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Snowmobile Enthusiast Survey

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In the Summer of 2007, Snowmobile North Dakota and North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department commissioned Marketing & Advertising Business Unlimited (dba Agency MABU) to assist in conducting a market research study. The purpose of this study was to evaluate awareness levels, utilization patterns and business strategies relating to snowmobile usage in North Dakota and the Snowmobile North Dakota organization.

Agency MABU conducted phone surveys with a sampling of Snowmobile North Dakota volunteers and general snowmobile enthusiasts, as well as personal interviews with key executives from Snowmobile North Dakota and North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department.

The complete results of the general snowmobile enthusiast survey are compiled in this report.

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Conduct of Study

In June 2007, Marketing & Advertising Business Unlimited, Inc. (dba Agency MABU) was commissioned by Snowmobile North Dakota and North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department to conduct a market research study to assess and evaluate awareness levels, utilization patterns and trail management practices relating to snowmobile usage in North Dakota and the Snowmobile North Dakota organization.

The study was conducted in three parts. The first component consisted of ten face-to-face or phone interviews with executive leaders, key staff and board members from Snowmobile North Dakota and the North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department. The second component consisted of a telephone survey of approximately 45 members of Snowmobile North Dakota including 10 trail association leaders, 20 club leaders, and 15 business associates/general members. The third component, results of which are compiled in this report, consisted of a random sample phone survey of 302 registered snowmobile owners throughout North Dakota. This results in a margin of error of plus or minus 5.7%. For example, this means that if 80% of the respondents answered “yes” to a particular question, somewhere between 74.3% to 85.7% of the total population of registered snowmobile owners would answer the same way.

For each survey, officials from the state snowmobile program provided the research firm with names and contact information of Snowmobile North Dakota and North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department executive leaders, 21 trail association leaders, 44 club leaders and 6,283 registered snowmobile users in North Dakota. Out of this population, individuals were randomly selected to participate in the research study.
Executive Summary
Overview of Market Research - Snowmobile Enthusiasts Survey

In the summer and fall of 2007, Agency MABU surveyed a random sample of registered snowmobile owners in North Dakota.

The 2007 survey was patterned after previous research studies conducted by Snowmobile North Dakota in 1992, 1994, 1996 and 2002.

When applicable, results from these studies are included in this section of the strategic plan to reveal trends relating to snowmobile usage throughout the state.

The following information was compiled from past market research studies and the most current study conducted in 2007 with registered snowmobile owners in North Dakota. Whenever possible, research results are compared from year to year to reveal trends in snowmobile usage.

Profile of a Typical Rider
The typical snowmobile enthusiast in North Dakota is in his/her mid-40s, does not belong to a snowmobile club, owns 2-3 sleds, and spends over 30 days snowmobiling in-state each season.

Riding on Public Land
The overwhelming majority (93%) of registered snowmobile owners in North Dakota would support increased riding opportunities on public land.

OHV Ownership
Over half (56%) of registered snowmobile owners in North Dakota also own some type of off-highway vehicle.

Snowmobile Membership
According to the most recent research, about one in six registered snowmobile owners (16%) is a member of Snowmobile North Dakota.

Registration Fees
On average, North Dakota snowmobile owners believe $31.00 to be a reasonable and appropriate annual registration fee for snowmobiles within the state.

Snowmobile Purchases
During any given year, ¼ to ½ of registered snowmobile owners in North Dakota purchase a snowmobile. Purchases tend to vary based on annual snowfall amounts.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Year</th>
<th>Percentage</th>
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<tr>
<td>1992</td>
<td>45.8%</td>
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<td>1994</td>
<td>54.8%</td>
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<td>1996</td>
<td>53.8%</td>
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<td>2002</td>
<td>34.7%</td>
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<tr>
<td>2007</td>
<td>25.8%</td>
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Travel Distance to Trails
Almost half (48%) of registered snowmobile owners in North Dakota would be willing to travel up to 300 miles for good snowmobile trails. For regular snowmobiling, however, the majority (81%) of riders prefer to travel distances under 50 miles.

Premiere Trails
If conditions were ideal, registered snowmobile owners in North Dakota would generally prefer riding in the northern part of the state. The top five areas identified as premiere destinations for ideal snowmobiling were the Peace Garden Trail (52%), North East Trail (25%), Red River North and South Trails (10%), Sheyenne Valley Trail (8%), and Lake Region Trail (5%).

Satisfaction with Grooming of Trails
Overall, respondents were satisfied with the quality of grooming at their top destinations (identified above). The scale was set on a 1 to 5 rating, with 5 being the highest grade possible. The average rating for grooming was between 3.6 and 4.0.

Satisfaction with Trails
When asked to rate their level of satisfaction with various aspects of North Dakota snowmobile trails, respondents rated “Trail Signs” and “Overall Recreational Quality” as the highest and “Trail Expansion” and “Trails Shared with OHVs” as the lowest. The scale was set on a 1 to 5 rating, with 5 being the highest grade possible.

