

# Recreation Carrying Capacity and Management at Waikiki – Diamond Head Shoreline Fisheries Management Area on Oahu, Hawaii

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## ABSTRACT

As popularity of Hawaii's beaches and reefs increases, there is a need to measure and monitor recreation carrying capacity indicators to ensure that coastal resources and user experiences do not deteriorate. Objectives of this project were to measure: (a) social and facility indicators of recreation carrying capacity (e.g., crowding, encounters) to reveal thresholds when impacts become unacceptable; (b) support and opposition of management strategies for minimizing impacts (e.g., educate, limit use) and how situational factors (e.g., reef damage, use levels) differentially influence support; and (c) the extent of conflict among activity groups. Other concepts examined included recreationists' satisfaction with conditions, value orientations toward reefs, future use pattern changes (e.g., displacement), and demographic characteristics. Data were obtained from surveys of users (n = 925) at two sites in Waikiki-Diamond Head Shoreline FMA (Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches). Results showed that user demographics and activities differed between sites, but most users at each site had protectionist (i.e., biocentric, nature-centered) value orientations toward reefs. Overall satisfaction was extremely high at each site and despite moderate encounters and crowding at each site, most users encountered fewer people than their maximum tolerance, which was approximately 217 people at one time at Sans Souci / Kaimana and 118 people at one time at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs. At some sites, there were not enough of some facilities (e.g., bathrooms at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs) to accommodate current use and demand, suggesting that some facility capacity indicators had reached their thresholds. More education and interpretation was the most strongly supported management strategy at each site. When rating acceptance of user education, the most important factor was recreation damage to reefs. In rating acceptance of limiting use, the most important factor was use level. When rating acceptance of improving site maintenance and providing more facilities, the most important factor was condition of facilities. There was minimal conflict at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, but there was moderate conflict with surfers, windsurfers, and kitesurfers at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs. Most users also observed people handling or standing on coral and believed that this behavior was a problem at each site. Recommendations for management are discussed.

# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

### **Objectives**

Hawaii hosts approximately seven million visitors each year who spend more than US \$11 billion in the state, and in the last 20 years tourism has increased over 65%. More than 80% of Hawaii's visitors engage in recreation activities in the state's coastal and marine areas with the majority of these individuals participating in snorkeling or diving. Other popular coastal recreation activities include ocean kayaking, swimming, sunbathing, beach walking, and surfing. Beaches and reefs are also important resources for local residents. For example, approximately 30% of households in Hawaii have at least one person who fishes for recreation.

As popularity of Hawaii's coastal areas continues to increase, demand for access and use can disrupt coastal processes, damage ecological integrity of sensitive environments, reduce the quality of user experiences, and generate conflict among stakeholders regarding appropriate management responses. As a result, agencies are faced with challenges that include estimating use thresholds (i.e., carrying capacities) and how to manage and monitor use levels to ensure that thresholds are not violated and user experiences are not compromised by such things as crowding and conflict. The purpose of this project, therefore, was to examine carrying capacity, conflict, and management related to recreation use at Waikiki-Diamond Head Shoreline Fisheries Management Area (FMA) on the south coast of Oahu, Hawaii. Project objectives were to:

- Use social science approaches to measure, determine, and inform social and facility indicators of recreation carrying capacities, and determine thresholds when perceived impacts for these indicators reach unacceptable levels.
- Estimate the extent to which indicators of recreation carrying capacities are currently being exceeded and if this is impacting user experiences.
- Measure support and opposition toward management strategies for minimizing coastal recreation impacts (e.g., educate, limit use) and how situational factors (e.g., reef damage, use levels, litter) differentially influence support of these strategies.
- Determine the extent to which user conflicts exist both within and among various recreation activity groups.
- Compare the extent to which evaluations of coastal recreation impacts differ among groups (e.g., visitors versus locals, various tourism / recreation activity groups) and sites.

Other concepts examined in this project included recreationists' satisfaction with current conditions, perceptions of crowding, value orientations toward coastal environments, likelihood of future use and changes in use patterns (e.g., temporal and spatial displacement), and sociodemographic characteristics.

### **Data Collection**

Data were obtained from surveys administered onsite to recreationists at two sites in Waikiki-Diamond Head Shoreline FMA: (a) Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, and (b) Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches. Individuals at these sites during July and August 2007 were approached in parking areas and on the beach / shore, and asked to complete a survey onsite. To increase the probability of achieving a representative sample of summer users, sampling at the sites was alternated so that surveys were administered at each site at least once for each day of the week and at least once for each of three time periods each day (8:00 to 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., 3:00 to 5:30 p.m.). Individuals were selected through a systematic random sampling procedure (i.e., one random person selected from every  $n^{\text{th}}$  selected group). In total, 925 surveys were completed by users (response rate = 84%; Sans Souci / Kaimana n = 585, Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs n = 340). This sample size allows generalizations about the population of summer users at the 95% confidence level with a margin of error of ± 3.2%.

### **Results Summary**

### Personal and Trip Characteristics

- The most popular summer activity groups at Waikiki Diamond Head Shoreline FMA were swimmers / waders and sunbathers (33%). Surfers were the third most popular activity group (21%). Swimmers / waders and sunbathers were the most common summer activity groups at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach (48% and 40%, respectively), whereas surfers were the most common at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches (51%).
- Almost all (95%) respondents were visiting on their own without being a member of an organized or guided tour (e.g., surfing lessons / tour).
- In total, 87% of respondents had previously visited Waikiki Diamond Head Shoreline FMA before; the remaining 13% of respondents were visiting the area for the first time. Almost all respondents at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach (88%) and Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches (85%) were repeat visitors.
- The largest percentage of users at Waikiki Diamond Head Shoreline FMA were classified as having a strong protectionist value orientation toward coral reef areas (47%) followed by those with a moderate protection orientation (35%). The fewest users had a mixed protection use orientation toward reef areas (19%). Respondents at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach held stronger protectionist orientations toward reef areas (51%) than those at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches (39%).
- In total, 52% of respondents at Waikiki Diamond Head Shoreline FMA were male and 48% were female. The majority of users (58%) at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach were female, whereas 68% of recreationists at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches were male. At Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, females were more likely to hold a stronger protectionist value orientation toward coral reef areas, whereas males were more likely to hold a mixed protection use orientation. At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs, the strong protection group also had a higher percentage of females (36%) compared to the mixed protection use group (27%). Swimmers and sunbathers at the sites were slightly more likely to be female, whereas surfers were more likely to be male.
- The majority of respondents were younger than 40 years old, with the largest proportion between 20 and 29 years old (31%). The average (i.e., mean) age of users was 37 years old. Users at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach were significantly older (mean age = 38.7 years) than those at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs (34.1 years). Respondents at Sans

Souci / Kaimana Beach who were classified as having a mixed protection – use orientation toward reef areas were slightly younger (mean age = 36.4 years) than those in the moderate protection and strong protection groups (37.8 and 39.5 years, respectively). There was no relationship between value orientations and age at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs. Some activity groups (e.g., beach walkers) tended to be slightly older than those participating in other activities, whereas some groups were younger (e.g., surfers).

• Almost all respondents resided in the United States (92%) with the largest proportion living in Hawaii (78%) or California (9%). These results did not differ between the two sites (i.e., Sans Souci / Kaimana, Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs). Residents of Hawaii were more likely than nonresidents to have previously visited each site, were slightly more likely to participate in activities such as surfing, and were less likely to participate in activities such as surfing at the sites.

#### Satisfaction with and Importance of Conditions and Experiences

- Overall satisfaction of summer users at Waikiki Diamond Head Shoreline FMA was extremely high, as 92% were satisfied with their visit and almost no respondents (4%) were dissatisfied. Respondents at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs were slightly less satisfied (89% satisfied) than users at Sans Souci / Kaimana (93%), but satisfaction was high at both sites and this difference between sites was not substantial.
- The majority of respondents were satisfied with most aspects of their experience and the conditions at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, especially not having to pay a fee to visit (95%) and with the presence of lifeguards at the beach (87%). Over 70% of respondents were also satisfied with the trash cans, absence of litter, and clean ocean water at this site. Respondents were most dissatisfied with the bathrooms and availability of parking at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach (25% dissatisfied).
- At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs, users were most satisfied with not having to pay a fee (82% satisfied) and the clean ocean water (81%). In addition, over 70% of respondents were satisfied with the showers and opportunities to escape crowds of people. Users were most dissatisfied with the lack of bathrooms at this site (44% dissatisfied).
- Respondents were more satisfied with trash cans, park benches, bathrooms, lifeguard presence, absence of litter, and not having to pay a fee at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach. Respondents were more satisfied with the showers, parking availability, health of reefs, clean water, and opportunity to see marine life at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs.
- The majority of respondents at Sans Souci / Kaimana rated almost all aspects of their experience and the conditions at this site as important, especially clean ocean water, absence of litter, no fees, and healthy coral reefs (over 90% of users rated as important). The least important characteristic at this site was picnic tables (23% unimportant).
- Users at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches rated most aspects of their experience and the conditions at this site as important, especially clean ocean water, no litter, and healthy reefs (over 90% of users rated as important). Least important characteristics at this site were lifeguards (42% unimportant), park benches (52%), and picnic tables (54%).
- Respondents considered bathrooms, tables, benches, signs, lifeguards, and not paying fees to be more important at Sans Souci / Kaimana than at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs.

- Users rated, on average, all aspects of their experience and the conditions at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach as important and were satisfied with all of these aspects, suggesting that managers should "keep up the good work" in their management of this site.
- At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs, respondents rated most experiences and conditions as important and were satisfied with most characteristics, suggesting that managers should "keep up the good work" in their management of most characteristics at this site. Users at this site, however, rated bathrooms as important, but were dissatisfied with bathrooms (or lack thereof) at this site, suggesting that managers need to concentrate on this issue at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs.

## Social Carrying Capacity Indicators

- Respondents at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach encountered, on average, 78 to 112 other users at this site. At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches, respondents encountered an average of 37 to 50 other users.
- Respondents would accept encountering, on average, a maximum of approximately 217 other people at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach and 118 other people at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches. When results are extrapolated to a landscape level and aggregated across the entire site, social carrying capacity indicator standards of quality are approximately 140 people at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach and 111 people at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches.
- Users at each site with a strong protectionist value orientation toward nearshore reef areas rated relatively low use levels as more acceptable and higher use levels as less acceptable than respondents with a mixed protection use value orientation.
- In total, 44% of respondents felt crowded by the number of people encountered at Waikiki – Diamond Head Shoreline FMA in the summer. Total perceived crowding was higher at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach (47% crowded) than Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches (39%). Both sites had "low normal" crowding, suggesting that a problem situation related to social issues such as crowding does not exist at these sites at this time.
- At Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, respondents felt most crowded by the number of sunbathers and swimmers encountered at this site (39%). At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches, respondents felt most crowded by the number of surfers (56%) and windsurfers / kitesurfers (34%) encountered.
- At Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, residents of Hawaii felt significantly more crowded by sunbathers and swimmers (residents = 44%, nonresidents = 29%). At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs, residents of Hawaii felt significantly more crowded by both surfers (residents = 63%, nonresidents = 41%) and windsurfers / kitesurfers (residents = 39%, nonresidents = 20%). At both sites, residents of Hawaii felt significantly more crowded by the total number of people encountered (Sans Souci Kaimana: residents = 54%, nonresidents = 30%; Diamond Head / Kuilei: residents = 45%, nonresidents = 22%).
- At both Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach and Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches, the majority of respondents reported encountering fewer people than the maximum number of people they would accept seeing at each site. Approximately one-third of respondents at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, however, encountered more than their maximum

tolerance limit and this site also had the highest amount of perceived crowding, suggesting that research and management attention may be needed to determine if use is expected to increase in the future, allowing management to anticipate any potential problems. Perceived crowding was highest for respondents who reported more encounters than their maximum tolerance level.

• Over 61% of respondents felt that the number of other people they encountered had no effect on their enjoyment. At both sites, however, respondents who encountered more people than they believed was acceptable for each site were more likely to say that the number of people they encountered reduced their enjoyment, but the largest percentage of these users at each site still felt that this number of encounters had no effect on their enjoyment (49% to 59%). This suggests that although crowding and use levels are important social issues at these sites, high use levels may not substantially distract from users' experiences at these sites; some users may feel crowded and encounter more people than they feel is acceptable, but this may not substantially alter their enjoyment.

### Facility Carrying Capacity Indicators

- On average, respondents typically saw fewer bathrooms, showers, trash cans, picnic tables, park benches, and information signs than what is actually present at each site. In addition, they believed that there should still be more of each facility than what they saw. When comparing the actual number of each facility to how many respondents think should be at the site, however, it is evident that there are enough trash cans, tables, and benches at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach; and trash cans and signs at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches. According to users, there are not enough bathrooms, showers, and signs at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach; and bathrooms, showers, tables, and benches at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs.
- At both sites, the majority of respondents reported encountering fewer of each facility than what they feel should be at the site (i.e., their norm). Satisfaction scores for these facilities at both sites were lower for users reporting fewer of each facility than what they feel should be at the site (i.e., their norm). These findings suggest that users want more of each facility at each site and this would increase satisfaction with facilities.
- When users' norms are compared to the actual number of facilities at each site, there are actually enough of many facilities at each site (i.e., there was actually the same number or more of many facilities at each site than what users felt should be at each site). This finding suggests that: (a) users at each site underestimate the number of many facilities at each site by reporting fewer encounters with facilities than what is actually present at each site, and (b) there are enough of many types of facilities at each site to meet or exceed users' expectations and needs. At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches, however, there were actually fewer bathrooms, picnic tables, and park benches (there are none of each of these facilities) than what summer users feel should be at this site.

### **Recreation Conflict and Coping Behavior**

• The most commonly reported conflict events observed at Waikiki – Diamond Head Shoreline FMA were sunbathers and swimmers not looking where they were going (47%) and being too close (43%). One third of respondents also reported observing surfers not looking where they were going (32%) and being too close (30%). Fewer summer users (less than 20%) reported observing conflict behaviors associated with snorkelers, divers, boaters, and anglers. Sunbathers and swimmers were observed being rude / discourteous, not looking where they were going, and being too close more often at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach. Boaters were also observed being too close and not looking where they were going more often at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach. Conversely, surfers, windsurfers, and kitesurfers were observed being too close, not looking where they were going, and being rude and discourteous more often and by over 40% of users at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches.

- At Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, the largest amount of conflict was with sunbathers and swimmers (31%), and boaters (23%). At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches, 45% of respondents experienced conflict with surfers and 38% experienced conflict with windsurfers and kitesurfers. Few respondents (less than 19%) experienced conflict with snorkelers, divers, and anglers at each site. It is important to note, however, that this study occurred during an odd numbered year when angling was prohibited in this area so conflict with anglers may increase during years when this activity is permitted.
- Compared to nonresidents, residents of Hawaii experienced more conflict with all activity groups at both sites. For example, 38% of residents experienced conflict with sunbathers and swimmers at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, whereas only 19% of nonresidents experienced conflict with this activity group at this site. In addition, 54% of residents experienced conflict with surfers at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches, whereas 23% of nonresidents experienced conflict with this activity group at this site.
- A large percentage of users at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach (58%) and Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches (61%) observed people handling or standing on coral during their visits to the site. In addition, 75% of users think that people handling or standing on coral is a problem at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach and 67% of users believe that these behaviors are a problem at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches.
- In response to crowding and conflict, most respondents (72%) are still unlikely to change their behavior; they will come back to sites in Waikiki Diamond Head Shoreline FMA realizing that conditions they experienced are suitable. However, 64% of respondents are likely to come back earlier or later in the day when less people may be in the area, and 61% are likely to come back, but avoid peak use times such as weekends and holidays, suggesting that many users are likely to be temporally displaced because of conditions they experienced. Only 27% of users are likely to go to other beach or marine areas on other parts of Oahu Island instead and 19% are likely to go to other nearby or adjacent beach or marine areas instead, suggesting that most users are unlikely to be spatially displaced because of conditions they experienced. Most respondents are also unlikely to experience a product shift by changing the way that they think about the area and deciding that it offers a different type of experience than they first believed (25%).

