

WORKSHOP DISCUSSION TOPICS

TOPIC 1: The Fort Ord National Monument has some great trails for hiking, biking and equestrian use. There are many different factors that are important to visitors on what defines a quality trail experience and visit.

AT YOUR TABLE, STRIVE TO DEVELOP A LIST OF ATTRIBUTES THAT ARE IMPORTANT FOR AN ENJOYABLE TRAIL EXPERIENCE AND VISIT TO FORT ORD NATIONAL MONUMENT.

TOPIC 2: Since enacting a temporary monument-wide dog leash restriction, people have contacted the BLM with suggestions on what BLM should consider as long-term dog management policies. These suggestions could be considered as potential prescriptions and include: a) Designate “leash-requirement” areas; b) Designate “dog-prohibited” areas; c) Designate “leash-your-dog-around-others” areas; d) Designate/develop “pet play (i.e. dog-park)” areas; e) Designate “leash-or-voice-control” areas; f) Designate “season-of-use-off-leash” areas; g) Designate “time-of-day-off-leash” areas; h) Designate “day-of-week-off-leash” areas; i) Develop “off-leash-pet-certification” program.

AT YOUR TABLE, IDENTIFY THE OPTIONS THAT YOU THINK ARE MOST REASONABLE FOR CONSIDERATION AND IDENTIFY OTHER OPTIONS THAT ARE NOT LISTED - USE MAPS TO SKETCH IDEAS.

TOPIC 3: The BLM must consider and disclose the direct, indirect, and cumulative impacts that various dog-management strategies would likely cause. These impacts can be both positive and negative.

AT YOUR TABLE, DEVELOP A LIST OF TOPICS THAT YOU THINK COULD BE AFFECTED POSITIVELY OR NEGATIVELY BY VARIOUS DOG MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES.

TOPIC 4: Some people have suggested that dogs should be allowed off-leash in some areas at Fort Ord National Monument if under “voice control” by the handler. Skeptics have suggested that there is no way to define or enforce such a policy, and feel that “voice control” is too subjective to be clearly understood or enforced.

AT YOUR TABLE, STRIVE TO DEVELOP A WORKING DEFINITION OF “VOICE CONTROL”.



QUESTIONNAIRE

1. How many years have you been visiting the Fort Ord National Monument?

0 to 3 years ____; 3 to 6 years ____; 6 to 9 years ____; 9 to 12 years; ____; longer ____

2. How frequently do you visit the Fort Ord National Monument?

About ____ times per year

3. What trailhead do you primarily use when visiting the Fort Ord National Monument?

Creekside Terrace ____; Badger Hills ____; 8th /Gigling ____; Jerry Smith ____; Parker Flats ____
Toro Park Estates Greenbelts ____; Laguna Seca ____; Other ____

4. What is the primary activity that you do when visiting the Fort Ord National Monument?

Hiking ____; Mountain Bike Riding ____; Road Bike Riding ____; Equestrian Use ____; Other ____

5. What are the secondary activities that you do when visiting the Fort Ord National Monument?

Hiking ____; Mountain Bike Riding ____; Road Bike Riding ____; Equestrian Use ____; Other ____

6. On your visits to Fort Ord National Monument, do you occasionally bring a dog(s)?

Yes ____; No ____

7. If you answered yes above, how many dogs do you normally bring?

I normally bring ____ dogs

8. Prior to the interim leash requirement, did you normally leash your dog at all times?

Yes ____; No ____

9. If you allow your dog off-leash, what is the primary reason?

The primary reason I allow my dog(s) off-leash is: _____

10. How does a dog leash requirement affect you personally?

