

Appendix A
The User Survey

Dear Trail User:

The Allegheny Trail Alliance (ATA), a consortium of trail groups, has commissioned the University of Pittsburgh to do a use and impact study of the trail system. Would you please help the Alliance by filling out this short survey and mailing it in the self-addressed envelope provided? Check out the ATA web site, <http://www.atatrail.org> for current information on trail segments, parking, amenities, necessities, etc.

Thank you in advance,
Steve Farber, PhD
Trail Study Director

1. How many persons came with you in this vehicle today? ____ persons
2. What was your groups' primary use of the trail today (check only one)?
Bike ____ Hike/Walk ____ River Access ____ Did Not Use ____
3. How far did you drive, **ONE WAY**, to come to this trailhead? ____ miles
4. How many miles did you go, **ONE WAY**, on the trail today? ____ miles
5. How many hours were you on the trail today? ____ hours
6. If you came to bike, how many persons in your vehicle brought bikes? ____ persons
7. How many persons in your vehicle rented bikes for this trip? ____ persons
8. Did your group, or will your group, purchase food, gasoline, clothing, etc., in communities along the trail or trailhead today? Yes ____ No ____

8a. If **YES**, what will be the total spending of your **whole group** in this community today?
Please use the following categories:
Bike rental \$ ____ Clothing \$ ____
Biking equipment \$ ____ Gasoline \$ ____
Food and drink \$ ____ Other (sunscreen, film, etc) \$ ____
9. How many trips has each person in your vehicle made to this trailhead this calendar year?
You ____ Person 2 ____ Person 3 ____ Person 4 ____ Person 5 ____ Person 6 ____
10. How many persons in your vehicle are in the following age categories?
Number under 10 10-20 21-30 31-40 41-50 51-60 over 60
 ____ ____ ____ ____ ____ ____

11. While it may be difficult to quantify exactly, roughly what percentage of "bike time" during the past 2001 calendar year was spent on various segments of this trail, which runs from Pittsburgh to Cumberland?

(Please try and distinguish this percentage for each person in your vehicle.)

You ___ % Person 2 ___ % Person 3 ___ % Person 4 ___ % Person 5 ___ % Person 6 ___ %

12. Have you, or members of your group today, bought bikes or biking equipment (racks, pumps, clothing, etc.) in the past two years? Yes ___ No ___

12a. If **YES**, how much money was spent by or for each person in your vehicle for bikes and equipment during the past 2 years?

	Bikes	Equipment		Bikes	Equipment
You	\$ _____	\$ _____	Person 4	\$ _____	\$ _____
Person 2	\$ _____	\$ _____	Person 5	\$ _____	\$ _____
Person 3	\$ _____	\$ _____	Person 6	\$ _____	\$ _____

13. Is your group staying overnight in this area on this trip?

Yes ___ No ___

13a. If **YES**, check one:

___ In a motel ___ In a B&B ___ Camping ___ With friends

13b. If **Yes**, for how many nights? _____ nights

13c. If **Yes**, how much is your group spending for lodging each night? \$ _____

14. What is the ZipCode of residence for each person in your vehicle?

You _____ Person 2 _____ Person 3 _____

Person 4 _____ Person 5 _____ Person 6 _____

15. We hope you had an enjoyable outing today. Were there some services or facilities you would have enjoyed, but were not available along the trail or trailhead, such as:

Restaurants ___ Shopping ___ Lodging ___ Toilets ___

Snack shops ___ Bike repair ___ Water ___ Picnicking ___

Other (please note) _____

16. Other comments or suggestions to help us improve your next visit:

Appendix B
Tables for Estimating Visits

Appendix Table B-1

Trail Counter Location	April			May			June			July		
	Weekday	Saturday	Sunday	Weekday	Saturday	Sunday	Weekday	Saturday	Sunday	Weekday	Saturday	Sunday
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Garrett	9	18	25	25	49	68	51	99	137	49	94	131
Rockwood	39	67	92	39	67	92	49	86	117	54	94	128
Confluence	10	18	18	22	43	43	40	76	77	50	94	95
RamCat	26	84	75	59	192	169	106	342	302	140	453	400
RR Station	30	81	84	72	194	201	128	346	359	169	458	475
Fernduff	78	287	227	119	438	346	185	684	541	235	866	685
Connellsville-S	86	147	114	132	226	176	249	426	333	361	619	483
Connellsville-N	96	209	109	146	317	166	205	445	232	158	343	179
Outback	15	29	38	29	57	73	35	67	86	32	61	79
Buddtown	105	184	213	214	376	433	277	487	562	240	422	487
Greenock	89	160	187	189	341	397	247	446	519	210	379	442

Estimates of Number of Trail Visits per Day, by Trail
Counter Location, Month and Day of Week¹

¹ These estimates are made by using actual counts by Counter Location and Month, and assuming that the day of week pattern for a location would be the same for all months. For example, if Weekday counts at Garrett were 50% of Saturday counts over the entire trail season, we assume that every Weekday is 50% of Saturday counts for every month.

Table B-1 Continued

Trail Counter Location	August			September			October			November		
	Weekday 13	Saturday 14	Sunday 15	Weekday 16	Saturday 17	Sunday 18	Weekday 19	Saturday 20	Sunday 21	Weekday 22	Saturday 23	Sunday 24
Garrett	35	68	94	27	52	72	22	42	59	5	10	14
Rockwood	41	71	97	34	59	81	23	40	54	8	15	20
Confluence	62	119	120	39	74	75	22	41	42	8	15	15
RamCat	115	371	327	90	291	256	43	140	124	15	49	44
RR Station	92	249	258	53	143	148	43	117	122	52	141	146
Fernclyff	184	677	535	120	442	350	157	578	457	221	817	646
Connellsville-S	344	589	460	236	404	315	52	90	70	58	99	77
Connellsville-N	151	328	171	177	383	200	144	313	163	126	273	142
Outback	28	54	69	35	67	86	14	28	36	51	99	128
Buddtown	142	251	289	234	412	476	182	320	368	178	313	360
Greenock	121	218	255	207	373	435	164	295	344	156	282	329

Table B-2

Estimated Total Number of Visits During 2002 Trail Season, by Trail Counter Location and Day of Week

Trail Counter Location	Weekday Use 1	Saturday Use 2	Sunday Use 3	Total Use 4
Garrett	4768	1801	2553	9121
Rockwood	5853	1985	2713	10551
Confluence	5378	2031	2076	9484
RamCat	12671	8034	7178	27883
RR Station	13180	7054	7332	27566
Ferndiff	25266	18877	14473	58616
Connellsville-S	31883	10821	8520	51224
Connellsville-N	24123	10403	5353	39879
Outback	4487	1792	2203	8482
Buddtown	31624	11004	12455	55083
Greenock	27858	9933	11372	49163
Total	187089	83735	76228	347053