### Evaluations and Tradeoffs of Potential Management Strategies

• The management strategy that received support from the most respondents at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach and Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches (38% to 44%) was providing more educational and interpretive information. Users at Sans Souci / Kaimana

Beach were somewhat divided on whether there should be more enforcement of rules and regulations at this site. This strategy, however, was opposed by the majority of users at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches (58% oppose). The majority of users at both sites also opposed designated parking for tour buses (66% to 74% oppose) and zoning of activities (50% to 51% oppose). Respondents were most strongly opposed to allowing commercial activities (e.g., tour operators) at each site (78% to 80% oppose).

- Respondents were presented with eight scenarios of varying use levels, impacts to coral reefs, amounts of litter, and conditions of facilities (i.e., factors), and then evaluated the acceptability of four management strategies for each scenario (improve education and awareness of users, restrict number of people [i.e., limit use], improve maintenance and upkeep, provide more facilities). Improving education and awareness was the most strongly supported management action for each scenario. Even for the scenario describing the lowest amount of negative impact for each factor, improving education and awareness was acceptable, suggesting that respondents believed that education and awareness of users at each site currently needs to be improved. If conditions deteriorate (e.g., more damage to reefs, litter), this action would be even more acceptable.
- Improving maintenance or upkeep was the second most strongly supported management action for each scenario. This strategy was acceptable even for the scenario describing the lowest amount of negative impact for each factor, suggesting that users believed that maintenance and upkeep at each site needs to be improved. If conditions worsen (e.g., more reef damage, litter), this strategy would be even more acceptable.
- The third most strongly supported management strategy for each scenario was providing more facilities and services. More facilities and services was acceptable even for the scenario describing the lowest amount of negative impact for each factor, suggesting that many current users would support more facilities and services at each site. If conditions deteriorate (e.g., more damage to reefs, litter), providing more facilities and services would be even more acceptable.
- Respondents were most strongly opposed to restricting the number of people allowed in the area. If site conditions worsen, however, restricting use would become more acceptable. If use levels are high, there is a substantial amount of litter and damage to coral reefs from recreation, and facilities are in disrepair, users would be more supportive of strategies designed to restrict the number of people allowed in the area.
- The most strongly supported strategy of improving education and awareness of people also generated the most consensus among respondents, suggesting that this would be the least controversial action. There was also strong consensus for improving maintenance and upkeep. The least acceptable strategy was restricting the number of people allowed in the area, but this was also the most controversial; it is likely that restricting the number of people allowed would generate controversy among users unless conditions deteriorated to a point where use levels were extremely high, there was substantial damage to reefs, litter was abundant, and facilities were in disrepair. Acceptance of each of the four management strategies did not substantively differ between the two sites (i.e., Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches) for each scenario.

- Conjoint analyses showed that situational factor levels differentially affected acceptance of management strategies. The strategy "improve education and awareness of users" was rated as acceptable across all factor levels, but was most acceptable if the amount of damage to reefs was substantial. "Restricting the number of people allowed in the area" was acceptable for two factor levels, but was unacceptable if use levels were low and reef damage was minimal; if use levels were low and reef damage was minimal; if use levels were low and reef damage was minimal; if use levels were low and reef damage was minimal, this would not be a supported strategy. This strategy was most acceptable if use levels were high and the amount of damage to reefs was substantial. "Improve maintenance and upkeep" and "provide more facilities or services" were acceptable across all factor levels, but were most acceptable if facilities were in poor condition.
- When rating acceptance of "improving education and awareness of users," the most important factor was recreation damage to reefs. In rating acceptance of "restricting the number of people allowed" (i.e., limit use), the most important factors were use level and damage to coral reefs. When rating acceptance of "improving maintenance and upkeep" and "providing more facilities," the most important factor was condition of facilities.

#### Recommendations

- The types of people, activities in which they were participating, and their attitudes and preferences often differed between the two sites (i.e., Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches). This suggests the need for site-specific management of various areas within Waikiki-Diamond Head Shoreline FMA irrespective of the close proximity of some of these areas.
- Within each site, users were heterogeneous, exhibiting a range of demographic characteristics and preferences. This suggests that not all users will respond in the same manner to changes in conditions and management at each site. Despite this diversity of users, the largest proportion of respondents had previously visited each site before and were residents of Hawaii, suggesting that managers should take opinions of repeat visitors and local residents into consideration when making decisions affecting each site.
- The largest proportion of respondents had strong protectionist value orientations toward coral reef areas (i.e., biocentric, nature-centered), suggesting that recreation or other uses that have deleterious effects on coral reef ecosystems are not likely to be supported at each site. Research has shown that individuals' value orientations influence their attitudes, intentions, and behaviors, so knowing users' value orientations can be useful for estimating possible reactions to potentially controversial management actions. In addition, value orientations are stable and resistant to change, so attempts to inform and educate individuals with protectionist value orientations toward reef areas to consider adopting a favorable attitude and vote in support of actions that may be harmful to reef areas are unlikely to be successful.
- Although overall satisfaction of summer users at each site was extremely high, users were not satisfied with every aspect of the setting or their experience. At Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, users were most dissatisfied with availability of parking and condition of bathrooms. At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches, respondents were most dissatisfied with the lack of bathrooms. These issues deserve management attention.

- At Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, respondents were most satisfied with the presence of lifeguards at the beach and that users were not required to pay a fee to visit the area. At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches, users were most satisfied with the clean ocean water and that they did not have to pay a fee to visit the area These and other conditions (e.g., bathrooms and parking at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach; signs and trash cans at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches) should be maintained and monitored to ensure that user satisfaction does not decline.
- Users rated all aspects of their experience and the conditions at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach as important and were satisfied with these aspects, suggesting that managers should "keep up the good work" in their current management of this site. At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches, users also rated most aspects of their experience and the conditions as important and were satisfied with these aspects, suggesting that managers should "keep up the good work" in their management of this site. However, bathrooms were important to users at this site, but users were dissatisfied with the lack of bathrooms at this site, suggesting that managers need to concentrate on addressing the lack of bathrooms at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches.
- Both Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach (47% of users felt crowded) and Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches (39% of users felt crowded) had "low normal" crowding, suggesting that a major problem situation with summer use crowding does not exist at these two sites at this time. Use levels and users' perceptions of crowding should be monitored to ensure that crowding does not increase.
- At both sites, the majority of users reported encountering fewer people than the maximum number that they would accept encountering, suggesting that summer use levels are not a major problem at each site. Given that approximately one-third of users at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, however, encountered more people than their maximum tolerance, research and management attention may be needed to determine if summer use is expected to increase dramatically. In addition, use levels should be monitored to ensure that they do not frequently exceed approximately 217 people at one time at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach and 118 people at one time at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs.
- At each site, the majority of users reported encountering fewer bathrooms, showers, trash cans, picnic tables, park benches, and information signs than they feel should be at each site. In other words, users want more of each facility at each site and this would increase their satisfaction. From a management perspective, however, this may not be financially or logistically feasible. When the number of each facility that users' felt should be at each site was compared to what was actually at each site, there were enough of most facilities. At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches, however, managers should consider installing bathrooms, picnic tables, and park benches.
- There was not a substantial amount of conflict among activity groups at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach. The most prevalent conflict was with sunbathers and swimmers at this site (31%). There was, however conflict with surfers (45%) and windsurfers / kitesurfers (38%) at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches. Zoning activity groups to keep them apart is often used to mitigate conflict. Zoning does not seem to be feasible or necessary at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach at this time, but may be useful for separating surfers and windsurfers / kitesurfers at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches. Enforcing zones,

however, tends to be expensive and time consuming. It may more appropriate to inform users of appropriate behaviors by improving user education and awareness (e.g., signs, brochures, orientation sessions, contact with personnel).

- A large percentage of users observed people handling or standing on coral at each site and believed that this depreciative behavior was a problem at each site (58% to 61% observed, 67% to 75% felt it was a problem). Research has shown that touching or standing on coral reefs can cause harmful effects such as coral breakage and mortality. In addition, this behavior could pose safety risks to humans (e.g., cuts, scrapes, infections). As a result, management attention is needed to reduce the amount of handling and standing on coral at each site. A first step would be to provide interpretive and educational material at each site (e.g., signs, brochures, orientation sessions) informing users of the various problems associated with these behaviors. Following implementation of these indirect management actions, monitoring and additional follow-up research should be conducted to examine the extent to which participation in these behaviors has been reduced. If these approaches are unsuccessful, more direct management tactics such as regulations and enforcement may be necessary.
- The management strategy that would be supported by the most users at each site would be providing more interpretive and educational information (e.g., signs, brochures, orientation sessions, contact with personnel / lifeguards). Zoning of activities, parking for tour buses, and commercial activities (e.g., recreation tour operators) would be opposed by the majority of users. If managers decide that zoning, bus parking, and / or commercial activities are necessary in the future, users and local residents should be involved in informing the decision making process and a highly visible educational campaign should be implemented educating users and the community about the rationale for any decisions.
- Respondents believed that improved interpretive and educational information, more upkeep and maintenance of facilities, and more facilities would currently be acceptable at each site. Restricting the number of users allowed at each site (i.e., limiting use) would currently be unacceptable. If there is ever evidence of substantial coral reef damage from recreation at each site, the most supported management strategy would be to provide more interpretive and educational information to users. If there is evidence that facilities (e.g., bathrooms, showers, trash cans) are in disrepair at each site, the most supported management strategies would be to improve upkeep and maintenance followed by providing more facilities. Restricting the number of people allowed at each site would only be supported if there was evidence that use levels were extremely high, coral reefs were damaged substantially, litter was prevalent, and facilities were in disrepair.

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# **INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE**

Coastal environments such as coral reef areas provide natural breakwaters against storms, reduce erosion, and support an array of interdependent life forms such as fish, coral, turtles, and marine mammals (Allen, 1992; Barker & Roberts, 2004). Coral reefs are habitat for over one-third of all fish species and the net primary productivity of reefs is higher than many tropical forests (Beatley, 1991). The diversity of these resources coupled with rising public interest in the natural environment is attracting an increasing number of tourists and recreationists to coastal areas (Dinsdale & Fenton, 2006; Orams, 1999). In Australia's Great Barrier Reef Marine Park, for example, the number of recreationists and tour operators has increased more than tenfold since 1980 and annual financial gains now exceed US \$750 million (Barker & Roberts, 2004; Dinsdale & Harriott, 2004; Inglis, Johnson, & Ponte, 1999).

In Hawaii, coastal environments such as beaches and coral reefs are focal points for recreation and tourism use. Hawaii hosts approximately seven million visitors each year who spend more than US \$11 billion in the state, and in the last 20 years tourism has increased over 65% (Friedlander et al., 2005). More than 80% of Hawaii's visitors engage in recreation activities in the state's coastal and marine areas with the majority of these individuals participating in diving (200,000 per year) or snorkeling (3 million per year) while visiting (Hawaii DBEDT, 2002; van Beukering & Cesar, 2004). Other popular coastal recreation activities include ocean kayaking, swimming, sunbathing, beach walking, and surfing.

Although coastal environments are popular for recreation use, these areas are also a natural resource that has considerable social, cultural, environmental, and economic importance to the people of Hawaii. The state's coral reef areas, for example, generate US \$800 million in revenue and \$360 million in added value each year (Cesar & van Beukering, 2004; Davidson, Hamnett, & Minato, 2003). Reefs are also an important resource for local residents, as approximately 30% of households in the state have at least one person who fishes for recreation. Almost 10% of households in the state also fish for subsistence purposes (QMark, 2005).

As popularity of Hawaii's coastal areas continues to increase, demand for access and use can disrupt coastal processes, damage ecological integrity of sensitive environments, reduce the quality of user experiences, and generate conflict among stakeholders regarding appropriate management responses (Orams, 1999). As a result, agencies are faced with challenges that include determining use thresholds (i.e., carrying capacities) and how to manage and monitor use levels to ensure that thresholds are not violated and user experiences are not compromised by such things as crowding and conflict.

Hawaii's Local Action Strategy to Address Recreational Impacts to Reefs (RIR-LAS) identified an urgent need to develop approaches "to efficiently determine and set carrying capacity limits for various recreational activities at various sites around the state" (Kerr, Bos, & Clark, 2005, p. 14). Likewise, the Hawaii Coral Reef Initiative Research Program (HCRI-RP) recently identified recreation capacity and management of Hawaii's coastal environments and marine life conservation districts (MLCDs) as a research and monitoring priority (i.e., priority 3 in FY 2006-2007 request for proposals). The broad purpose of this project, therefore, was to address these research needs by examining carrying capacity, conflict, and management related to recreation use at coastal sites in Hawaii. This report presents results of a project examining these issues at Waikiki – Diamond Head Shoreline Fisheries Management Area (FMA) on Oahu, Hawaii.

# **PROJECT OBJECTIVES**

Primary objectives of this project were to collect and analyze recreation use data at coastal sites in Hawaii (i.e., Waikiki-Diamond Head Shoreline FMA), and:

- Use social science approaches to measure, determine, and inform social and facility indicators of recreation carrying capacities, and determine thresholds when perceived impacts for these indicators reach unacceptable levels.
- Estimate the extent to which indicators of recreation carrying capacities are currently being exceeded and if this is impacting user experiences.
- Measure support and opposition toward management strategies for minimizing coastal recreation impacts (e.g., educate, limit use) and how situational factors (e.g., reef damage, use levels, litter) differentially influence support of these strategies.
- Determine the extent to which user conflicts exist both within and among various recreation activity groups.
- Compare the extent to which evaluations of coastal recreation impacts differ among groups (e.g., visitors versus locals, various tourism / recreation activity groups) and sites.

Other concepts examined in this project included recreationists' satisfaction with current conditions at coastal sites in Hawaii, perceptions of crowding, value orientations toward coastal environments, likelihood of future use and changes in use patterns (e.g., temporal and spatial displacement), and sociodemographic characteristics.

Taken together, this information can be used to help inform:

- Understanding of current recreation users and their preferences at coastal sites in Hawaii.
- Recommendations for current management of recreation use and impacts at coastal sites in Hawaii.
- Future estimation and monitoring of recreation carrying capacity and management issues at coastal sites in Hawaii.
- Future decision making and management.

# **CONCEPTUAL FOUNDATION**

## **Recreation Carrying Capacity**

Coastal environments are not immune to human impact pressures associated with participation in recreation activities. Studies have empirically demonstrated that recreation activities such as

snorkeling and diving can damage environmental conditions of coastal resources such as beaches and nearshore coral reefs (e.g., Barker & Roberts, 2004; Dinsdale & Harriott, 2004; Hawkins et al., 1999; Kay & Liddle, 1989; Liddle & Kay, 1986; Lynch et al., 2004; Tratalos & Austin, 2001). Schlever and Tomalin (2000), for example, found that a use level of 9,000 annual dives at a South African reef site damaged 10% of the coral. In Hawaii, Rodgers and Cox (2003) reported a pattern of decreasing coral coverage and fish abundance with increasing diving and snorkeling use, with fewer than 200,000 total users (i.e., 60 people in the water per hour) causing 100% coral mortality. Over a one year period, Tissot and Hallacher (2000) found that pressure and trampling from divers increased the potential for deleterious environmental consequences such as coral breakage. These studies suggest that coastal areas may possess inherent numerical thresholds where recreation use levels simply overwhelm the capacity of resources to support these activities. The issue of how much use can be accommodated without deteriorating user experiences and threatening preservation or conservation of natural resources has conventionally been addressed under the rubric of carrying capacity. Recreation carrying capacity can be defined as the amount of use that an area can support and still offer sustained quality of recreation based on social, environmental, and managerial attributes. In other words, it attempts to address the question "how much use is too much" (Manning, 1999).

Recreation studies in Hawaii have focused primarily on environmental carrying capacity, or the level at which biophysical resources of an area are significantly impacted by human use. The Rogers and Cox (2003) and Tissot and Hallacher (2000) studies are two of several studies illustrating attempts to measure environmental carrying capacities of coastal recreation areas in the state. Environmental carrying capacity, however, is difficult to measure because it is influenced by factors such as weather, site characteristics and durability, type of use, time and duration of use, and species composition (Cole, 1992). It is also recognized and accepted in the recreation and tourism literature that this resource oriented view must be augmented by consideration of other issues (Manning, 1999, 2007). Shelby and Heberlein (1986), for example, described two additional types of recreation carrying capacity: (a) social carrying capacity or the level of use beyond which social impacts and experiences such as crowding and user conflict are unacceptable, and (b) *facility carrying capacity* or the amount and type of facilities acceptable for accommodating a particular use level. Many studies have focused on environmental carrying capacities and ignored social and facility capacities. This oversight is problematic because management actions such as use limits or quotas that are designed to alleviate environmental impacts such as coral breakage may not address social problems such as conflicts between incompatible user groups (Farrell & Marion, 2002; Inglis et al., 1999).

