. It fragments off a huge track for invasive recreation....it seems to decouple all the DNR lands from ecological restoration and it seems to totally miss the historic opportunity we have to heal the land and make the Sauk Prairie a jewel destination for prairie species and people who value light recreation and being in authentic nature. Surely a more balanced proposal is possible.
349	Please take out Providing motorized recreation opportunities in the Special Use Zone
350	We would be opposed to the shooting range and ATV areas in the Keller road area. I have been unable to find a map with this area clearly marked, am hoping the meeting on Jul 31 would include this information. We would be more receptive to these uses if they were not so close to established residential areas. We live in a development across Hwy 78 from the Keller road and feel strongly that the added noise would be unacceptable to most living in the area.
351	All this would defeat everything that has been done and would make this another tourist disaster.
352	I am highly in favor of this.
353	I would love it if there were ATV trails, there are PLENTY of areas for all the ducks (aka wildlife) on the lake, fields etc, look at a air photo of southwest wis. its all a large habitat !!
354	I am horrified by the thoughts of a shooting range in this area!!! Also, I don't believe that there would be enough monitoring of ATV use. These ideas sound to me like a recipe for disaster! Are you kidding me? Uses such as this are the reason that birds and animals are going extinct, activities such as these will disrupt the fragile ecosystem that has survived and thrived there the last 50+ years. I am disappointed that such loud and unruly activities would even be considered for such a prime piece of property, especially considering that there is more than one shooting range in the area. (Sauk Prairie trap club and North Freedom rod and gun club) Again, I believe it is IMPERATIVE that we PRESERVE this land, back to its original state and refrain from further destructive activities on it! Our children and (their children) deserve the chance to learn about the native lands.
355	That all seems vary beneficial. A good start to something better than what was.
356	I believe that if this alternative is done correctly (without the Special Use Zone ), the SPRA could be a hub of eco-tourism. It would be very beneficial for our area. There are many nearby accessible natural areas, and this could serve as an informational center highlighting all of them. Sauk Prairie could become the place to come for people who enjoy hiking, birding, canoeing, camping, fishing, hunting,

	wildlife viewing, and many other low-impact recreational activities. I own an ATV and I strongly believe the idea of an isolated area for riding is blatantly stupid. I don't think it would be popular as there are no connecting trails or destinations like what's available in northern Wisconsin. Creating this in the SPRA would be destructive and completely useless in my opinion. I own many guns and believe that this area wouldn't be appropriate for a gun range. The serenity of the area needs to be preserved so that all of people coming to enjoy the area aren't hearing gunfire all day. I also believe that potentially introducing more contaminants for propellants and lead is a horrible idea.
357	I like the increased uses fishing pier, canoe launch, abandoning roads not used, hiking and biking through Burma Road. I am opposed to the motorized recreation, and shooting ranges. I am unsure of the need for interpretation and educational centers. I would like to see single track sustainable (IMBA standards) mountain bike trails that could be used for multi use with snow shoes in the winter. These type of trails are seen in Kettle Moraine Parks and Blue Mound State Parks. These type trails are very different from the bicycle trails in Devils Lake State Park or in Mirror Lake State Park. I would also like to see multi use trails that can be used by hikers and cross country skiers. I would be opposed to trails that share use with horses. There is no use that is consistent with sharing the trail. I am not opposed if horses have their own trail system but they are not meant to share it.
358	Low impact recreation is appropriate. A shooting range and ATV tracks are not. The people who live near these activities as well as the other user of the recreation area will not like these high impact activities. You should be listening to locally as they will have to live with your plan.
359	I like the opportunity to explore and utilize the land as this approach does. For the betterment of the Sauk Prairie area and its continued growth, relocating the existing gun club on Sauk Prairie Road to this area would allow for additional opportunities in the community.
360	I live next to the proposed site for the shooting range. I have very serious concerns about this because we have horses and our neighbors have horses. Not only am I concerned about the noise this will bring to our now peaceful neighborhood, I am concerned about riding our horses on Keller Road and being in danger of stray bullets or the horses being spooked by the noise and someone getting hurt because of it. We have small children who also ride and not to mention joggers and walkers and bike riders from all over the area.
361	Items in this alternative that I like include providing public access to Lake Wisconsin and providing hiking and biking alternatives into Devil's Lake (and hopefully into Prairie Du Sac). Items in this alternative I DON'T like include providing motorized recreation opportunities and providing a shooting range. While a number of the remaining key components are intriguing, restoration and preservation of the site should take precedence over building new facilities.
362	Like: The shooting range is an excellent idea. Concern: Consider the cost of operating expenses when looking at other alternatives.
363	Parts of this are okay. I think the Ecological Restoration emphasis is best, though parts of this emphasis could be accommodated. I think the development of fishing pier, etc. at the Lake WI parcel is acceptable. Perhaps some primitive trails could be built on parts of the property - however hunting should have first priority. I think a visitor center is a good idea - perhaps could house the Badger museum, but I don't want the property to become a developed property, so it's probably not needed. Biking could be allowed on current infrastructure - again hunting has priority. I do NOT want to see ATVs or any motorized recreation on any part of this property. I also do not think that a shooting range is necessary. People can join the North Freedom or Spring Green ranges if they want a place to shoot. I would like to see some low impact interpretive displays of both the ammo plant and native American history. Limit vehicle access to some of the main roads.
364	yes concerns me very much with safety issues and closing other shooting ranges down along with ATV's leaving marked areas. Also disturbing contaminants in ground hurting water quality. look back at last page. Don't like this idea.
365	I think what you are trying to plan and the ways you want to put this property to use for the whole state...is the way to go.

366	This is the best alternative.
367	I hate that this plan allows motorized recreation and shooting. The park might become too noisy. But other ideas in this plan are very nice, like the parking and picnic areas, access to Devil's Lake, bathrooms, and fishing pier.
368	I like it all except for the shooting range
369	The special zone for the rifle range and motorized recreation area is very close to my property. I have strived very hard to acquire and maintain a 'country lifestyle' for myself and my family (as I'm sure have many property owners in this area). I did NOT purchase property next to a rifle range and 4 wheel trail 20 years ago and I certainly don't wish to change that now. I have GREAT concern about the area proposed for these activities. With the amount of acreage involved in Badger, if the plan was to include such activities, I think it should be placed where it would have LESS/NO effect on neighboring properties.
370	I am in favor of ATV / Motorcycle trails as it will provide a sanctioned place to ride. This will then deter folks who are currently using non-sanctioned areas like the lower Wisconsin River shore and marsh areas. It will also generate tourism that is currently going elsewhere.
371	I would like to see the special use area-ieshooting and motorized use areas be more on the interior portions. I believe if these are within 4 miles of houses that they could directly impact the property values and the quality of life for these residences. i would also like to see horse trails in the master plan. equestrian use can add to the economic impact to the area-the need for fuel etc.
372	This is a good start, - but - this is a scenic, natural area - no gun range & no ATV or truck/jeep trails. Those should be in a more remote area. Please consider the FOURTH alternative...
373	I like the idea of outdoor recreation because it makes the property useful for the largest amount of people. However, I do not see the need for a shooting range, as there are already many in the area and a shooting range in a family friendly recreational area poses a safety risk to the communities children. I also do not agree with an ATV trail, as there is LEAD in the dirt in Badger. Inhaling lead leads to LEAD POISONING. Lead is toxic to the heart, bones, intestines, kidneys, reproductive and nervous systems. ATVs kick up a lot of dirt, and would lead to health problems for those using the trails. Allowing the use of ATVs at Badger for this reason alone is IRRESPONSIBLE and a PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUE. Not only that, but the noise of the ATVs would interfere with the peace and quiet of those trying to enjoy the trail by other means.
374	I think the use of motorized recreation opportunities is a great idea because there is very limited locations in the southern part of the state where you can use motorized recreation vehicles on public land. Hikers and bird watchers have an abundance of state property to do there activities on and that is not the case for motorized recreation users who pay a fee to the state to register their vehicles and hikers and bird watchers don't have to pay a fee. I think this is a good way to be fair to the taxpayers.
375	The special use zone will dramatically reduce the quality and safety of visits to badger by those interested in the low impact activities present.
376	I am in favor of the additional opportunities for fishing, canoeing and other quiet outdoor recreational activities. I am concerned about the gun range and the idea of ATV trails. These activities seem totally oppositional to the other recreational activities that are being proposed. In addition, I think there needs to be an honest evaluation of the noise levels, damage to the land and potential harmful consequences to people that these activities incur. At the meeting I attended, there were many pictures of the beauty of Badger. I would like people to be shown what an ATV course looks like, I would like them to know what it sounds like and I would like to know statistics on injuries from this type of activity. Also, I would like specifics on how these areas will be regulated.

377	Much of this alternative complies with the values of the Badger Reuse Plan, and would be welcome. The glaring exceptions are the motorized recreation opportunities , the shooting range opportunities , and the entire concept of the Special Use Zone . Such an attempt to isolate unwanted and incompatible uses is contrary to the Badger Reuse Plan, which says manage Badger as a whole. Eliminate those specific, noisy and intensive recreational uses and the third alternative would be acceptable. It would be almost as good as Alternative 4: Conservation and LOW-IMPACT Recreation recommended by the Badger Oversight Management Commission. I support Alternative 4.
378	I like the shooting range. Not the 4 wheeler or other off road machine use as this will disrupt the soil and make erosion and spread invasives.
379	This is unacceptable; it is not consistent with the re-use plan. Motorized recreation is not consistent with the vision and the original agreement between DNR and the National Park Service on support DNR ownership of Badger Properties. A new Alternative 4 recommended by the Sauk Prairie Conservation Alliance should be developed.
380	I do not approve of a shooting range or atv course. VEHICLE ACCESS SHOULD BE STRICTLY REGULATED AND NOT EXCESSIVE.
381	I like the plan that includes the use of bicycling, not crazy about atv use
382	no need for sport vehicle noise, pollution and weapons in nature!!!!!!!!!!!!
383	I like this alternative it offers a use for all peoples of the state to enjoy - recreation.when the rails to trails bike route from Sauk Prairie is completed it will provide a great place to bike to and super exercise. I like the ability to take my grandson out to teach him how to properly handle a fire arm in a safe zone without having to join a restrictive club. I would want the rifle range to be out sourced to provide management, up keep and supervision in certain hours. I like the use of recreation activities for all the people not just for the few. We have a nature conservancy land just one mile to the west of this property for those who want to enjoy only nature, unabated by man. for us to enjoy but this property gives us a chance to provide activity to more people.
384	This is a good use for this property as its history of industrial use has left it far from pristine. Intensive uses won't harm the environment as that has already been done. Concentrating these uses on this property relieves pressure on more pristine properties like Devil's Lake. Uses such as a free shooting range are not available in the area and many of the nearby gun clubs focus on trap and skeet. There are very few opportunities for ATV users in the southern part of the state. Development would enhance the use of this property including access for disabled.
385	I oppose the creation of a shooting range in ANY area of the SPRA, including a Special Use Zone. I oppose the creation of any motorized recreation opportunity such as ATV and off road motorcycles; dirt bike and ATV, even in a Special Use Zone.The shooting range and motorized recreation vehicles do not meet the values and criteria for achieving protection of the lands, to restoration of the natural and cultural features of the property. Gun ranges and ATV use has nothing to do with natural resources. I strongly object to opening this land to motorized off-road vehicles. This soil is highly erodible and will dig in over and over. ATV users are not respectful of the land or other people. The gun range does not belong here. Consider the noise and danger created with the rapid fire guns used at a shooting range. These types of guns will scare all the wild life in the area.Please leave this land for hikers and birders and farmers and the animals and the Ho-Chunk to manage sustainably. I like and agree with all other concepts mentioned in the outdoor recreation emphasis of this alternative. If the ATV and shooting range are eliminated, the opportunities for hunting, fishing, trapping, hiking, cross country skiing as well as non motorized biking, and horseback riding are in line for low-impact use.
386	This alternative goes to far and does not limit recreational activities to low impact. I am in favor of the BOMC proposed Alternative 4!
387	after motor tours in October 2012 and on 8-24-13, have decided that BOMC Alternative #4 would be best. no motorized recreational opportunities. no shooting range opportunities.

388	Cycling opportunities here need better definition. The special use area for ATV use and a shooting range is an acceptable plan. The location for this Special Use Area is concerning due to its location to the local population. This plan is an acceptable use plan for tourism and tourism dollars in the Sauk County Area.
389	No ATV nor the Gun Range. Hunting permitted because of seasonal restrictions.
390	This is the concept I would like to see because I think more people would get the most use out of the property. Yes it would be noisy at times but so are Harley motorcycles going down the hwy and other people with boats on the lake make lots of noise. If you want real quiet you'll have to get far away from hways. and lakes.
391	I do not like this alternative. It has several good uses, as included above in the Ecological Restoration Alternative, including the NBOAs, and I like the expanded use for bikes and horseback riding. But, I absolutely disagree with motorized vehicle use (other than car/light truck access to certain roads for access) such as ATVs and the shooting range. I don't think these two activities are consistent with the restoration/conservation emphasis and they should not be allowed, under any circumstances.
392	I like that it includes motorized vehicles. Residents of Sauk County must currently travel several hours to get to public off road trails. Opening Badger to motorized vehicles will satisfy a huge demand. Environmentalists already have Devil's Lake, Mirror Lake and Parfrey's Glenn, plus numerous county parks - motorized vehicles deserve the same opportunity!
393	I like: Providing hiking and biking opportunities into Devils Lake State Park via Burma Road & Providing facilities such as a classroom, parking area, staging area, wash station, bathroom and water area in the Special Use Zone
394	No ATV - No high-powered (or low-powered) rifle range. How about you just Adopt the Oversight Management Commission's Alternative #4 :)
395	Give the land back to the families or heirs to those that had it taken away from them back in 1942.
396	High impact recreational usages like motorized recreation and shooting ranges should be ruled out. They are not part of the original land use agreements under which the property was turned over.
397	The special use zone is inappropriate based upon existing, negotiated agreements concerning future use of the property. Cleanup is never guaranteed to get 100% of the contaminants off of the property. Dust causing activities could spread the remaining contaminants as well as making it possible for everyone to inhale this stuff.
398	This would be a good use of the property with limitations.
399	like it
400	i say no to shooting range and motorized recreation. the noise and pollution will wreck the area for other uses. Its hard to have a nice peaceful picnic or hike listening to shooting, four wheelers, and motorcycles.
401	I would like to see part of it put to use for horse trails, wide enough for carts which would also enable emergency vehicles to get through. The location is great for the central Wisconsin population to get to easily and affordably.
402	The classroom idea is outstanding! Again - developing the existing roadways on the property as bike trail along with the construction of single track mountain bike trail
403	* providing Motorized recreation opportunities/ shooting range etc

404	I like parts of this plan that address restoration, low-impact access & recreation, interpretation & education components of this plan. I have serious concerns about the Special Use Zone and the high-impact recreation that would be allowed there. Such uses are in conflict with the Badger Reuse Plan and would have a detrimental impact on other recreational users, wildlife and natural systems, and neighboring landowners.
405	Not a shooting range. Other ideas are reasonable.
406	No motorized use including ATV's or snomobiles, no shooting range - absolutely not needed and not appropriate. Limited trails - not extensive - and limited car access - disrupting the land too much will disrupt the unique species and destroy the peaceful and beautiful place. May be some limited biking trails. Silent sports and low impact only. Not sure about the lake Wisconsin piece.
407	This is the best option. It offers a great alternative to the busy WI Dells hype.
408	Providing hiking and biking opportunities into Devils Lake State Park via Burma Road-I would like to see more bike trails that fit into this category:Constructed mountain bike trails - Specially constructed, challenging, narrow-width trails built to the trail standards of the International Mountain Bicycling Association (IMBA). There currently is only 50 miles of this type of trail in the Wisconsin State parks. County parks that have more flexibility in their planning processes are developing trails that are becoming destinations in the Midwest while the state parks are falling behind. Great examples include Levis Mound Trail system and Camrock 3 County park.I am opposed to these provisions:Providing motorized recreation opportunities in the Special Use ZoneProviding shooting range opportunities in the Special Use Zone
409	I do not want to see motorized travel allowed in the park. Walking trails and biking would not disturb animals and people who are enjoying nature and the sounds of. When I think of Devils Lake and the endless line of cars driving in along the lakes South shore I just don't get it. To truly enjoy nature you have to get out and walk it. Hunting and trapping etc. should not be allowed as we should consider this area a preserve. A area that we need to support and protect. I would like to be able to view wildlife as close to the time before man was part of the scene as possible.
410	I would vote agains a shooting range in this area. The focus should be keeping the area as natural as possible.
411	I like the connection from Burma road and low impact trails through out the park. I am not a fan of ATV trails or a shooting range. A new visitor center would be amazing, combining the history of the pioneers who settled the area, the Plant history, and how the land used to be before settling. Limited vehicle access would be nice, with just a few main roads. In general, I would like to see this land rehabilitated back to a great prairie. Just like at Devils Lake, I would like to see trails, camping, and educational opportunities. Other recreation opportunities may be too much for the ecosystem to handle.
412	I do not like the addition of motorized use or the shooting range. Horseback riding and biking additions are fine. Again, this is a rural area and not the Dells. Please keep this a quiet rural area.
413	I support this alternative. This makes the land available to many people with many different interests. This is a balanced approach and, since the dollars of many taxpayers with varying interests restored the area, there should be multiple opportunities for as many of those people to use the area as possible.
414	Delete the motorized recreation opportunities, delete the shooting range opportunities, which are at odds with and detrimental to the more environmentally sensitive uses. This area now provides the opportunity to encourage natural communities that cannot be located elsewhere. Motorized recreation opportunities and shooting range opportunities can be located in areas where they will not negatively impact natural communities or the towns and villages surrounding them. Limit and carefully site vehicle access.
415	Public shooting range is essential in this area. Utilizing this area for fishing hunting, and recreation would be the best use, short of putting it back on the property tax rolls.
416	No motorized vehicles, No shooting.

