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12. What are your overall thoughts on the draft master plan?

Adding non-motor pathways would be good.

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☐ Yes
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☐ General sightseeing
☐ Automobile driving
☐ Cross country skiing or snowshoeing
☐ Snowmobiling
☐ Dual-sport motorcycle riding
☐ Rockhounding
☐ "Fat tire" bike riding
☐ Running or conditioning
☐ Geocaching
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16. If "No" which of the following might be reasons for not visiting? (Check all that apply)
☐ I am concerned about safety
☐ I don't live in the area
☐ Don't know
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17. What recreation opportunities should the DNR and partners focus on providing in the next 3 years?

18. What additional thoughts or comments would you like to share?

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VISITING SAUK PRAIRIE RECREATION AREA.

Although SPRA opened to the public in April 2015, the property will be in a transition phase for many years to come. Other than trails on some of the former roads, currently there are no amenities for visitors. The Department will initially focus its limited staff and funds on continuing to clean up rubble and debris, filling the worst of the potholes, placing boundary signs, and conducting other tasks to ensure that visitors have a safe experience.

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   ☑ Deer
   ☑ Pheasant
   ☑ Turkey
   ☑ Small game
   ☑ Other _______________________
   ☑ Trapping
   ☑ Bird and other wildlife watching
   ☑ Photography
   ☑ General sightseeing
   ☑ Automobile driving
   ☑ Cross country skiing or snowshoeing
   ☑ Snowmobiling
   ☑ Dual-sport motorcycle riding
   ☑ Rocketry
   ☑ “Fat tire” bike riding
   ☑ Running or conditioning
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   ☑ Other _______________________

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   ☑ Don’t know
   ☑ Other _______________________

17. What recreation opportunities should the DNR and partners focus on providing in the next 3 years?

   Primitive horse trails would be a great start

FINAL THOUGHTS AND IDEAS.

18. What additional thoughts or comments would you like to share?

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   Zip code of primary residence: 53538 Name (Optional): Kricket Jewett

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Recreation -

Moving the racetrack to a location not near the horse trails would be appreciated.
The overhead noise from the racetracks could cause problems with horses.

- Please consider locating the parking lot so that it could be expanded only space for 10 trailers could very well become too small for the use.

- Please reference the UW Madison study on horse manure study - horses do not spread invasive plants
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I support Snowmobiling and Hunting

HABITAT MANAGEMENT (see the summary or pages 30-45 of the draft master plan for more information).

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   What are your thoughts on the description of potential effects that may result if the master plan is implemented? Are there potential impacts that are not adequately explained? If so, how should they be described?
   Short-term environmental impacts and cumulative impacts of all recreation potential should be explained in greater detail.

10. Different options to achieve the habitat and recreation goals for the property were evaluated. What are your thoughts on the alternatives evaluated but not included in the final draft? Are there alternatives not selected that should be included in the proposed management plan? If so, which ones and why?

12. What are your overall thoughts on the draft master plan?
   □ Far too much emphasis on recreation
   □ Somewhat too much emphasis on recreation
   □ About the right balance between conservation and recreation
   □ Somewhat too much emphasis on conservation
   □ Far too much emphasis on conservation

13. There are many impacts of this proposed master plan. Although the Department attempted to describe the recreational use and habitat management clearly, there may be portions that are confusing or unclear. What parts of the master plan are confusing, missing, or need further explanation? What questions do you have?
   □ The BIS should be greatly expanded to examine
   □ Potential impacts of short-term recreational activities need the cumulative impacts of all recreational activities.

14. Do you anticipate visiting the Sauk Prairie Recreation Area over the next 2 or 3 years?
   □ Yes
   □ No
   □ Don't know

15. If "Yes" in which of the following recreation activities are you likely to participate? (check all that apply)
   □ Hiking or walking
   □ Recreational biking
   □ Horseback riding
   □ Hunting
   □ Deer
   □ Pheasant
   □ Turkey
   □ Small game
   □ Other
   □ Trapping
   □ Bird and other wildlife watching
   □ Photography
   □ General sightseeing
   □ Automobile driving
   □ Cross country skiing or snowmobiling
   □ Snowmobiling
   □ Downhill or cross-country skateboarding
   □ Rockclimber
   □ "Fat tire" bike riding
   □ Running or conditioning
   □ Geocaching
   □ Other:

16. If "No" which of the following might be reasons for not visiting? (check all that apply)
   □ No interest
   □ I intend to wait until more recreation opportunities are available
   □ I don't participate in the activities that are proposed here
   □ I am concerned about safety
   □ I don't live in the area
   □ Don't know
   □ Other:

17. What recreation opportunities should the DNR and partners focus on providing in the next 3 years?
   □ Low-impact recreation activities

18. What additional thoughts or comments would you like to share?
   Thanks to all the DNR employees who worked so hard on this draft plan.