The concept of recreation carrying capacity has received considerable attention in the literature (see Manning, 1999, 2007; Needham & Rollins, 2005; Needham, Rollins, & Wood, 2004a; Shelby & Heberlein, 1986 for reviews), but efforts to apply the concept in natural resource settings have often resulted in frustration. The term "carrying capacity" implies that it is possible to identify a single number, which represents a threshold where human use overwhelms the ability of the resource to sustain itself. However, several types of carrying capacity exist (e.g., social, environmental, facility) and numerous indicators can be used to measure each capacity. Social carrying capacity, for example, consists of multiple indicators such as encounters, crowding, conflict, noise, and satisfaction. Environmental carrying capacity indicators may include coral breakage, trampling, fish abundance, and water quality. Measuring all of these indicators would be expensive and time consuming, and each indicator may yield a different

capacity number on scales that are not compatible or comparable. Calculating a single recreation carrying capacity number for an area, therefore, is neither feasible nor realistic.

There are also additional difficulties in attempting to apply the carrying capacity concept. For example, carrying capacity has often been misapplied to set use levels without considering how they meet management objectives. In addition, a capacity number can sometimes be changed in response to political pressures without considering relevant stakeholders (e.g., users, agencies, operators). Carrying capacity numbers are often too simplistic, based on arbitrary judgments, and fail to minimize impacts. The concept tends to overemphasize importance of "amount" of use and fails to consider other factors such as type of use and behavior of users. Finally, by focusing on amount of use, carrying capacity numbers often imply use limits or quotas if they are exceeded, which draws attention away from other strategies that may be available to managers such as temporal or spatial zoning and user education. Use limits are also controversial and heavy-handed because they may unnecessarily restrict user freedom, they are difficult and expensive to implement, and they may be perceived as a threat to generating tourism income, thus causing a lack of interest group or stakeholder "buy in" (Farrell & Marion, 2002).

Recreation almost always causes some social and environmental impacts, but descriptive scientific studies that attempt to identify a simple cause and effect relationship between human use and impact typically fail to provide clear guidance on where and when use thresholds are exceeded. It is important to recognize that some impact and change is inevitable and at some point the amount, nature, and type of change becomes unacceptable. The critical question, therefore, is not "how much use is too much," but more importantly "how much impact or change is acceptable or should be allowed" (Manning, 1999, 2007).

To overcome difficulties associated with measuring carrying capacities, recreation and tourism researchers have turned to contemporary planning and management frameworks such as Limits of Acceptable Change (LAC; Stankey et al., 1985), Visitor Experience and Resource Protection (VERP; Manning, 2001), and Visitor Impact Management (VIM; Graefe, Kuss, & Vaske, 1990) to address this question of "how much impact or change is acceptable" (see Manning, 2004 for a review). These frameworks necessitate quantitatively measuring select social, resource, and facility *indictors* at specific sites (e.g., user crowding, perceived coral health) to reveal *standards of quality* or thresholds at which these indicator conditions become unacceptable (e.g., no more than 500 users per site at one time). These indicators are subsequently monitored by field personnel to ensure that standards are maintained, and if violated the application of acceptable management actions may need to be imposed (e.g., zoning, education, limit use).

These frameworks offer a proven tool for managers to understand the extent that indicator impacts are acceptable or unacceptable, identify the importance of indicators, and describe the amount of consensus among users regarding acceptable indicator conditions (McCool & Cole, 1997; Needham, Rollins, & Vaske, 2005). These frameworks also emphasize consideration of desired future outcomes and the inclusion of monitoring ensures that managers are explicitly aware of changing resource and experiential conditions, which enhances capability of managers to respond to changing conditions. Taken together, these frameworks are iterative and adaptive, and shift the emphasis and definition of recreation carrying capacity from "how many users can be accommodated in an area" to "what are the desired conditions of this area" (Manning, 2004).

This approach to measuring and managing recreation carrying capacities is currently being used by several natural resource agencies (e.g., National Park Service) to address terrestrial social impacts including crowding and resource impacts such as erosion (e.g., Donnelly, Vaske, Whittaker, & Shelby, 2000; Manning, 2001; Needham et al., 2004a, 2005; Vaske & Donnelly, 2002). Needham et al. (2004a), for example, found that many recreationists at several sites reported high levels of crowding because they encountered more people than they believed each site could adequately handle. It was concluded that these indicators of social carrying capacity (i.e., use levels, crowding) were being exceeded. Directional trails, zoning, user fees, and education were supported management strategies for alleviating these social impacts. In a marine setting, Inglis et al. (1999) showed that seeing 14 users (e.g., snorkerlers) from shore and encountering six users in the water were threshold points at which social conditions became unacceptable and management attention was needed at the Great Barrier Reef in Australia.

This project used social science approaches to: (a) measure social (e.g., conflict, crowding) and facility (e.g., bathrooms, informational signage) indicators of recreation carrying capacity, (b) determine thresholds when perceived impacts for these indicators reach unacceptable levels, and (c) estimate the extent to which indicators of recreation carrying capacities are currently being exceeded and if this is impacting user experiences at coastal recreation sites in Hawaii.

### **Recreation Encounters, Norms, and Crowding**

Encounters and crowding are two of the most commonly measured indicators of social carrying capacity in recreation settings (see Vaske & Donnelly, 2002 for a review). *Reported encounters* describe a subjective count of the number of other people that an individual remembers observing in a setting. *Perceived crowding* is a subjective negative evaluation that this number of people observed or number of encounters with other people, groups, or activities is too many (Needham et al., 2004a; Shelby, Vaske, & Heberlein, 1989; Vaske & Donnelly, 2002).

Popularity of recreation in many natural resource settings has led to concern about crowding and as a result, a wide body of research has attempted to understand and address this concern (see Manning, 2007; Shelby & Heberlein, 1986; Shelby et al., 1989 for reviews). Understanding users' reported encounters and perceived crowding, however, may *not* reveal maximum acceptable use levels or an understanding of how use should be managed and monitored. The structural norm approach offers a conceptual and applied basis to help address these issues. One line of research defines *norms* as standards that individuals use for evaluating activities, environments, or management strategies as good or bad, better or worse (e.g., Donnelly et al., 2000; Shelby, Vaske, & Donnelly, 1996; Vaske, Shelby, Graefe, & Heberlein, 1986). In other words, norms clarify what people believe conditions or behavior *should be*. Norm theory provides a basis for measuring indicators and formulating standards of quality, which are central to contemporary recreation and tourism planning frameworks such as LAC, VERP, and VIM.

A simplified example may help to illustrate. The provision of opportunities for solitude is a management goal in many parks and related recreation and tourism settings (Dearden & Rollins, 2002; Manning, 1999; Weaver, 2001). This goal, however, may be far too broad to guide management since it does not specify what constitutes solitude and how it should be measured and monitored. Indicators and standards of quality may help to resolve these issues. Surveys of recreationists may show that the number of encounters with other people is an important aspect

of solitude, suggesting that it may be one indicator of solitude. Normative research may reveal that once many recreationists encounter 10 or more people in a specific area, they feel crowded and do not achieve an acceptable level of solitude. This suggests that encounters with 10 or more people may represent an appropriate standard of quality for a specific area.

Much of the normative work in recreation and tourism is based on Jackson's (1965) model that describes norms (i.e., evaluative standards) using a graphic device called a *social norm curve* (Manning, Valliere, Wang, & Jacobi, 1999) or an *impact acceptability curve* (Vaske et al., 1986). Measurement of a social norm is derived from averages of evaluations provided by individuals within a population. This graph represents the amount of indicator change increasing from left to right along the horizontal axis (Figure 1). The vertical axis represents evaluative responses with the most positive evaluation at the top of the axis, the most negative on the bottom, and a neutral category in between. The majority of recreation and tourism studies have used "acceptability" as the evaluative response (see Manning et al., 1999 for a review). The curve can be analyzed for structural characteristics such as the minimum acceptable condition, norm intensity or strength, and degree of consensus about the norm (i.e., norm crystallization).



Figure 1. Hypothetical social norm curve (modified from Manning et al., 1999)

The *minimum acceptable condition* is the point where the norm curve crosses the neutral line and indicator conditions become unacceptable. This point usually represents the indicator conditions that 50% of respondents feel are acceptable and 50% feel are unacceptable. In most studies, this point represented the standard of quality for the measured indicator. *Norm intensity* is the importance of the indicator to respondents and is measured by the relative distance from the neutral line at each point on the curve, independent of the direction of evaluation (e.g., acceptable, unacceptable; Shelby et al., 1996). Intensity is measured as the sum of these distances across all points on the curve (Shelby & Heberlein, 1986; Vaske et al., 1986). The greater the cumulative distance from the neutral line, the higher the intensity and more important the indicator to respondents. A flat curve close to the neutral line suggests that few people will be upset if the standard is violated, whereas a curve that declines sharply or remains negative implies that more people may be impacted (Shelby et al., 1996). *Crystallization* is a measure of consensus or agreement among respondents for the indicator conditions. In most studies, this is

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presented as the average of the standard deviations (i.e., interval around the mean containing the majority or 68% of responses) for all points comprising the curve (Shelby & Heberlein, 1986; Shelby et al., 1996). If crystallization is high (i.e., small average standard deviation), managers may have confidence in using normative data to help formulate standards of quality for carrying capacity indicators that can then be monitored and managed (Manning, 1999, 2007).

Research suggests that when users perceive a setting to be crowded, they have at least implicitly compared conditions that they actually experienced (e.g., number of encounters) with their normative evaluation of what they feel are acceptable or unacceptable conditions for the setting (e.g., use levels; Vaske & Donnelly, 2002). For example, a comparative meta-analysis of multiple studies involving thousands of recreationists and tourists demonstrated that when encounters exceeded a user's norm for seeing others, perceived crowding was higher compared to those who encountered less than their norm (Vaske & Donnelly, 2002).

This project measured encounters and crowding, and used the structural norm approach to: (a) determine thresholds when perceived impacts for indicators reached unacceptable levels, and (b) estimate the extent to which indicators are currently being exceeded at coastal sites in Hawaii.

## **Recreation Conflict and Behavioral Responses**

Like encounters and crowding, conflict is another indicator of social carrying capacity in recreation and tourism settings. Empirical research has revealed several different types of conflict that can occur between people participating in similar or different types of outdoor recreation (see Graefe & Thapa, 2004; Manning, 1999 for reviews). *One-way* or *asymmetrical conflict* occurs when one activity group experiences conflict with or dislikes another group, but not vice versa. A study of snowmobilers and cross-country skiers, for example, showed that skiers disliked encounters with snowmobilers, but snowmobilers were not in conflict with skiers (Vaske, Needham, & Cline Jr., 2007). *Two-way conflict* occurs when there is resentment or dislike in both directions (e.g., skiers in conflict with snowboarders, snowboarders in conflict with skiers; Thapa & Graefe, 2003; Vaske, Carothers, Donnelly, & Baird, 2000). Conflict between users engaged in different activities (e.g., hikers versus mountain bikers) is known as *out-group conflict*, whereas conflict between participants in the same activity (e.g., hikers versus other hikers) is known as *in-group conflict* (Manning, 1999).

Most recreation and tourism studies have examined *interpersonal* or *goal interference conflict* where the actual physical presence or behavior of an individual or group interferes with goals, expectations, or behavior of another individual or group (Vaske et al., 2007). A snorkeler, for example, may experience interpersonal conflict if he or she is cut off by or collides with a surfer. Recent research has also introduced and explored the concept of *social values conflict* (Vaske, Donnelly, Wittmann, & Laidlaw, 1995; Vaske et al., 2007). Social values conflict occurs between groups who do not share similar opinions, norms, or values about an activity. Unlike interpersonal conflict, social values conflict is defined as conflict that can occur even when there is no direct physical contact or interaction among groups (Vaske et al., 2007). For example, although encounters with horseback riders may be rare in recreation settings such as parks and wilderness areas, recreationists may philosophically disagree about the appropriateness of such animals in these settings. A study of wildlife viewers and hunters showed that viewers did not witness many hunters or hunting behaviors (e.g., see animals be shot, hear shots fired) in a

backcountry area because management regulations and rugged terrain and topography separated the two groups (Vaske et al., 1995). Regardless, viewers still reported conflict with hunters simply because of a conflict in values regarding the appropriateness of hunting in the area.



Figure 2. Conflict evaluation typology (Vaske et al., 2007)

To differentiate social values and interpersonal conflict, studies have operationalized conflict by combining responses from two sets of questions asked in surveys of recreationists (Vaske et al., 1995, 2007). First, individuals indicated how frequently events happened to them during their visit (e.g., being rude or discourteous, passing too closely). Responses were coded as observed (i.e., at least once) or did not observe the event (i.e., never saw). Second, users evaluated if they perceived each event to be a problem (i.e., no problem or problem). Combining the occurrence of observation variables with the corresponding perceived problem variables produces a conflict typology (Figure 2). Individuals who observed or did not observe a given event, but did not perceive it to be a problem were considered to have experienced no conflict (i.e., no social values or interpersonal conflict). Those who never saw a given event, but believed that a problem existed were considered to be expressing social values conflict. Users who saw a given event and believed that it caused a problem were judged to be indicating either interpersonal conflict or a combination of both interpersonal and social values conflict (Vaske et al., 2007).

Understanding the extent and type of conflict is important for managing recreation and tourism settings because some management strategies may be effective for addressing one type of conflict, but not another. When conflict stems from interpersonal conflict, for example, spatial zoning or temporal segregation of incompatible groups may be effective. When the source of conflict is a difference in social values, user information and education may be needed (Graefe & Thapa, 2004; Vaske et al., 2007). Managers need to understand the basis of user concerns and type of conflict occurring to develop strategies for managing conflict.

Recreationists may cope with crowded conditions or conflict events by choosing to visit an alternative location or return to the same location at a different time. *Temporal displacement* involves coping with negative events such as conflict and crowding by shifting the time of

visitation. If an area is most crowded, for example, on weekends and during peak seasons, some users may visit during weekdays or off-peak time periods instead. Users may also choose to visit a different location. This *spatial displacement* can involve shifts in use to other areas within the same recreation area (i.e., *intrasite displacement*) or to completely different recreation settings (i.e., *intersite displacement*). If a user encounters more people than expected or experiences conflict events, he or she might not change their location or time of visitation, but rather change their definition of the experience. This is known as *product shift*. A wilderness area, for example, may be reevaluated as a semi-primitive recreation area by a recreationist because he or she encountered levels of conflict and crowding inconsistent with their initial expectation of a wilderness area (Hall & Shelby, 2000; Manning, 1999; Shelby, Bregenzer, & Johnson, 1988).

This project measured the extent to which conflict exists within and among various recreation activity groups at coastal sites in Hawaii. This project also examined whether recreationists would cope with negative crowding and conflict events by shifting their time or location of visitation (i.e., displacement), or definition of the setting and experience (i.e., product shift).

### **Recreation Satisfaction**

Satisfaction is a consistent goal in recreation and tourism management; recreationists want to have satisfactory experiences and managers want to provide opportunities to ensure that this occurs (Manning, 1999). *Satisfaction* can be defined as positive perceptions or feelings that an individual forms, elicits, or gains from engaging in activities; it is the degree to which one is content or pleased with his or her general experiences and the setting (Beard & Ragheb, 1980). Satisfaction is the congruence between expectations (i.e., motivations) and outcomes (Mannell, 1999). According to Hendee (1974) and Mannell (1999), this concept can be divided into *global* or *overall satisfaction* with the entire experience and *facet* or *multiple satisfactions* with various subcomponents of the setting or experience (e.g., parking, litter, signs).