Satisfaction with Facilities
When asked to rate their level of satisfaction with various facilities along North Dakota snowmobile trails, the respondents rated “Overnight Lodging” and “Properly Placed Fuel Stops” as the highest, whereas “Loading Ramps” and “Primitive Toilets” were rated the lowest. The scale was set on a 1 to 5 rating, with 5 being the highest grade possible.

Safety Education
About half (52%) of the respondents have one or more children who ride snowmobiles. Of those respondents, the majority (77%) have not participated in a children’s safety education course. Of those respondents, the majority (56%) would not be interested in a children’s safety education course.

A high number (85%) of respondents indicated they would not be interested in participating in adult safety education courses.

Additional Suggestions for Improvement
Survey respondents offered dozens of suggestions concerning ways to improve snowmobiling opportunities, experiences and facilities throughout North Dakota. The most common ideas related to needing more snow, more frequent grooming, and increased law enforcement.
Research Findings
Snowmobile Enthusiast Survey Results:
Random Sample of 302 Registered Snowmobile Owners in North Dakota

Question #1:
Question one was used to find if anyone in the household is a member of Snowmobile ND. The majority (84%) of respondents are not members (48%).

Response:
Number of Respondents:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Yes</th>
<th>No</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>48</td>
<td>254</td>
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![Pie chart showing the response distribution for Question #1.](chart.png)
Question #2:
Question one was used to find if anyone in the household is a member of a snowmobile club apart from Snowmobile North Dakota. The majority (82%) of respondents are not a member of any snowmobile club.

Response:
Number of Respondents:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Yes</th>
<th>No</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>54</td>
<td>248</td>
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</table>

Clubs respondents are involved in:

- Beaver Valley Snow Goers
- Red River Snowmobile
- Can't remember
- Red River Snowmobile Club
- Cat-Tail
- Red River Snowriders
- Dakota Trailblazer
- Red River Trail Busters
- Dakota Trailblazer
- Red River Valley
- Don't know
- Red River Valley
- Drift Roosters – Velva
- Ridge Runners
- Fordville
- Roaring 20s Snowmobile Club
- Gasmen Coulee Cruisers
- Roaring 20s
- Gasmen Coulee Cruisers
- Rough Riders
- Gasmen Coulee Cruisers
- Rural Cass Snowmobile Club
- Ghost Rider
- Seldom Seen
- Hankinson Snow Club
- Snoriders
- Lake Region
- Snow Drifters
- Lake Region
- Snow Tracks
- Magic City Drift Busters
- Southeast-Wapheton
- Magic City Drift Busters
- Southern Valley Trail Riders Association
- Magic City Drift Busters
- Southern Valley Trailriders
- Magic City Drift Busters
- Tri County
- Magic City Drift Busters
- Valley Snow Drifters
- Magic City Drift Busters
- Wild Track Club - Flasher
- Mapleton area ?name
- Williston Trail Rides
- Marian Sno Riders
- Red River
- Moonlight Club
- Red River Club
- Northern Lights Trailblazer
- Northern Lights Trailblazer
- Not listed
Question #3:
Question three gives an average of how many adults in each household go snowmobiling during a typical season. Two adults per household received the highest response.

Number of Adults:
Number of Responses:

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<th>Number of Responses</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
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<td>7</td>
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<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>113</td>
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<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>141</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>31</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>10</td>
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<td>5</td>
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<tr>
<td>6 or more</td>
<td>0</td>
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![Pie chart showing response distribution for Question #3](image-url)
Question #4:
Question four gives an average of how many children in each household go snowmobiling during a typical season. Zero children per household received the highest response number (53%).

Number of Children:  
Number of Respondents:

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<th>Number of Respondents</th>
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<td>0</td>
<td>158</td>
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<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>57</td>
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<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>61</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>22</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>3</td>
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<td>5 or more</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6 or more</td>
<td>0</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Question #4:  
How many children in your household go snowmobiling during a typical season?
Question #5:
Question five was used to find an average amount of days that each household spends snowmobiling during a typical season. More than thirty days received the highest response (22%).

<table>
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<th>Number of Days:</th>
<th>0-5</th>
<th>6-10</th>
<th>11-15</th>
<th>16-30</th>
<th>More than 30</th>
<th>No Answer</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Number of Respondents:</td>
<td>62</td>
<td>57</td>
<td>44</td>
<td>62</td>
<td>68</td>
<td>9</td>
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**Question #5:**
Approximately how many days do you or members of your household spend snowmobiling in North Dakota during a typical season?
Question #6:
Question six was used to find an average amount of days that each household spends snowmobiling in North Dakota during a typical season. Majority (40%) responded 0-5 days.