   Zip code of primary residence: 53583  Name (Optional):
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**FEEDBACK ON SPECIFIC PARTS OF THE DRAFT MASTER PLAN.**

**RECREATION** (see the summary or pages 17-29 of the draft master plan for more information).

1. **Regarding the proposed mix of recreation activities, I think:**
   - The mix of recreation activities proposed is appropriate.
   - The following recreation activities should be added: **KRAHMAK RIO HUMAN MOTORCYCLE TRAIL.**
   - The following recreation activities should be removed: **______________**

2. **Regarding the proposed amount of opportunities for different recreation activities, I think:**
   - The amount of recreation opportunities proposed is about right.
   - There should be more opportunities for activities: **CO-HEAVY MOUNTAIN BIKING**
   - There should be fewer opportunities for these activities: **______________**

3. **What other comments do you have regarding the proposed recreation activities? How could the proposed recreational experiences be improved?**
   - The DNR has not provided opportunities for off-road motorcycle use on the adjacent while allowing multiple opportunities for other trail users at appropriate levels in the area. Off-road motorcycle use should be discouraged as well.

**HABITAT MANAGEMENT** (see the summary or pages 30-45 of the draft master plan for more information).

4. **Regarding the mix of habitats proposed to be restored and managed, I think:**
   - The mix of habitats proposed to be restored and managed is appropriate.
   - More emphasis should be placed on: **______________**
   - Less emphasis should be placed on: **______________**

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   - The mix of management techniques proposed is appropriate.
   - More emphasis should be placed on: **______________**
   - Less emphasis should be placed on: **______________**
   - These management techniques should not be used: **______________**

6. **What other comments do you have regarding the proposed restoration and management of habitats? What are your thoughts regarding the proposed habitat management techniques?**

   **______________**
7. Regarding the cultural and historic interpretive opportunities proposed, I think:
   - More emphasis should be placed on: ____________________________
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8. What other comments do you have regarding the proposed cultural and historic interpretive opportunities? What do you think visitors will be most interested in learning about the property?

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**VISITING SAUK PRAIRIE RECREATION AREA.**

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   - No
   - Don’t know

15. If “Yes” in which of the following recreation activities are you likely to participate? (Check all that apply)
   - Boating
   - Hiking or walking
   - Horseback riding
   - Hunting
   - Other
   - Photography
   - General sightseeing
   - Snowmobiling
   - Cross country skiing or snowshoeing
   - Motorcycling
   - Cross-country biking
   - Running or conditioning
   - Geocaching
   - Other

16. If “No” which of the following might be reasons for not visiting? (Check all that apply)
   - I am concerned about safety
   - I don’t live in the area
   - Don’t know
   - Other

17. What recreation opportunities should the DNR and partners focus on providing in the next 3 years?
   - Make it a point to provide new opportunities for off-highway motorcyclists available soon since this group is very underserved in the region.

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**FINAL THOUGHTS AND IDEAS.**

18. What additional thoughts or comments would you like to share?

   - We need a more efficient system for evaluating user needs and solving through some of the problems that cause stress at some of the current locations to make sure we are doing the best job we can meet users' needs. We should evaluate the comments.

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Sauk Prairie Recreation Area: PUBLIC INPUT

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FEEDBACK ON SPECIFIC PARTS OF THE DRAFT MASTER PLAN:

RECREATION
(see the summary or pages 17-20 of the draft master plan for more information).

1. Regarding the proposed mix of recreation activities, I think:
   - [ ] The mix of recreation activities proposed is appropriate.
   - [ ] The following recreation activities should be added:
   - [ ] The following recreation activities should be removed:

2. Regarding the proposed amount of opportunities for different recreation activities, I think:
   - [ ] The amount of recreation opportunities proposed is about right.
   - [ ] There should be more opportunities for these activities: Snowmobiles
   - [ ] There should be fewer opportunities for these activities:

3. What other comments do you have regarding the proposed recreation activities? How could the proposed recreational experiences be improved?
   The snowmobile trail should be inside the SPRA and not pushed against the border of the area (along Lake Edgemont Highways)

HABITAT MANAGEMENT
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4. Regarding the mix of habitats proposed to be restored and managed, I think:
   - [ ] The mix of habitats proposed to be restored and managed is appropriate.
   - [ ] More emphasis should be placed on:
   - [ ] Less emphasis should be placed on:

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   - [ ] The mix of management techniques proposed is appropriate.
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   - [ ] Less emphasis should be placed on:
   - [ ] These management techniques should not be used:

6. What other comments do you have regarding the proposed restoration and management of habitats? What are your thoughts regarding the proposed habitat management techniques?