417	This is the best alternative as it covers the majority of activities that Wisconsinites participate in. I think there is enough land available that this is the best solution.
418	YES PLEASE!!!!!!!!!!!! I really could care less about a shooting range, but everything else is a go here. I'd be a little skeptical of allowing everyone and anyone in for gun deer season, i'm pretty sure there were more than a few issues in season one? But again, there's thousands of acres, you'd think they'd be able to find a spot, but that's public hunting for you sometimes, and there isn't much in the southern part of the state for GOOD public hunting. Sorry, but the lower WI riverway is basically junk and pure swamp. If I wanted to swim, i'd have a pool. No thanks. The main things people are all huffy and puffy about are atv's and hunting. I've already addressed atv's, and i'd rather not have to go to Adams Co for the nearest trail. Yes the political circus is only 30 mins away, but again, if your serenity and quiet is what you want....devils lake is LITERALLY over the hill, go there, and guess what, we'll leave you alone, and you'll leave us alone. I'm not sure hunting is that big of an issue here, I haven't heard people griping about it as much as I would expect. The only thing i'd say about it, is if you've got that many acres, and you cant hunt on it? What the hell is the point of it then? ITS WISCONSIN!!!!!!!!!!!! If you don't like hunting, MOVE TO FRANCE!
419	I like this option the best as it provides something for everyone.
420	I like the use for NBOAs as well as hiking opportunities are enhanced. I am concerned about adding higher impact travel and shooting sports to this property. As a lifelong hunter, I appreciate the need for more shooting opportunities for practice with marksmanship. I feel that there are other properties better suited for these uses in close proximity to this property For example Blackhawk Ridge, Mazo Oak Barrens and Dog Training Facility and several other properties in the Lower Wisconsin Riverway.
421	There needs to be a blended approach. The ecology of the area needs to be protected AND passive recreation/educational opportunities should be developed and promoted. I do not support the creation of ATV trails and shooting ranges.
422	Do the shooting range. There is a huge lack of good safe ranges in this area.
423	I like the idea of having something like this in our area. Because of the history of the site, I think it should be preserved, cherished, and used by all residents. All the above-mentioned items in the outdoor recreation emphasis can be enjoyed by all. I honestly think it's a way of giving back after the land was essentially taken from the area. I would love to see this happen as many of my friends and family would. What a fun concept!
424	I am concerned about how the ATV and shooting range will affect animal and bird habitat restoration. In areas up north like the Black River falls area ATV's have had a very negative affect on the environment. Having shooting and ATV's would also require more support from a law enforcement perspective.
425	I am opposed to motorized vehicles. The Kickapoo Reserve outlawed motorized vehicles because of the damage they created prior to the State taking ownership of the land. It will become like Lake Wisconsin which is no longer enjoyable on Sat afternoon because of reckless and crazy drivers. I oppose the shooting range and the loud noise, there are plenty of gun clubs with shooting ranges, it belongs at the gun clubs.
426	I like this plan, open it up for enjoyment. Bring some excitement to Sauk-Prairie, by providing a place for people to enjoy.
427	Best alternative by far. Makes the most use of the space for all and creates another showcase area in Wisconsin. Provides many educational opportunities and creating bike trail is a big plus. The Special Use Zone is good as long as it is far from other areas. Good idea to include cross country skiing and mountain biking. Not sure I would include a shooting range for safety reasons.
428	Alternative 4 is the best.
429	I agree with this option, because it is the most all-encompassing. As I mentioned before, I want to see bicycling in this area.

430	I see this option as facilitating much too much human use of the area. We humans don't need another playground. There is constant pressure on our natural environment, loss of habitat for many species, too many noisy, polluting motor vehicles...the decommissioning of Badger offers a rare golden opportunity to shift that balance back just a little in support of the immensely valuable natural communities that live there or could live there if we just let them.
431	This is a disaster plan designed by someone with no respect for the land, and little understanding of the purpose of the Wisconsin DNR. Please respect the land, without the foul pollution and noise from the ATVs and a gun range. Absolutely ridiculous. We do not need state sponsored ATV land destruction or the promotion of more gun and bullet sales.PS: There are already two gun ranges within about 5 miles of Badger, perhaps more.With all you have to face these days in State government, please have the courage to make the right decisions for the land. The people will support you! Thanks!
432	I like this one. You get revenue too.
433	This alternative (not alternative!) certainly concerns me. I hope it is not chosen.
434	I want no shooting, hunting or recreational vehicle use
435	Alternative 3 adds high-impact recreational uses, motorized use trails and a shooting range, that run counter to the Badger Reuse Plan's recommendation for compatible, low-impact recreational uses; they are dangerous, noisy, polluting, and inappropriate for a family recreation area; and they will negatively affect neighbors within and adjacent to the Badger property. We urge the DNR to adopt 'Alternative 4,' proposed by the Badger Oversight Management Commission.
436	ATV trails and a shooting range could be incompatible with other proposed uses, due to noise, erosion and danger to other users.
437	Trails should be wide for multi-use. Motorized DO NOT mix with silent activities (hiking, horses). I am against motorized activities in the plan.
438	Motorized vehicle access would be more beneficial if only electric transport were allowed! Little smart-type cars provided for those who do not own them....or un-motorized access only in most areas. Exploring alternatives here would be a huge enhancement.
439	Don't need it
440	I like it, but please cut down the emphasis on culture and history. A brief part of that is fine, but emphasis should be on the recreational activities outline here. Multiple shooting ranges of varying distances and setups would be better, and give more space for more shooters. Make sure there are bathrooms and running water for users of the range year round.
441	I would like to see a public firearms range with a wide of ranges and options for all kinds of shooters.
442	This option tries to provide too much. Mixing many recreational options all in one area causes conflict and a less enjoyable experience for everyone. One space cannot provide for all. There needs to be a smaller focus.
443	NO hunting/trapping. Enough of the state is available for these activities already. DNR needs to foster this area in a truly sustainable manner for future generations
444	Appealing to more people, but more likely to cause damage to the area.
445	The shooting sports are a must for this property, this helps demonstrate that weapons and ammo production has a productive measurable management impact on the co-systems of today and into the future.

446	A public shooting range would be the best way to use this property
447	A shooting range--are you kidding me? Not in this area --they already have the McKenzie Center for that now!
448	this would be the best alternative and if there are motorized recreation areas, why not also make separate non-motorized recreational trails for bikers, hikers, skiers and horseback riders?
449	yes, get people outside and active and involved.
450	Bad idea:Providing motorized recreation opportunities in the Special Use Zone.Bad idea:Providing shooting range opportunities in the Special Use Zone.The rest are good ideas.
451	Strongly oppose this alternative; particularly a shooting range(which can be heard from a long distance), motorized vehicles, hunting and trapping.I rate this the least attractive of the proposals, would rather see nothing done to the region.
452	Great use of a large piece of land
453	This must be the focus! An honest review of recreational land use opportunities in southern wisconsin will find few options (if any) to support this option. Please know that there are many many individuals and families that would so deeply appreciate having the opportunity to use these lands for the activities noted above.
454	This option best addresses everyone's interests. The property is large enough, especially considering the surrounding area, to provide a little something for everyone...but the focus should be on serving groups that have limited resources currently.
455	This is the best alternative, it hits all of the bases a home run.
456	I would like to point out that by including horseback riding and horse camping you open yourself up to a group of the public that is very interested in maintaining the area and the natural beauty of the site. The horse trails allow people to observe not only the beauty but also seeing areas of concern that park personel may not have the time or means to get to. Taking Donald Park as an example there is a strong volunteer group that help maintain the park because horses are allow. The area is also in a good location to other horse activities that can draw in the visitors but also the volunteers. There would also be a source of revenue from trail passes to camping fees. I have a strong feeling that if you limit your usage to a select few you cut yourself from a very large pool of volunteers.
457	Of all the options I favor this option the most. Again I want to emphasize the need to develop recreational trails for motorized vehicles with dedicated trails for off road motorcycles which are significantly underserved n the region.
458	I am concerned about the ATV, Hunting and shooting range. I would prefer that these were not included,
459	i like horseback riding trails
460	I would use the horseback riding trails and consider them to be very complimentary with the natural habitat and not as invasive as motorized vehicles. Motorized use such as ATVs could have a negative impact on the habitat and environment in general and I would be opposed to this type of use.
461	Sounds great
462	I like this.

463	I support the notion of developing some trails, and connections with Devil's Lake State park. Shooting ranges and ATV trails are not compatible with my preferred use of horseback riding, and would negatively impact the experience of other user groups seeking a quiet escape from civilization's noise pollution. I am concerned that this alternative basically turns the area into a state park rather than retaining the natural, remote, quiet feel that I would value. It does have the advantage of encouraging use by more people.
464	Definitely not
465	I am concerned about permitting firearms in a park that will surely attract many people, including children and school groups. A shooting range is incompatible with the enjoyment and restoration of a natural environment. I am also concerned about auto access, except to educational station areas and trail access points. In general, motorized recreational opportunities do not belong in a natural restoration and conservation area.
466	This is what is needed to the benefit of everyone. please include horse back riding trails.
467	I like that it includes motorized use. My hope is that it will include single track motorcycle trails. We currently have to drive 120 miles to ride single track motorcycle, thus we would appreciate having use of this property.
468	This is the best alternative offered. This plan will get the most use of the property.
469	I like the more recreation and educational development, boat access, hiking/biking path to Devils Lake, and visitor center. Don't like Special Use Zone for motorized recreation and shooting range.
470	We do not favor motorized recreational vehicles or a shooting range. The other uses are desirable. Limit degree of vehicle access.
471	I like the fact that it seems no attempt to include all forms of outdoor recreation. In particular there are very few opportunities for dual sport (plated) motorcycles to ride off-road in the southern part of the state and it would be nice to see this available.
472	A public shooting range is the most needed of the items mentioned. There are very few of them and often they are long distances for people to drive so they end up shooting high power rifles in their own back yard or that of a neighbor in the country. As populations grow in rural areas this is more of a problem every year.
473	The property should be developed in a fashion that makes it open and accessible for use by many different segments of the public. The suggestion that a small part of the property be utilized for a rifle range would be a tremendous benefit and well used by the many hunters and shooters of the state. It should provide short, medium and long distance shooting courses. The amount of land that would be used for the actual range would be minimal, and the down range area would be kept clear for wildlife and natural area preservation. There are very few ranges that allow the use of rifles in Wisconsin and the number seems to diminish each year. In addition, the implementation of a daily or annual fee to use the range would provide with income that would support the range itself as well as other maintenance and infrastructure needs of the area. If you want safe hunting to continue its long traditional role in Wisconsin this range should be part of the plan.
474	Providing motorized recreation concerns me the most as this does not complement the vision of the property.
475	Most of it is low impact, however, ATV use would add a level of noise pollution that would detract from virtually all of the other uses mentioned.
476	too costly

477	Eliminate shooting, hunting and motorized recreation vehicles and this is a fine plan
478	I am not a fan of hiking, hunting or shooting, but motorized vehicles? Absolutely! There are no public areas within 120 miles of here for motorized vehicles - yet a significant amount of vehicles are kept around here. We need public places to ride near Madison, this is a good start. Since the site is already polluted and noisy, the naturalists and NIMBY neighbors do not have a leg to stand on.
479	Keep some portion of the land for hunting. There should be specific area that has no roads or access for anything but hunters.
480	I think this sounds really exciting! A shooting range would be really great for this area and would be appropriate for the grounds. Of course, there is always a price tag, which is what people will be concerned about. I like this option the best! Thank you!
481	I think this is the best use of the land. It can be enjoyed by many people and bring revenue to the area.
482	Yes to the above, except Absolutely No to the following:Providing motorized recreation opportunities in the Special Use ZoneProviding shooting range opportunities in the Special Use ZoneThese are incompatible with the idea of a low impact natural site.
483	I am *deeply* concerned that this alternative is even being proposed at this stage. The 2001 Badger Reuse Plan calls for an emphasis on conservation and low-impact recreation to bring the public into the SPRA. Several elements of this alternative, such as ATV and other motorized recreation, rifle ranges, and increased auto access routes, are not at all in line with the Badger Reuse Plan that is supposed to guide future development. A better approach would be to implement the Ecological Restoration Emphasis and supplement it with low-impact recreational activities such as walking/hiking trails, fishing pier and canoe access, and a visitor's center with interpretive trails.
484	I would like to see sustainable single track mountain bike trails as there is no current mt. bike trail system featuring true single track mountain bike trails in the area.
485	This emphasis does not appeal as has too much emphasis on recreation and not enough on wildlife habitat restoration. It's important to have limited access or it won't be good habitat. Other areas provide recreation opportunities in the area, and it will be best to allow the land to revert back to habitat for wildlife.
486	This alternative concerns me greatly. Wisconsin and Sauk County offer ample opportunities for parking, picnicking, biking, horseback riding, motorized recreation, shooting, pier fishing, and other higher-impact, development-dependent recreation; several of these are already available in the adjacent state park. It's possible that Wisconsin and Sauk County needs more of these opportunities, but they have a more acute, immediate, and less easily satisfied need for large, undeveloped natural landscapes. The activities allowed for in this alternative can be pursued and developed on smaller, lower-quality sites. Wisconsin residents have very few opportunities for low-impact recreation in a large, undeveloped prairie landscape, and the ecological functionality of this site would be crippled by high-volume, high-development uses. Please do not use the number of users of this site as a metric to judge its quality or value.
487	I don't support this alternative. I think the best use of the land is ecological. Motorized recreation and shooting are particularly undesirable.
488	I DO NOT like motorized vehicles nor shooting range!Very poor use of the land.
489	I dislike this alternative. This is contrary to prior agreements. This area has been progressing to a natural state. This alternative already exists in other WI areas including WI Dells.
490	I would like to see trails shared with horse.