Recreation and tourism researchers have typically measured global evaluations of the overall experience or outing, but there is often little variance in global measures because overall recreation satisfaction tends to be uniformly high across studies (i.e., 80% to 95% satisfied; see Manning, 1999 for a review). As a result, global or overall evaluations of satisfaction are of only limited usefulness for managers. Satisfaction with more specific attributes of the setting and experience (e.g., weather, parking, fees, signs, litter), however, can vary with some satisfactions outweighing others (Hendee, 1974). In other words, an individual's satisfaction with an activity or experience is complex; he or she may evaluate several aspects of the activity and experience (e.g., resource, social, managerial). Satisfaction is based on different experiences that often provide different types of satisfactions, and satisfaction is based on multiple factors that differ from person to person rather than a single overall or global evaluation of satisfaction. Compared to a single measure of overall satisfaction, therefore, examining users' satisfaction with multiple aspects of the setting and experience can be more meaningful for informing management.

According to Pierce, Manfredo, and Vaske (2001), it is important to not only measure overall satisfaction and satisfaction with components of the setting and experience, but also to determine the relative importance of these factors and components. Recreationists may be satisfied with a particular aspect of the setting or their experience, but it may not be important to them that the characteristic is actually provided. For example, users may be satisfied with informational signs

about rules and regulations, but feel that signs are not an important characteristic of good recreation settings or experiences.

*Importance-performance (IP) analysis* is a useful tool for measuring relationships between users' satisfaction with specific attributes and the importance they attach to these attributes. This approach reveals conditions that may or may not require management attention (e.g., Bruyere, Rodriguez, & Vaske, 2002; Vaske, Beaman, Stanley, & Grenier, 1996). An importance-performance matrix offers a visual understanding of relationships between the two measures (Figure 3). Importance is represented on the vertical axis (i.e., *y*-axis) with average ratings (i.e., means) from "not important" to "very important." Average performance (i.e., satisfaction) is measured on the horizontal axis (i.e., *x*-axis) from "very dissatisfied" to "very satisfied." When combined, the axes intersect and produce a matrix of four quadrants interpreted as "concentrate here" (high importance, low satisfaction; Quadrant A), "keep up the good work" (high importance and satisfaction; Quadrant B), "low priority" (low importance and satisfaction; Quadrant D). This matrix provides managers with an easily understandable picture of the status of services, facilities, and conditions as perceived by users (e.g., Bruyere et al., 2002; Vaske et al., 1996).



Figure 3. Importance-performance matrix for measuring satisfaction

This project measured the extent to which users were satisfied with current conditions (e.g., parking availability, absence of litter, presence of lifeguards, bathrooms, opportunities to see small and large marine life) at coastal recreation sites in Hawaii. Importance-performance matrices were used to compare users' satisfaction with these components of the setting and experience with the relative importance that they attributed to these components.

## **Recreation Management and Tradeoffs**

A recent study in Hawaii demonstrated that residents believed that the tourism industry is approaching capacity and the islands are being managed for tourists at the expense of locals (QMark, 2005; "Tourism poll tells us to pay heed to locals," 2006). Residents believed that pollution, overfishing, and nearshore recreation were major threats to Hawaii's coastal areas, and that enforcement, new rules / guidelines, restricting use, and setting aside areas may be valuable strategies for managing these threats (QMark, 2005). Other recent studies have shown that the majority of marine recreationists considered Hawaii's coastal areas to be healthy, but felt that more management was necessary to improve facilities and infrastructure, scientific assessment and monitoring, and enforcement (e.g., Cesar & van Beukering, 2004; Cesar, van Beukering, Dierking, Pintz, & Friedlander, 2004; Friedlander et al., 2005). These studies highlighted the importance and need for understanding user support and opposition toward management strategies designed to mitigate effects of recreation in coastal settings.

Traditional approaches for evaluating recreationists' attitudes toward management strategies have simply involved asking users the extent to which they supported or opposed individual management strategies (Manning, 1999). Users may be asked, for example, whether they support or oppose providing more educational information such as signs, brochures, or orientation sessions (e.g., Lankford, Inui, Whittle, Luna, & Tyrone, 2005). These approaches, however, may result in a "ceiling effect" where almost all strategies are supported by most respondents, but actually implementing all strategies may not be logistically or financially feasible (Oh, 2001). Implementing a strategy may also not be possible without impacting something else. Therefore, there is a need in recreation management to understand the range of contextual factors and alternatives influencing management, and how the public responds to these factors. Given this complexity of recreation and tourism management, it may be more useful to examine users' tradeoffs in their support of management strategies and regimes depending on a range of situational factors such as different levels of social, resource, and facility impacts. For example, if a coastal recreation site has adequate facilities, little crowding, and minimal coral reef impacts (i.e., situational factors), modifying any current management regimes may not be supported by users. Conversely, if the reef is damaged and the site is overcrowded, zoning or prohibiting some activities may be supported by users.

Recent research has used multivariate statistical techniques such as stated choice modeling and conjoint analysis to quantitatively measure the relative importance that users place on selected factors of recreation settings and the extent to which individuals make tradeoffs in their support of alternative management practices (e.g., Kneeshaw, Vaske, Bright, & Absher, 2004; Lawson, Roggenbuck, Hall, & Moldovanyi, 2006; Needham, 2008). Instead of asking users to rate their support for a single factor or attribute at one time, individuals choose among various scenarios describing alternative configurations of a set of factors. When evaluating each scenario, users weigh tradeoffs among the factors. This approach provides managers with an understanding of how users would prefer setting factors to be prioritized when preferred conditions cannot be provided for all factors simultaneously. In addition, this approach allows researchers and managers to rank alternative configurations of study factors from most acceptable to least acceptable for each management alternative (Lawson et al., 2006; Needham, 2008).

In stated choice and conjoint analyses, scenarios are used in surveys to represent combinations of situational factors and impact levels. For example, with three factors (use level, coral damage, litter) and three impact levels for each factor (low, medium, high), 3<sup>3</sup> or 27 scenarios would be necessary to represent all possible combinations. To reduce respondent burden, software is used to create a much smaller subset of scenarios based on an orthogonal fractional factorial design. Respondents rate their acceptability of several possible management actions for each scenario (e.g., improve user education, restrict number of users, improve area upkeep). Information about all other possible scenario combinations can be determined using conjoint analysis and can predict acceptance of management actions for scenarios that are not evaluated by respondents. By presenting users with scenarios describing different situational factors, they can make tradeoffs in decisions about the appropriateness of specific management actions given different situations that are presently occurring or may happen in the future (Kneeshaw et al., 2004).

This project used conjoint analysis to measure user support and opposition toward several potential strategies for managing recreation and tourism impacts at coastal sites in Hawaii (e.g., educate, limit use), and how situational factors such as coral reef damage, use levels, and amount of litter differentially influence support and opposition of these strategies.

### **Segmentation and Value Orientations**

Recreationists are heterogeneous, exhibiting a range of attitudes, skills, and behaviors (Needham, Vaske, Donnelly, & Manfredo, 2007). Given this diversity among users, researchers have emphasized the importance of segmenting people into meaningful homogeneous subgroups to improve understanding of responses to conditions and management (Bright, Manfredo, & Fulton, 2000; Manfredo & Larson, 1993; Vaske et al., 1996). Studies, for example, have differentiated between males and females (Dougherty, Fulton, & Anderson, 2003; Manfredo, Fulton, & Pierce, 1997; McFarlane, Watson, & Boxall, 2003; Zinn & Pierce, 2002), consumptive and nonconsumptive users (e.g., anglers versus wildlife viewers; Duffus & Dearden, 1990; Vaske et al., 1995), involved and uninvolved users (Cole & Scott, 1999; Needham et al., 2007), residents and nonresidents (Needham, Vaske, & Manfredo, 2004c), and urban and rural residents (Cordell, Bergstrom, Betz, & Green, 2004). Studies have also segmented the public based on competing views of interest groups and citizen advocacy organizations (Decker, Krueger, Baer, Knuth, & Richmond, 1996; Needham, Rollins, & Wood, 2004b).

Studies have also segmented users according to their value orientations about general objects or resources (e.g., Bright et al., 2000; Vaske & Needham, 2007). *Value orientations* refer to general classes of objects (e.g., wildlife, forests) and are revealed through the pattern and direction of basic beliefs (Fulton, Manfredo, & Lipscomb, 1996; Vaske & Donnelly, 1999). Value orientations toward wildlife, for example, have been measured by asking individuals how strongly they identify with *protectionist* oriented belief statements (e.g., "wildlife should have equal rights as humans") and *utilitarian* or use oriented beliefs (e.g., "wildlife should be used by humans to add to the quality of human life") (Bright et al., 2000; Zinn & Pierce, 2002). Similar research has examined public value orientations toward forest lands (Vaske & Donnelly, 1999). Little research, however, has examined recreationists' value orientations toward coastal environments such as beaches and coral reef areas. This project addressed this knowledge gap.

Patterns of basic beliefs have consistently factored into a value orientation dimension called the *protection-use* continuum (e.g., Bright et al., 2000; Dougherty et al., 2003; Fulton et al., 1996; Layden, Manfredo, & Tucker, 2003; Vaske & Needham, 2007). This protection-use orientation is similar to the *biocentric-anthropocentric* value orientation continuum (e.g., Shindler, List, & Steel, 1993; Steel, List, & Shindler, 1994; Thompson & Barton, 1994; Vaske & Donnelly, 1999). An anthropocentric or use value orientation represents a human-centered view of the non-human world. This approach assumes that providing for human uses and benefits is the primary aim of natural resource allocation and management regardless of whether uses are for commodity benefits (e.g., timber) or for aesthetic or physical benefits (e.g., marine recreation). The environment is seen as a set of materials to be used by humans as we see fit (Scherer & Attig, 1983). There is no notion that the non-human aspects of nature are valuable in their own right or for their own sake. In short, an anthropocentric or use orientation emphasizes the instrumental value of natural resources for human society rather than their inherent worth (Steel et al., 1994).

In contrast, a biocentric or protectionist value orientation is a nature-centered approach. The value of all ecosystems, species, and natural organisms is elevated to center stage. Human desires and human values are still important, but are viewed within a larger perspective. This approach assumes that environmental objects have inherent and instrumental worth, and that human uses and benefits are not necessarily the most important uses of natural resources. In matters of natural resource management, these inherent values are to be equally respected and preserved even if they conflict with human-centered values (Thompson & Barton, 1994).

Protectionist (i.e., biocentric) and use (i.e., anthropocentric) value orientations are not mutually exclusive; these orientations can be arranged along a continuum with protectionist orientations on one end and use orientations on the other. The scale midpoint represents a mix of these two extremes (Shindler et al., 1993; Vaske & Donnelly, 1999). Users arranged along the continuum can then be segmented into more homogeneous subgroups (Bright et al., 2000).

This project segmented recreationists into subgroups according to their sociodemographic and activity characteristics (e.g., locals versus visitors, activity groups) and their value orientations toward coastal environments to improve understanding of responses to various conditions (e.g., crowding, conflict, facilities) and management alternatives (e.g., support of education, restricting use) at coastal recreation sites in Hawaii.

# **METHODS / APPROACH**

## **Study Areas**

Data for this project report were obtained from summer users at Waikiki – Diamond Head Shoreline Fisheries Management Area (FMA) on the south coast of the island of Oahu, Hawaii. This FMA extends from the Waikiki War Memorial Natatorium to the Diamond Head Lighthouse, from the high water mark out to a minimum seaward distance of 500 yards, or to the seaward edge of the fringing reef flat beyond 500 yards (Figure 4). This reef flat consists mainly of rubble and coralline algae with some small patches of coral.



Figure 4. Map of Waikiki-Diamond Head Shoreline FMA

Fishing is allowed in this FMA on even numbered years, but the area is closed to fishing during odd numbered years. Fish are found on the shoreline, Natatorium wall, near exposed parts of the reef, and in a few submerged caves throughout the area. Sandy sediment on parts of the ocean floor makes visibility for snorkeling and diving best when there is little or no wave action in the area. High surf and swells, however, are common in this area especially during the summer, which limit opportunities for snorkeling and diving. These conditions tend to be more favorable for board sports such as surfing and windsurfing, which have become popular in this area especially during the summer months. This area also attracts sunbathers throughout the year.



Figure 5. Study site locations in Waikiki-Diamond Head Shoreline FMA

This project focused on two main locations within and immediately adjacent to Waikiki – Diamond Head Shoreline FMA: (a) Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, and (b) Diamond Head Beach Park and neighboring Kuilei Cliffs Beach Park (Figure 5). Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach is located immediately southeast of the Natatorium on the northwest end of the FMA in front of the New Otani Kaimana Beach Hotel and Colony Surf Apartments. Lifeguards are on duty and facilities include restrooms, showers, picnic tables, park benches, and pay telephones.

Diamond Head and Kuilei Cliffs Beaches are located on the southeast end of the FMA below the cliffs on which Diamond Head Lighthouse sits. This site consists of a long narrow beach, a few reefs, and habitat for fish and other marine life such as the Hawaiian monk seal. The beach area includes a shower and trash cans, but no restrooms or other facilities. Parking is available along Diamond Head Road, which is a short steep walk along paths from most of the beach area.

### **Data Collection**

Data were obtained from surveys (Appendix A) administered onsite at two sites within and adjacent to Waikiki – Diamond Head Shoreline FMA: (a) Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, and (b) Diamond Head Beach Park and neighboring Kuilei Cliffs Beach Park (Figure 5). Individuals at these sites during two weeks in July 2007 (July 9 to 22) and two weeks in August 2007 (August 2 to 15) were approached in parking areas and on the beach / shore, and asked to complete a survey onsite. Onsite surveys were required because personal contact information required for alternative approaches such as telephone or mail surveys was unavailable (e.g., anglers are not required to purchase fishing licenses in Hawaii, lifeguards rarely collect information about users). To increase probability of achieving a representative sample of summer users, sampling at the sites was alternated so that surveys were administered at each site at least once for each day of the week (i.e., Monday to Sunday) and at least once for each of three time periods each day (8:00 to 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., 3:00 to 5:30 p.m.).

To minimize survey length and reduce respondent burden, it was necessary to develop two different survey versions to address all of the project objectives (Appendix A). Each respondent, however, was asked to complete only one version of the survey, not both versions. Given that use levels are relatively high at both sites, it was not feasible or necessary to survey every person at each site. As a result, individuals were selected through a systematic random sampling procedure (e.g., one random individual selected from every  $n^{th}$  selected group). This reduced selection bias and is among the most widely accepted onsite sampling approaches for selecting a representative sample from a large number of recreationists (Salant & Dillman, 1994).

Users were asked if they would be willing to complete a survey, asked to read a letter of consent / recruitment, and then asked to complete and return the survey onsite. The survey version (i.e., version 1 or 2) that respondents received was systematically alternated (e.g., first person selected received version 1, the next person received version 2, the next person received version 1, etc.). Each survey version was printed in color on one legal sized ( $8 \frac{1}{2} \times 14$ ) piece of paper printed on both sides. Surveys took respondents less than 15 minutes to complete. Respondents were provided with a clipboard and pen to complete a survey onsite. This approach is consistent with research in recreation and human dimensions of natural resources (Mitra & Lankford, 1999).

Site	Survey version 1	Survey version 2	Total	Response rate (%)
Sans Souci / Kaimana	289	296	585	89.7
Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs	173	167	340	75.1
Total	462	463	925	83.7

Table 1. Completed surveys and response rates for each version at each site

Across both sites (i.e., Sans Souci / Kaimana, Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs) a total of n = 925 users completed surveys onsite (response rate = 84%). This sample size allows generalizations about the overall population of summer users at Waikiki – Diamond Head Shoreline FMA at the 95% confidence level with a margin of error of approximately  $\pm 3.2\%$  (Salant & Dillman, 1994). Sample sizes at each site were n = 585 at Sans Souci / Kaimana (response rate = 90%) and n = 340 at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs (response rate = 75%). The samples allow generalizations about the population of summer users at each site at the 95% confidence level with a margin of error of approximately  $\pm 4.0\%$  to  $\pm 5.3\%$ . A nonresponse check and respondent compensation (i.e., incentives) were not necessary due to these high response rates and sample sizes. Table 1 provides more details about sample sizes and response rates for each survey version at each site.

Surveys included questions on a range of topics including prior visitation, activity participation, satisfaction, encounters, crowding, conflict, norms, value orientations, support for and tradeoffs among management strategies, and sociodemographic characteristics. Percentages, cross-tabulations, and inferential bivariate and multivariate statistical techniques (e.g., chi-square, *t*-tests, reliability analysis, impact acceptability curve analysis, exploratory factor analysis, cluster analysis, conjoint modeling) were used to analyze and present results. Effect size statistics were also calculated and reported where appropriate (e.g., Cohen, 1988; Vaske, Gliner, & Morgan, 2002). The actual surveys are presented in Appendix A and basic descriptive findings of uncollapsed survey questions (i.e., percentages) are included in Appendix B.

