

June, 2008

Dear Upper Tellico OHV User:

If you have ridden in or driven OHV(s) in the Upper Tellico OHV area, you are invited to participate in the Upper Tellico Off-Highway Vehicle Survey. This survey is being conducted by The University of Tennessee Department of Forestry, Wildlife, and Fisheries to obtain information about your recreational activities in the Upper Tellico OHV area. It contains questions about your trip characteristics, length of stay, recreational activities and preferences, trip expenditures, frequency of trips throughout the year, the effects of increased gas prices, perceptions of problems, and demographic information. This effort will allow the Forest Service to make informed decisions on planning and managing recreation resources. If you have returned an on-site survey from the Upper Tellico, you do not need to complete this survey.

For our results to be valid, we need to hear from as many people as possible. Your participation in the study is important for adequately reflecting the activities and views of Upper Tellico OHV users. The data will also be used to help analyze the social and economic impacts of visitors to the Upper Tellico OHV system.

Your participation in the survey is voluntary and it should take about 15 minutes to complete. We do not ask for your name, so your responses are anonymous. Return of this survey constitutes consent to participate in the study.

**For your opinions to be included in our report to the Forest Service, we need your survey returned by Monday, July 7.** If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at the address or telephone number below. Thank you very much for your assistance in this research project.

Please mail the survey to: OHV Survey  
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Sincerely,

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