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<th>11-15</th>
<th>16-30</th>
<th>More than 30</th>
<th>No Answer</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Number of Respondents:</td>
<td>124</td>
<td>63</td>
<td>33</td>
<td>47</td>
<td>32</td>
<td>3</td>
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</table>
Question #7:
Question seven was used to find out whether children participate in the snowmobile safety education course. Majority (83%) of these household did not have a child participate in the safety course.

Response:
Number of Respondents:

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<th></th>
<th>Yes</th>
<th>No</th>
<th>No Answer</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Count</td>
<td>42</td>
<td>250</td>
<td>10</td>
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</table>

7-A. If YES -- What comments do you have regarding the course?

Comments

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>None</th>
<th>Did a good job with students</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>None</td>
<td>No comment</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Very good</td>
<td>Good Course</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>No comment</td>
<td>Preferred local clubs</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Good</td>
<td>No response</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fantastic</td>
<td>No response</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Went well, but it needs more advertising</td>
<td>Good</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>No comment</td>
<td>Good</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>No comment</td>
<td>Very good – helped him out</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>It's good and I think it's important</td>
<td>Excellent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>None</td>
<td>Good</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>No comment</td>
<td>Very helpful</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Good course</td>
<td>None</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Very satisfied with courses</td>
<td>None</td>
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Question #8:
After responding to Question #7, if they answered no, Question #8 applies. Question 8 was used to find out if those adults, who have not enrolled their children in the safety course, would be interested in enrolling their child(ren) in the future. The majority (78.9%) said that they would not be interested.

Response:
Number of Respondents:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>No</th>
<th>Yes</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>198</td>
<td>53</td>
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</table>

8-A. Interested in receiving more information:

Response:
Number of Respondents:

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<tr>
<th>No</th>
<th>Yes</th>
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<tr>
<td>0</td>
<td>52</td>
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Names of people interested in receiving more information are marked on the survey card.
Cross-referenced Data - Safety Education:
The following analysis contains cross-referenced data used to determine respondents' interest level in enrolling their child(ren) in safety education courses. Analysis involved cross-referencing question #4, which assessed the number of children in the home that go snowmobiling, and question #7, which assessed the level of interest respondents had in enrolling their children in safety education courses.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Do not have children who ride snowmobiles (No)</th>
<th>158</th>
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<tr>
<td>Have children who ride snowmobiles (Yes)</td>
<td>144</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total Respondents</td>
<td>302</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

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<tr>
<th>Children have not participated in a safety education course (No)</th>
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<tbody>
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<td>Children have participated in a safety education course (Yes)</td>
<td>33</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total Respondents</td>
<td>144</td>
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<th>Respondents who are not interested in enrolling their children in safety education courses (No)</th>
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</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Respondents who are interested in enrolling their children in safety education courses (Yes)</td>
<td>49</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total Respondents</td>
<td>111</td>
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</table>
Question #9:
Question nine was used to find out if any of the adults in the household would be interested in participating in an adult snowmobile safety education course. The majority said that they would not be interested.

Response:
Number of Respondents:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Yes</th>
<th>No</th>
<th>No Answer</th>
</tr>
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<tr>
<td>45</td>
<td>256</td>
<td>1</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

Question #9:
Would you be interested in participating in an adult snowmobile safety education course?

- Yes: 15%
- No: 85%
- No Answer: 0%
Question #10:
The majority (46%) of respondents chose not to answer the question. Those who did answer responded that an online format interests them most for the adult safety education course.

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<tr>
<th>Preferred Format:</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Online</td>
<td>73</td>
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<tr>
<td>Hands-on</td>
<td>60</td>
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<tr>
<td>Classroom</td>
<td>31</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>No Answer</td>
<td>140</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Question #10:
What type of format interests you for safety education courses for adults?

- Online: 24%
- Hands-on: 20%
- Classroom: 10%
- No Answer: 46%
Question #11
The majority (59%) of respondents chose not to answer the question. Those who did answer responded that a hands-on format is preferred for the children’s safety education course.

Preferred Format:
Number of Respondents:

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<th>Hands-on</th>
<th>Classroom</th>
<th>No Answer</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>17</td>
<td>69</td>
<td>37</td>
<td>181</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Question #11:
What type of format interests you for safety education courses for children?