## **RESULTS AND ANALYSES**

The following analyses and results are presented in several major sections: (a) personal and trip characteristics (e.g., activity groups, previous visitation, value orientations, residency, age); (b) satisfaction with and importance of conditions and experiences, (c) social carrying capacity indicators (e.g., encounters, crowding); (d) facility carrying capacity indicators; (e) conflict and behavioral responses (e.g., displacement, product shift); and (f) support, opposition, and tradeoffs for management actions. To highlight important findings, most data were recoded into major response categories (e.g., agree, disagree; support, oppose) for purposes of this report. Uncollapsed frequencies (e.g., strongly, slightly agree) are shown in Appendix B.

### **Personal and Trip Characteristics**

*Activity Groups*. Respondents were asked to indicate all of the activities in which they were participating during their trip to the site on the day they were surveyed. Table 2 shows that the

most popular summer activities at Waikiki – Diamond Head Shoreline FMA during the summer of 2007 were swimming / wading (73%) and sunbathing (68%). An additional 31% of users were surfing or beach walking, and 20% were snorkeling. Few summer users ( $\leq$  6%) were fishing, boating, windsurfing, kitesurfing, or diving at Waikiki – Diamond Head Shoreline FMA. It is important to note, however, that data collection for this project occurred during an odd numbered year (i.e., 2007); the number of anglers is substantially higher at Waikiki – Diamond Head Shoreline FMA in even numbered years when fishing is permitted in this area.

	Site <sup>1</sup>					
Activity	Sans Souci / Kaimana	Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs	Total Waikiki- Diamond Head	$\chi^2$ -value	<i>p</i> -value	Cramer's V
Swimming / wading	92	41	73	284.11	< .001	.55
Sunbathing	82	42	68	155.16	< .001	.41
Surfing	13	63	31	250.75	<.001	.52
Beach walking / hiking	29	34	31	2.18	.139	.05
Snorkeling	24	14	20	11.54	.001	.11
Fishing	3	10	6	17.18	<.001	.14
Boating (kayak, canoe, motor)	4	3	4	.09	.764	.01
Windsurfing / kitesurfing	0	7	3	39.46	<.001	.20
Diving	1	1	1	.05	.824	.01

Table 2. All activities in which respondents participated in the summer

<sup>1</sup> Cell entries are percentages (%). Percentages for each site do not total 100% because respondents selected all activities in which they were participating (check all that apply).

Although swimming / wading and sunbathing were the two most popular summer activities at Waikiki – Diamond Head Shoreline FMA, there were significant differences in activity participation between the two sites (i.e., Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches). Table 2 shows that swimming / wading and sunbathing, for example, were the most popular activities at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach (92% and 82%, respectively), but not at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches (41% and 42%),  $\chi^2(2, N = 922) = 155.16$  to 284.11, p < .001. Surfing was the most popular activity at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs (63%), whereas it was of little popularity at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach (13%),  $\chi^2(2, N = 922) = 250.75$ , p < .001. In general, when a *p*-value associated with any of the statistical tests (i.e.,  $\chi^2$ , *F*) presented in this report is  $\leq .05$ , a statistically significant relationship or difference was observed between the independent (e.g., sites) and dependent (e.g., activities) variables. Six of the activities in Table 2 had *p*-values that were statistically significant at  $p \leq .001$ .

In addition to these tests of statistical significance, effect sizes (e.g., Cramer's V, eta  $\eta$ ) were used to compare the strength of relationships. In general, a value of .10 for effect size statistics can be considered a "minimal" (Vaske, Gliner, & Morgan, 2002) or "weak" (Cohen, 1988) relationship or difference. An effect size of .30 is considered "typical" and a value of .50 or greater is a "large" or "substantial" relationship or difference. These rules of thumb (i.e., .10 = minimal, .30 = typical, .50 = substantial) apply to most effect sizes (i.e., Cramer's V, eta  $\eta$ ) in

this report. Larger effect sizes imply stronger relationships or differences. For the statistically significant results in Table 2, effect sizes ranged from .11 to .20 for snorkeling, fishing, and windsurfing, suggesting "weak" or "minimal" to "medium" or "typical" differences between sites. For swimming, sunbathing, and surfing, however, effect sizes ranged from .41 to .55, suggesting "large" or "substantial" differences between sites (Cohen, 1988; Vaske et al., 2002).

Respondents were then asked to select from this list of activities the one main activity in which they were participating at the site on the day they were surveyed. Table 3 shows that the most popular main summer activity groups at Waikiki – Diamond Head Shoreline FMA were both swimmers / waders and sunbathers (33%). Surfers were the third most popular main activity group (21%). Fewer people considered beach walking (8%), snorkeling (2%), windsurfing / kitesurfing (2%), fishing (1%), and boating (1%) as their main activity. There was, however, a statistically significant and large or substantial difference in main summer activity groups between the two sites. Swimmers / waders and sunbathers were the most common main summer activity groups at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach (48% and 40%, respectively), whereas surfers were the most popular group at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches (51%),  $\chi^2(7, N = 908) = 454.00, p < .001, V = .67$  (Table 3).

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— Main activity	Sans Souci / Kaimana	Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs	Total Waikiki- Diamond Head
Swimming / wading	48	9	33
Sunbathing	40	21	33
Surfing	3	51	21
Beach walking / hiking	6	10	8
Snorkeling	3	2	2
Windsurfing / kitesurfing	0	4	2
Fishing	0	3	1
Boating (kayak, canoe, motor)	1	0	1

Table 3. Main activity groups in the summer

<sup>1</sup> Cell entries are percentages (%).

 $\chi^2(7, N = 908) = 454.00, p < .001, V = .67.$ 

**Participation in Organized Tours.** Respondents were asked whether they were participating in this main activity at the site as part of an organized or guided tour. In total, 95% of respondents were visiting on their own without being a member of a tour; the remaining 5% were visiting the area as part of an organized or guided tour (e.g., surfing lessons / tour). There was no significant difference between the two sites (i.e., Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches), as only 5% of respondents at each site were visiting the site as part of an organized or guided tour,  $\chi^2(1, N = 898) = 0.041$ , p = .840,  $\phi = .01$  (Figure 6).


Figure 6. Percent of respondents who visited as part of an organized / guided tour <sup>1</sup>

 $^{1}\chi^{2}(1, N = 898) = 0.041, p = .840, \phi = .01.$ 

**Previous Visitation.** In total, 87% of respondents had previously visited Waikiki – Diamond Head Shoreline FMA before. The remaining 13% of respondents were visiting the area for the first time when they completed the survey. Almost all respondents at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach (88%) and Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches (85%) were repeat visitors (Figure 7). There was no statistically significant difference between these two sites in repeat visitation,  $\chi^2(1, N = 922) = 1.22$ , p = .268 and the phi ( $\phi$ ) effect size of .04 was "weak" or "minimal" (Cohen, 1988; Vaske et al., 2002).



Figure 7. Percent of respondents who had visited each site before their current trip  $^{1}$ 

 $^{1}\chi^{2}(1, N = 922) = 1.23, p = .268, \phi = .04.$ 

*Value Orientations toward Reef Areas.* An individual's value orientation toward coastal environments such as coral reef areas was constructed from four survey variables designed to measure protectionist (i.e., biocentric) basic beliefs and four variables measuring use (i.e., anthropocentric) beliefs. Respondents indicated their agreement with the following protectionist statements: (a) "coral reef areas should be protected for their own sake rather than to simply meet the needs of humans," (b) "coral reef areas should have rights similar to the rights of humans," (c) "recreational use of coral reef areas should not be allowed if it damages these areas," and (d)

"coral reef areas have value whether humans are present or not." The four variables measuring use (i.e., anthropocentric) basic beliefs were: (a) "humans should manage coral reef areas so that humans benefit," (b) "the needs of humans are more important than coral reef areas," (c) "recreational use of coral reef areas is more important than protecting the species that live there," and (d) "the primary value or coral reef areas is to provide for humans." Variables were recoded on 5-point scales from -2 "strongly disagree" to +2 "strongly agree" and with the exception of the context (i.e., reef areas), are identical to items used in past studies measuring public value orientations toward wildlife (e.g., Fulton et al., 1996) and forests (e.g., Vaske & Donnelly, 1999).

A principal components exploratory factor analysis (EFA) with varimax rotation was used to determine the number of dimensions underlying these basic belief statements. Membership of individual variables in a particular factor is based on factor loadings attributed to each variable. In general, factor loadings should be  $\geq$  .40 and eigenvalues should be  $\geq$  1.0 (Bryant & Yarnold, 1995). The exploratory factor analysis extracted two factors from the eight basic belief statements, explaining 58% of the total variance. Table 4 displays factor loadings, eigenvalues, and explanatory contribution associated with each factor. Variables strongly correlated with Factor 1 were the four protectionist (i.e., biocentric) basic beliefs. Factor 2 contained the four use oriented (i.e., anthropocentric) basic belief variables. These results did not substantively differ between the two sites (i.e., Sans Souci / Kaimana, Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs).

	Factor loadings				
Variables	Factor 1 Protectionist (i.e., biocentric) basic beliefs	Factor 2 Use (i.e., anthropocentric) basic beliefs			
Coral reef areas should be protected for their own sake rather than to simply meet the needs of humans	.74 <sup>a</sup>	22			
Coral reef areas should have rights similar to the rights of humans	.74 <sup>a</sup>	06			
Recreational use of coral reef areas should not be allowed if it damages these areas	.73 <sup>ª</sup>	07			
Coral reef areas have value whether humans are present or not	$.70^{a}$	15			
The primary value of coral reef areas is to provide for humans	14	.80 <sup>a</sup>			
Recreational use of coral reef areas is more important than protecting species that live there	21	.77 <sup>a</sup>			
The needs of humans are more important than coral reef areas	22	.70 <sup>a</sup>			
Humans should manage coral reef areas so that humans benefit	.03	.63 <sup>a</sup>			
Eigenvalue	2.24	2.19			
Percent (%) variance explained <sup>b</sup>	28.00	27.43			

Table 4. Factor analysis of basic beliefs toward coral reef areas

<sup>a</sup> Factor assignment / membership

<sup>b</sup> Cumulative variance explained = 55.4%

The reliability and internal consistency of these protectionist (i.e., biocentric) and use (i.e., anthropocentric) basic belief scales was then examined using Cronbach alpha ( $\alpha$ ) reliability coefficients. This statistic ranges from 0 (no measurement reliability) to 1 (perfect reliability). A Cronbach alpha coefficient  $\geq 0.65$  is viewed as acceptable and indicates that multiple items are measuring the same concept or dimension (Cortina, 1993, Nunnally & Bernstein, 1994).

Table 5 shows that alpha values were .71 for the protectionist (i.e., biocentric) orientation and .75 for the use (i.e., anthropocentric) orientation, suggesting that the survey variables for each reliably measured their respective orientation. Item total correlations represent correlations between the score on a given variable and the sum of the other variables associated with the orientation. In general, item total correlations should be  $\geq$  .40; all variables in the protectionist (i.e., biocentric) scale and all but one in the use (i.e., anthropocentric) scale (i.e., "humans should manage coral reef areas so that humans benefit") met this criterion. Deletion of any variable from the protectionist scale did not improve reliability of the orientation, but deletion of the item "humans should manage coral reef areas so that humans benefit" from the use scale substantially improved reliability of the use orientation so it was dropped from all further analysis. Reliability of the overall value orientation scale was high ( $\alpha = .75$ ). These results did not substantively differ among the two sites (i.e., Sans Souci / Kaimana, Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs).

Orientations and items	Mean <sup>1</sup>	Std.	Item total	Alpha (α) if deleted	Cronbach
	Wiedii	uev.	correlation	defetted	
Protectionist (i.e., biocentric)					.71
Recreational use of coral reef areas should not be allowed if it damages these areas	1.00	1.02	.50	.65	
Coral reef areas have value whether humans are present or not	1.43	.81	.48	.67	
Coral reef areas should be protected for their own sake rather than to simply meet the needs of humans	1.34	.90	.56	.62	
Coral reef areas should have rights similar to the rights of humans	.67	1.17	.50	.66	
Use (i.e., anthropocentric) <sup>2</sup>					.75
The primary value of coral reef areas is to provide for humans	-1.20	1.07	.62	.60	
Recreational use of coral reef areas is more important than protecting species that live there	-1.12	1.12	.61	.61	
The needs of humans are more important than coral reef areas	-1.13	1.04	.49	.75	
Overall value orientation index					.75

Table 5. Reliability analyses of protectionist and use value orientations

<sup>1</sup> Items coded on 5-point scale recoded as: -2 "strongly disagree" to +2 "strongly agree"

<sup>2</sup> The item "humans should manage coral reef areas so that humans benefit" was removed from the use orientation scale due to poor reliability.

Table 5 also shows that, on average, respondents agreed with all of the protectionist (i.e., biocentric) variables and disagreed with all of the use oriented (i.e., anthropocentric) items. For

example, respondents agreed most strongly with the statement that "coral reef areas have value whether humans are present or not" and disagreed most strongly with the statement that "the primary value of coral reef areas is to provide for humans."

Having demonstrated the factor structure and reliability of variables used to measure users' value orientations toward coastal environments such as reef areas, K-means cluster analysis was then performed on these variables to segment users into groups. Cluster analysis allows classification of individuals into smaller more homogeneous groups based on patterns of responses across multiple survey variables or factors (Hair & Black, 2000). A series of two to six group cluster analyses showed that a three group solution provided the best fit for the data. To validate this solution, data were randomly sorted and a cluster analysis was conducted after each of four random sorts. These additional analyses supported the solution identifying three distinct groups of individuals, labeled:

- Mixed protection use orientation (cluster 1).
- Moderate protection orientation (cluster 2).
- Strong protection orientation (cluster 3).

The largest percentage of users at Waikiki – Diamond Head Shoreline FMA were classified in the strong protection orientation group (i.e., cluster 3 = 47%) followed by the moderate protection orientation group (i.e., cluster 2 = 35%). The fewest users were classified in the mixed protection – use orientation group (i.e., cluster 1 = 19%). The cluster analysis did not identify any discernable group of individuals who clearly possessed use (i.e., anthropocentric) value orientations toward coral reef areas.

Table 6 shows that the percentages of users classified in each of these three groups significantly differed between the two sites at Waikiki – Diamond Head Shoreline FMA (i.e., Sans Souci / Kaimana, Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs),  $\chi^2(2, N = 816) = 12.93$ , p = .002. Respondents at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach held stronger protectionist orientations toward coral reef areas than those at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches. For example, 51% of users at Sans Souci / Kaimana were classified in the strong protection orientation group compared to 39% at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs (Table 6). The Cramer's V effect size, however, was .13. Using guidelines from Cohen (1988) and Vaske et al. (2002), this indicates that the difference in cluster group membership between the two sites was statistically significant, but "weak" or "minimal."

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Cluster group	Sans Souci / Kaimana	Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs	Total Waikiki- Diamond Head
Cluster 1: Mixed protection – use	16	23	19
Cluster 2: Moderate protection	33	38	35
Cluster 3: Strong protection	51	39	47

Table 6. Cluster group membership at each site

<sup>1</sup> Cell entries are percentages (%).

 $\chi^2(2, N = 816) = 12.93, p = .002, V = .13.$ 

To improve understanding of each of these three different cluster groups, they were compared in terms of their responses to the original value orientation variables (Table 7). Mixed protection – use respondents reported the lowest average (i.e., mean) agreement on most of the protectionist oriented variables and the highest agreement on most of the use oriented items. Conversely, respondents in the strong protectionist group had the highest average agreement on most of the protection – use oriented variables and the highest and the highest disagreement on most of the use oriented items. Respondents in the moderate protection group usually fell in between the mixed protection – use and strong protection orientation groups for each variable. ANOVA and Tamhane T2 post-hoc tests showed that responses differed substantially among the three groups at Waikiki – Diamond Head Shoreline FMA,  $F(2, 813) \ge 115.07$ , p < .001. In addition, all eta ( $\eta$ ) effect sizes in Table 7 were  $\ge .47$  suggesting "large" or "substantial" differences among the three cluster groups in their

responses for each of the original value orientation items (Cohen, 1988; Vaske et al., 2002). These results did not substantively differ between the two sites (i.e., Sans Souci / Kaimana, Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs).