491	Adopt Alternative 4 which reflects the goals of the 2001 Badger Reuse Plan.
492	Very concerned about motorized recreation and shooting range. I would like a few of the visitor amenities like picnic areas and canoe access. Developed trails, especially integrating trails with the more remote areas of Devils Lake State Park would be advantageous.
493	I appreciate how this alternative includes a visitors' center, some low-impact recreation opportunities and extensive educational opportunities. These uses are not in conflict with other ecological or historical value of the site. However, high impact uses such as motorized recreation, a shooting range and excessive vehicle access are absolutely incompatible and inappropriate. I advocate for Alternative 4 put forth by the Badger Oversight and Management Commission.
494	I like this as that it allows for many different activities to happen that you don't usually find enough land to be able to enjoy with.
495	This is the worst option. First, it looks like it would cost the most. Second, it would turn lots of natural plant & animal habitat into managed human recreation zones. Third, it would cause lots of noise (motorized recreation, shooting range).
496	A public shooting range would be a big draw to the area and fit in well with the property's history. A modern shooting range with target pits and distance out to 1000 yards is the best possible use for this facility.
497	motorized in this area is needed
498	This gives the most uses for the most people but does need a lot of management.
499	I don't agree with the primary purpose of getting users onto the property. I think the primary purpose should be restoration with education and low-impact recreation and secondary purposes. I don't like the idea of developing parking, picnic areas, viewing areas, fishing piers, boat access, visitor center construction (I would consider *one* building dedicated to facilitating non-formal and formal outdoor education.) I support hiking and some trail development and maintenance, but not extensive trail development. I do not support motorized recreation, shooting range opportunities, extensive interpretive signage (I would encourage only minor interpretive signage), preserving or enhancing vistas, road development, auto trails, or increased vehicle access.
500	Yes, yes, yes! Let's take advantage of the blank canvas opportunity and develop an outstanding publicly held, multi-use recreation area.
501	I like the educational outdoor classroom idea. I also like the attention to more restoration of grassland and savanna. I do not like the focus on creating motorized vehicle access. I also do not like the focus on turning it into a high traffic area. If people want to see the area they should walk, ski or bike not drive out to signs to learn. They need to get out and experience the area without being in a motorized vehicle.
502	I support most of this. Not in favor of motor vehicle travel like ATVs.
503	Land in its natural state is increasingly threatened and, once it is lost, is irretrievable. This is the one management plan, I would not endorse.
504	I am writing in the express desire that we do not go this route. There is too much motorization and shooting already in our society, too much aggressive exploitation of natural resources, and too little understanding of the natural world.
505	I think there are enough NBOA's in the state. Some areas need to be set aside for plants and animals to exist with little human impact.

506	No shooting range!
507	NO SHOOTING RANGE!!!! I hunt in the area and own guns, and we don't need more shooting facilities.NO MOTORIZED VEHICLES!!!! Muscle power or stay home!
508	don't like it. If that is the preferred option, it should become a State park.
509	I would like to see non motorized recreation only. The use of motorized sports, hunting and trapping are not appropriate in this culturally sensitive area. Respect the Native Americans and farmers who were displaced from this land. No shooting or ATV's or any other loud use is appropriate.
510	This portion can be funded by organizations that would like to sponsor their portion of the recreation area with extra money from those organizations going towards preserving wildlife.
511	This is a disgusting and offensive idea and reeks of political payback for the NRA and other like minded groups. For once the DNR and NRB should listen to public opinion rather than lobbyists for special interests.
512	We would like the outdoor recreation emphasis. Bike trails would be nice to have.
513	I don't like anything about this alternative. Motorized vehicle access, shooting range, horseback riding, biking, etc., require a lot of space. They are not really even compatible with each other, and would require separation for safety. They are definitely NOT compatible with the concept of environmental restoration and preservation. No amount of selective siting will shield the sound of gun fire and the whine of ATV's from those seeking to use the site for enjoyment of nature. This idea has recently been brought up to DNR, even though a committee of stakeholders working for several years rejected it. I urge the DNR to stick to the original plan.
514	Like this better. Hunting will need to be managed so that it is safe.
515	This option makes the most sense to me and would be the one I would vote for. The area is public land and this option would attract the largest number of users. The area is large enough to support sections designed for other activities, such as biking and horseback riding, that would generate revenue to help sustain the area trails/facilities via usage fees. Other than transport vehicles (eg, horse trailers/trucks, cars with bike racks), I feel the area should not allow motorized vehicles (ATVs, motorcross/ motorcycles) because of noise pollution, erosion and potential safety issues. As a horse owner and avid trail rider, I would definitely request that horse trails be included in the development. The area is beautiful and I believe would be a popular detination for horseback riders. I also feel that, if allowed, ATV trails should be completely separate from hiking and equestrian trails, as should bike trails. ATVs, hikers, bikers and equestrians do not mix well. A shooting range should not be allowed either (ever been to Southern Kettle Moraine-Eagle? the constant shooting destroys the peaceful relaxing atmosphere and one can hear the shooting for miles around). There are plenty of gun clubs in the area for that activity. Thank you very much for the opportunity to comment on the Ssuk-Prairie development and for your consideration of including horse trails in that area.
516	This is a typical let's find a way to include something to appeal to every interest proposal that seems to ignore the intrinsic incompatibility of mixing motorized and non-motorized recreation activities and adding a shooting range to boot. This approach ignores the unique features of this site -- its heritage as a piece of the Sauk Prairie -- and continues the Western European-American practice of fragmenting the landscape and ecosystems by cutting it up for a variety of different uses, thus perpetuating several centuries of destructive use. We have plenty of old quarries that can be used for shooting ranges. We have only one large Badger Ammunition Plant property that can showcase a large prairie landscape -- a rare treasure and opportunity indeed.
517	This alternative opens too much access for motorized access. I oppose a shooting range and motorized recreation--this is loud, and destructive to the land and only seems to expand over time. I would discourse any options that provide overnight camping. Most trails should be limited for foot traffic and selected biking and cross country trails.

518	Keep it undeveloped, saving tax payers the expense and giving nature the room to grow and thrive. We have enough room o do destructive things, nature needs space.
519	The State does not lack multiple alternatives for these uses. The State lacks good chances for ecological all restoration between the river and the Baraboo Hills.
520	I like some access for public recreation.I oppose any motorized recreational vehicle use except allowing automobiles to access parking areas near some resources for recreation.
521	This just seems too expensive given limited State funds.
522	I prefer this option without: 1) motorized recreating; 2) shooting range; and 3) other high impact recreation. The Badger Use Committee worked on this for years without those options. The DNR should NOT bow down to specialized interest groups that will disrupt and conflict with traditional low impact activities.
523	This has too much development, too much potential damage to the environment
524	This is an ok idea, but I prefer the ecological emphasis. More users will mean more invasive species, roads and degradation of the landscape. There are already plenty of places to visit in the area that provide these services (Devil's lake, ferry bluff, Natural Bridge State Park etc.) There are a number of threatened plants that live in the area and there is potential they could be severely harmed by this. Examples included Asclepias lanuginosa, Agalinis gattingeri, Lespedeza virginica etc.
525	I do not favor the shooting range or motorized recreation uses.
526	I like this emphasis the best.
527	I do not like the promotion of heavy use or of the presence of shooting ranges and ATV activities. There are other aspects of this proposal that are appropriate if not overdone.
528	too much development
529	I like the aspects of this alternative that mirror state park activities (NBOAs, picnic areas, canoe access, and an interpretive center) and could support an ultimate end-use as a state park. However, I am not in favor of developing a Special Use Zone for motorized recreation and shooting range opportunities. These uses do not promote ecological restoration and preservation and can serve to discourage NBOAs. The state has a rare opportunity to restore and preserve a unique and important property. It should not be squandered by allowing a shooting range and ATV park, which are specialized, non-traditional, and inappropriate uses of ecologically important land.
530	worst
531	I like the biking option, but I am concerned by the possibility of ATVs and a shooting range. These things can be very destructive to the environment, as well as disruptive to other visitors.
532	Eliminate the high-impact activities in the Special Use Zone, which make this plan inconsistent with the values of the Badger Lands Use Plan. Note that the Special Use Zone appears to come right up to the Hillside Prairie Restoration Area. I have volunteered at that spot many times. The high-impact activities are not what I had in mind as the future when I volunteered my time to bring back the prairie. I advocate for the BOMC Alternative 4, which captures most of what's in this Outdoor Recreation Emphasis but without the high-impact recreational uses.
533	I dislike this alternative because of the significant negative impact to the restoration and preservation of the land as a natural area. We have enough State Parks that provide these sorts of services and amenities. This area is NOT appropriate for motorized recreation or shooting range. Those activities are too destructive and dangerous, creating too much noise and pollution, and making the area less safe for other visitors.

534	No shooting, period. If you allow at vs, cordon them off in a fenced in area to prevent them from destroying the whole park. I have first hand knowledge of atvers in Florence county they do not stay on the trails and really tear up the ground. Tearing things up and kicking up dirt is part of their fun. It is also very loud and high speed collisions are a concern.
535	This option raises the largest concern. With such a high level of accessibility, this management option would require the most maintenance, and would likely fragment the area considerably. In addition to fragmentation, the increased usage of the area would drive out much of the charismatic wildlife with the exception of those species that are particularly good at cohabiting with humans (racoons, crows, etc...).
536	Recreation options in the region are numerous, negating the need for this land to be developed for such purposes. Development of the land detracts from any and all attempts at restoring natural habitat and instead creates another lost opportunity for wild places in ever more crowed world.
537	Some improvements for public access and the link to Devil's Lake S.P. are fine with me. A parking, picnic and bathroom area would be fine. I strongly oppose the motorized sports and shooting range. Loud (for visitors and animals alike) and in the case of the vehicles very destructive.
538	This Alternative places far too large an emphasis on automobile access, with drive-past style interpretive displays, views , and points of interest . And the most disappointing proposal is the Special Use Zone for ATV trails and a rifle range, which would more appropriately be named a Sacrifice Zone , in that it encompasses an ecologically significant section of the plant, containing the plant's largest prairie remnant and ongoing restoration work site. In addition, these high-impact recreational uses would be in violation of the recreational uses to which the DNR agreed in its land transfer agreement with the National Park Service. Nor would such uses honor the sense of place and circumstance central to the Badger site, as noted above -- such uses would instead be continuations of the past brokenness.
539	I believe this is the best alternative and I am hopeful the land will be utilized in this manner. I do not like the shooting range and hope it is taken out of the plan. Having people shoot disrupts the natural beauty and experience of the land. For example the shooting range at the Southern Unit of the Kettle Moraine state forest severely disrupts the enjoyment of patrons at the beautiful Emma Carlin trails due to the obnoxious nature of the shooting. A key addition should be single track mountain biking trails. The trails at Devils Lake State park are those most infrequently used. There are no single track trails in the vicinity. Placing Single Track trails at this park will allow for more hiking and snowshoeing opportunities. This will also be a source of additional revenue for the state. given the amount of environmental sustainability achieved with single track mountain biking this should be a primary inclusion in the master plan. With the growth of the number of people enjoying singletrack mountain biking in SO WI and the limited number of trails it should be highly promoted with this project. This will allow patrons to experience the reclamation vision as provided on the first page on a broader scale as mountain bikers are able to cover larger areas of land. I feel strongly that the master plan specifically include the ability to build and maintain single track mountain biking trails.
540	sounds pretty good to me! I don't see a section for single track mountain biking though!!
541	This is the most attractive option. I fully support developing mountain bike access to this area.
542	shooting range
543	This is the best use for this property
544	I would love to have horseback riding trails (shared use trails w/horses) at the park. I like this alternative best since it accommodates the largest number of user groups taking part in this park therefore creating a larger base of 'camaraderie' and 'ownership' throughout the parks land space. There would, in turn, be a greater number of resources if volunteer groups or funds are needed. I have ridden my horse on many lands that have hunting or are near a shooting range so that is not an issue to me. With so many farms and stables having ATV's, I am not opposed to motorized uses either.
545	Not opposed to selected items on this list. I expect many of the items could be provided for on a small part of the acreage. However, every activity must be evaluated based on the noise pollution it brings. Golf cart rentals OK, ATVs that can be heard two miles away, not OK.

546	I support limited recreational opportunities, but DO NOT support motorized ATV use and a shooting range. I say this as a sportsman who values the opportunity to safely shoot and one who appreciates a place for ATV's as well. The DNR could do far more to bolster hunting participation and recruitment by providing upland bird habitat to support game and hunting opportunities, shooting ranges are easier to come by.
547	I would dislike the use of motorized off-road vehicles and creation of a shooting range.
548	The following two items would harm this area: Providing motorized recreation opportunities in the Special Use Zone Providing shooting range opportunities in the Special Use Zone
549	The Special Use Zones (motorized recreation, shooting range) are antithetical to the primary mission of prairie restoration and ecosystem maintenance. Bathrooms would be nice, though, as would low impact trails.
550	Only the first management concept in the list is acceptable for this site. There already exist large areas of state and privately owned land in this region of Wisconsin that provide recreational activities to the public. There is no need add destructive recreational activities in the Sauk Prairie Natural Area. Proposals to incorporate motorized recreation and/or a shooting range are especially egregious.
551	Do NOT use the site for a shooting range or for motorized recreational vehicles. Limit auto access, too. The rest of the ideas sound pretty good, depending on limiting auto access and fiscal restraint.
552	I do not support this alternative. Wisconsin has plenty of recreation land already. We are short of natural land free of noise and human impact. Please use this land to begin to balance the government lands we have by allotting it for naturalists and conservationists rather than for recreation with machines and technology.
553	No ATV or guns please
554	This goes way too far. I don't like the idea of a shooting range this close to so many other user groups.
555	Haven't thought about horses, but like the idea. Motorized rec vehicles- A NO-NO. I would have to tour the area to see if specific hunting areas could be marked and used. I've enjoyed deer hunting in oak savannah areas, it is special. It might encourage family hunts and future generations of the sport, which I'm all for. Key vista enhancement and preservation- A BIG- YES Love most just delete the shooting range and off road vehicle usage> PLEASE.
556	This alternative involves too much development in my opinion. Especially in regard to motorized vehicle use and shooting range construction.
557	Special use zones should be of small proportion within overall land use plan.
558	I am strongly against this option--specifically the motorized use and shooting range. There are numerous alternative sites for both of those activities. Motorized vehicles and shooting ranges are a major hindrance to every other use listed as NBOA, and should be banned from this property. If there must be motors and shooting, they should be restricted to a small area distant from Devil's Lake park.
559	motorized recreation can take place on highways or urban or rural wastelands; it has no place in a beautiful environment like this.
560	I like the addition of biking and horseback riding, because these are relatively quiet activities. I do not like the idea of motorized use (ATVs) and a shooting range, because these activities are not compatible with NBOA use - I have nothing against these uses in general, but they will unavoidably destroy the quiet enjoyment of the property for everyone else. If motorized use and a shooting range are permitted, please designate specific times of use, with significant days or times they are not permitted (like not on Tue-Thu-Sat, or only between noon and 6 pm). This would be an acceptable compromise. I generally like the improved access and the interpretive and education opportunities. Please do leave some significant areas roadless, though.

