



### 1 - Transportation

Instructions: Use this worksheet to list the present and planned road and transportation infrastructure and services that tourists can use to access the destination and major attractions. Government offices responsible for physical planning, transportation, and communications can be contacted for this information. *Note: For each item, list the areas served and connections with other transportation. For example, an international airport may have domestic flights to key tourist destinations in the region. Comfort, cleanliness, and services such as toilets should be rated under General Conditions. Transportation causes major environmental problems (roads increase erosion), therefore, list potential problems as well as opportunities to improve sustainability or ongoing initiatives for each category (car rental businesses using hybrid vehicles).* (Source: Gutierrez, Eileen, Kristin Lamoureux, Seleni Matus, Kaddu Sebunya. 2005. *Linking Communities, Tourism, & Conservation: A Tourism Assessment Process - Tools and Worksheets.* Conservation International and the George Washington University.)

NATURAL ATTRACTIONS Name, Description, and Current Draw	DESCRIBE LOCATION (distance from central point or use GPS)	EASE OF ACCESS (from main entry way)	DESCRIBE POTENTIAL USES	ENVIRONMENTAL FRAGILITY (i.e. endangered species nesting area, rare plant, water source, over-crowding, waste mgmt)	SOCIO-CULTURAL CONCERNS (i.e. traditional uses and beliefs, taboos, potential disruption, land-tenure issues)	CHOOSE POTENTIAL MARKET DRAW
# ____		Easy (up to 1 hr walk) Moderate (hills, 1-2hrs) Difficult (steep climbs, 2+hrs)				Day Trip Weekender Long-Stay
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## 2 – Accessibility Summary

**Instructions:** Review *Worksheet 6 Transportation* and identify any major areas for improvement or opportunities.

Address the following questions as you do this:

1. What modes of transportation do most visitors use to get to the destination/focus area?
2. Can debarking passengers connect easily with other transportation/information (taxis, rental cars, transit buses, visitors' center, tour guides, signage)?
3. Are the highway and road signs, which direct visitors to the area, adequate?
4. Do these signs present a positive image of the destination/focus area?
5. Can highways and roads handle more use under current maintenance budgets and schedules? Also, without becoming more congested?
6. Are there opportunities to develop other transportation modes to enhance access to other tourist markets? If yes, which modes could be developed? Consider different types of tourists and also how the local modes of transportation could promote travel.
7. What potential environmental or social issues need to be addressed? Are there any initial recommendations on how these might be addressed?
8. Are there visitors' information centers or places where information can be distributed?
9. Are the transportation services generally efficient and safe? How could they be improved?

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### 3 – Public Services

QUESTIONS	COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS	
1. Is the local police force prepared to handle increased duties: control crowds, assist visitors, manage potential increase in crime?	YES	NO
2. Is emergency road service available?	YES	NO
3. Can visitors get emergency health care locally?	YES	NO
4. If not available locally, how far is it to the nearest hospital?	# of miles/KMs:	Time to get there:
5. Is ambulance service available in the area?	YES	NO
6. Is there a local fire protection service?	YES	NO
7. Can the local water supply that is used for drinking and bathing handle increased use by visitors?	YES	NO
8. Is the local water supply of a quality acceptable to visitors (taste, smell, color)?	YES	NO
9. Are there public restrooms in the destination?	YES	NO
10. Are the public restrooms well-maintained and clean?	YES	NO
11. Is there a public sewage treatment system?	YES	NO
12. Are landscape management services provided for public spaces ensuring visitor use is managed? (litter clean-up, care of trees and plants)	YES	NO
13. If there is a public sewage treatment system, could it handle additional demand from tourist facilities? How much more?	YES	NO
14. Is sewage treated in an environmental and safe manner?	YES	NO
15. Are there recycling receptacles?	YES	NO
16. Are the trash and recycling receptacles well-maintained and emptied frequently?	YES	NO
		How often are the receptacles emptied? Trash: Recycling:
17. Are streets and public areas kept clean?	YES	NO
		Who is responsible for this? How often do they clean the streets?
18. Can local roads handle more use without becoming too congested?	YES	NO
		Who manages the maintenance of the roads?
19. Can local roads handle more traffic under the current maintenance budget and schedule?	YES	NO
20. Are telephone services available for:		
International direct dialing?	YES	NO
Internet?	YES	NO
Cellular phones?	YES	NO
21. Are there local banking services available to:		
Change currency?	YES	NO
Withdraw on credit cards?	YES	NO
Cash traveler's checks?	YES	NO

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**4 – Evaluation of Surroundings**

Instructions: The quality of the physical environment is critical to the tourist. Having both an esthetically beautiful and healthy environment with respect to the people, buildings, traffic, roads, clean water, minimal pollution (including noise), will make a significant difference in the level of satisfaction a tourist has during a vacation. Consider and rate the following factors, modified as needed to fit the local context. Source: Gutierrez, Eileen, Kristin Lamoureux, Seleni Matus, Kaddu Sebunya. 2005. *Linking Communities, Tourism, & Conservation: A Tourism Assessment Process - Tools and Worksheets*. Conservation International and the George Washington University.)

FACTOR	PERCEIVED CONDITION	COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS
Air quality		
Noise levels		
Road traffic		
Solid waste management (i.e. trash)		
Condition of homes and buildings		
Clean water sources (i.e. catchments, rivers)		
Health risks		
Natural landscape		
Health of major natural attractions (i.e. beaches, rivers)		
Sewage and waste water management		
Other		