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Orientations and items	1. Mixed protection – use	2. Moderate protection	3. Strong protection	<i>F</i> -value	<i>p</i> -value	Eta (η)
Protectionist (i.e., biocentric)						
Recreational use of coral reef areas should not be allowed if it damages these areas	.57ª	.44 <sup>a</sup>	1.59 <sup>b</sup>	168.95	< .001	.54
Coral reef areas have value whether humans are present or not	.91 <sup>a</sup>	1.20 <sup>b</sup>	1.83 <sup>c</sup>	115.07	< .001	.47
Coral reef areas should be protected for their own sake rather than to simply meet the needs of humans	.70 <sup>a</sup>	.98 <sup>b</sup>	1.86 <sup>c</sup>	174.85	< .001	.55
Coral reef areas should have rights similar to the rights of humans	.25 <sup>a</sup>	-0.15 <sup>b</sup>	1.46 <sup>c</sup>	274.03	< .001	.64
Use (i.e., anthropocentric)						
The primary value of coral reef areas is to provide for humans	.32 <sup>a</sup>	-1.31 <sup>b</sup>	-1.75 <sup>c</sup>	410.35	< .001	.71
Recreational use of coral reef areas is more important than protecting species that live there	.50 <sup>a</sup>	-1.17 <sup>b</sup>	-1.75°	479.84	< .001	.74
The needs of humans are more important than coral reef areas	.03 <sup>a</sup>	-1.07 <sup>b</sup>	-1.64 <sup>c</sup>	213.37	< .001	.59

Table 7. Value orientation items by cluster groups

<sup>1</sup> Cell entries are means. Items recoded on 5-point scale of -2 "strongly disagree" to +2 "strongly agree." Means with different letter superscripts across each row differ at p < .05 using Tamhane T2 post-hoc tests.

There were no statistically significant relationships between cluster group membership (i.e., mixed protection – use, moderate protection, strong protection) and: (a) the main activity in which respondents participated at each of the two sites (i.e., Sans Souci / Kaimana, Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs), or (b) whether respondents had previously visited each site,  $\chi^2 \le 3.54$ ,  $p \ge .170$ ,  $V \le .07$ .

Sociodemographic Characteristics. In total, 52% of respondents at Waikiki – Diamond Head Shoreline FMA were male and 48% were female. Figure 8, however, shows that the majority of users (58%) at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach were female. Conversely, 68% of recreationists at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches were male. This difference between the two sites was statistically significant,  $\chi^2(1, N = 861) = 54.75$ , p < .001,  $\phi = .25$ .





 $^{1}\chi^{2}(1, N = 861) = 54.75, p < .001, \phi = .25.$ 

Table 8 shows a clear relationship between value orientations and whether respondents were male or female at Waikiki – Diamond Head Shoreline FMA. At Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, females were more likely to hold stronger protectionist value orientations toward coral reef areas, whereas males were more likely to hold mixed protection – use orientations. At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs, the strong protection group had a higher percentage of females (36%) compared to the mixed protection – use group (27%). This relationship between value orientations and if respondents were male or female was not statistically significant at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs, but it was significant at Sans Souci / Kaimana,  $\chi^2(2, N = 506) = 20.03$ , p < .001, V = .20.

Table 8. Percentage of males and females in each cluster group at each site								
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Site	1. Mixed protection – use	2. Moderate protection	3. Strong protection	$\chi^2$ -value	<i>p</i> -value	Cramer's V
Sans Souci / Kaimana				20.03	< .001	.20
Male	59	47	33			
Female	41	53	67			
Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs				1.55	.460	.07
Male	73	67	64			
Female	27	33	36			
Total Waikiki-Diamond Head				24.96	< .001	.18
Male	66	55	43			
Female	34	45	57			

<sup>1</sup> Cell entries are percentages (%).

Additional analyses showed that although swimmers and sunbathers were slightly more likely to be female, and surfers were more likely to be male, effects sizes were generally  $\leq$  .10 suggesting that any differences between males and females in activity participation at sites in Waikiki-Diamond Head Shoreline FMA were relatively weak or minimal (Vaske et al., 2002).

In terms of age, the majority of users surveyed at Waikiki-Diamond Head Shoreline FMA were younger than 40 years of age, with the largest proportion between 20 and 29 years old (31%; Table 9). In total, 37% of respondents were under 30 years old, 24% were 30 to 39 years old, 19% were 40 to 49 years old, 14% were 50 to 59, and 7% were over 60 years old. The average (i.e., mean) age of respondents was 37 years old. On average, users at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach were significantly older (mean age = 38.7 years) than those at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs (mean age = 34.1 years), but the point-biserial correlation effect size of  $r_{\rm pb}$  = .16 suggested that this difference was relatively weak or minimal, t(841) = 5.07, p < .001. The proportion of users under 20 years of age might be underestimated in this study because human subjects / regulatory compliance protocols required that no individuals under the age of 18 years old be surveyed in this project.

	Site <sup>1</sup>					
Age	Sans Souci / Kaimana	Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs	Total Waikiki- Diamond Head	$\chi^2$ or $t$ value	<i>p</i> -value	Effect size $(V, r_{pb})$
Age category				30.66	< .001	.17
Under 20 years old	5	7	6			
20 to 29 years old	26	38	31			
30 to 39 years old	25	22	24			
40 to 49 years old	19	19	19			
50 to 59 years old	16	11	14			
60 to 69 years old	6	3	5			
70 and more years old	3	0	2			
Average age (years)	38.7	34.1	37.1	5.07	< .001	.16

Table 9. Age of users at each site

<sup>1</sup> Cell entries are percentages (%) except for average age (years).

Analyses also showed that, on average, respondents at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach who were classified as having a mixed protection – use orientation toward coral reef areas were slightly younger (mean age = 36.4 years) than those in the moderate protection and strong protection groups (mean ages = 37.8 and 39.5 years, respectively). There were, however, no relationships between value orientations and age at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs. Additional analyses also showed that some main activity groups (e.g., beach walkers) tended to be slightly older than those participating in other activities, whereas some groups were slightly younger (e.g., surfers, sunbathers). These differences in average age for the value orientation groups and main activity groups, however, were generally not statistically significant (p > .05) and effect sizes were weak or minimal (effect sizes < .01).

Table 10 shows that almost all respondents surveyed at Waikiki – Diamond Head Shoreline FMA resided in the United States (92%). The largest proportion of these residents of the United States lived in Hawaii (78%) or California (9%). These results did not differ substantively between the two sites (i.e., Sans Souci / Kaimana, Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs; Table 10).

	Sans Souci / Kaimana	Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs	Total Waikiki-Diamond Head
Country			
United States	91	93	92
Canada	2	1	2
United Kingdom	2	0	1
Japan	1	2	1
Australia	1	1	1
Other	3	3	3
US State			
Hawaii	75	81	78
California	10	8	9
Washington	1	1	1
Oregon	1	1	1
New York	1	1	1
Other	12	8	10

Table 10.	Respondent	location	of residence
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<sup>1</sup> Cell entries are percentages (%)

	Cluster groups <sup>1</sup>					
Site	1. Mixed protection – use	2. Moderate protection	3. Strong protection	$\chi^2$ -value	<i>p</i> -value	Cramer's V
Sans Souci / Kaimana				0.77	.681	.04
Hawaii resident	70	73	69			
Not Hawaii resident	30	27	31			
Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs				2.60	.272	.10
Hawaii resident	79	71	79			
Not Hawaii resident	21	29	21			
Total Waikiki-Diamond Head				0.27	.875	.02
Hawaii resident	74	72	72			
Not Hawaii resident	26	28	28			
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Table 11. Percentage of Hawaiian residents and nonresidents in each cluster group at each site

<sup>1</sup> Cell entries are percentages (%).

Table 11 shows that there was no relationship between whether or not respondents at Waikiki – Diamond Head Shoreline FMA resided in Hawaii and their value orientations toward reef areas,  $\chi^2(2, N \le 768) \le 2.60, p \ge .272, V \le .10$ . However, additional analyses showed that, not surprisingly, residents of Hawaii were significantly more likely than nonresidents to have previously visited each site,  $\chi^2(1, N \le 531) \ge 74.43, p < .001, V \ge .49$ . Residents of Hawaii were

Section Summary. Taken together, results showed that:

- The most popular summer activity groups at Waikiki Diamond Head Shoreline FMA were swimmers / waders and sunbathers (33%). Surfers were the third most popular activity group (21%). Swimmers / waders and sunbathers were the most common summer activity groups at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach (48% and 40%, respectively), whereas surfers were the most common at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches (51%).
- Almost all (95%) respondents were visiting on their own without being a member of an organized or guided tour (e.g., surfing lessons / tour).
- In total, 87% of respondents had previously visited Waikiki Diamond Head Shoreline FMA before; the remaining 13% of respondents were visiting the area for the first time. Almost all respondents at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach (88%) and Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches (85%) were repeat visitors.
- The largest percentage of users at Waikiki Diamond Head Shoreline FMA were classified as having a strong protectionist value orientation toward coral reef areas (47%) followed by those with a moderate protection orientation (35%). The fewest users had a mixed protection use orientation toward reef areas (19%). Respondents at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach held stronger protectionist orientations toward reef areas (51%) than those at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches (39%).
- In total, 52% of respondents at Waikiki Diamond Head Shoreline FMA were male and 48% were female. The majority of users (58%) at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach were female, whereas 68% of recreationists at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches were male. At Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, females were more likely to hold a stronger protectionist value orientation toward coral reef areas, whereas males were more likely to hold a mixed protection use orientation. At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs, the strong protection group also had a higher percentage of females (36%) compared to the mixed protection use group (27%). Swimmers and sunbathers at the sites were slightly more likely to be female, whereas surfers were more likely to be male.
- The majority of users at Waikiki-Diamond Head Shoreline FMA were younger than 40 years old, with the largest proportion between 20 and 29 years old (31%). The average (i.e., mean) age of respondents was 37 years old. Users at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach were significantly older (mean age = 38.7 years) than those at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs (mean = 34.1 years). Respondents at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach who were classified as having a mixed protection use orientation toward coral reef areas were slightly younger (mean age = 36.4 years) than those in the moderate and strong protection groups (mean = 37.8 and 39.5 years, respectively). There was no relationship between value orientations and age at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs. Some activity groups (e.g., beach walkers) tended to be slightly older than those participating in other activities, whereas some groups were slightly younger (e.g., surfers, sunbathers).
- Almost all respondents at Waikiki Diamond Head Shoreline FMA resided in the United States (92%) with the largest proportion living in Hawaii (78%) or California (9%).

These results did not differ between the two sites (i.e., Sans Souci / Kaimana, Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs). Residents of Hawaii were more likely than nonresidents to have previously visited each site, were slightly more likely than nonresidents to participate in activities such as surfing, and were less likely to participate in activities such as sunbathing and beach walking at the sites.

## Satisfaction with and Importance of Conditions and Experiences

**Overall Satisfaction**. Respondents were asked "overall, how satisfied are you with your visit to Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach today?" The site name was replaced with Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs in surveys administered at this other site. Overall satisfaction of summer users at Waikiki – Diamond Head Shoreline FMA was extremely high, as 92% were satisfied with their visit and almost no respondents (4%) were dissatisfied. Although respondents at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs were slightly less satisfied (89% satisfied) than those at Sans Souci / Kaimana (93%), satisfaction was still high at both sites and this difference between the sites was not statistically significant,  $\chi^2(2, N = 924) = 5.54$ , p = .063, V = .08 (Figure 9). There were also minimal relationships between overall satisfaction at each site and value orientations toward reef areas, main activity group, or whether or not respondents lived in Hawaii (effect sizes < .10). In other words, satisfaction was high irrespective of users' value orientations, activities, or residency.



Figure 9. Overall respondent satisfaction with their visit to each site <sup>1</sup>

 $^{1}\chi^{2}(2, N = 924) = 5.54, p = .063, V = .08.$ 

*Satisfaction with Specific Conditions and Experiences*. Although most respondents were satisfied with their overall visit to sites in Waikiki – Diamond Head Shoreline FMA (Figure 9), this does not indicate that they were satisfied with every aspect of their experience or conditions at this area. In fact, uniformly high levels of overall satisfaction are common in recreation and tourism research, thus are of only limited usefulness for managers (Manning, 1999).

As discussed earlier, Hendee's (1974) "multiple satisfactions" approach suggests that recreation and tourism resources offer people the opportunity for a range of experiences which, in turn, give rise to various human satisfactions. In other words, an individual's satisfaction with an activity or experience is complex; he or she may evaluate several aspects of the setting and experience (e.g., resource, social, managerial). Satisfaction is based on multiple factors that differ from person to person rather than a single overall or global evaluation of satisfaction. This study, therefore, asked users the extent to which they were satisfied with 15 aspects of their experience and the conditions at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach and Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches (e.g., parking availability, bathrooms, absence of litter) on 5-point scales recoded from -2 "very dissatisfied" to +2 "very satisfied."





Figure 10 shows that the largest percentage of users at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach were satisfied with not having to pay a fee to visit the area (95%) and with the presence of lifeguards at the beach (87%). Over 70% of respondents were also satisfied with the trash cans (75%), absence of litter (76%), and the clean ocean water (75%). The majority of users were also satisfied with the opportunity to escape crowds of people (69%), the showers / rinse stations at the beach (66%), and the park benches (55%).

Although the majority of respondents were satisfied with many aspects of their experience and the conditions at this site, they were less satisfied with the picnic tables (35%) and opportunities for seeing small (37%) and large (24%) marine life. Respondents were most dissatisfied with the bathrooms and availability of parking at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach (25% dissatisfied).



Figure 11. Respondent satisfaction with conditions and experiences at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs

Figure 11 shows that respondents at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches were most satisfied with not having to pay a fee to visit the area (82% satisfied) and the clean ocean water (81%). In addition, 75% of respondents were satisfied with the showers / rinse stations and 70% were satisfied with the opportunity to escape crowds of people. The majority of users were also satisfied with the availability of parking (62%), health of coral reefs (57%), and absence of litter at the site (55%). Respondents were most dissatisfied with the lack of bathrooms at this site (44% dissatisfied; Figure 11).

Users' satisfaction with 11 of the 15 aspects of the conditions and their experiences statistically differed between the two sites (i.e., Sans Souci / Kaimana, Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs),  $t(395 \text{ to } 422) \ge 2.04$ ,  $p \le .042$ ,  $r_{pb} \ge .10$  (Table 12). Respondents were significantly more satisfied with the trash cans, park benches, bathrooms, lifeguard presence, absence of litter, and not having to pay a fee at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach. Conversely, respondents were more satisfied with the showers / rinse stations, availability of parking, health of reefs, clean water, and opportunity to see large marine life at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches (Table 12).

Additional analyses showed that there were no statistically significant relationships between respondents' value orientations toward coral reef areas and their satisfaction with experiences and conditions at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs (p > .05). At Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, however,

there was a statistically significant difference among the value orientation groups in their satisfaction with the health of coral reefs at the site, as users with a stronger protection orientation toward coral reef areas were significantly less satisfied with the health of reefs at the site, F(2, 256) = 3.93, p = .021,  $\eta = .17$ . There were no substantial relationships between respondents' main activity group (e.g., sunbathers, snorkelers) and their satisfaction with experiences and conditions at each site.

There were some differences in satisfaction at each site between residents of Hawaii and those who were not residents of the state. At Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, residents of Hawaii were significantly less satisfied with the amount of litter and cleanliness of the ocean,  $t(249 \text{ to } 250) \ge 2.26$ ,  $p \le .025$ ,  $r_{pb} \ge .14$ . At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches, residents were less satisfied with the amount of litter, cleanliness of the ocean, health of the coral reefs, and opportunities for escaping crowds of other people,  $t(125 \text{ to } 131) \ge 2.12$ ,  $p \le .039$ ,  $r_{pb} \ge .18$ .

