

Appendix D

ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS WORK SHEET

Trail section Day 1 Day 2 Day 3 Day 4 Day 5

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Indicate by means of an "✓" in the shaded blocks should the following characteristics typifies/describes the trail. Only one mark per section.	PRISTINE	NATURAL	RURAL
1. Probable contact with local inhabitants/non-hikers OR			
Possible contact with non-hikers/local inhabitants OR			
No contact with non-hikers			
2. No industries/towns/roads visible OR			
Limited perception of distant industries/towns/roads OR			
Direct contact with industries/district roads/towns - visible within 2km			
3. Noise: Only natural sounds			
Intermittent foreign noise (twice maximum)			
Frequent noise pollution			
4. No campsites / Agric. (field, houses, dams) deforestation visible / 2km OR			
Limited agriculture / campsites etc. visible within 2km OR			
Passes through agricultural / deforested landscape			
5. Pollution/erosion/quarries not present in the landscape OR			
Some erosion OR			
Erosion and pollution prevalent			
6. Little (1km) / no use made of tracks/forestry roads (excl. near start/end)			
Some distance on tertiary roads (max. 25%) OR			
Extensive use made of roads (forestry/farm/district)			
7. No power/telephone lines nor fences OR			
Power and telephone lines or fences visible (max. twice) OR			
Power and telephone lines and fences in close proximity and/or frequently			
8. No crossing/walking on or adjacent to, public road except at start/ end OR			
Crossing of district road (gravel) OR			
Crossing of main road/tar			
9. No alien vegetation invasion OR			
Indigenous vegetation with some aliens/plantations OR			
Agriculture lands/plantations and widespread aliens/recent clearings			
10. Only natural water occurs OR no water available			
Natural water plus earth dams OR			
Cement dams/tanks/beverages for sale/taps/picnic sites			
11. No farm/domesticated animals nor other alien animals OR			
Farm and alien animals plus indigenous OR			
Farm and domesticated (e.g. dogs) / indigenous exceptional			
12. No of hikers allowed per day <35			
35 – 70			
>70			
Score (12)			
(%)			