Sauk Prairie Recreation Area: PUBLIC INPUT
7. Regarding the cultural and historic interpretive opportunities proposed, I think:
   □ More emphasis should be placed on ___________________.
   □ Less emphasis should be placed on ___________________.

8. What other comments do you have regarding the proposed cultural and historic interpretive opportunities? What do you think visitors will be most interested in learning about the property?

9. Environmental, ecological, and economic benefits may occur if the proposed master plan is implemented (e.g., larger populations of rare grassland and savanna birds, more recreational opportunities for nearby residents and visitors, and increased economic activity in the region). In addition, some adverse outcomes may result (e.g., the cost to restore habitats and construct recreation facilities, smoke from the use of prescribed fire to control invasive species, and increased traffic on local roads from visitors).

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11. In developing the draft master plan, the DNR sought to balance recreation experiences (including education and interpretation of the property) and the conservation of natural habitats at Sauk Prairie Recreation Area. How do you view the balance between recreation and conservation in the proposed master plan?

12. What are your overall thoughts on the draft master plan?

   □ Pretty good Balance of user groups, thanks for being inclusive
   □ Far too much emphasis on recreation
   □ Somewhat too much emphasis on recreation
   □ About the right balance between conservation and recreation
   □ Somewhat too much emphasis on conservation
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   I would like to have a more concrete plan for the location of snowmobile trail thru the SPRA in writing and on the map.

### VISITING SAUK PRAIRIE RECREATION AREA

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14. Do you anticipate visiting the Sauk Prairie Recreation Area over the next 2 or 3 years?
   □ Yes
   □ No
   □ Don't know

15. If "Yes" in which of the following recreation activities are you likely to participate? (Check all that apply)
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   □ Recreational biking
   □ Horseback riding
   □ Hunting
   □ Deer
   □ Pheasant
   □ Turkey
   □ Small game
   □ Other
   □ Trapping
   □ Bird and other wildlife watching
   □ Photography
   □ General sightseeing
   □ Automobile driving
   □ Cross country skiing or snowshoeing
   □ Snowmobiling
   □ Dual-sport motorcycle riding
   □ Rock climbing
   □ "Fat tire" bike riding
   □ Running or conditioning
   □ Geocaching
   □ Other

16. If "No" which of the following might be reasons for not visiting? (Check all that apply)
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   □ I intend to wait until more recreation opportunities are available
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   □ I don't live in the area
   □ Don't know
   □ Other

17. What recreation opportunities should the DNR and partners focus on providing in the next 3 years?

   Snowmobile trails could be installed and opened in a short amount of time with cooperation of local snowmobile clubs & the members/volunteers

### FINAL THOUGHTS AND IDEAS

18. What additional thoughts or comments would you like to share?

   I would like to see a scenic trail for snow mobile use thru this property. This could be a great opportunity for this user group to enjoy the winter season beauty of this natural area.

   Zip code of primary residence: 53558
   Name (Optional): 

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NOTE: THE LINK ON INTERNET DIDN'T WORK 9-9-2015

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RECREATION
(see the summary or pages 17-27 of the draft master plan for more information).

1. Regarding the proposed mix of recreation activities, I think:
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   [ ] There should be more opportunities for these activities:
   [ ] There should be fewer opportunities for these activities:

3. What other comments do you have regarding the proposed recreation activities? How could the proposed recreational experiences be improved?

   [ ]

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   [ ] These management techniques should not be used:

6. What other comments do you have regarding the proposed restoration and management of habitats? What are your thoughts regarding the proposed habitat management techniques?

   [ ]

Thank you for your time. Make some trails so us city people have a place enjoy open spaces.

Sauk Prairie Recreation Area: PUBLIC INPUT
WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
CULTURAL AND HISTORIC RESOURCES
(see the summary or pages 80-83 of the draft master plan for information).

7. Regarding the cultural and historic interpretive opportunities proposed, I think:
☐ The mix of proposed cultural and historic interpretive opportunities is appropriate.
☐ More emphasis should be placed on:
☐ Less emphasis should be placed on:

8. What other comments do you have regarding the proposed cultural and historic interpretive opportunities? What do you think visitors will be most interested in learning about the property?

POTENTIAL OUTCOMES
(see the summary or pages 113-117 of the draft master plan for more information).

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ALTERNATIVES
(see the summary or pages 129-138 of the draft master plan for more information).

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FEEDBACK ON THE OVERALL DRAFT MASTER PLAN.

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☐ I want my kids to be close to home.
☐ I don't care.
☐ I want to do more activities
☐ Other

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ZIP CODE OF PRIMARY RESIDENCE: 53949 NAME (OPTIONAL): JIM BLODIN

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☐ Less emphasis should be placed on: ________________________________

8. What other comments do you have regarding the proposed cultural and historic interpretive opportunities? What do you think visitors will be most interested in learning about the property?
I like the idea of tying the history to visitors' experiences.