561	I support many of these ideas, but I do not support motorized recreation activities, shooting range
562	I like this alternative for the variety. It provides options that are not typical to most parks in the area of the state, specifically motorized use. The shooting range is an interesting addition that I'm sure will draw a lot of negative attention, but should be considered with safety and attendance statistics of other shooting ranges within the state. The park is large, so being able to drive a car through it would be helpful in getting to different areas that could have picnic tables and restroom facilities. Multiple areas could be great settings for picnics and hiker/bicyclist stops. Most importantly is that I think that this park would get used. I see a lot of quiet state parks on weekdays and even some on weekends in the summer and fall. With Devils Park nearby for a lake and great hiking, and road bicycling this would be a great complement for mountain biking, motorized recreation, and horse riding.
563	If this is financially viable, I prefer this option. I do have concerns where hunting is allowed near cycling and ski trail users. Noise of ATV use is also a concern, especially in winter when sounds tend to be amplified and carry long distances.
564	This is by far the best alternative for this land. The taxpayers should be able to USE the land that is now being reclaimed not just walk through it.
565	I don't like it. Motorized recreation (ATVs, etc.) change the character of a recovering natural area and may inadvertently re-introduce contaminants in soil to the surface ecosystem and distribute them to the land and people using it. Surely there has been enough weaponry on this landscape, and recreational shooting can be noisy, leave behind litter and lead shot, and disturb wildlife and recreational visitors not involved with shooting. Depending on ecological restoration goals, horseback riding may be problematic because seeds from feed and grazing can be introduced from manure droppings.
566	I like some of the educational emphasis, and might like the idea of a connection to Devils Lake State Park. However, I very much do not like the emphasis on access for cars and other motorized vehicles. We have plenty of roads in the state (including on public land) already. I also do not think that off-road vehicle recreation or a shooting range are compatible uses with the important cultural and ecological values of this site.
567	This emphasis, especially its Special Use Zone, improves on the recreational opportunities for Wisconsin residents.
568	My concerns with this option are primarily the impact of all the vehicles and yet another recreation area designed around driving from place to place. I worry that the project is too financially ambitious for the state right now, and it will be done halfway or abandoned before it's finished, or done poorly, because of cost. I just don't see Wisconsin hosting a mini-national park on this site. Its proximity to the Dells worries me for the exact reason some people probably think this is a great idea - too many minivans full of kids stomping around and leaving Culvers' cups in the grassland. Let it stay natural, don't make it too easy for the snowmobilers to come for a weekend and get drunk and drive into the trees, and keep the ATV's out.
569	I don't think this provides the area with the restrictions needed. I am very concerned about allowing for motorized recreation.
570	This is an area that needs restoring. It will not support this much access and most all of these uses are available at other Wisconsin Parks and Recreation areas. Please let it recover.
571	I think this is a great plan, including equine space would be a great draw, especially since Devils Lake Park does not have equine trails. My concern in a shooting range would be that if you chose to market this park as a recreation friendly park, having a shooting range close by is not only dangerous, but disturbing to those users who want to get away from the noise of the city. Additionally this shooting range would be in direct competition with the one at Devil's Lake.
572	This will get kids and adults actively engaged in the outdoors, something that is rare and endangered. I feel we need more hands on areas like this and I preserve wildlife habitat for a living. Have the trails be maintained by the user groups this is sustainable!

573	I believe that motorized use of any area here will detract from the rest of the property. This area has the potential to be a great quiet and low impact natural recreation location and motorized uses are incompatible with that. As for a shooting range, it would need to be in an isolated area of the property for both safety and noise considerations for other property users.
574	This is by far the best alternative, providing access and use for a wide variety of users including motorized (trail motorcycles)
575	This alternative allows multiple uses and opens the area up to a wide range of uses. There will be conflicts with all these different uses and having more people on the prairie will impact some wildlife negatively.
576	No, no, no! Devil's lake is already overrun with picnic areas and a park-like atmosphere. Make this a wild space.
577	I like the hiking and biking opportunities into devils lake. I dont like motorized vehicle use. I dont like providing vehicle access to everywhere. I dont like providing shooting opportunities. I think its important to have a place that people can see what prairie would look like. I dont think it needs to be recreationalized like all of the other parks. If people want to shoot and drive atv's and do that, they can look elsewhere.
578	I oppose the high-impact recreational activities proposed in this alternat
579	The development of visitor centers and other infrastructure seems to detract from the raw historical nature of the site. Motorized use of the property may increase its recreational value, but would significantly detract from NOBAs. If motorized access were to be permitted, it would be necessary to isolate it from the other users of the site.
580	Do not like motorized recreation opportunities in the Special Use Zone. Don not want a shooting range. Do not want auto access routes through the property and would prefer that cars not be allowed within the property. The Badger Oversight Management Commission's Alternative 4 is preferable to this alternative.
581	Low-impact recreational trails, picnic areas, and viewing areas seem like a reasonable tradeoff between no improvements and full development. However, I strongly feel that the sounds of firearms and motorized vehicles would greatly diminish the enjoyment for every visitor to the site (except for the shooters and drivers, of course).
582	Motorized use and a shooting range would dramatically reduce the value of this land from an ecological perspective and have detrimental effects on other recreational activities.
583	There are good things in this plan, such as improved education opportunities, cultural information and access. But as I mentioned above, why does this plan preclude investing in ecological restoration and conservation. I strongly oppose including a shooting range and ATV/dirt bike track in the park. This would be dangerous, obnoxious and deter/ conflict with other public uses.
584	This is my favorite alternative. I like all of the proposed NBOAs mentioned, particularly biking opportunities. I would like to point out that the biking opportunities should include mountain biking/single track trails (these could also be good snowshoeing trails in winter months) - these are different than multi-use hiking/cross country skiing trails. Clearly this looks to be the most expensive option and may require volunteers passionate about their particular NBOAs, Capital Off Road Pathfinders is a group of such passionate people with regards to mountain bike trails ( <a href="http://www.madcitydirt.com/">http://www.madcitydirt.com/</a> ).
585	The shooting and motorized vehicle opportunities are unnecessary and a waste of the area's possibilities. No auto trails! This is a place to get out and see the land and feel the history. If this plant were to go forward it would be a terrible waste of the area.
586	Motorized recreation on designated trails ONLY.

587	Most attractive land use option for me. Would like to see the various interests met, would make the value the greatest for the residents of the great state of Wisconsin. Let's turn a remenant from war into a positive for people to enjoy for generations.
588	This is an acceptable alternative except for the motorized trails and shooting range, which are completely unacceptable. Both activities will disrupt and interfere with other uses, through noise and safety issues. ATV users will not stay on trails and will destroy restoration efforts. Apparently a potential ATV route has been sited next to a cemetery on the property. How disrespectful! These are completely incompatible with low-impact activities at Devil's Lake State Park. They also conflict with the recommendations of the Badger reuse committee, which represents years of dedicated and expert work to develop a reuse plan that benefits ALL, not a small minority who indulge in activities that conflict with traditional outdoor recreation.
589	Let's not build a theme park here. I am convinced that a property of this size, managed to restore and maintain a natural landscape, will over time become it's own draw for thousands of people. I'd like my grandchildren to be able to see Wisconsin as my grandparents did. This option also would be a wasted opportunity.
590	Implement the BOMC Alternative 4 that honors the Badger Reuse plan
591	This is mainly about an invasion of people, including destructive activites, noise, and stirring up pollution.It is necessary here, to reemphasize the vision ib the master plan and the SPAR vision plan and goals and to adhere to the values and recommendations of the Badger Reuse Plan and to the terms of the 2005 agreements with the Nat'l Park Service for ownership of these 3800 at no cost to WI taxpayers.
592	I want horse trails.
593	I love the hiking, biking, and trail ideas. I would like horses to be able to use the trails, as well. I do not like the idea of motorized recreation opportunities and a shooting range. That is culturally insensitive and unnecessary.
594	no not like it at all
595	Again, I do not support NBAO's that include hunting, trapping or motorized use. They are both noisy and dangerous to other visitors.
596	horseback riding trails
597	This simply goes too far... A shooting range? There have been millions on the receiving end of the products manufactured here during 3 wars! Not another molecule of powder should fall on these sacred lands. Honor those who lived and worked here by not turning it into a playground for the over privileged.
598	I like this alternative the best - interpretation and recreation are key elements that should be a part of this site.
599	Mountain bike trails can be build to be sustainable with little if any maintenance by DNR staff. Contact Blue Mounds State Park staff to have IMBA's Capital Off-Road Pathfinders chapter have a presentation.
600	Unquesitonably the best alternative -- particularly the shooting range opportunity since these are very rare in Wisconsin and non-existant to the general public in the area in question. The safety fan areas of the range would provide more than enough land to accomplish all the objectives of the econological alternative.
601	I think this proposal is the best one. It provides access for all interests, especially the ones that have not been available in this area. The important points of the other emphasis options are included and allows uses that have limited or no public access in the region (motorized recreation and target shooting. I currently travel several hours north to participate in these. Having a property less than an hour away would allow me to enjoy my hobby several times a month instead of only a few times a year.

602	Change it to Outdoor Recreation Opportunity; remove the bolt point Providing motorized recreation opportunities in the Special Use Zone , Providing shooting range opportunities in the Special Use Zone and the only motorized vehicles should be those going to a parking lot or maintains.
603	This site has the potential to serve many of the residents who live in the cities in the area. The other options are too restrictive. It has the size to allow under served recreational interests like off-road motorcycles (and target shooting) and also allows for many parts of the other options to also be part of the program. I would be willing to travel to enjoy motorized recreation at this site with my friends and family, especially since there is no place in this part of the state to partake of these activities.
604	A shooting range would be a welcome inclusion. Public firing ranges are uncommon in the State of Wisconsin.
605	This would be the best option since it caters to the most people. This option will attract more people to the area and help bring more traffic to a great area.
606	I fully support this alternative for the following reasons:There are already over 22,000 acres set aside in Sauk County for non-motorized use (state and county parks, natural areas and conservancy land). There is no need to add even more land to the vast areas already set aside for this type of use.Motorized trail use (atvs and motorcycles) is a very popular activity in the state, with thousands of units registered in the southern part of the state. However currently there are very few opportunities for public trail use in the southern part of the state. I believe the DNR has the obligation to provide public use areas for off-road vehicles in the southern part of the state, as they are currently collecting registration fees and gas tax dollars, but not providing any riding areas.This may be one of the few remaining chances in southern Wisconsin to provide areas for motorized recreation, so I believe the DNR has an obligation to take advantage of this opportunity, even if there are many comments against this kind of use.
607	This approach sounds great! I believe the area is large enough and has enough variety of terrain and attributes to foster all of these activities,(despite the efforts of some to deny this variety). This outdoor recreation emphasis would result in the greatest number of users and maximize the area's opportunities.
608	You should allow and encourage horseback trail riding!
609	I support this alternative if there is attention give to the specific requirements for each recreation opportunity: i.e. a combined trail labeled for hiking, CX skiing, horseback and mountain biking is not a sustainable model and the sharing of this resources by all activities greatly decreases accessibility and attractiveness for the users. I would favor a limited access alternative that does not exclude development for Mountain Biking-specific opportunities over multi-use trails that accommodate all the activities listed in this proposal.
610	this sounds like a bad idea.. Please don't do this.
611	Love the idea of addressing multiple uses of this land. I really believe it would be great to provide a special area of motorized vehicles as well as keep some motor-free. Recreational use of this land is great, provided we are all good stewards of the land.
612	Some good ideas here but the concept of a special use zone is antithetical to the Reuse Plan of 2001 and to a meaningful vision for this property. We must keep a holistic vision even though the property is currently divided into 2 separate pieces, Badger is a work in progress. The DNR should pursue a goal of ultimately connecting the 2 pieces and the state should seek an exchange of property with the Ho-Chunk Nation. This would greatly increase state property and also allow better access from highway 12.
613	Motorized vehicle use and the development of a shooting range are not appropriate for this property.
614	The inclusion of high-impact recreational activities (motorized recreational vehicles, shooting range) greatly concerns me. I do not support this. I do strongly support low impact recreational (and educational) activities that are compatible with the needs of native plant and wildlife species found on the site. These activities are not consistent with the results of previous planning efforts, which is a disservice to the many people and agencies involved in those efforts.

615	Like added educational potential. Concerns: expense; plenty of current developed DNR properties with aging infrastructure in need of investment; motorized equip and range shooting incompatible with silent sports. ; will require intensive management
616	As long as Motorized Use includes full size vehicles, not just ATV's. I enjoy ATV's, but they have a lot more places to go then full size rigs, like Jeeps, or pickups. All military bases were designed with Jeeps or Hummers in mind.
617	I am very worried about hunting in a natural area, for danger, alcohol use, and the problems from these. I also don't like motorized use. It ruins the landscape, is noisy and smoky,, and discourages other more low impact activities like hiking. I like, in the above scenario, the pedestrian use improvements ike picnic areas, the pier, the canoe access, the visitor center, and the intelligent road planning. More trails will be wonderful.
618	If you are providing special use zone for shooting range and motorized why not horses. I like the boat dock. If I was a neighbor I would not like the shooting range. I have one near me and it is very loud and disturbing. There are no deer in the range area I understand.
619	This alternative sounds like what the area should be used for. However, the thing missing is making sure that safety and security are a priority, so their needs to be someone always on site to ensure this is done. Still would suggest an annual fee for entry to the property, with the exception of educational classes that are conducted.
620	The public owns the land and should have extensive use of it. This is the best emphasis.
621	I don't see mention of horse trails. These types of trails need to be allowed in this area. I oppose a shooting range. There are private shooting areas and I wouldn't enjoy a recreational area where people are shooting guns without skilled supervision. Motorized recreation should also be limited to specified areas and trails. ATVs can do a great deal of damage if not properly used. Auto access should be limited, especially into more delicate ecological areas. Please include horseback riding as a recreation emphasis!
622	I like this the best of the three choices. From alternative 2 i would like to add: Restoring large, unfragmented tracts of grassland and shrubland (Habitat Management Zone) to support grassland and shrubland dependent birds. And allow bird hunting. ██████████, Columbia County Pheasants Forever Member
623	Concerned with providing vehicle access. Walking trails can be an alternative. Prefer to limit the amount of disturbance by the public as much of the Baraboo area has been disturbed. This is an opportunity to preserve a natural area limited to public improvement.
624	This is the best option for benefit of the most people. We need a shooting range! Very few places left in Wis. to target shoot and learn safe gun handling. Hiking, biking, horseback trails should be kept in a corridor(s) so that, large blocks of land remain open and safe for hunting and other recreation that need more space. Vehicle access should be limited to parking at the edge or entrances, and to access the water at L. Wis. Do not need roads all over!!!! A provision for those who are disabled to have access by use of off road vehicles like side by side UTVs and ATVs, snowmobiles, needs to be included.
625	This is my preferred alternative. There is enough land for many different scenarios.I would like to see extensive trail systems interspersed with parking areas. My wife and I are over 65 and can't walk great distances anymore so it would be nice to be able to walk short distances, say a mile at a time and eventually walk the entire trail system.

626	<p>I believe I addressed these in my earlier comments on encouraging recreation. My biggest concerns are the offroading and shooting range and the noise/cost associated with these. Additionally, I believe that a section of M had been the focus of restoration. I would hate to see these efforts negated for installation of trails. I would like to say that I slant to this proposal if the above concerns are addressed. I would also like to suggest that some of the expanded auto routes be kept to a minimum when possible. One other item that I would like to address is roads on the property in general. Biking is a sport that has grown significantly in this area recently. While Wisconsin has a phenomenal parks and trails system, many of our bike trails are Rails to Trails and are straight and flat in general and either require an out and back approach or staging an extra vehicle. This area provides a fairly large space where a loop could be utilized for biking and could tie into the existing rails to trails route planned across the property. I would love to see some of the existing perimeter roads kept (many are in good shape) and a few repairs/improvements made in areas where it is clear that excavation has occurred. I would expect that this would be a low cost update and think it would be well utilized. I intend to forward a copy of a marked up map with my thoughts as well, but a loop that goes up to the overlook, around the outside of the DNR property to lake Wisconsin, and back across the grassland on a paved trail would be phenomenal for road biking, family biking, and a way to see the whole property without randomly tramping across vegetation.</p>
627	atv trails
628	Please include developed trails for horse back riding as well as driving trails for horses and carriages.
629	I support the silent sports and equine activity, but oppose the gun range and ATVS. Risk of maintaining safety around the range is significant, and cost of maintaining ATV trails for a proportionately small user base outweighs the benefits.
630	I like many of these actions but do not like ATV motorized use, horse use, and the shooting range opportunities. An auto trail is an excellent idea. I support Alternative 4 that was developed by other groups ahead of this alternative.
631	No shooting range and no motorized vehicles, noise and pollution from these activities would destroy the original intent and idea of a natural preserve. Roads should be kept to a minimum, restoration of the grassland and shrubs essential, we don't need to turn it into an amusement park, education facilities are a good idea. The more people are educated on the value of our natural environment the more likely they will be to treat it with care and respect so that all can enjoy its beauty.
632	I do not agree with this option due to noise that would spoil the experience for observing nature. Non motorized biking on the present roads might be a possibility. There are several shooting ranges near the site and no need for more. The noise and potential for accidents should be avoided.
633	Better use of the land. I still feel some of the land should be offered for sale to the public.
634	The Special Use Zone should be eliminated, as its provisions are not in the best interest of the area's ecology nor is it in the best interests of the public at large. Shooting and ATV use appeal to a limited number of people, and their implementation will adversely affect the experience of other visitors who prefer a quieter and more natural BAAP.
635	This is my favorite of the specific proposals. Even with that said, I'd like more limited automobile and recreational vehicle use (some is ok, but too much will undermine environmental desires). This plan sounds well thought out, but I'd like to see 90% of the land kept natural with a plan to accomplish that. I don't feel having too many vehicles and people wandering around will be good for that.
636	Concerned about the motorized vehicles - takes away from the peace and quiet of the property. Would also limit to some extent car access. Shooting range - why? we have many of them in the area and no complaints from my hunting friends about access for that. Noise will adversely affect the experience and not good for the wildlife. DNR should not compete with the existing ranges. Non noise making activities please. Interpretive and educational ideas good.
637	GOOD ----ALLOW ALL PEOPLE IN THE AREA