- Online: 6%
- Hands-on: 23%
- Classroom: 12%
- No Answer: 59%
Question #12:
Question 12 was designed to find a fair cost for the adult safety education course. The majority responded $20-25, regardless of the course format.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Course Type</th>
<th>$0 - 5</th>
<th>$10 - 15</th>
<th>$20 - 25</th>
<th>$30 and higher</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Online Course</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>19</td>
<td>31</td>
<td>13</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Hands-on Course</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>31</td>
<td>14</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Classroom Course</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>7</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### Online Course
- **$0 - 5**: $6 (9%)
- **$10 - 15**: $19 (28%)
- **$20 - 25**: $31 (44%)
- **$30 and higher**: $13 (19%)

### Hands-on Course
- **$0 - 5**: $3 (6%)
- **$10 - 15**: $5 (9%)
- **$20 - 25**: $31 (59%)
- **$30 and higher**: $14 (26%)

### Classroom Course
- **$0 - 5**: $2 (7%)
- **$10 - 15**: $10 (11%)
- **$20 - 25**: $16 (57%)
- **$30 and higher**: $7 (25%)
Question #13:
Question 13 was designed to find a fair cost for the child safety education course. The majority responded $20-25, regardless of the course format.

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<tr>
<th>Course Type</th>
<th>$0 - 5</th>
<th>$10 - 15</th>
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<td>Online Course</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>9</td>
<td>2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Hands-on Course</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>11</td>
<td>35</td>
<td>13</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Classroom Course</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>14</td>
<td>10</td>
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Question #14:
Question 14 found if any respondents have ever participated as a volunteer instructor for a snowmobile safety education course. The majority (97%) responded that they have never participated as an instructor.

Response:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Yes</th>
<th>No</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>9</td>
<td>293</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

14-A. If interviewee answered yes to #17– they offered the following comments regarding their experience?

- Very good program and necessary
- It was fun
- I watch the snowmobilers to make sure there are no accidents
- Need 3 instructors – never less than 2 from 9:00 to 4:00. Now they are cramming a short course into 3 hours
- No comment
- Gave club legitimacy
- None - I think I wrote the course
- Enjoyable
- None
Question #15:
Question 15 was used to find any individuals that may be interested in volunteering to teach a course. The majority (89%) responded that they would not be interested in volunteering as an instructor.

Response:
Number of Respondents:

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<th>Yes</th>
<th>No</th>
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<tr>
<td>32</td>
<td>264</td>
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Question #16:
Question 16 was used to find the number of years members of each household have been snowmobiling. The majority (58%) has been snowmobiling for 16 years or more.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Number of years:</th>
<th>0-3</th>
<th>4-7</th>
<th>8-10</th>
<th>10-15</th>
<th>16 or more</th>
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<tr>
<td>Number of Responses:</td>
<td>13</td>
<td>44</td>
<td>24</td>
<td>44</td>
<td>177</td>
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</table>

**Question #16:** Approximately how many years have you or other members of your household been snowmobiling?

- 0-3 years: 4%
- 4-7 years: 15%
- 8-10 years: 8%
- 10-15 years: 15%
- 16 or more years: 58%
Question #17:
North Dakota’s current snowmobile registration fees cover two years instead of just one. Question 17 was used to find out whether individuals know the amount of the current fee. (If not, they were requested to offer a guess.)

Amount:
Number of Respondents:

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<thead>
<tr>
<th>Amount</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>$0-15</td>
<td>21</td>
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<tr>
<td>$16-30</td>
<td>113</td>
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<tr>
<td>$31-45</td>
<td>115</td>
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<tr>
<td>$46 or more</td>
<td>12</td>
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Question #17: North Dakota’s current snowmobile registration fees cover two years instead of just one. How much is the current fee? (If you don’t know, please offer a guess.)

- $46 or more: 5%
- $31-45: 44%
- $16-30: 43%
- $0-15: 8%
Question #18:
The cost to register a snowmobile in surrounding states averages between $40 - $45/year. With this statistic in mind, individuals were asked to give an amount that they believe to be reasonable and appropriate for a snowmobile registration fee for North Dakota on an annual basis.

Amount:
Number of Respondents:

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<th>Amount</th>
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Question #18: The cost to register a snowmobile in surrounding states averages between $40 - $45/year. With this statistic in mind, what do you believe to be a reasonable and appropriate snowmobile registration fee for North Dakota on an annual basis?

- $31-45: 21%
- $46 or more: 2%
- $0-15: 15%
- $16-30: 62%
Question #19: 
Below lists the age of the oldest household member.

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- 67 - 76 years old
- 57 - 66 years old
- 47 - 56 years old
- 37 - 46 years old
- 27 - 36 years old
- 17 - 26 years old
- Under 18

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| Number of Respondents: | 13 | 31 | 95 | 91 | 44 | 17 | 5 |

Question #19: In what year was the head-of-household born?

- 1931-1940: 4%
- 1941-1950: 15%
- 1951-1960: 32%
- 1961-1970: 31%
- 1971-1980: 15%
- 1981-1990: 10%
- 1991-1997: 2%
Question #20: Zip codes
All respondents were asked to list their zip code. Further analysis shows that the majority of respondents live nearest to these five trails.

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Trail Associations Diagram:
- East Central Valley Trail: 31%
- Sno Trails Trail: 29%
- Missouri Valley Trail: 17%
- Red River South Trail: 14%
- Lake Region Trail: 9%
Question #21: How many snowmobiles do you and anyone in your household own?