	S	Sites <sup>1</sup>			
Satisfaction items	Sans Souci / Kaimana	Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs	<i>t</i> -value	<i>p</i> -value	r <sub>pb</sub>
Not required to pay a fee to visit area	1.77	1.54	3.08	.002	.17
Clean ocean water	1.00	1.21	2.04	.042	.10
Presence of lifeguards	1.37	0.18	11.29	< .001	.54
Opportunity to escape crowds of people	0.95	0.99	.34	.739	.02
Absence of litter	0.99	0.52	4.29	< .001	.21
Showers / rinse stations	0.75	0.98	2.25	.025	.11
Trash cans	0.96	0.37	5.20	< .001	.27
Park benches	0.75	0.34	3.93	< .001	.21
Healthy coral reefs	0.40	0.63	2.13	.034	.10
Information signs about regulations, guidelines	0.42	0.35	.68	.495	.03
Opportunity to see small marine life (fish)	0.33	0.47	1.35	.178	.07
Parking availability for vehicles	0.17	0.67	4.62	< .001	.22
Picnic tables	0.36	0.28	.79	.430	.05
Opportunity to see large marine life (turtles)	0.06	0.42	3.56	< .001	.18
Bathrooms	0.17	-0.40	4.54	< .001	.22

Table 12.	Differences in	satisfaction	with condition	s and experiences	between each site

<sup>1</sup> Cell entries are means on recoded 5-point scales of -2 "very dissatisfied" to +2 "very satisfied."

*Importance of Specific Conditions and Experiences*. Research has demonstrated that although recreationists and tourists may be satisfied with a particular aspect of the setting or their experience, it may not be important to them that the characteristic is actually provided or available in the setting (see Manning, 1999 for a review). For example, users may be satisfied with informational signage about regulations at an area, but feel that signs are not an important characteristic of good recreation / tourism experiences in a particular setting.

The majority of users surveyed at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach believed that it was important to provide almost all of the characteristics listed in Figure 12 at this area. Clean ocean water,

absence of litter, no fees, and healthy coral reefs were rated as important characteristics by over 90% of respondents (Figure 12). Trash cans, bathrooms, opportunities to escape crowds of people, showers / rinse stations, and presence of lifeguards were important for over 80% of respondents. Available parking, opportunities to see small and large marine life, informational signage, and park benches were also important for the majority of users at this site. The least important characteristic at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach was picnic tables (42% important, 23% unimportant; Figure 12).



Figure 12. Respondent importance that conditions and experiences are provided at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach

Figure 13 shows that over 90% of respondents at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches believed that it was important to have clean ocean water, no litter, and healthy reefs at this site. Trash cans, showers / rinse stations, no fees, and opportunities to escape crowds of people were rated as important characteristics by over 80% of users at this site. Available parking, bathrooms, and opportunities to see small and large marine life were also considered to be important for this site by the majority of respondents. Least important characteristics at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches were lifeguards (27% important, 42% unimportant), park benches (20% important, 52% unimportant), and picnic tables (14% important, 54% unimportant; Figure 13).



Figure 13. Respondent importance that conditions and experiences are provided at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs

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Importance items	Sans Souci / Kaimana	Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs	<i>t</i> -value	<i>p</i> -value	r <sub>pb</sub>
Clean ocean water	1.87	1.87	.36	.972	.01
Absence of litter	1.77	1.67	1.39	.167	.08
Healthy coral reefs	1.63	1.69	.80	.423	.04
Not required to pay a fee to visit area	1.72	1.35	3.85	< .001	.19
Opportunity to escape crowds of people	1.40	1.52	1.42	.156	.07
Trash cans	1.43	1.40	.31	.753	.02
Showers / rinse stations	1.23	1.27	.42	.677	.02
Opportunity to see small marine life (fish)	1.14	1.11	.25	.806	.01
Parking availability for vehicles	1.07	1.14	.56	.578	.03
Bathrooms	1.31	0.36	7.04	<.001	.37
Opportunity to see large marine life (turtles)	0.77	0.95	1.48	.138	.07
Presence of lifeguards	1.23	-0.28	13.32	< .001	.54
Information signs about regulations, guidelines	0.73	0.26	3.80	< .001	.18
Park benches	0.53	-0.59	9.17	< .001	.40
Picnic tables	0.23	-0.66	7.19	< .001	.33

<sup>1</sup> Cell entries are means on recoded 5-point scales of -2 "not important" to +2 "very important."

Table 13 shows that importance of 6 of the 15 facilities and conditions statistically differed between the two sites,  $t(411 \text{ to } 434) \ge 3.80$ ,  $p \le .0001$ ,  $r_{pb} \ge .18$ . Respondents considered bathrooms, tables, benches, signs, lifeguards, and not paying fees to be significantly more important at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach than at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches.

Additional analyses showed that healthy coral reefs, opportunities to escape crowds of other people, and opportunities to see small marine life were significantly more important for users with a stronger protectionist orientation toward reef areas at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach,  $F(2, 261 \text{ to } 264) \ge 3.09$ ,  $p \le .047$ ,  $\eta \ge .15$ . At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs, absence of litter, opportunities to see small and large marine life, and healthy coral reefs were significantly more important for users with a stronger protectionist orientation toward reef areas,  $F(2, 137 \text{ to } 141) \ge 4.15$ ,  $p \le .017$ ,  $\eta \ge .24$ . There were no substantial relationships between respondents' main activity group (e.g., sunbathers, snorkelers) and importance of conditions and experiences at each site. On the other hand, there were some differences in importance between residents of Hawaii and those who were not residents of the state. At Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, for example, residents of Hawaii rated bathrooms and available parking as significantly more important,  $t(250 \text{ to } 252) \ge 2.33$ ,  $p \le .022$ ,  $r_{pb} \ge .17$ . At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs, residents of Hawaii rated bathrooms and opportunities to escape crowds of people as significantly less important,  $t(126 \text{ to } 136) \ge 2.74$ ,  $p \le .008$ ,  $r_{pb} \ge .19$ .

*Importance – Performance Analysis*. Given that respondents can be satisfied with a particular characteristic of the setting or experience, but feel that it is not important that the characteristic is actually provided, it is important to understand relationships between both importance and performance (i.e., satisfaction). As discussed earlier, combining these two measures allows for creation of an importance – performance (IP) matrix that offers managers a visual understanding of relationships between the two measures (Figure 3). Importance is represented on the vertical axis (i.e., *y*-axis) with average ratings (i.e., means) recoded from -2 "not important" to +2 "very important." Average performance (i.e., satisfaction) is recoded and measured on the horizontal axis (i.e., *x*-axis) from -2 "very dissatisfied" to +2 "very satisfied." When combined, the axes intersect and produce a matrix of four quadrants interpreted as "concentrate here" (high importance, low satisfaction; Quadrant A), "keep up the good work" (high importance and satisfaction; Quadrant B), "low priority" (low importance and satisfaction; Quadrant C), and "possible overkill" (low importance, high satisfaction; Quadrant D) (Figure 3).

Figure 14 shows that, on average, respondents rated all characteristics (i.e., experiences, conditions) as important at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach. Users were also satisfied with all characteristics at this site. These findings suggest that managers of Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach should "keep up the good work" (Quadrant B) in their current management of the site.

At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs, respondents also rated most experiences and conditions as important and were also satisfied with most characteristics, suggesting that managers should "keep up the good work" (Quadrant B) in their current management of most characteristics at this site (Figure 14). One issue, however, is problematic at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs. On average, users rated bathrooms as important, but they were dissatisfied with bathrooms (or lack thereof) at this site, suggesting that managers need to "concentrate here" (Quadrant A) on bathrooms at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs. In addition, picnic tables, park benches, and the presence of lifeguards were, on average, unimportant to respondents, but users were somewhat

satisfied with these facilities and services at this site. This suggests "possible overkill" in tables, benches, and lifeguards at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches.

Closer inspection of results in Figure 14 suggests that some characteristics could become problematic at each site in the future. For example, bathrooms, availability of parking, and opportunities to see small and large marine life were important at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, but users were only slightly satisfied with these characteristics at this site. At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs, users were only slightly satisfied with important characteristics such as trash cans and informational signage. It is recommended that these issues be monitored to ensure that satisfaction does not decline.





Section Summary. Taken together, results showed that:

 Overall satisfaction of summer users at Waikiki – Diamond Head Shoreline FMA was extremely high, as 92% were satisfied with their visit and almost no respondents (4%) were dissatisfied. Respondents at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs were slightly less satisfied (89% satisfied) than users at Sans Souci / Kaimana (93%), but satisfaction was high at both sites and this difference between sites was not substantial.

- The majority of respondents were satisfied with most aspects of their experience and the conditions at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, especially not having to pay a fee to visit (95%) and with the presence of lifeguards at the beach (87%). Over 70% of respondents were also satisfied with the trash cans, absence of litter, and clean ocean water at this site. Respondents were most dissatisfied with the bathrooms and availability of parking at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach (25% dissatisfied).
- At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches, users were most satisfied with not having to pay a fee to visit (82% satisfied) and the clean ocean water (81%). In addition, over 70% of respondents were satisfied with the showers / rinse stations and opportunities to escape crowds of other people. Respondents were most dissatisfied with the lack of bathrooms at this site (44% dissatisfied).
- Respondents were significantly more satisfied with trash cans, park benches, bathrooms, lifeguard presence, absence of litter, and not having to pay a fee at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach. Respondents were more satisfied with the showers / rinse stations, availability of parking, health of reefs, clean water, and opportunity to see large marine life at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches.
- The majority of respondents at Sans Souci / Kaimana rated almost all aspects of their experience and the conditions at this site as important, especially clean ocean water, absence of litter, no fees, and healthy coral reefs (over 90% of users rated as important). The least important characteristic at this site was picnic tables (23% unimportant).
- Users at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches rated most aspects of their experience and the conditions at this site as important, especially clean ocean water, no litter, and healthy reefs (over 90% of users rated as important). Least important characteristics at this site were lifeguards (42% unimportant), park benches (52%), and picnic tables (54%).
- Respondents considered bathrooms, tables, benches, signs, lifeguards, and not paying fees to be significantly more important at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach than at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches.
- Users rated, on average, all aspects of their experience and the conditions at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach as important and were satisfied with all of these aspects, suggesting that managers should "keep up the good work" in their management of this site.
- At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs, respondents rated most experiences and conditions as
  important and were satisfied with most characteristics, suggesting that managers should
  "keep up the good work" in their management of most characteristics at this site. Users
  at this site, however, rated bathrooms as important, but were dissatisfied with bathrooms
  (or lack thereof) at this site, suggesting that managers need to concentrate on this issue at
  Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs. In addition, picnic tables, park benches, and the presence
  of lifeguards were unimportant to most respondents at this site, but users were somewhat
  satisfied with these facilities and services, suggesting "possible overkill" in tables,
  benches, and lifeguards at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches.
- Conditions such as the bathrooms and parking at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, and trash cans and signage at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs should be monitored to ensure that satisfaction does not decline at each site.

## **Social Carrying Capacity Indicators**

As discussed earlier, the concepts of reported encounters, norms, and perceived crowding have received considerable attention in the recreation and tourism literature because they can be used together to: (a) estimate standards of quality for social carrying capacity indicators, and (b) examine the extent to which these standards are being met or exceeded at a particular location (see Manning, 1999, 2007 for reviews). *Reported encounters* describe a subjective count of the number of other people that an individual remembers observing in a setting. *Perceived crowding* refers to a subjective and negative evaluation that this reported number of encounters or people observed in an area is too many. Understanding reported encounters and perceived crowding, however, may not reveal maximum acceptable or tolerable use levels or an understanding of how use should be managed and monitored. Norms offer a theoretical and applied approach for helping to address these issues. *Norms* are standards that individuals use for evaluating activities, environments, or management strategies as good or bad, better or worse; they help to clarify what people believe conditions or behavior should be. Research suggests that when recreationists perceived a setting to be crowded, they likely encountered more than their norm for what they believe should be acceptable conditions or impacts (e.g., use levels) in the setting.

**Reported Encounters with Other Users.** Previous research has typically measured reported encounters in recreation and tourism settings by simply asking respondents to approximate how many other people they saw or encountered during their trip to a particular site (see Vaske & Donnelly, 2002 for a review). Responses are typically recorded in either: (a) an open ended format (i.e., fill in the blank) where respondents write a number corresponding to how many people they encountered, or (b) a close ended format where respondents circle one number from a series of numbers provided on a survey that corresponds to how many people they encountered (e.g., 5, 10, 20, 40 people). This project measured encounters using the close ended format where respondents were asked "approximately how many other people did you see in total at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach today" and were given 15 different encounter levels from which to choose (0, 5, 10, 20, 35, 50, 75, 100, 200, 350, 500, 750, 1000, 1500, 2000+ people). Diamond Head Beach was substituted as the site name in surveys administered at this other site.

Recent studies, however, have demonstrated that it may be unrealistic to expect respondents to accurately ascertain from these written descriptions or lists in surveys exactly how many people they encountered or what would be acceptable or unacceptable. This is especially relevant in frontcountry settings were use levels are often high. It may be difficult, for example, for respondents to visualize what 1500 other people at a beach area would look like. Therefore, researchers have started using image capture technology (ICT) to measure perceptions of conditions such as encounters and use levels. ICT involves using computer software to manipulate and create visuals. Visuals provide a realistic and cognitively easier assessment of impacts and conditions, as they allow users to see what conditions would be like. Respondents evaluate several photographs depicting conditions (e.g., use levels) varied from low to high.

In addition to the close ended format discussed above, this project also employed a visual approach for measuring reported encounters and other related social carrying capacity indicators. Six photographs of increasing numbers of people at each site were embedded within the surveys (Figure 15). These photographs depicted 0 to 800 people per 500 x 200 yards with the number

of people doubling in each image (0, 50, 100, 200, 400, and 800 people per 500 x 200 yards). To reflect use patterns at most sites on most days as accurately as possible, use levels were divided so that 70% of the people in each photograph were on land (i.e., beach, park) and 30% were in the ocean. The photographs were divided so that approximately half of the width was beach / land (i.e., 100 yards) and half of the width was ocean (i.e., 100 yards); the length was the same for both land and ocean (i.e., 500 yards). Using Adobe Photoshop software, the photograph of 800 people was created first and people were randomly removed from both the ocean and beach / land to create five other visuals of different use levels. People were randomly positioned, but their age, sex, and number in the foreground and background was relatively balanced. The density scale for the photographs was measured in the field at 500 x 200 yards. Similar to past research (see Manning, 1999, 2007; Needham et al., 2004a, 2005 for a review), respondents were told to ignore the generic backgrounds in the visuals, focus on the use level in each visual, and assume that it was occurring at the specific site where they were surveyed. To measure reported encounters, respondents were asked "which one photograph is like what you saw most often at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach today?" Diamond Head Beach was substituted as the site name in surveys administered at this other site.

Figure 15. Photographs for measuring encounters and use level norms



Encounters and capacities for a particular site may be estimated by: (a) dividing the site's total area by the corresponding unit standard in the photographs, which for these photographs was 500 x 200 yards (i.e.,  $500 \times 100$  yards ocean, and  $500 \times 100$  yards land); and then (b) multiplying these resulting numbers by respondents' evaluations at the site. For example, the formulas in

Table 14 were used to extrapolate results from the photographs to a landscape level to estimate encounters and capacities at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach for photograph E (i.e., 400 people /  $500 \times 200$  yards [280 people on land (70%), 120 people in ocean (30%)]):

	Actual site size (length x width) in yards		Photograph size (length x width) in yards				Number of people in photograph		Number of people at site
Beach area (land)	(200 x 55)	÷	(500 x 100)	=	0.22	*	280	=	62
Park area (land)	(200 x 75)	÷	(500 x 100)	=	0.30	*	280	=	84
Water area (ocean)	(200 x 55)	÷	(500 x 100)	=	0.22	*	120	=	26
								To	tal = 172

Table 14. Example formula for estimating encounter numbers based on photographs for Sans Souci / Kaimana

Photograph E contains 400 people per 500 x 200 yards (i.e., 280 people per 500 x 100 yards on land and 120 people per 500 x 100 yards in the ocean). Based on the example in Table 14, however, if a respondent indicated on the survey that photograph E represented the encounter level they saw at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, this would suggest that they actually encountered approximately 172 people at this site simply because this site is smaller than the amount of land and ocean captured in the photograph. At Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, therefore, the photographs extrapolated to approximately 0 people for photograph A, 22 people for photograph E, and 344 people for photograph F. At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches, the photographs extrapolated to approximately 0 people for photograph A, 29 people for photograph B, 58 people for photograph C, 115 people for photograph D, 230 people for photograph E, and 461 people for photograph F.

