## Electronic Records Appraisal Questions

1. **What is the name of this system?**

Recreational Impact Data Examination System (RIDES)

2. **What is the purpose of the system and which agency program does it support?**

RIDES is used to track and assess the impact of various types of recreational activities on the BPR’s public lands and waterways.

3. **What is the content of the system and what does it cover?**

There are three data files: (a) Recreational Watercraft Tracking and Analysis Data File contains data on types of watercraft allowed by the area, registration, and activity; (b) Motorized Vehicle Tracking and Analysis Data File – Contains data on each recreation area, the number and type vehicles registered and admitted to the area; and (c) Terrestrial Recreation Activities - Contains information sponsored by the areas on terrestrial recreational activities, such as mountain bike races, snowmobile tours, and spring swamp romps [Florida and Louisiana only]; data include type of event, date, number of participants, and other logistical information.

4. **Does this system link or support any other system?**

Unknown

5. **What are the sources of input for this system?**

Inputs from BPR Form 911 Watercraft Accident Reports, BPR 615 Recreational Vehicle Camping Registration, and 001 (Traffic Survey).

6. **What are the outputs from this system**?

Unknown

7. **What are the applications this system supports? How are the records or the data that make up the records manipulated once they have been input?**

All three files are updated at the end of the fiscal year. If no update information has been received from an area that area’s records are left unchanged. Updates are provided at various times during the year.

8. **What is the primary key/unit analysis for each file?**

Recreational Activities

9. **Supply the record layout and codes for the files in the system.**

Attached

10. **What documentation is available for this system?**

Systems specifications, file specification, codebooks, records layout user guides, and output specifications are all available.

11. **What is the name of the agency responsible for this system?**

Department of the Environment

12. **What major subdivision of the agency listed is responsible for this system?** Bureau of Public Recreation

13. **What minor subdivision?**

Office of Terrestrial and Aquatic Recreation

14. **Are there restrictions on the release of these records? If yes, can any segregable portions of the files be released?**

No

15. **Does the system produce a public use version?**

Yes

16. **Are the records or the data that make up the records in this system duplicated in electronic form elsewhere? If yes, explain.**

Yes, RIDES provides summary information from Recreational Watercraft Tracking and Analysis Data File and Motorized Vehicle Tracking and Analysis Data File.

17. **Explain the update and backup for the system?**

The system is backed up every night and backup tapes are stored off site in the BPR records warehouse.

18. **What hardware is used for this system?**

Oracle

19. **What software is used on this system?**

FileMarker Pro DB

20.  **Can you produce files from this system that meet the following specifications?**

Independent logical files --- *Yes*

Hardware and software independent files ----- *Yes*

ASCII or EBCDIC character set --------

No internal control characters -----------

Blocked no higher than 32,760 bytes -------

Magnetic tape ----------------

9 track open-reel at 800, 1600 or 6250 bpi OR ---disk packs ------

18 track 3480-class cartridge at 37,871 bpi --------

CD-ROMs which include fielded data files or text files scheduled to be preserved in NARA that are:

1. in conformance with the International Standards Organization (ISO) 9660 standard;
2. in compliance with the American Standard Code for Information Interchange (ASCII) standard as defined in the Federal Information Processing Standard 1‑2 (11/14/84);
3. not dependent on control characters or codes which are not defined in the ASCII character set;
4. not compressed unless NARA has approved the transfer of the compressed form in advance;
5. individually addressable; and
6. in compliance with the documentation requirements of 36 CFR 1236.