Amount:

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<td>162</td>
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Majority (53%) of households own 2-3 snowmobiles.
Question #22:
Question 22 was used to find how many snowmobiles that each household owns have titles. The majority (66%) of respondents have 0-1 snowmobiles with a title.

Amount:
Number of Respondents:

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Question #22: Of the number of snowmobiles that you own, how many have a title?
Question #23:
Of the number of snowmobiles each household owns, the following is the amount that are registered in North Dakota. The majority (72%) of respondents have 1-2 snowmobiles registered in North Dakota.

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![Pie chart showing the distribution of snowmobile registrations in North Dakota.](image-url)
Question #24:
Question 24 was used to find if anyone in the household purchased a snowmobile in the last year.

Purchase Made:  
Number of Respondents:  

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Question #24: Did you or anyone in your household purchase a snowmobile purchased within the last year?

- Yes: 26%
- No: 74%

Number purchased:
Number of Respondents:  

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<th>How many have been purchased?</th>
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- 1: 83%
- 2: 13%
- 4 or more: 4%
Question #25:
Including dirt bikes, ATV and utility vehicles, each household was asked if they own an OHV (Off-Highway Vehicle).

Response:
Number of Respondents:

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How many OHVs do you own?

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<td>99</td>
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Pie chart showing the distribution of responses for Question #25.
Question #26:
Question 26 was designed to find out how far individuals are willing to travel for good snowmobile trails.

Distance:  
Number of Respondents:

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<td>1000+</td>
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Question #26: How far are you willing to travel for good snowmobile trails?
Question #27:
The majority (40%) of respondents said that they would prefer not to travel for regular snowmobiling.

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No distance: 114
1-10 miles: 56
11-50 miles: 58
51-100 miles: 27
100+ miles: 25
Question #28:
Respondents were asked to give their number one destination in North Dakota, if conditions were ideal. The top five destinations are listed below along with the remaining trails ranking.

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<tr>
<th>Location</th>
<th>Peace Garden</th>
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<th>Sheyenne Valley</th>
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<td>148</td>
<td>73</td>
<td>29</td>
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**Top Five Destinations in North Dakota**

- Peace Garden - 148
- North East Trail - 73
- Red River North and Red River South - 29
- Sheyenne Valley - 23
- Lake Region - 15

**All Responses for Top Destinations in North Dakota**

- Peace Garden - 148
- North East Trail - 73
- Red River North and Red River South - 29
- Sheyenne Valley - 23
- Other ND - 18
- Lake Region - 15
- Missouri Valley - 10
- Sno Trails - 8
- East Central Valley - 8
- Sakakawea - 8
- Out of State - 8
- Little Missouri - 4
- Southern Valley - 3
- Mayville-Portland - 1
- North Central, Sargent County, Cattail - 0
Question # 29:
The majority (93%) of individuals would support increased snowmobiling on public land.

Response:

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Comments:
That's what I feel
We have enough trails
No comment
There are enough places to snowmobile
Don't know
Don't want anyone snowmobiling on my land
Raise cattle on public - leave it alone
Does most snowmobiling out of state
Not sure of any specific reason
Always someone abusing
Pay enough taxes
No Comment
Damage that is done elsewhere
No comment
No comment
No response
Welfare of animals and people abusing the areas
No need
Nuisance as riders don't obey rules, etc.
No response
Question #30: Respondents were asked to list their top 5 snowmobile destinations in North Dakota.
Question #31: Number of days spent snowmobiling at each destination.

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Question #31: Number of days spent snowmobiling at each destination. (Continued)

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Question #31: Number of days spent snowmobiling at each destination (third choice)?

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Question #31: Number of days spent snowmobiling at each destination (fourth choice)?

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Question #31: Number of days spent snowmobiling at each destination (fifth choice)?
Question #32: Respondents were asked to rate the quality of grooming at each of their top five destinations during the last three seasons. The scale was set on a 1 to 5 rating, with 5 being the highest grade possible. The majority of respondents did not provide an answer. When an answer was provided, however, the average rating for grooming was between 3.6 and 4.1.

At First Choice

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Question #32: Quality of grooming at each destination during the last three seasons. (Continued)

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Question #33: Additional Comments

Goes both places weekly
Not enough snow to groom
Only been sledding 1 year – have never been to trails
Only does back yard
Only ride around home
Only ride around home
Quality if snow
Quality depends on amount of snow
Ride fields and ditches
Ride local
Ride valleys – no actual trails in ND – mostly ride in Minnesota
Sno-trails out his back door
Snowmobile around home
Snowmobile back yard only
Snowmobile local
Snowmobile local only
Snowmobile local only
Snowmobile local only
Snowmobile local trails
They were there many years ago, so he felt the ratings below would be dated. Live on border of ND and MN – use MN trails – better grooming
This is the only trail they have used in ND and it’s right in their locality
Question #34:
On a scale of 1 to 5, with 1 being Very Dissatisfied and 5 being Very Satisfied, individuals were asked to rate their level of satisfaction on the following items concerning North Dakota's snowmobile trails.