638	I am writing to voice my thoughts on how to properly use the SP Recreation area. Having lived in Sauk County for most of my life, I am thrilled to see this wonderful plot of land returned to the public for all to enjoy. As an avid outdoorsman, I would like to see the land used in as many ways as possible to give a wide variety of people the chance to enjoy the great outdoors. In my opinion, any activity done outside is worth exploring. With the amount of land in question, there should be no reason why all parties involved are not given a piece of the pie. Obviously, a good portion should be returned to natural prairies for the environmentalists, bird watchers, hikers, etc to enjoy. There should also be areas designated for other proposed activities such as motorized off road trails, shooting ranges, etc. As an owner of off road motorcycles, it is frustrating for my family and I to have to travel north to other counties to use our vehicles. We would rather spend our time and money locally. There is more than enough room for the tree huggers and the motor heads in Sauk County. Let's not favor one or the other but rather get more people, including kids, into the outdoors. Do the right thing.
639	I appreciate the emphasis on people enjoying the beauty of the land where my father spent his growing up years. The variety of uses suggested sound good; they will require work to see fulfillment, but the end result will be worth it to succeeding generations. The land should not be left idle as it will just return to weeds and inaccessible wooded areas. I definitely support this outdoor recreation alternative as the best use of the property now turned over to the DNR.
640	It sounds like everything is going to work together to create a great recreational experience for all people.
641	Limited management, shooting ranges, getting people out doing things is very good.
642	Of the three offerings, I prefer this one.
643	Provide an outdoors experience that can be enjoyed by current generations and future generations, while maintaining the history of the land.
644	Provides opportunity for atv'ing in the South central part of the state
645	Scale back this part of the plan.
646	So many opportunities for these and other things.
647	This is much more inclusive. I like this a lot better. Please be fair to all.
648	This proposal is better than just non-use as a prairie. I hope it includes cemetery upkeep.
649	this provides the most appealing use and could be a local attraction to bring more income and revenue to the area.
650	Bingo! I would support this completely.
651	Keep the land as wild as possible. Minimal road access, only trails.
652	My favorite. This would be great.
653	established a multi-use trail across property.

654	<p>This option seems to be the best alternative. it allows access to Lake Wisconsin as well as access from Devils Lake I would still urge removing outdated buildings or debris to put this area back to its natural state along with newer buildings such as an information center or history plaques along the trails. The more people that can use this area while still keeping its natural state as a prairie and savannah, the better. 7,000 acres is plenty of space to accommodate all these activities and keep this area a natural site. Research opportunities along with photography would be a good use which would not happen as much under the previous management concepts. This area could potentially bring more people to this area just like Devils Lake who could then learn of their heritage and the Ho Chunk cultural heritage. This area can be a gem if we use it wisely. If you let it just sit with minimal use, many people will continue to drive through and past this area on Hwy 12 without realization of its existence. Most will think it government or private property and not give it a second thought. It is the people's property and needs to be used with people in mind to enjoy and see our natural habitats. Parfey's Glen and many other similar sites are enjoyed by many because we have improved them and opened them up for the public to enjoy and learn. This proposal does exactly just that. I think the residents of this area and Wisconsin in general need to decide what to do with this land and not people from other states. it is our history here along with the Ho Chunk that is being preserved and enjoyed for future generations.</p>
655	<p>This sounds, at least with respect to the bike trails, like what has been done with Steinke basin. I think that the bike trails on there are a great resource and offer a fun opportunity to get out and enjoy nature. The shooting range I do not like. We already have one. A shooting range does not have any business on a nature preserve. Also, backpacking should be offered. Generally speaking, the majority of backpackers care about nature and the natural structure of the ecosystem. The impact is very minimal and it would be easy to regulate things such as fires, and waste (even though the ground water is already toxic).</p>
656	<p>I like SPCA 4th alternative. A shooting range is not needed in this area as there are numerous other gun clubs (that have trouble keeping up with their own ranges). I am very much against a shooting range. As mentioned, I am not in favor of 4-wheelers either.</p>
657	<p>I think this option would attract more visitors to the area, exposing them to multiple facets of the park.</p>
658	<p>This approach for use would appear at the surface to offer opportunities to a broader cross section of the public. Taxpayer cost?...how to fund??</p>
659	<p>I like the increased commitment to interpretation of biological, ecologic, and cultural features in this alternative. However, I think this alternative takes things several steps too far: I do not think building in a high level of road access and higher impact recreation like motorized vehicles and a shooting range are compatible with the vision and goals stated above, or the conservation management that the Sauk Prairie deserves.</p>
660	<p>This by far would be best idea yet while being able to generate ample revenue to assist in offsetting the cost of these restoration projects you could bring in a tremendous amount of vacationers campers and off road vehicle fans to spend their vacations here and spend their hard earned money here instead of other states that accommodate these people.</p>
661	<p>If sufficient funding is available, the educational and low-impact recreational uses of this alternative are desirable. However, the primary emphasis should be on habitat restoration and preservation of species. Therefore roads and vehicle access should be very limited, as well as noise-producing activities. I do not support the activities proposed for the Special Use Zone. They are of a totally different nature from the primary value of this space and should have no place here. They also do not comply with the agreement with the National Park Service.</p>
662	<p>I don't think that things like a shooting range need to be here, although I think that public access should be allowed and low-impact recreation encouraged.</p>
663	<p>Don't like the motorized part or the shooting range!</p>
664	<p>I agree with allowing fishing and access at Lake Wisconsin. Hiking and Biking opportunities would be very nice. I disagree with any motorized access or shooting range.</p>

665	Motorized recreation opportunities and shooting range in the Special Use Zone was not part of original vision.
666	Unacceptable, unwise, short-sighted and serving only immediate human hedonistic satisfaction without regard for other life in this ecosystem. These recreational opportunities are readily abundant in the adjacent state park, Mirror Lake State Park, and the Lower Wisconsin Riverway. Motorized recreation is abundant in northern Wisconsin where it serves a utilitarian purpose to maintain access roadways into large tracts of forested property. We don't need motorized use here. There are several conservation clubs in the nearby area for shooting sports, thus a public one would unnecessary compete and duplicate services, besides being inconsistent with low-impact, quiet, human-propelled recreation.
667	I want atv trails on the roads.
668	I like the balanced approach here...there's thousands of acres, here and this gives an appropriate emphasis to activity and preservation. Considering the area has lots thousands and thousands of jobs over the decades after the demise of the Powder Plat, a considerate alternative would at least take into account some aspects of economic development and higher levels of tourism which this option does.
669	I like the variety of ideas. More biking, biking, the shooting range, fishing pier/boat launch. Need to look at, horses, hunting, dogs. At least it's not being left as just one more prairie .
670	Limit shooting range to a closed area to non-shooters and during certain times of the day and/or year.It all sounds good, but I am sure that there are many hidden management opportunities or alternatives to those of use who are not that familiar with the grounds. How do all these changes and improvement get accomplished? With donations, tax dollars, state aid, etc.
671	horse trails!
672	No noisy obnoxious ATV's- they already hog too many state trails. Where is the mention of horse trails in this plan, for which I know there has been interest?
673	This is not a compelling use of financial resources. I think we already have shooting ranges, private ones, in the neighborhood, Sauk City and Lodi. This amount of diverse financial outlay for a return that is arguably already divided among the many other place these activities take place in the area warrants this alternative DOA. I could see a partnership with HoChunk and local groups to provide educational opportunities of high quality. I do not see the headache of people and infrastructure management worth the cost of oversight and maintenance.
674	Concerns regarding motorized recreational opportunities and shooting range impinging upon silent sports, wildlife and habitat.
675	I do not agree that motorized recreation opportunities or shooting range opportunities should be included in the plan, and I do not think that vehicular access to most of the site whould be expanded. I do not agree that getting visitors on the site should be the primary goal of the plan. Visitation and human use needs to take a back seat to preserving the natural resource elements which are in such short supply elsewhere.
676	I do not like the full development package that is reflected with this alternative. In particular the addition of a shooting range and motorized recreation opportunities are not consistent with the previous Badger Reuse Plan and would greatly impact the other NBOAs and perhaps surrounding community. Removal of the high impact activities would be preferred.
677	Like
678	No motorized use. No ATV or snow machines.
679	Rock climbing should be included.

680	seems to suggest full use of this property
681	- The visitor center is an expensive item which I would put low on the list. - I am a hunter and sight in my rifle so I am experienced with the volume of sound generated. Terribly irritating thing to hear those shots going off while enjoying the outdoors
682	Absolutely do not want a shooting range out there-too many people about. Baraboo, Sauk, Reedsburg, Portage....all have clubs with a range. Why is this even being considered?
683	Everything but the motorized use and shooting range.
684	I am not for a motorized recreation area or shooting range. I feel shooting there are plenty of alternatives in close proximity. Member based shooting facilities offer accountability for their shooters that I don't believe you get by having a public range. I wouldn't personally feel comfortable with the shooting range, even though I am an avid hunter and sportsman. The rest of the plan sound great!
685	I don't support the shooting or motorized opportunities as their are MANY places within a short driving distance of Devils Lake where these activities can be enjoyed for a small membership fee. Furthermore, I am very concerned about the environmental impact that these sports may have. If the goal is to support fragile species having motorized ATVs or motor bikes is the antithesis of this between both the pollution aspect and also damage to the soil structure that supports fragile plant species. I am also concerned about the safety of having a gun range on a site that also supports hiking. Accidents happen and it would be a tragedy if someone lost their life because of carelessness on either the hikers part of the shooters part.
686	I like this option, but have concerns about the ATV usage. This would take away form the wilderness aspect of the area, and promote pollution. ATV's are loud and will inevitably have spills: Gas, oil, brake fluid, coolant. I don't feel the Special Use Area would be large enough to create a destination for ATV users. This would limit the economical growth opportunities which a focus on silent sports could provide. The ATV users seem to have no problem burning gas, let them drive somewhere else.
687	I like this the best, but without automobiles.
688	I would love a long range shooting range, but feel a bit bad if the noise affects others. Costly, but should serve more people.
689	Increase in noninvasive recreational opportunity and vehicle access to sites. Providing information of the area to educate; the importance of ecology and cultural interaction. I feel it is also important to take responsibility to clean up the messes we leave behind and to leave the earth in a better condition then we found it. To more fully achieve this I do feel motorized recreational vehicles are not a part of this vision. A shooting range and trapping is also counter intuitive to restoration efforts.
690	Like the biking but a big no to the ATVs and shooting range. Not sure why you lump biking trails in with this group.
691	Motorized vehicles on this land should be prohibited and kept for human propelled activites.
692	Much of the additional infrastructure development feels unnecessary and in conflict with the ecological and cultural values not to mention other local private ventures. For example, the development of a shooting range would add competition from private ranges in Sauk, Merrimac, Lodi, and Baraboo in the middle of an area with no population base. What sense does that make? It would seem in complete contradiction with the current administration's effort to support private business. Additional road development also seems completely unnecessary and counter-intuitive from an ecological and economic perspective. Why these unnecessary and excessive investments have to be married up to other very logical and reasonable suggestions like a classroom, bathroom, and parking area on the edge of the site and maintaining key vistas and improved hiking, biking, and skiing trails makes no sense.
693	No motorized biking or shooting please. Few families will want to bring their precious children anywhere where there might be stray bullets or even sound like there might be danger.

694	No motorized use please and a shooting range...? Really, hasn't the site had enough ammunition over the years? I would prefer this option as it would draw visitors to the area, minus the above mentioned.
695	No shooting range or motorized recreation, (atv). This noise would impact all other users such as birders or cross country skiers or hikers. It would ask impact wildlife due to noise pollution and also scarifying the land.
696	This is what is great for Sauk County.
697	why does biking need to be included with motorized use? want biking!
698	Excellent plan
699	Great opportunity to full use of this space. Like that it includes an educational component, interpretive self touring, connects to Devil's Lake, has bike trails, has hiking opportunities, and canoe/carry in boat access (but not large motorized boats). Love that I do not see ATV or snowmobile trails included.
700	I am all for using this land for NBOAs! This is definitely my first choice.
701	I am fully against any motorized use (ATV) or Shooting Range. Both of these choices will only make the area less appealing to most users. It's more important to expand silent sports and recreational opportunities in the Baraboo Hills area than to add noise. The Baraboo Hills are warrants special attention in this regard as the state and the DNR have recognised many, many times in the past. By allowing a shooting range and ATVs you are allowing the desires of a few, interfere with the enjoyment of ALL land users simply through noise pollution. Not to mention the added dangers involved with such activities. Devil's Lake users need a family friendly biking area. The closest now is the 400 trail some 20 miles away. I feel putting a bike trail in Badger will be a major draw.
702	I do not like the Motorized Use or the shooting range. They do not belong to the original agreement.
703	I like the opportunities for low-impact use in this plan! am adamantly opposed to the motorized recreation opportunities included in this plan as well as the shooting range! I cannot overstate my opposition to these uses of this tract of land!
704	I like the shooting range in this alternative.
705	I like this alternative as well.
706	I like this because of the more public access

707	<p>I support Alternative 4 Specific Activities and Uses consistent with Conservation and Low Impact Recreation; i. Implement plan elements specified in the Badger Reuse Plan; i. Restore large, unfragmented tracts of grassland, wetland and shrubland (Habitat Management Zone)* to support native and migratory birds and wildlife; i. Restore remnants of native natural communities and the species they support (Native Community Management Zone)*; limit access to pedestrian use; i. Provide low-impact porous non-paved recreation trails that complement the topography and resource management; i. Preserve and enhance key vistas through vegetation management; i. Selectively site and construct (through community partnerships) a new visitor center with interpretation and educational opportunities; i. Provide interpretation and education opportunities about this property's history and geographic location, acknowledge Ho-Chunk Nation history and Euro-American histories and displacements, and the design, operation and decommissioning of the Badger Army Ammunitions Plant; i. Provide facilities such as a classroom, parking area, staging area, wash station and bathrooms near the Visitor's Center in the Habitat Restoration Zone; i. Identify and improve primary auto access roads through the property and deconstruct roads no longer needed. Limit vehicle access; i. Provide interpretation and education opportunities for schools and universities; i. Use volunteers to promote community participation in education and to help restore natural communities; i. Provide outdoor research opportunities for ecologists, scientists and students; i. Develop parking, picnic areas and viewing areas in the Expanded Recreational Zone* and to a lesser degree in the Habitat Restoration Zone*; i. Develop a fishing pier, canoe/carry-in boat access, and picnic area at the Lake Wisconsin parcel; i. Provide a multiple use trail connecting the Sauk Prairie area, Merrimac area, and Devil's Lake State Park via Burma road consisting of hiking and biking and a seasonal snowmobile trail on an agreed upon route; i. Designate parcel 'M' and 'M1' as a Habitat Restoration Zone*; i. Remove any unwanted infrastructure, buildings or debris that remains on the property, with the exception of infrastructure that may provide bat habitat and support bat research.</p>
708	<p>I'm fine with biking and horseback riding. You loose me with shooting ranges, and especially ATV trails. I've heard them up north, and don't want to hear them down here. Why even waste you time restoring habitat for wild things just to have them driven away by these motorized vehicles? People are not going to come from all over to listen to these things, so you'll destroy our tourism opportunities in Sauk and Baraboo. Plus, you're risking a lot of bad blood between locals and the DNR if you allow ATVs. The locals saved this place, not the ATV clubs. Do the right thing on this and help us create more tourism related jobs. Thanks a lot</p>
709	<p>MOTORIZED and shooting range don't fit the property use.</p>
710	<p>No motorized ATV use. No shooting range. No paintball. Where's Alternative 4?</p>
711	<p>NO!!! motorized recreation, shooting range cocerns me</p>
712	<p>PLEASE noooooooooo....we have one of the most gorgeous areas in the state here; please do not defile it with loud, smelly machines and significant destructive human impact.</p>
713	<p>see my comments earlier. We need an area for Mtn bike singletrack trails. This draws a large group of bike riders to the Kettle Moraine area. quiet trails could be offered here as well</p>
714	<p>The shooting range is unacceptable. The motorized recreation is unacceptable. There should be a dock on the WI river so people can enter the parkland through boat.</p>
715	<p>There are already ENOUGH areas for motorized vehicles-- do not permit four-wheelers or snowmobiles on this land. Additionally, a shooting range would destroy the peaceful nature of the property.</p>
716	<p>This alternative focuses too much on recreation, including non-low impact recreation, to the detriment of ecological restoration. It focuses too much on auto based recreation. While the additional walking trails and educational opportunities are a positive, they do not need to be coupled with inappropriate high-impact uses. The creation of Special Use Zone for motorized recreation - ATV's - and a shooting range is absolutely inappropriate. This is exactly the type of incompatible recreational use which should not be allowed at Badger. The area identifies for this Zone includes invaluable natural and cultural resources which can not exist in the midst of high-impact uses including remnant prairie and savannah area, exceptional shrubland bird habitat, and a pioneer cemetery. I support the Alternative Number 4, Conservation and Low-Impact Recreation Alternative and the associated Vision and Goals.</p>