9. Environmental, ecological, and economic benefits may occur if the proposed master plan is implemented (e.g., larger populations of rare grassland and savanna birds, more recreational opportunities for nearby residents and visitors, and increased economic activity in the region). In addition, some adverse outcomes may result (e.g., the cost to restore habitats and construct recreation facilities, smoke from the use of prescribed fire to control invasive species, and increased traffic on local roads from visitors).

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Nature-based activities should have low impact.

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None.

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Overall - good, minor adjustments to avoid conflict of use.

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Mostly clear.

14. Do you anticipate visiting the Sauk Prairie Recreation Area over the next 2 or 3 years?
☐ Yes
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17. What recreation opportunities should the DNR and partners focus on providing in the next 3 years?
Nature based.

18. What additional thoughts or comments would you like to share?
We have a great opportunity here. History, outdoor activities, ecosystem restoration. It can be a valuable asset to all people and the land.

Zip code of primary residence: 53951
Name (Optional): Jeff Johnson

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VISITING SAUK PRAIRIE RECREATION AREA.

Although SPRA opened to the public in April 2015, the property will be in a transition phase for many years to come. Other than trails on some of the former roads, currently there are no amenities for visitors. The Department will initially focus its limited staff and funds on continuing to clean up rubble and debris, filling the worst of the potholes, placing boundary signs, and conducting other tasks to ensure that visitors have a safe experience.

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FINAL THOUGHTS AND IDEAS.

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ZIP CODE CARE AGAINST MOTORIZED SPOT

I WAS DUE TO NOISE LEVELS THEN THEY SHOULD CONTACT STATE LEGISLATORS ABOUT NOISE

LEVELS OF MOTORCYCLES ON OUR HIGHWAYS.

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Thank you!

[Signature]

Name (Optional): [Signature]

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Sauk Prairie Recreation Area: Public Input
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18. What additional thoughts or comments would you like to share?

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Zip code of primary residence: 53578  Name (Optional): Linda Mittenzweig

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**PUBLIC INPUT** on the draft master plan and environmental impact statement for:

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Bike & Hiking Trails

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Non-impact: ________ Activities such as hiking, bird-watching, educational opportunities such as wildlife viewing blinds, platforms

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17. What recreation opportunities should the DNR and partners focus on providing in the next 3 years?

Visitor center, hiking trails.

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**FINAL THOUGHTS AND IDEAS.**

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Access to a natural environment that is free of the noise and stress of urban daily life is critical for mental health.

Zip code of primary residence: 53562 Name (Optional): R Alvin

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FEEDBACK ON SPECIFIC PARTS OF THE DRAFT MASTER PLAN.

RECREATION (see the summary or pages 17-29 of the draft master plan for more information).

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   - [ ] The mix of recreation activities proposed is appropriate.
   - [ ] The following recreation activities should be added: [ ] recitals, motor cycles + dog training

2. Regarding the proposed amount of opportunities for different recreation activities, I think:
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   - [ ] There should be more opportunities for these activities.
   - [ ] There should be fewer opportunities for these activities.

3. What other comments do you have regarding the proposed recreation activities? How could the proposed recreational experiences be improved? Both recitals and motor cycles violate the low impact designation in the reuse plan and they open the door to other destructive uses.

HABITAT MANAGEMENT (see the summary or pages 30-45 of the draft master plan for more information).

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6. What other comments do you have regarding the proposed restoration and management of habitats? What are your thoughts regarding the proposed habitat management techniques?

   Good mix of uses, I like chemical + mechanical removal of invasive species.

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Sauk Prairie Recreation Area: PUBLIC INPUT

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   - let's set info signs informing visitors of native species and cultural sites.

POTENTIAL OUTCOMES

9. Environmental, ecological, and economic benefits may occur if the proposed master plan is implemented (e.g., larger populations of rare and native species, more recreational opportunities for nearby residents and visitors, and reduced traffic on local roads from visitors).

   - Conflict between high impact uses and hiking, picnic areas, camping, other quiet activities.

ALTERNATIVES

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   - Engage local groups in restoring specific areas.

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   - Some real conflicts needed by roosting, motorcycling, dog training. Low impact recreation is part of the reuse plan.

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   - Quiet, peaceful ones!

FINAL THOUGHTS AND IDEAS.

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   *This is a wonderful opportunity to make a gift to the future & heal a much abused piece of land. It can be an oasis of peace & recreation for millions of people.*

   Zip code of primary residence: 53959
   Name [Optional]: Mimi Wuest

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