**Additional Comments:**
MACVILLE CHUNK MISSING - BUT STILL DO
only go around home - not enough snow to go farther
mostly out of state locations
Question #35:
The following is a list of all additional comments on the general recreational quality of North Dakota's snowmobile trails.

**Positive Comments:**
- Metigoshe is the best all around
- They better be excellent - I groom these trails
- Trails-snowmobile association is doing a good job. Parks & Rec is doing a job other than their safety course offered to the youth
- Increase rates and give us more trails
- Mainly go around Northwood – not many groomed trails, but good enough for us

**Negative Comments:**
- There are too many signs on ND trails
- ND is too critical compared to other states concerning hazards and obstacles
- ND has too many snowmobile clubs that are not doing enough fundraising
- Don't have trails shared with OHVs
- Don't like trails shared with OHVs

**“Don't Ride on Trails” Comments:**
- Don't do trails - mainly use as a vehicle to pull sled
- Don't do trails in ND
- Don't snowmobile trails - just around Bismarck/Mandan area
- Usually just go on open and/or ditches, not on trails
- Mostly do ditches and own land

**Suggestions for Improvement:**
- More ATV trails needed
- More grooming
- More trail expansion
- Better signs
- Need more snow
- Signage is poor. It seems the signs or posts are far apart.
- Take care of what they have – don't get more trails
- If trails are to keep going they need a paid overseer to keep – volunteers are burned out
Misc. Comments:
We try to go where there are exceptional facilities on/near trails
Kenosee, Canada
Lived in Colorado for 12 years – grew with kids
Mainly in Larimore area – hard to judge
Mainly this area is where I go.
Isn’t fair to rate as we only go where we’ve been before – just around our area
If not at Peace Garden, I just ride around home
Usually go to Montana for any amount of snowmobiling
No favorite spot
Only go around home – very rarely groomed
Only go one place - not much to compare to rate our level of satisfaction
Trails weren’t open when we were up there last year
Question #36:
On a scale of 1 to 5, with 1 being Very Dissatisfied and 5 being Very Satisfied, individuals were asked to rate their level of satisfaction with the availability of adequate facilities along North Dakota’s snowmobile trails.

![Bar Chart]

**Additional Comments:**
MICHICAN HAS SIGNS - NOTING SITES OF INTEREST
Question #37:
The following is a list of all additional comments on the general recreational quality of North Dakota's snowmobile trails.

Don't ride enough trails – mainly open range land
Downhill as far as trails – too many ditches – more warming houses are needed
Get from home (Grand Forks) to surrounding trails without traveling in and around town
Good as weather cooperates
I'm completely satisfied with where I go
Mainly bars – no children allowed in them and no place else to stop
More areas to snowmobile – more open play areas
More groomed trails
More snow
Open Sheyenne Nat'l Grasslands. Why can farmers lease land for cattle and fence them in when this area is to be for snowmobiles and other OHVs?
The facilities that are available are very much appreciated
There are no facilities except towns
Very satisfied
Question #38:
Individuals were asked to describe how they would improve North Dakota’s snowmobile trails. The following comments are divided into five categories including grooming, expansion and increase in trails, signage, snow, and miscellaneous comments.

**Grooming**
Continue grooming and expansion of public lands
Challenge - amount of snow volunteers are doing a good job of grooming
Groom them well
Groomed more often.
Grooming
Grooming
Grooming – Grooming - Grooming
Grooming could be improved
Grooming more often – more snow
Have more grooming done on trails
Keep groomed - just not enough snow
Keep grooming
More frequent grooming
More groomed trails and connect trails
More groomers and connect trails
More groomers
More grooming
More grooming
More grooming
More grooming - new trails
More grooming – better markings
More grooming
More grooming
More grooming
More grooming
Not very good grooming around Devils Lake
Wider grooming
Expand & Increase in Trails
Ability to expand on short notice
Across more public land
Could probably expand in length and especially width
Expanding more trails
Expanding trails – more public awareness of trails
Extend trails
More development to trails
More trails
More trails
More trails
More trails and more snow
More trails needed
More of them
More of them – there’s a shortage of parking and loading areas
More local trails
Need more trails in ND
Number of trails – more trails
Open government land – more trees and open land
Make trails in wooded areas rather than ditches

Snow
At least a foot of snow to groom trails and ditches
Fine if we have more snow
Get more snow
Get more snow
If we get snow, the trails are great
Let it snow
Make it snow – Montana or Wyoming is where we go
Pray for more snow
I wish they would have more information out there regarding trails, etc., for the public
More information about trails within ND
More promotion of our trails and industry – more maps of all trails for public use