717	This is okay, except for the following land uses: Motorized Recreation Opportunities Shooting Range I have seen many shooting ranges with hazardous waste levels of lead. Even with best management practices, it is difficult to manage all shooters. Who would make sure that lead would not leach into the groundwater which would eventually flow into the Wisconsin River? Also, I do not believe that using the land for 4 wheel vehicles or other off road vehicles would be the best use of the land as the land is greatly affected by lack of vegetation, noise and the potential for littering, etc.
718	This option would contribute to noise, pollution, etc. caused by motorized vehicle access.
719	YES. No motorized recreation or shooting range.
720	Best plan available to share the property equally with all the user groups.
721	I believe the greatest and primary focus should be on shooting sports with an advance range. The rest can be created around it after the fact.
722	Need more time to see the impact of the above ecological emphasis before something like this could happen
723	Special use zones should only be used on a very small scale, so as to not detract from the overall continuity of the property.
724	This would be my pick.
725	It sounds like a great plan that has been well thought out! Awesome!
726	best ideas are here.....make use of the property
727	All of it.
728	Some of these items would be okay, however allowing recreational motor vehicles and shooting ranges would seriously disrupt the ecology of the area, especially once restored to its prairie beginnings.
729	Hiking/Bicycle Trails With educational Rest stops & Bike in or Hike in Camping
730	allow horse back riding trails in addition to biking and hiking
731	Less is best, keep it to the least amount of human impact.
732	I like the shooting range and potential for atv trails
733	This is the alternative I would support. I believe there is a wonderful piece of property here, with much to offer in all areas. The region of the state could greatly benefit from an area such as this that can offer so many different types of outdoor activities, especially the motorized vehicle aspects, including off highway trails.
734	establish opportunities for horse trail riding, establishing horse trails, and adequate parking
735	At its regular meeting on August 27, 2013, the board of directors of the Badger History Group voted unanimously to support Alternative 4 as proposed by the Badger Oversight Management Commission for adoption by the Wisconsin DNR.

736	My concern is the providing motorized recreation opportunities in special use zone . That will directly need DNR supervision. Motorized vehicles do more damage to the environment, scare off or hurt wildlife, and is harmful to our environment (exhaust fumes, using up our fossil fuel resources, tire damage to land, etc.). There is some concern about the shooting for scaring of wildlife or possible shooting of wildlife and the danger of people who are not safe shooters . I know how dangerous it is during deer hunting season or any other hunting season on public land..... I like the providing educational opportunities, hiking trails, acknowledging the Ho-Chunk Nation, etc. I would also like to see horseback riding trails.
737	shooting range? doesn't fit with everything else mentioned, destroys much of the ambience the rest creates, i say get rid of this idea
738	We do not support the shooting range and hunting or motorized recreational vehicles.
739	The property is to large to monitor the use of motorized vehicles. Snowmobile and ATV users invariably stray off trails.A Shooting Range has no place in any part of a public use area.
740	Why oh why would you create such disharmony as to have a shooting range and ATV trail? It speaks not to appreciate of nature, but abuse of native habitat. The noise and commotion certainly will keep many animals and birds away. This is a very, very bad idea. This plan fills an immediate need for fun at all costs, in this case, the solitude of the habitat and the enjoyment others will have at experience nature's music instead of the roar of ATVs and the blast of guns. Does everything have to be loud? Can't there be someplace where quiet is valued and placed above fun and toys?
741	Please, no motorized recreational areas. We do not need this. A shooting range might be dangerous also, if the area is not monitored.
742	Please make sure water and bathrooms are available along trails so hikers and bikers can refill their water bottles. (Is the water even drinkable??)
743	I like the shooting and OHV/Motorized recreation plans. I believe Wisconsin is behind other states in permitting those activities on public land. I will visit the property several times per year with my family if that plan is enacted
744	How about an equine trail area?
745	Nothing concerns me. this is exactly what should be done.
746	I like this alternative by far the best.It provides the most opportunities for any one to use and enjoy the property.There are numerous places in Sauk county where people can hike and commune with nature,but nowhere that I know of for atv riding or long range shooting on public land.
747	I'd love to see a road that connects Highway 12 to Hwy 78 to make the trip between the Bluffview area and Merrimac quicker. Make it a scenic road similar to the road that goes through Devil's Lake.
748	I dislike very much thiis idea... Yes it will ruin the area. It is next to the bluffs and Devils lake we have enough commercial ruin in the Dells please leave this area peaceful and serene.
749	I do not agree with the high level of development, especially biking, motorized use, shooting ranges, vehicle access, number of trails, and buildings. Horseback riding and the trails created are also too destructive and unnecessary.If people want a playground, the Wisconsin Dells are just up the road!
750	I ultimately prefer the original Badger reuse plan into which much time and consideration were given. I thought that was a done deal. Why are we revisiting this? My concern is now some want to bring motorized sports and a shooting range to this concept. This is totally contrary to the vision that evolved through the original process.
751	I HATE the idea of this. This is the worst possible use. Not to mention that living across from a shooting range and constant ATV use will be a nightmare.

752	Whenever you get 4-wheelers in they tear up the ground, just look what happened to Bass Hollow. Now the park is just for horesback riding, and hiking and the park is well maintained.
753	no to ATV's
754	This action is what the people of Sauk County and the State o Wisconsin should be offering people from everywhere, and most important, the generations to come.
755	Horseback riding trails have been established in other protected areas: Kickapoo Valley reserve in Vernon County, Whitemound County Park in Sauk County, Donald Park in Dane County, Govenor Dodge State Park all have horseback riding trails to coincide with nature.
756	This is the most desirable minus the special use zone. An ATV track and shooting range would disrupt the natural habitat as well as the surrounding neighbors. I fully support the BOMC's Alternative #4. It embodies all of the aspects of most importance to this piece of land.
757	Visitor center should not be in center of SPRA, fragmenting the grassland, but along Hwy 12. Be careful about use along Burma Rd: vector of exotics onto south Bluff and Pine Glen. Need to restrict access to Pine Glen --a very sensitive area and dangerous for climbers. Shouldn't have too much vehicle access, though some is OK. All buildings should be along Hwy 12, not in center of SPRA or in Special Use Zone, These are likely sources of exotics and disturbance for grassland/savanna wildlife. NO motorized recreation (ATV) in Special Use Zone or elsewhere. Ditto for shooting range. Everything else OK.
758	THIS IS THE BEST PLAN, but NO ATV'S!!! They are too loud and distructive and would ruin the peaceful atmospher within the property!
759	This is a great alternative! All the points listed above would cover such a range of people & activities to share & enjoy!
760	The only problem I would have with this version is the motorized recreation! It is contrary to everything else envisioned. Question: How can riding one's butt around be considered Recreation? Especially, in a society with so many health issues due to obesity. It's incongruent. The only way to recreate in anarea like this....is to be human-powered.
761	Allow hunting, fishing, shooting at a range, and ATV use
762	this is the best of the 3 options offered
763	This is my idea of proper land use. Maybe even include area for low impact camping, pack it in type set ups.
764	I am very concerned that motorized recreation activities will damage the natural environment & create noise that will interfere with other uses of the property
765	I would like horse trails and a horse campground I would like the motorized recreational vehicle trails and shooting range a long distance away from the horse and hiking trails Thank you
766	There is no other way better than to enjoy nature but from horseback in my opinion. Wisconsin's horse business is huge and to have another place to camp and ride your horse and enjoy Wisconsin's natural beauty with others who enjoy the same would be priceless! Please utilize at least some of this property as a camping/trail riding place for horse enthusiasts. I support this alternative.
767	Should all be spread out and the shooting range should be out in a corner away from the animals, and bikers, anything that could get hit.
768	This is my vote. Allowing all the above forms of non-motorized recreation and offering educational programs. Being able to link he Devils Lake area to the site brings together a place for people to experience the quiet, and beauty of the area.

769	Keep it wild life only. This land is much more valuable to me, my children and grand children if it is restored to the way nature intended it. You're the Department of NATURAL Resources. ATV's and shooting ranges have nothing whatsoever to do with preserving natural resources. Keep your promise and do your job by protecting the natural resources for the people of WI.
770	This includes more multi-purpose items; however, the addition of high-impact recreational activities (ATVs, motorized use, and a shooting range) seem to be too threatening to the wildlife in the area and the prairie restoration taking place.
771	I do NOT approve of the motorized recreation or shooting range uses. This would damage the land and disrupt/destroy native flora and fauna.
772	This alternative would be fine if you leave out the shooting range and the motorized sports. The noise and disruption would have a negative impact on both wildlife and people. We need a quiet place for recreation and we could all work together to restore the health of the land.
773	This concerns me:Providing motorized recreation opportunities in the Special Use ZoneProviding shooting range opportunities in the Special Use ZoneThese recreation opportunities would need to be removed. I do not believe that a quality restoration of these lands is compatible with the sounds created by ATVs and shooting ranges; in addition, what hiker or cross country skier or endangered bird will seek out the Badger lands if those lands are also alive with the sounds of motors and shooting? These things are not compatible.
774	please use alternative four without ATVs and shooting range.
775	Short of returning the land to the people displaced in the creation of the BAAP, this alternative provides the most opportunities to the most Wisconsinites. There is adequate area to accommodate all the diverse uses mentioned above and still do so in a safe manner. I do feel it important to recognize the important role historically played by BAAP in the war effort and also the impact locally on all the families who worked there..
776	I do not support noisy motorized recreation opportunities nor do I support a shooting range.
777	I would be concerned that this alternative would put restoration in jeopardy. It would lead to overuse of the area. I definitely would not support motorized recreation opportunities or shooting ranges. This alternative goes way beyond what is needed and would be expensive. Construction of this magnitude would be detrimental to restoration and preservation.
778	I like this alternative! This would allow the vast majority of people to experience and use this property, while understanding its history. This is what needs to be done!
779	Am upset that shooting range and motorized recreations would be allowed. I am strongly against this.
780	I like this best
781	I like the addition of horseback riding trails. There are not many public trail riding places in Sauk County, and this would be a great location. My only concern would be to have the motorized vehicle and hiking/bicycle trails separate from the horse trails for safety.
782	We would like to be able to have safe horse driving trails that are not too deep for carriages. In essence, development wouldn't need to be extensive. A source of clean water is really the minimum desire. Carriage driving is a family activity, and drivers are part of a respectful and courteous community. We value places that allow for exercising our horses and enjoying the natural outdoors.
783	I think this is the most logical alternative, as will satisfy the most people
784	This sounds really good, but I don't like the idea of the motorized sports and shooting range. I think this should be like Devil's Lake and other state parks where it is safe for families and it allows a peaceful connection with nature.

785	I like this alternative very much. +1 This would be the best way to utilize the land for everyone.
786	Would be OK except the noise polluting of the shooting range and motorized recreation. How about adding a DB noise restriction of 40 throughout the property to help the animals return?
787	This is great for ORV but that special area needs to be bigger.
788	I am concerned about having a shooting range in a recreational area.
789	This is a great alternative as it all ready includes horse back riding as a recreational option! I greatly approve of the strong educational aspect as well. Concerns would be managing the natural areas while also allowing motorized vehicle use. That is difficult as well as costly. The two don't always work well together for multi use properties.
790	I like this alternative. I like the hiking and biking trails into devils lake state park but also should have horse trails into devils lake state park. I don't think its a good idea to have auto access. If someone wants to see the area they can do it by hiking biking horseback or on designated four-wheeler trails.
791	No
792	I think high intensity uses, like picnic grounds, should be restricted to preipheral locations that are already pretty seriously degraded. I think there are better locations for ATV trails and shooting ranges.
793	Most of this would be unacceptable to me, Although I do support a direct link to Devil's Lake. It mocks the hard work and promises that went into the original reuse plan. ATV's and shooting ranges despoil this site. I am now very upset that a group,United Sportsmen of Wisconsin, had been given a grant that will allow this front group to lobby against the vast majority of Badger area citizens, and use the citizens taxes to lobby against their interests. Why hasn't this group appeared at the many hearings on this subject, very deceitful I believe.
794	Visitor center/classroom/bathrooms sound great, auto access for those who need it, trails, hiking/biking all sound good, UNTIL we get to ATV/shooting range items. Only low impact activities should be allowed, NO motorized vehicles, NO gun noise!This is a once in a lifetime opportunity to connect Devils Lake and a huge tract of land (Badger) for the general public to enjoy in peace and quiet, studying nature, learning the history, etc. We toured the property recently and were VERY impressed with the goats, a natural, low maintenance, low cost way to keep the property cleaned up. It would be absolutely disgraceful if we did not use that resource!
795	Provides the best choice of the three options. Uses the property in a wise manner and practices good conservation in the process. DO THIS!
796	I would like to see horse trails and possibly a horse camping. Definitely Separate trails from ATV's. Thank you for considering horse trail as there is a real need for them in this area.
797	A limited tie-in to Devils Lake would be a big plus!
798	Horseback and motorised activities are available commercially nearby.
799	Equine use for BOTH riding and driving.
800	I like this alternative best ... I would add EQUINE usage as well as this is a big industry in our state and needs to have equal usage status.

