

**Kern River No. 1 Recreation Sites**

**Day-Use Survey (day use sites)**

**Kern River No. 1 Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 1930)**

Southern California Edison (SCE), in collaboration with the U.S. Forest Service is soliciting input from Kern River Day-users to better understand recreation use. This recreation study is part of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission relicensing of the Kern River No.1 (P-1930) Hydroelectric Project. We request your help by completing the survey below. If you are traveling with multiple people, only one person in your party needs to fill out the survey. Participation is voluntary and responses will remain anonymous.

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Time at beginning of trip:** \_\_\_\_\_ **a.m./p.m.**

**Select Current Day Use Facility Location:**

- Democrat Raft Take-out Boating Site
- Upper Richbar Day Use Area
- Lower Richbar Day Use Area
- Live Oak Day Use Area

**Section 1 – Demographics**

- What is your home zip code? \_\_\_\_\_
- List the number of individuals in your group that fall within each of these age categories:  
 \_\_\_\_ Under 16 \_\_\_\_ 16–19 \_\_\_\_ 20–29 \_\_\_\_ 30–39 \_\_\_\_ 40–49 \_\_\_\_ 50–59 \_\_\_\_ 60–69 \_\_\_\_ 70+
- What is your ethnicity?  
 Spanish/Latino Origin  Black  White  Asian/Pacific Islander  Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- What is your total household income?  
 Less than \$40,000  \$41,000–\$80,000  81,000 and above

**Section 2 – User Activities**

- What is the primary recreation activity that you are undertaking today? Circle one.  
 Fishing                      Hiking/Walking/Trail use                      Whitewater boating/rafting                      Swimming/wading  
 Picnicking                      Scenic driving                      Viewing wildlife

Please write-in your secondary recreation activity (as applicable) and any activity you are undertaking not listed.

- How would you rate your overall satisfaction or dissatisfaction with your recreation experience today?

	Very Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Satisfied	Very Satisfied
1. Overall satisfaction of your trip					
2. Satisfaction of your primary activity					
3. Cost of facility access fees					
4. River access					
5. Number of people encountered/crowdedness					
6. Available parking when you arrived					
7. Feeling of safety					
8. Adequacy of site access for persons with disabilities					
9. Scenery at this site/area					
10. Maintenance (physical condition) of facilities					
11. Cleanliness of facilities					

	Very Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Satisfied	Very Satisfied
12. Access to restroom/shower/drinking water					
13. Informational/educational opportunities					
14. Flows in the river					

If you marked Very Dissatisfied (1) or Dissatisfied (2) for any above, please explain:

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7. How many recreation trips have you made to the lower Kern River in the past 12 months?

\_\_\_\_\_ trip(s) in the last 12 months

8. If you participated in a water-related activity, did the flows in the river affect your ability participate? Circle one.

**YES** (select reason below)

**NO** flow did not affect planned activities

**NA**-did not partake

If yes, circle one: flow was too high flow was too low other explain: \_\_\_\_\_

### Section 3 – Surrounding Landscapes

9. How would you rate the scenic quality of the lower Kern River area in general?

	Very Poor	Poor	Neutral	Good	Very Good
General scenic quality of area					

If your rating was Very Poor (1) or Poor (2), please explain:

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### Section 3 Angling Experiences

10. Have you fished along the lower Kern River before?

**Yes** (please respond to the following questions)

**No** (survey complete)

a. What type of fishing tackle do you typically use to fish in the lower Kern River? (Circle all that apply)

Spin Fish with Lures

Spin with Bait

Fly Fish

b. Are you fishing for fun or to catch food to eat (check one)? If you are planning to eat your fish but are mostly fishing for fun, circle **Fun**. If you enjoy fishing but are mostly fishing to catch food, circle **Food**.

Food

Fun

c. What was your primary reason for selecting this location to fish?

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d. How often have you fished this reach the lower Kern River in each season over the past 12 months?

Spring (March – May) # \_\_\_\_\_

Summer (June – August) # \_\_\_\_\_

Fall (September – November) # \_\_\_\_\_

Winter (December – February) # \_\_\_\_\_

11. Have river flows affected your angling experience in the lower Kern River? Circle one.

YES

NO

12. If yes, please indicate in which season your experience has been affected and provide a reason.

a. Spring (Mar–May) Reason: too low / too high / other: \_\_\_\_\_

b. Summer (Jun–Aug) Reason: too low / too high / other: \_\_\_\_\_

c. Fall (Sep–Nov) Reason: too low / too high / other: \_\_\_\_\_

d. Winter (Dec–Feb) Reason: too low / too high / other: \_\_\_\_\_