Don’t use trails
Ride ditches and river bottoms – no trails
I don’t snowmobile on trails. I only snowmobile for pleasure on my fields.
I don’t really like trails – I go in the ditches
Doesn’t ride trails, only ditches and country
**Signs**
More signage
Better mapping and more signs
Better marking and mapping
Major five are not marked as good as they should be if they are following and are to get lost. Marking signs.
Better signage
Better signage, especially at intersections
Mark trails better
Marking the trails – improvements please

**Other**
Better access – sometimes have to cross highway to get to other area
Better facilities – warming houses, etc., bathroom facilities
Bathrooms, eliminate ditches – road crossing
Just fine the way they are
More enforcement of the laws
Hire a trail coordinator
More involvement to take care of trails
More warming houses
More warming houses – more family orientated, meaning young children can’t be expected to ride so long without a break – say around 15 miles. Also get out of the road ditches and follow along rivers instead.
Need more patroling
Need more volunteers to maintain trails.
Need to improve all trails
Would like trails for safety reasons for only having one way traffic (2 way traffic trails - not good)
Raise gas gallon per sled per year from 30 to 60 gallons
Satisfied
This area is very well taken care of. They have an adopt a trail program to take care of 7-15 miles of trail
Too flat – more hills
Trail along Red River into Canada
Trails around farm are very good
Trails make loops
Very good job being done
Where we go they are good
Better unloading ramps and parking
Question #39: Final additional comments

Better advertising
Better enforcement of speed limits
Club in area helps trails stay groomed
Did lots of snowmobiling when we could just ride from the house. They moved to a larger city where
sleds need to be hauled out of city limits and it drastically cut their snowmobile time.
Get more snow
Great sport
Hard to get on lands because of private lands
I would like to see Fargo/West Fargo have trails to ride their sleds from city to out of city limits. Don't like
having the load, drive, and unload to ride.
Less miles and more grooming.
Lives next to the trails so doesn't go anywhere else
Maps on boards - marking you are here
More signs dealing with history and interpretation
More snow
Need Parks & Rec to come out and supervise trails with definite rules and regulations
Should be more policing of snowmobilers and their registrations. He had trouble with trespassers who
have no # on the sleds. Needs to be more enforcement.
Speed limits
The absence of grooming from Valley City was very noticeable and took away some of the fun
Too many bars leading from trails
Trails are adequate
We only snowmobile in MN
Appendix
Snowmobile North Dakota & North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department

Snowmobile Enthusiast Survey
(Phone Script)

Initial Inquiry:
Hello. May I speak with ________________ (name of customer)?

If not available, inquire as to a better time to call and reach the customer.

Introduction:
Hi. My name is __________ (first name). I’m calling on behalf of Snowmobile North Dakota and North Dakota Parks and Recreation to conduct a brief telephone survey. Would you be willing to share 8 to 10 minutes of your time?

If yes, say “that sounds good” or “great,” and proceed with the interview.

If no, ask if there would be a better time to call back to conduct the interview.
IF YES: Schedule a date/time. ___________________
If No: Ok, thank you. THEN TERMINATE THE CALL.

Interview:
Before we begin, I want to assure you that your responses will be completely anonymous. Do you have any questions before we begin?

1. Are you or anyone in your household a member of Snowmobile North Dakota?
   Yes _____
   No _____

2. Are you or anyone in your household a member of a snowmobile club?
   Yes _____ What is the name of the club?
   __________________ _________________________
   No _____

3. How many adults in your household go snowmobiling during a typical season? ______

4. How many children in your household go snowmobiling during a typical season? ______

5. Approximately how many days do you or members of your household spend snowmobiling in North Dakota during a typical season? ______

6. Approximately how many days do you or members of your household spend snowmobiling in North Dakota during the most recent season? ______
7. Do you have any children who participated in the snowmobile safety education course?
   Yes _____ What comments do you have regarding the course?
   __________________________________________
   __________________________________________
   __________________________________________
   No_____ Would you be interested in enrolling your child(ren) in a course?
   Yes ______ Would you like us to send you more information?
   Yes ______
   No ______

8. Would you be interested in participating in an adult snowmobile safety education course?
   Yes _____
   No_____

9. What type of format interests you for safety education courses?
   A. For adult courses:
      Online _______
      Hands-on _______
      Classroom _______

   B. For children’s courses:
      Online _______
      Hands-on _______
      Classroom _______

10. What do you feel is a fair cost for a safety education course? (Courses normally run three hours.)
   A. For adult courses:
      Online _______
      Hands-on _______
      Classroom _______

   B. For children’s courses:
      Online _______
      Hands-on _______
      Classroom _______

11. Have you ever participated as a volunteer instructor for a snowmobile safety education course?
    Yes _____ What comments do you have regarding your experience?
    __________________________________________
    __________________________________________
    __________________________________________
No____ If no, would you be interested in volunteering to teach a course?