801	I like the development of Equestrain trails which are needed in Sauk County. We cannot ride in Mirror Lake Sp or Devils Lake SP. Riding opportunities would be very appreciated by myself and many local equestrians. I would like to see at least 15 miles of riding trails. Also would like to see some trails in the woods as riding dates in WI are the hot time of year. I have concerns of any sharing equestrian trails with ATV traffic as the can go very fast. Horses are prey animals and for safety I would want them separate from horse trails. If any trails are shared with mountain bikes on hills it would be good to have them separated as they go very fast downhill which frightens horses and can cause wrecks. I would like to see the shooting range or noisy ATV trails as far as away as possible from recreation trails as riders value the serenity of nature when riding. Thank you for your consideration - horse riders are very excited about the possibility of trails at this location.
802	Motorized use , shooting range do not fit low impact requirements of the transfer agreement and will detract from all other aspects of use focusing on natural
803	Too many users doing high impact recreational activities could hurt the area with destruction of natural landscapes and noise pollution. I definitely do not support excessive motor vehicles, horses, a shooting range, or biking. Allowing those activities would be truly awful.
804	motorized use is a concern because of the soil erosion and noise issues biking and equine can be restricted in times of high soil moisture. shooting range use is an issue unless only allowed when a range supervisor is on duty or in a berm with bunkers such as the Dane county law enforcement range.
805	There is no need for a rifle range or ATV trails at this property. Neither of these fall under low-impact recreation. I am strongly opposed to both of these options. There are plenty of rifle ranges within 20 miles of this property, and ATV trails can be made along roadways and other areas of land as they do up north. Snowmobile clubs have success making trails throughout the countryside so they can travel through the winter. The state should not be responsible for either of these options, and again, I am strongly opposed to both the rifle range and the ATV trail proposals.
806	I like the fact that this seems to be a balanced approach including opportunities for hunting as well as a shooting range.
807	As a horse owner, I'm happy to see the consideration of new horse trails. As a Wisconsin resident, I trailer my horse to Minnesota more than I like because of the lack of opportunities to ride my horses on a trail in Wisconsin. I love to see the addition of new trails to explore in the state I prefer to explore. My only concern is who would be sharing the trail with vehicle traffic. I worry about accidents with fast moving ATV's or snowmobiles that come up too fast either scaring the horse and throwing the rider.
808	no
809	Please add horse trails and a horse campground.
810	This proposal offers the best balance of uses for the property and maximizes the benefit of the property for the most users. The site has the potential to serve a large number of Wisconsin residents because of its proximity to population areas. It also has sufficient space to be able to accommodate some regionally underserved recreational interests like motorized recreation and target shooting. The size and layout of the property would allow a variety of recreational interests to be enjoyed without interference. This option also allows for many of the important features of the other options to be part of the program. The other two options are too restrictive. This option best addresses everyone's interests. I am willing to travel a long distance to be able to participate in motorized recreation and target shooting at this site - especially since these interests are largely underserved in this part of the state.
811	This proposal while the most expensive and extensive would serve a wide range of recreations. Horse people can fit in with most any environmental situation and a wide range of alternative recreational activities.
812	I am all for this proposal and hope the motorized recreation area proposal stays within the vision. This state lacks this type of recreation and if done correctly could benefit many people as well as the local and state economy.

813	Don't give in to the environmentalists. The main use should be shooting and hunting
814	Support Equestrian Access for any DNR or State and Federal Land. Our taxes pay for these areas... we should be allowed to enjoy access to them.
815	I like the increased access. Expanding access to include those physically unable to hike distances is important. Giving the people access to what they pay for is only fair. Shooting range costs could be funded through user groups. Keep it simple - even the most modest structures are very expensive to construct. I would support some effort to control invasive species of vegetation (too late for the invasive birds and insects, I suspect). And - of course - I hope for horse trails in the area. Supplemental funding and volunteer assistance is definitely available through horse user groups to help with construction costs. Not sure how to access those funds or people? email me at [REDACTED] and I will help.
816	Too many motorized vehicles does ruin the environment but Atv ppl do tend to maintain trails, Camping for hikers, horses, etc...
817	Big concerns with shooting, 4-wheelers tend to go 'everywhere', even into areas that are not allowed. They leave deep ruts and are noisy. All the building ideas 'sound' great, but are a real problem to maintain. Keep it more primitive.
818	Horseback riding is far less destructive than biking and certainly more environmentally friendly than ANY motorized vehicle.
819	Should minimize motorized traffic through the area. Appropriate access points and parking should be available for entry. Beyond that, focus on silent sports in terms of recreation
820	I would like to see equestrian trails that would pass points of historical interest as well as scenic vistas. I would like to see a camp ground for horseback riders included.
821	I like the horse trails and camping with horses would be a plus.
822	I really like this alternative! It includes many more activities that will bring more people (and revenue) to the area.
823	I like seeing horse back riding on this list! This all sounds good too, but I really like the idea of a very quiet, very natural area.
824	I definitely support the inclusion of horse trails in this plan. Our options to ride are getting less and less, and it is SO important to provide safe places to ride with our families and friends. It would be nice if ATV trails were separate from the horse trails, as it may cause a dangerous situation leading to unnecessary injuries. thank you for all the time that is put into a plan like this, and thank you for your consideration in providing horse trails to the citizens of Wisconsin and neighboring states.
825	A good shooting range is needed. I lived in the area for several years and it is tough to find a safe place to shoot. This is a place on public land to allow everyone an opportunity for environmentally safe range rather than just shooting in a pit or something
826	I very much appreciate the inclusion of horseback riding in this section. If local groups are contacted they may be willing to lend a hand on needed projects.Thank you very much for considering our sport.
827	Please provide dirt or grassy trails for horses. Gravel and paved trails are not good for many horses. It can hurt their hooves and/or joints. Thank you for considering horse trails!
828	Please consider use by Wisconsin trail riders and campers.
829	While using the area for picnics, boat access, hiking/biking seems attractive I am concerned about allowing ATV's or shooting range in this area. Seems counter-environmental.

830	This plan should be adopted.
831	I am a horseback rider and I am still not seeing that included..how hard is it to be made accessible through the park close by?
832	Biking and horseback riding fine if limited to areas that are not harming the overall restoration. Shooting range and motor sports would be a bad idea. There are more appropriate places for these activities.
833	Allow horseback riding trails in the area however there's safety issues for the rider if the trails are shared with motorized and bikes
834	Development of a shooting range would be ideal, to include gun and archery areas.
835	I like the idea of appealing to a greater populaces.
836	So why would you mention hiking, biking and not horseback riding in the management plan. It seems that you are leaving out an important constituency. You even list high impact uses such as auto access routes, while not listing horseback riding. This is a significant oversight from my perspective.
837	Develop multiple use non-motorized recreational functional trails to include mountain biking, hiking, horseback riding, provide overnight camping facilities (including water) with access available for horse trailers and places for overnight camping with horses.
838	Excellent, I am a avid hunter,hiker, skier, and horseback rider,all avenues of seasonal enjoyment could be utilized by the same trailhead and trails could be developed and used by everyone year around.
839	I do not like motorized recreation opportunities. I abhor the shooting range idea, can't think of a worse idea. Auto access trails would only diminish the site, ruining any wildlife habitat benefits. The visitor center is unnecessary. This whole idea is expensive and unnecessary.
840	Yes, I think this would be wonderful to offer the public and vacationers to the area. There are a lot of people going to more family orientated activities.
841	I think this is the best idea for this area! However, I would like to stress the area to include horse driving trails/roads (most of which are there) . It would be best and most appreciated by many if ATVs and cars/trucks didn't share the same space. They already have many, many miles of priviledge that don't need to be expanded! Considering our agricultural state and what it means to the economy, this equine preferrance should be enhanced and capitalized upon. Where else could something this big and beautiful be non-motorized for the most part, thus unique!
842	DO NOT LIKE this alternative.
843	I feel this is the best usage
844	I would not like to see motorized useage on the property except for the handicapped. To many get off the trails and that destroys the environment.
845	Yes, I don't like the fishing pier, or boating access. I don't like the idea of increased auto traffic and roads. Please don't allow motorized vehicles, shooting range or camping with anything but tents. We need an area that is accessible to the public but not some kind of doorway to the Dells. It should be a preserve and honor to all that have lived there previously, starting the Native American and then the displaced land owners. We need an area like this, close to metro areas that is a sanctuary to Wisconsin's ecological heritage. Don't dilute it with amenities that will only short change us in long range. Give us some wild places, make an interpretive center that is unobtrusive structurally but is well thought out in terms of educating the public.
846	Restrooms for Horse use areas at trailhead where large Horse trailers are parked

847	These are unique uses I can support with the parties involved PAYING for the use of the land thru user fees and daily access fees like use of the state parks. I am for promotion of a shooting range to take advantage of the unique size of the land parcel and contribute to the state offering unique shooting opportunities and training.
848	I do not see horse trails on this list and that concerns me. Horses would be a natural addition to this area.
849	Although I do not do a lot of these activities this concept does the most to allow all citizens the opportunity to be able to use the resource.
850	Horseback riding trails are not specifically mentioned but it would appear that their development would complement this management concept. My family would sincerely hope they will be included.
851	No motorized use or shooting range and no development!!! At the very most a campground with hiking trails dispersing from there and an interpretive center as head quarters for campground and trails.
852	This proposal offers a balanced approach maximizing benefits for the most people. Located close to a major urban area, this property could be best utilized with this proposal. In addition, it would support interests of an often silent, underserved people. I would be willing to travel across the state to ride my motorcycle here. Thank you for allowing my to share my interests and concerns, and thank you for your efforts.
853	This is the alternative I like the most, as it seems no constituency is intentionally excluded from using the Area.
854	I am extremely concerned about the ATVs. My brother is a responsible ATV user and says it is a nightmare trying to keep people on the trails -- they bought the machine in order to get off the trails. They love to mud and dust. They love to cut gullies up and down hills and brag about it.
855	like this.
856	Sounds good but where's the money coming from?
857	I would approve everything above, except the shooting range. I feel shooting ranges are noise disturbances for wildlife and park users. There are several shooting ranges already available to hunters and firearms users--both public and private.
858	I like that fact that consideration is being given for horseback riding trails. It is a beautiful area and would be an excellent place for trail riding.
859	I am not a fan of creating another over used outdoor natural area open, one more time, to motorized vehicles.
860	Let me site objections one by one, while stating that this alternative is the most preferable. A new visitors center is unnecessary - Devil's Lake can be utilized for this purpose. Limited road/vehicular access is essential - to parking and boat facilities are the necessary roadways (Sandhill Wildlife Refuge has a 14 mile auto-tour that I believe is invasive and underutilized). We want people to get out of their cars and recreate. In a state that is fighting the obesity battle everyday, lets not encourage recreators to only view/enjoy this precious area from their car seat. Still no mention of horses. . . please don't give me the invasive species argument. State parks and recreational areas across the country require weed-free hay fed three days before natural area use. Additionally, WI horses will be the primary users - we're all accustomed to the same plants. Additionally, we cannot account what birds and animals bring into the proposed natural area. Invasive species will be a continuing issue with or without horses. Motorized recreation is objectionable in that it adds a noise and pollution level that does not seem in tune with the natural area proposal. Again, there are numerous areas in our state that provide for the motorized enthusiasts. I am assuming the lake will be for non-motorized boat traffic. Shooting range in a special zone seems more in keeping with the historical aspects you are trying to promote - done in a safe and controlled manner, such an activity could work in this area. Again, use those volunteers from the silent sports communities and the environmental community - we want to be a part of something very special that WI has to offer.

861	Equestrian trails need to be added into the plan. We have PLENTY of hunting areas in this state.
862	The Outdoor Recreation Emphasis is the best use of the available land as the above-listed options offer enjoyment and use for individuals, families, and organized groups, by addressing the greatest number of interests.
863	I would vote for this option!
864	Sounds like good ideas, especially to supplement the devils lake area. I feel the shooting range would not be appropriate in close proximity to the other activities.
865	I thought there were 4 alternatives - I opt for number 4 as the most balanced.
866	This sounds expensive to keep up and limits the amount of land that can be rehabilitated, which should be the primary goal of any action.
867	The broader access to this area through this plan is highly appealing. Don't forget the benefit of mounted volunteers who are very active in this state.
868	This would an amazing option and would make me want to come there to ride our horses Having a place to camp and/or park overnight would be even more beneficial as riding longer and using the trails multiple days would be the greatest benefit as far as driving that far and making the most of the park trails and our time riding.
869	This would be my first choice.
870	As an Equestrian and outdoors enthusiast, I encourage you to do whatever it takes to make these areas inviting to the horse community.. I have never been in this area of the state, so I can't really make suggestions on how to improve these areas...I will keep posted on this issue and look forward to learning more about this effort. Sincerely, [REDACTED]
871	I think this opportunity for hiking, biking, and horseback riding should not be passed up. I believe there is enough of an existing road network and parking areas that dollar expenditures should be minimal to develop an infrastructure that would serve many interested parties. Volunteers could provide resources for many of the things needed to really make use of this facility.
872	I like this alternative. It would be nice to have horse trails closer to ride in. We enjoy the beauty of Wild Cat Mountain and feel this would be close to that in beauty of nature and trails. Thank you for considering this.
873	need horse trails and a campground/parking area
874	Equestrian trails would be a great use of this land. Separate trails for ATV's and bikes.
875	I feel that this is a long and involved process but we must start now before we have nothing to work with. I feel educating the children may in turn help to educate the adults, their parents. Thank you
876	Horse trails would help more people to enjoy the area and would allow hikers easier access. Many of the old roads or trails could be utilized by riders and would greatly enhance this plan at a minimal cost.
877	I like the idea of allowing horseback riding. We need more equine trails in the State of Wisconsin. You could allow day riding and horse camping.
878	An ecological zoo would accomplish a lot of these goals. I am opposed to a shooting range and motorized use.

879	I really like this alternative. I realize it is the most expensive one! But the public use of the area would be greatly increased I believe. It is my number 1 choice.
880	I really like the shooting range option and hope this continues to gain support.
881	A firearms training and education facility meets most of the goals stated above.
882	This sounds like a good plan. My concern is the shooting range. It should be in a totally different area set aside, completely separate from all other activities, trails, parking/picnic areas. Again, if there are ample miles of trails for horseback riding, I will make the trip. However in the long range planning, when making parking lots for site users, you need to take into consideration the size of units coming in and the need for driveways/roadways to be wide enough to accommodate two large rigs meeting each other and room to navigate in the parking areas. I myself have a 30' gooseneck trailer and it will not fit in the same spot as a volkswagon beetle.I look forward to seeing how this continues to progress in the future.
883	what a great idea!!!my only concern is to offer hunting on.the off season of camping and enjoying fall no gun hunting may thru oct. im a gun hunter and i can be very happy with this.thanks for asking and listening to other peoples ideas.cant wait to ride. wish my elderly parents could of enjoyed this as well.
884	I doubt that this will draw many visitors--horse trails will bring benefits of tourism and not damage the land---take a look at the good trails around the state.
885	This is by far the best plan because it tries to include everyone. There is more then enough land to accomplish this. All tax payers fund these projects why not include the people paying for it. User fees could also help fund maintenance and future projects.
886	Managed with a capital M. Why can't we support natural areas and encourage people to participate in natural activities.....hiking, bird watching, trapping, hunting. Why do we need motorized anything? It stops being a natural area when you transform it into something humans love....w/o consideration for the rest of nature.
887	The idea of an area public shooting range would be great.I do not believe the motorized recreational vehicles such at ATV and UTV should be allowed, as they are extremely detrimental to soil topography and tend to induce undesirable erosional effects.
888	This just ruins it. You might as well forget about restoring grasslands, etc. This just turns it into a big recreational carnival.
889	I would visit an area with horse riding/driving trails on a repeat basis, and expect to pay a usage fee. It concerns me that there appears to be no set aside for any natural community management/land use
890	This is a better plan but there is no mention of equestrian trails which would provide many ecological benefits without the damage caused by vehicle traffic. Other the trails mentioned for equestrian or dual use or limited to pedestrian traffic? This plan would be workable and better fit usage of Wisconsin residents. The range would be a great idea and interpretive displays are great educational ideas.
891	We cannot afford these costs with the present economy. Balance the federal budget before you spend on recreation.
892	Sorry, we've trashed too many wonderful areas by loving them to death. Fewer users means more wildlife and a healthier ecosystem.
893	Making a equine campground would not only bring more revenue to the park but also for the community.
894	Keep trails for motorized use and bike use totally separate from horse trails. People can get hurt very easily when you combine the two to one trail.

895	This would be the best use of the area. It would be usable for more people including physically challenged people.
896	No to ATVs. No to shooting range.
897	When intensive development uses an area, there will be costs to maintain. The more people that are attracted, especially when motorized vehicles are used, the more problems there will be to rectify.
898	Trapping and the shooting range are not compatible with the other activities.
899	develop horse trails. Prefer a small boat landing for canoes, small boats, not just carry in.
900	This alternative works best for my situation. I feel that you cannot PRESERVE, that you can only manage for the larger interests. Having an area that is user-friendly to a variety of interests is of importance to me in an age where nature is being split into private tracts that are not available for use. The only item that I don't see on the list is development of equestrian trails within this tract and Devils Lake State Park.
901	This sounds like the best alternative. I am concerned that shooting and hunting would be near other recreation. I am not opposed to hunting and see its value in maintaining balance but it seems to have taken a priority over safe places to ride horses, hike and take children to enjoy nature. If schools are to use this space as an outdoor lab teachers and parents need to know children will be safe.
902	Too limited.....
903	There is plenty of space to offer something for all users. A 4 wheeler trail and a horse trail could certainly be located on the outer edges and a shooting range somewhere. Build a multi use education center for ongoing learning, not a museum. Would be disappointing to see another bike and hiking trail and no other users allowed access.
904	This alternative shows real initiative. It will be a great service to the citizens of Wisconsin and the Nation. It would be a great place to visit and learn about our history. As mentioned in the previous alternatives, carriage driving need to be included along with horseback riding. It is an activity that is historical and modern at the same time. It is a recreation for equine enthusiast to enjoy and present their restored and modern vehicles in quiet environment.
905	We like that horseback riding is included in Outdoor Recreation.
906	I like the ATV trails, horse trails, shooting ranges,
907	This would be great. Add a shooting range also.
908	Great up to the last sentence. Stop at will be provided .. Maybe biking and horseback riding are OK, but let's keep it quiet.
909	I find the proposal to allow a shooting range and motorized activities totally inconsistent with the best use of this area. I visited the site in 2012 and had a wonderful tour. But, if noisy activities such as motocross and shooting (outside of limited hunting) are allowed, I am unlikely to return. And, I expect that the number of visitors will be greatly reduced. Shooting ranges and motorized activities cater to a very small proportion of our population. These activities should not be allowed at this site under any circumstances. Accordingly, I urge adoption of BOMC Alternative #4 which provides for overall use by more visitors.
910	This is the best alternative and can be incorporated through a phase process
911	No where in 14 management ideas stated above are horse trails mentioned. What a shame...
912	I think this alternative will provide the best option for the majority of users to include those with limited

	mobility and/or restricted movement. By far the best alternative.
913	Development of picnic areas, fishing pier, shooting range, and allowing motorized vehicles all run counter to emphasis on conservation of habitat for endangered species, and would also negatively affect the aesthetic experience for visitors who want to visit a wildlife area. This sounds more like a state park. I do like the ideas for interpretative materials pertaining to human occupation of the area and its impact on the ecology.
914	I do not support motorized rec use and do not support a shooting range. Noise of guns and motorized rec vehicle don't mix with equine use.
915	I like it, especially the horseback opportunities for trail riding.
916	I would have reservations about adding the described structures, and would prefer that vehicular access be very limited, if not closed. I like the idea of the fishing pier and carry-in boat/canoe access. I'd prefer limited rather than extensive developed trails. I am in favor of developing the shooting range. The interpretive and educational opportunities are attractive, as long as any structures are limited in size and remain at the very edges of the property.
917	No horseback riding. Horses and their use has been paramount to how WI was settled and developed. Having a way to represent this and allowing equine use of the public land is important.
918	There is such a mixture of evasive actions. Hiking and shooting. Shooting and Classroom. Silent sports, clean and environmentally minded.
919	none I like this one
920	Thank you for your plans to incorporate horseback riding into the trail systems. The horse has always been part of Native American history and Wisconsin's history. Hopefully you are working with experience horse people to give you suggestions on how you can best provide a safe trail for horses and riders. Non motorized trails for all silent sports users work well.
921	Motorized recreation will not enhance the preservation of this natural area. Motorized vehicle access should be limited or prohibited.
922	Noise issues, motorized vehicles, etc. are real negatives. The place will be wrecked by the usual.
923	I do not like this alternative because it would destroy the habitat for many species, including some that are endangered.
924	I feel this is not a very good idea for an area such as this. There already are enough locations for people to have this type of recreational activities. This would just be another typical state recreation area. It would pass up the one chance for the state of Wisconsin to develop a truly natural area in the southern area of our state. This would put added financial strain on the state park system as well. The state should not be developing target ranges in this area. Target ranges are limiting areas and do nothing for preserving the natural attributes of this area.
925	Somewhere to ride 4-wheelers, side by sides, dirtbikes, etc
926	shooting complex.
927	This would be a good option. It would make the area a destination for people who don't have good options near their home.
928	Although more costly, this seems like the best option to allow for more use. There will be greater impact, but most things listed will not be damaging. There is some reason to reconsider use of motorized recreation trails, but if they are in special use zones, that should keep negative impact low.

929	this would not restore habitat or support birds when they are migrating.
930	I would like to see horseback riding trails & camping .
931	These opportunities and preservation concepts would provide a balanced ecosystem and allow peoples to enjoy the natural beauty of the areas.
932	No trapping but include horse trails. Trapping is cruel.
933	I don't favor such extensive development of the site in the near future.
934	I prefer this alternative. It will serve the majority of WI residents and allow areas to be accessed by disabled residents (such as my wife). It will offer opportunities to those that are underserved in this state, such and motorcycle trail riders. I welcome an area that my family can ride thier motorcycles that is closer to home. I welcome a new hunting and fishing area. This option opens the land to more user groups, taxpayers and permit holders (ie hunting and fishing). I wonder, if you had to buy a license to hike a trail or watch birds, would you sell any? Yet folks all over the state buy them to hunt, fish, ride ATV's. It seems this option would serve those that help pay the bills and I fully support this option.
935	Like this idea. Would give a more diverse use to the property.
936	This is an excellent use of the land - improves local economy and allows enjoyment and access.
937	I like this.
938	By getting more people and families out enjoying nature it creates a stronger sense of pride and love for the outdoors. Encouraging the next generation to get more involved. I personally would love to see the horse trails. Their are limited number of horse trails and riding many weekends out of the year i would love another area to add to my list of places to enjoy!
939	Please allow horse trails to the area
940	Horseback trail riding is a wonderful inclusion as it will make WI a destination for out-of-state visitors who now only have probably one or two similar instate destinations like Wildcat Mountain State Park. I mean the addition of more miles of trails such as this may provide, not the short 3 - 5 miles trails. The Wisconsin Horse Council and trail riding clubs and organizations may adopt Sauk Prairie Rec Area for their club members volunteer opportunities. For more public input, have a representative in the State's booth at the Midwest Horse Fair, Madison WI in April where 50,000 equine enthusiasts visit. Have volunteers there with questionnaires.
941	I have ridden in areas that share motorized recreation and horseback riding and have found that they do get along. The only problem with motorized vehicles is that they can destroy area where they are used if it is not properly maintained.
942	ok
943	I like this alternative best, it still addresses the desire to restore grassland and shrubland, but it accomodates the a much broader and varried user group. I like that motorized recreational interest are accomodated in this alternative. Motorized recreation areas are almost non-existant in that part of the State where the large population centers are located. Users would easily travel 100 miles or more to use a facility like this for a day. I would like to see single track motorcycle trail incorporated in to the plan. Motorized trails can be constructed such that they are environmentally responsible and fit well into the overall management of the property.
944	I am very pleased to see the inclusion and consideration for horseback riding access in this plan.

945	All sounds good except motorized recreation (off road motorcycles and ATVs) and shooting... loud and dangerous for other users.
946	I find this option to not be a sustainable approach to effective management. I find much of the above to require too much infrastructure creation and upkeep.
947	This sounds like an excellent means of opening up the area for appreciation by the greatest number of people of all abilities and interests. I like the emphasis on diversity of approaches to the site and the education of those individuals if they are interested.
948	I like the focus on education and the increased development of a trail system. I especially like that horseback riding is specifically mentioned as one of the supported activities. It seems that this plan is extremely ambitious. It sounds great, but some combination of this plan and the ecological restoration plan might be more cost effective. The main reason I would use this area would be for horseback riding, and the things I would look for would be a large gravel parking area, access to water for the horses, and well marked trails.. Restroom facilities, even pit toilets, and a picnic area that can be accessed by horses would be great. I don't quite understand the need for a shooting range or ATV use at what otherwise sounds like it would be a quiet and peaceful area for enjoying nature and learning about its cultural importance.
949	My opinion is this: I would be concerned about hunting and trapping in the public areas where children are present. Having equestrian trails is great, riding and driving, hiking, walking, boating, fishing, ect... I think it would be awesome to set up a old western town like on the movies and do reenactments. Have train robberies, bank robberies, stagecoach, ect... We do not have anything like that in our area that I know of. Also Maybe even have camping area with some horse corrals. Thank you
950	Elements of concern: 1) will there be an opportunity for public input for addressing auto access routes? Developed trails? Location of shooting range?
951	Terrible ideas: Providing motorized recreation opportunities in the Special Use Zone Providing shooting range opportunities in the Special Use Zone.
952	minimizing gas powered vehicles would be preferred. Also not having guns or ranges would make this safer and quieter.
953	I like this alternative, but I am concerned that equestrian use of trails is not included. There are many equestrians in this state, as well as out of state, that would enjoy the area.
954	Establishing horseback riding parking for day use, trails, overnight camping which would include bathroom facilities, camping slots, water & electricity at each camp site, picnic tables, fire rings. Hopefully horse trails separate from ATV trails. Thank you for considering horseback riding in this plan.
955	This is a very good and well thought out plan.
956	motorized use and shooting ranges sound like they are not in line at all with the vision to maintain the historical and ecological context of this area. Why on earth would you further development something if you are trying to keep the aesthetics of the past? Surely the recreation options listed under the ecological restoration alternative are much more in line with the original vision. C'mon Wisconsin, set a national and global example for how these kinds of things can be properly done in today's world and don't give in to short-term money-making pressures. Too many very intelligent and motivated people have spent far too much time looking at this space and carefully considering positive ecological and social options to turn it into a playground. How can someone enjoy peaceful hiking trails in the vicinity of a shooting range?
957	In my opinion this is the most balanced option. At least some habitat is restored, culturally and historically significant locations are preserved with teaching opportunities and a broader base of recreational opportunities are represented.

958	This alternative provides the best balance of opportunities for the maximum benefit to the largest number of potential users. The site is proximate to large population centers in Wisconsin, and has sufficient space to address a multitude of user interests without conflict. Along with new recreation opportunities, ecological restoration can occur, cultural resources can be preserved, and educational opportunities can be harnessed. Further, because of the ample space and layout, regionally underserved interests such as motorized recreation and shooting can be accommodated. I am a Minnesota resident, though I lived the first half of my life in Wisconsin. I already travel to other states for opportunities for off highway motorcycling, and I would certainly be willing to travel to this site for another such opportunity - especially since off highway riding opportunities are so sparse regionally. I'd also enjoy using a target range during my visits. Every opportunity should be made to maximize the recreational use of this land.
959	This sounds great.
960	Love the addition of horseback riding. Only concern would be that the shooting range would be placed so that there isn't shooting towards any of the trails. As an avid horseback rider and shooter I support adding these use areas. With the addition of motorized vehicles I could see potential problems with 4 wheelers tearing up the terrain and the potential for spooked horses, however, with proper signage and maximum speed limit in place, I have seen shared use trails among horseback riders and 4 wheelers be very successful.
961	OHM (off highway motorcycle) trail system/park is a good idea.
962	This proposal offers the best balance of uses for the property and maximizes the benefit of the property for the public. The site has the potential to serve a large number of Wisconsin residents because of its proximity to population areas. It also has sufficient space to be able to accommodate some regionally underserved recreational interests like motorized recreation and target shooting. The size and layout of the property would allow a variety of recreational interests to be enjoyed without interference. This option also allows for many of the important features of the other options to be part of the program. The other two options are too restrictive. This option best serves the public's interests. I am willing to travel the long distance to be able to participate in motorized recreation and target shooting at this site.
963	This proposal offers the best balance of uses for the property and maximizes the benefit of the property for the most users. The site has the potential to serve a large number of Wisconsin residents because of its proximity to population areas. It also has sufficient space to be able to accommodate some regionally underserved recreational interests like motorized recreation and target shooting. The size and layout of the property would allow a variety of recreational interests to be enjoyed without interference. This option also allows for many of the important features of the other options to be part of the program. The other two options are too restrictive. This option best addresses everyone's interests. I am willing to travel a long distance to be able to participate in motorized recreation and target shooting at this site especially since these interests are largely underserved in this part of the state. Lastly, despite the distant of my home from this site, I would travel several times a month to enjoy it.
964	I would use the area for biking and horseback riding. There are limited areas to ride horses and I would really like to see this developed for that use.
965	There only 3 off-road motorcycle only trails that I am aware of in the state. One is in Jackson County and has about 30 miles of trail. Clarke County has a trail which if I remember right is about 6 miles and is currently closed. Dyracuse Park may still have a couple of miles, but it isn't even listed on their map. I live in Illinois and my primary recreation is off-road motorcycle riding. I volunteer my time creating and maintaining the trail in Jackson County. While I do ride in Jackson County, I spend most of my time passing through Wisconsin to ride in the UP of Michigan, where I have also created and maintained trail, including building decks over wetlands. Having a motorcycle only trail closer to home would be very nice. A campground should be available to serve the riding trails without the need to trailer the bike. The St. Joe state park in Missouri is their most popular campground due to their riding area. If ATV usage is to be considered, the ATV trails and motorcycle trails should be separate. The state already has numerous ATV areas, but virtually no motorcycle areas. In Michigan motorcycle trails are 24 on the ground and 40 at the handlebars. Also the proposal for a shooting range would be a plus.
966	As an out of state, off-road motorcycle rider, it would be great to see all of what Wisconsin has to offer, in the special use area for motorized recreation opportunities. I would also take advantage of camping and hiking opportunities. This is a good opportunity for an additional revenue stream, by attracting out of state riders, to support your local businesses, too!

967	The more diverse opportunities allowed will certainly bring more tourism to the area.
968	I think this is the best use of this site. This is a very rare opportunity to provide a multi-use recreation area within a reasonable travel distance of many major metropolitan areas. The participants in many of these recreational interests (motorized recreation, shooting range, camping, etc) are willing to travel significant distances and pay for the use of the land. By using this rare opportunity to cater to these groups, i believe this could be a great tourism opportunity along with providing unique recreational opportunities for WI residents in the area.
969	This proposal offers the best balance of uses for the property and maximizes the benefit of the property for the most users. The site has the potential to serve a large number of Wisconsin residents because of its proximity to population areas. It also has sufficient space to be able to accommodate some regionally underserved recreational interests like motorized recreation and target shooting. The size and layout of the property would allow a variety of recreational interests to be enjoyed without interference. This option also allows for many of the important features of the other options to be part of the program. The other two options are too restrictive. This option best addresses everyone's interests. I am willing to travel a long distance to be able to participate in motorized recreation and target shooting at this site - especially since these interests are largely underserved in this part of the state.
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971	I am not familiar with the area so I cannot comment.
972	I love this alternative! This is the vision I see. I think that being as accessible as possible and allowing the public to have complete access of the property is the most desirable.
973	Too much of a good thing might be bad, so be careful, but this would help tourism and the local economy more than the other. Just set aside big tracts for no one but animals as best you can. Good Luck!
974	This probably is the best of the above plans but probably has more development than is necessary. The best part of this is extensive, developed trails . Equestrian trails would be welcome.
975	I am concerned about motor vehicle access and feel it should be minimal.
976	This is the best alternative.
977	Do not do.
978	Motorized vehicles do not blend with the intended use of the land. Shooting range, if against the north bluff where the BAAP testing range was located would be safe but the noise issue is the concern.
979	No to the shooting range and the motorized recreation.
980	I'm in favor of recreation in general, but the Badger site is unique in that it has been relatively undisturbed and therefore offers a unique ecological opportunity. There are plenty of other recreation opportunities. Plus, a recreation-heavy alternative would require significant infrastructure and staffing to do well. I'm in support of Alternative #4 (apparently not listed here)!!!

981	I do not support uses or activities that would conflict with designating certain lands as the Sauk Prairie Wilderness Area. The notion of low-impact bike, equestrian and hiking trails is good. However I oppose shooting range or facilitating ORV or motorized use beyond what is necessary to accommodate parking and trailhead access.
982	I do not like your emphasis of getting people on the property. You are The DNR. Think NATURAL and less about the people experience, that will come with the education along with restoration and historical conservation. This is a one time opportunity to have 7354 acres managed collectively by 3 entities with open grasslands, prairie lands, and historical, geological features preserved. Don't muck it up.