Yes ______ Would you like us to send you more information?

Yes ______

No ______

If yes, please check name on calling sheet.

12. Approximately how many years have you or other members of your household been snowmobiling? _____

13. North Dakota’s current snowmobile registration fees cover two years instead of just one. How much is the current fee? (If you don’t know, please offer a guess.) _____

14. The cost to register a snowmobile in surrounding states averages between $40 - $45/year. With this statistic in mind, what do you believe to be a reasonable and appropriate snowmobile registration fee for North Dakota on an annual basis? ______

15. In what year was the head-of-household born? ______

16. What is your zip code? ______

17. How many snowmobiles do you and anyone in your household own? ______

18. Of the number of snowmobiles that you own, how many have a title? _____ *

19. Of the number of snowmobiles that you own, how many are registered in the state of North Dakota? _____ *

20. Did you or anyone in your household purchase a snowmobile purchased within the last year? 

Yes _____ How many have been purchased? ______

No _____

21. Do you or anyone in your household own an OHV (Off-Highway Vehicle)? This includes dirt bikes, ATV or utility vehicles.

Yes _____ How many OHVs do you own? ______

No _____

22. How far are you willing to travel for good snowmobile trails? ______

*Notes to Surveyor:

- **Title** – The document a snowmobile owner receives from the North Dakota Department of Transportation when they purchase a snowmobile.
- **Registration** – The document a rider purchases which allows them to ride on public lands.
23. What is an ideal travel distance for regular snowmobiling? ______

24. If conditions were ideal, what would be your number one destination in North Dakota? Why?
___________________________________________________________________________
___________________________________________________________________________
___________________________________________________________________________

25. Would you support increased snowmobiling opportunities on public land?
   Yes ______
   No _____ Why not? __________________________________________________________

26. What are your top 5 snowmobile destinations in North Dakota? *(record answers in table)*
   a. Approximately how many days do you snowmobile at each destination?
   b. Please rate the quality of grooming at each destination during the last three seasons *(1 being poor, 5 being excellent)*.

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<th>Name of North Dakota State Trail</th>
<th>Number of Days Snowmobiling</th>
<th>Quality of Grooming (scale of 1-5)</th>
<th>North Dakota Snowmobile Trails <em>(use as prompt if they have difficulty remembering trail names)</em></th>
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<tr>
<td>1. Northeast Roughrider</td>
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<td>Northeast</td>
<td>Roughrider</td>
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<td>2. Peace Garden Sakakawea</td>
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<td>3. Sheyenne East Sno Trails</td>
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<td>4. Sheyenne West North Central</td>
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<td>North Central</td>
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<td>5. Red River North SE Lake Region</td>
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<td>SE Lake Region</td>
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<td>6. Red River South Southern Valley</td>
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<td>7. Lake Region Cat-Tail Trail</td>
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<td>8. Little Missouri Other ND locations</td>
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<td>9. May-Port Other out-of-state locations</td>
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27. On a scale of 1 to 5, with 1 being Very Dissatisfied and 5 being Very Satisfied, please rate your level of satisfaction on the following items concerning North Dakota’s snowmobile trails.

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<th>Scenic quality</th>
<th>Trail signs</th>
<th>Length of trails</th>
<th>Trails shared with OHVs</th>
<th>Looping trails</th>
<th>Road Ditches</th>
<th>Trail construction</th>
<th>Number of trails</th>
<th>Trail expansion</th>
<th>Overall Recreational Quality</th>
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Do you have any additional comments on the facilities along North Dakota’s snowmobile trails?
___________________________________________________________________________
___________________________________________________________________________
___________________________________________________________________________
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28. On a scale of 1 to 5, with 1 being Very Dissatisfied and 5 being Very Satisfied, please rate your level of satisfaction with the availability of adequate facilities along North Dakota’s snowmobile trails.

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<th>Natural/historical interpretation</th>
<th>Marked and plowed parking</th>
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<td>Trash receptacles</td>
<td>Warming shelters</td>
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<td>Open play areas</td>
<td>Loading ramps</td>
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<td>Properly placed fuel stops</td>
<td>Overnight lodging</td>
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<td>Primitive toilets</td>
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29. Overall, how would you improve North Dakota’s snowmobile trails?
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___________________________________________________________________________
___________________________________________________________________________
___________________________________________________________________________

30. Is there anything else you wish to add?
___________________________________________________________________________
___________________________________________________________________________
___________________________________________________________________________

That concludes our survey. Thank you for your participation. Your comments are very much appreciated. Goodbye.

Note: If the customer has comments that do not pertain to the survey or are sounding like a complaint, let them know that if they have specific questions or comments they may contact North Dakota Parks and Recreation or Snowmobile ND at (701) 328-5357.