	Me	ethod <sup>1, 2</sup>		
Sites	Closed format	Photograph format	Paired sample <i>t</i> -value	<i>p</i> -value
Sans Souci / Kaimana	111.5	77.8	3.67	<.001
Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs	49.6	36.5	1.04	.302
Total Waikiki-Diamond Head FMA	88.1	62.6	3.48	.001

Table 15. Average reported encounters at each site

<sup>1</sup> Cell entries are mean number of people encountered for: (a) the close ended format where respondents circled a number on the survey to reflect their number of encounters (e.g., 0, 5, 10, 20, 35), and (b) the photograph format where respondents selected one photograph (Figure 15) that was like what they saw most often at the site.

<sup>2</sup> Sans Souci: most common reported encounter = 100 people; most common photograph listed = D (86 people).
 Diamond Head: most common reported encounter = 20 people; most common photograph listed = B (29 people).

Table 15 shows that, on average, respondents at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach encountered between 78 and 112 other users at the site. At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs, respondents encountered an average of between 37 and 50 other users. Respondents at both sites reported higher encounter levels using the close ended survey method compared to the photographic approach, but paired sample *t*-tests showed that differences between the two methodological formats for measuring reported encounters were statistically significant at only Sans Souci /

The most common (i.e., mode) encounter level specified using the close ended format at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach was 100 people; the photograph that was most commonly noted as representing conditions at this site was photograph D, which shows 200 people but represents approximately 86 people at this site (Table 15). The most common number of encounters specified using the close ended format at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs was 20 people and this is relatively consistent with results from the photographic approach where the photograph that was most commonly noted as representing conditions at this site was photograph B, which shows 50 people but represents approximately 29 people at this site. There were no statistically significant relationships (p > .05) between respondents' reported encounters at each site and their value orientations toward coral reef areas or whether they were residents of Hawaii or nonresidents.

Taken together, these results suggest that the close ended format may be a more accurate approach for measuring each individual respondent's *reported encounters* at a particular site. Given the large size of some sites, however, it is unlikely that each respondent saw every person at the site where they were completing the survey. The photographic approach, therefore, may be more useful for estimating *use levels* across an entire site, especially when responses to the photographs are extrapolated to a landscape level and aggregated across the entire site.

*Normative Acceptance for Encountering Other Users*. As discussed earlier, understanding users' reported encounters may not reveal maximum acceptable use levels or an understanding of how use should be managed and monitored. Norms offers a conceptual and applied basis to help address these issues (i.e., standards that individuals use for evaluating activities, environments, or management strategies as good, bad, or what should be). This project employed two methods for measuring users' norms regarding encounters and use levels. First, consistent with past research, a single-item question asked respondents to report the maximum number of people that they would accept encountering / seeing at the site where they completed the survey. Users were presented with a list of 15 numbers from 0 to 2000+ other people (0, 5, 10, 20, 35, 50, 75, 100, 200, 350, 500, 750, 1000, 1500, 2000+ people) and asked "what is the maximum number of other people that you would accept seeing at any one time at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach?" Diamond Head Beach was substituted as the site name in surveys administered at this other site.

	Maximum number of people acceptable <sup>1</sup>						
Site	Average (mean)	Standard deviation	Median (middle)	Mode (most common)			
Sans Souci / Kaimana	217.0	291.2	200	200			
Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs	118.4	294.9	50	50, 100			

Table 16. Maximum number of other people	e respondents would accept	encountering
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<sup>1</sup> Cell entries are numbers of other people. t(330) = 3.02, p = .003,  $r_{pb} = .16$ .

Results from this single-item measure of respondents' encounter norms showed that they would accept encountering, on average (i.e., mean), a maximum of approximately 217 other people at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach and 118 other people at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches (Table 16). This difference in mean encounter norms between the two sites was statistically significant, t(330) = 3.02, p = .003,  $r_{pb} = .16$ . The most common maximum numbers of other people that respondents believed they would accept encountering (i.e., mode) were 200 at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach and between 50 and 100 at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches. There were no statistically significant relationships (p > .05) between respondents' normative tolerances for encounters at each of the two sites and their value orientations toward coral reef areas or whether they were residents of Hawaii or nonresidents.

Although substantial research has asked recreationists and tourists to report their acceptance or tolerance of encounters with other users (i.e., norm) by simply circling a number from a list of numbers on a survey, as done here (i.e., 0 to 2000+ users), recent studies have demonstrated that it may be unrealistic to expect respondents to accurately ascertain from these written descriptions or lists what would be acceptable or unacceptable, especially in frontcountry or other high use areas (see Manning, 2007 for a review). The second approach for measuring norms in this project, therefore, involved respondents rating their acceptance of each of the six photographs in Figure 15 on 9-point scales of -4 "very unacceptable" to +4 "very acceptable" if it was to occur at the site where they were completing the survey. This approach is consistent with recent research (Manning, 2007; Needham et al., 2004a, 2005). As discussed earlier, the average (i.e., mean) acceptability ratings can then be plotted on social norm curves (i.e., impact acceptability curves) to provide a mechanism for devising standards of quality, or thresholds at which conditions for indicators such as use levels reach unacceptable levels (Figure 1). Norms can be analyzed for various structural characteristics including the minimum acceptable condition (i.e., point where curve crosses the neutral line and conditions become unacceptable, which often represents the standard of quality), norm intensity (i.e., importance of indicator to respondents), and norm crystallization (i.e., consensus or agreement among respondents).

Figure 16 shows results from using the photographic approach for measuring encounter norms. The social norm / impact acceptability curves show that, on average, respondents rated visuals containing 0, 50, and 100 people per 500 x 200 yards as acceptable at both sites (i.e., Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches). Conversely, respondents considered 400 and 800 people per 500 x 200 yards to be unacceptable for both sites. The point where the curve crosses the neutral line (i.e., minimum acceptable condition) was 326 people per 500 x 200 yards at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach and 192 people per 500 x 200 yards at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches. These points can be used to represent the standard of quality for each site, or use level threshold per 500 x 200 yards before conditions deteriorate. When the numbers are extrapolated to a landscape level and aggregated across the entire site, standards of quality are approximately 140 people at Sans Souci Beach and 111 people at Diamond Head Beach.

Table 17 shows that these minimum acceptable conditions (i.e., points where curves cross neutral point) on the norm curves significantly differed between the two sites, t(419) = 7.93, p < .001,  $r_{pb} = .36$ . Users at Sans Souci / Kaimana accepted significantly higher densities of use than those at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches. The Levene's test for homogeneity revealed that norm crystallization (i.e., agreement) did not statistically differ between the two sites, as there was a moderate amount of consensus regarding acceptable conditions at each site. Crystallization is

represented by the average standard deviations for norm curves; low standard deviations imply more crystallization (i.e., agreement, consensus). At the two sites, norm intensities (i.e., indicator importance) were moderate (12.3 to 12.9, max. = 24), suggesting that respondents felt that use level / density was a relatively important indicator at each sites. However, intensities at each site suggest that this indicator was slightly more important at Sans Souci / Kaimana than Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs. This difference among sites was statistically significant and the effect size of  $r_{pb}$  = .21 suggests that the strength of this difference was typical or medium, t(423)= 4.58, p < .001 (Cohen, 1988; Vaske et al., 2002).





Table 17. Social norm / impact acceptability curve characteristics at each site

	:	Sites			
-	Sans Souci / Kaimana	Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs	<i>t</i> -value	<i>p</i> -value	r <sub>pb</sub>
Norm intensity (maximum = 24)	12.9	12.3	4.58	< .001	.21
Minimum acceptable condition <sup>1</sup>	326.3	192.1	7.93	< .001	.36
Norm crystallization (range = 0 to 4) $^{2}$	2.1	2.0	3.87 <sup>3</sup>	.091	

<sup>1</sup> Cell entries are numbers of other people per 500 x 200 yards.

<sup>2</sup> Cell entries are the average standard deviations of the points comprising each norm curve.

<sup>3</sup> Represents the *F*-value for the Levene's test for homogeneity.

Additional analyses showed that users at each site with a strong protectionist value orientation toward nearshore reef areas rated photographs with relatively low use levels (e.g., photographs A, B) as more acceptable and visuals with higher use levels (e.g., photographs E, F) as less acceptable than respondents with a more mixed protection – use value orientation. In most cases, however, this relationship between value orientations and encounter norms was statistically insignificant (p > .05) and effect sizes were less than .15, suggesting a weak or minimal relationship between the concepts at each site (Cohen, 1988; Vaske et al., 2002). In addition, the minimum acceptable condition (i.e., point where norm curve crosses the neutral point) did not differ among the value orientation cluster groups at each site (p > .05). Ancillary analyses for each site also showed no significant differences (p > .05) in encounter norms between residents of Hawaii and nonresidents of this state.

*Perceived Crowding*. In the survey, respondents were asked to report the extent to which they felt crowded by the following activities at each site: (a) number of sunbathers / swimmers, (b) number of snorkelers / divers, (c) number of surfers, (d) number of windsurfers / kitesurfers, (e) number of boaters (e.g., kayak, motor), and (f) number of anglers (i.e., people fishing). Users were also asked to report the extent to which they felt crowded by the total number of people at each site. Consistent with most research on perceived crowding, responses were measured on 9-point scales of 1 "not at all crowded" to 9 "extremely crowded" and were then recoded to 0 "not crowded" (i.e., 1 and 2 on scale) and 1 "crowded" (3 to 9 on scale; Vaske & Donnelly, 2002).

	Р	ercent crowded at				
	Sans Souci / Kaimana	Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs	Total Waikiki- Diamond Head	$\chi^2$ -value	<i>p</i> - value	$\phi$
Number of sunbathers / swimmers	39	14	30	34.52	< .001	.27
Number of surfers	9	56	27	115.44	< .001	.52
Number of windsurfers / kitesurfers	5	34	16	60.43	< .001	.38
Number of boaters	10	6	8	2.59	.108	.08
Number of snorkelers / divers	8	5	7	2.23	.136	.07
Number of anglers	7	8	7	.03	.871	.01
Total number of people at site	47	39	44	2.66	.103	.08

Table 18. Perceived crowding at each site in the summer

<sup>1</sup> Cell entries are percentages (%) of users who did feel crowded (3-9).

In total, 44% of respondents felt crowded by the total number of other people encountered at Waikiki – Diamond Head Shoreline FMA in the summer (Table 18). Although total perceived crowding was higher at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach (47% crowded) than Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches (39%), there was no statistically significant difference between sites in the extent to which respondents felt crowded by the total number of people they encountered,  $\chi^2(1, N = 431) = 2.66, p = .103, \phi = .08$ . Shelby et al. (1989) suggested that when 35% to 50% of recreationists feel crowded at a site, crowding at the site could be characterized as "low normal." Both sites (i.e., Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs) had "low normal" crowding, suggesting that a problem situation does not exist at this time (Shelby et al., 1989).

At Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, respondents felt most crowded by the number of sunbathers and swimmers encountered at this site (39%). At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches, respondents felt most crowded by the number of surfers (56%) and windsurfers / kitesurfers (34%) encountered. Crowding from sunbathers was significantly higher at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach (39%) than Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches (14%),  $\chi^2(1, N = 441) = 34.52, p < .001, \phi = .27$  (Table 18). Perceived crowding from surfers and windsurfers / kitesurfers was significantly higher at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches (56%, 34%) than Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach (9%, 5%),  $\chi^2(1, N = 422$  to  $433) \ge 60.43, p < .001, \phi \ge .38$ . There were no relationships between respondents' value orientations toward coral reef areas and their perceptions of crowding at each site (p > .05).

There were, however, differences in crowding between residents and nonresidents of Hawaii. At Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, residents of Hawaii felt significantly more crowded by sunbathers and swimmers (residents = 44%, nonresidents = 29%),  $\chi^2(1, N = 257) = 5.38$ , p = .020,  $\phi = .14$ . At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs, residents of Hawaii felt significantly more crowded by both surfers (residents = 63%, nonresidents = 41%) and windsurfers / kitesurfers (residents = 39%, nonresidents = 20%),  $\chi^2(1, N = 139 \text{ to } 148) \ge 4.25$ ,  $p \le .039$ ,  $\phi \ge .12$ . At both sites, residents of Hawaii felt significantly more crowded by the total number of people encountered (Sans Souci Kaimana: residents = 54%, nonresidents = 30%; Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs: residents = 45%, nonresidents = 22%),  $\chi^2(1, N = 145 \text{ to } 251) \ge 6.91$ ,  $p \le .009$ ,  $\phi \ge .21$ .

**Relationships among Encounters, Norms, and Crowding**. To estimate whether there are potential social carrying capacity related problems at a recreation site, it is important to examine relationships among encounters, norms, and crowding. In particular, it is important to determine what proportion of users is encountering more people than they would tolerate at a site (i.e., their norm). Research has shown that when recreationists encounter more people than they feel are acceptable (i.e., norm), they feel more crowded compared to those who encounter less than they would accept. If many users are encountering more people than they feel is acceptable, management may need to do more to address social capacity related issues (e.g., quota, zoning).

	Reported compared	encounters I to norm <sup>1</sup>	Average crov	vding scores <sup>2</sup>			
Site	% Fewer encounters	% More encounters	Fewer than norm	More than norm	<i>t</i> -value	<i>p</i> -value	Effect size ( <i>r</i> <sub>pb</sub> )
Sans Souci / Kaimana	64	36	2.23	4.33	7.23	< .001	.49
Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs	71	29	2.24	4.03	3.60	.001	.37
Total Waikiki-Diamond Head	67	33	2.23	4.22	7.77	< .001	.44

Table 19. Relationships among encounters, norms, and crowding at each site

<sup>1</sup> Percent of users who encountered either fewer than or more than their norm (minimum acceptable condition).

<sup>2</sup> Mean perceived crowding based on a 9-point scale from 1 "not at all crowded" to 9 "extremely crowded."

Table 19 shows relationships among encounters, norms, and crowding at each site. At both sites, the majority of respondents reported encountering fewer people than their norm. Respondents at

Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach were the most likely to encounter more people than their norm (36% encountered more than their norm). Crowding scores at both sites were significantly higher for users reporting more encounters than their norm, t(121 to 303) > 3.60, p < .001. The point-biserial correlation effect sizes at these sites ranged from  $r_{\rm ob} = .37$  to .49, suggesting that the strength of the relationship among encounters, encounter norms, and perceived crowding can be considered relatively "large" (Cohen, 1988) or "substantial" (Vaske et al., 2002). Consistent with past research (Vaske & Donnelly, 2002), these findings generally suggest that perceived crowding was highest for respondents who reported more encounters than their norm (i.e., standards). Taken together, results in Table 19 showed that: (a) perceived crowding was highest for recreationists who reported more encounters than they would accept, and (b) the majority of users at each site encountered fewer people than the maximum that they would accept encountering at the site. It is important to recognize, however, that approximately one-third of respondents at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach encountered more than their norm and this site also had the highest amount of perceived crowding, suggesting that research and management attention may be needed to determine if use is expected to increase, allowing management to anticipate any problems in the future (Shelby et al., 1989).

	Reported encounters compared to norm <sup>1</sup>						
Effect of use level	Fewer than norm	More than norm	Total at site	Mean crowding <sup>2</sup>	$\chi^2$ -value	<i>p</i> -value	Cramer's V
Sans Souci / Kaimana					23.92	< .001	.36
Reduced enjoyment	3	26	12	5.85			
No effect on enjoyment	86	59	76	2.66			
Increased enjoyment	11	15	12	2.10			
Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs					10.49	< .001	.29
Reduced enjoyment	10	33	16	4.22			
No effect on enjoyment	66	49	61	2.30			
Increased enjoyment	24	18	22	2.70			
Total Waikiki-Diamond Head					30.34	< .001	.32
Reduced enjoyment	6	29	14	5.61			
No effect on enjoyment	77	56	70	2.68			
Increased enjoyment	17	16	16	2.21			

Table 20. Effect of encounters on user enjoyment of site visit

<sup>1</sup> Cell entries are percentages (%).

<sup>2</sup> Mean perceived crowding based on a 9-point scale from 1 "not at all crowded" to 9 "extremely crowded."

Respondents were also asked "how did the number of other people that you saw at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach today affect your enjoyment?" Diamond Head Beach Park was substituted as the site name in surveys administered at this other site. Responses were coded as "reduced my enjoyment," "had no effect on my enjoyment," and "increased my enjoyment." Table 20 shows that at both sites, over 61% of respondents felt that the number of other people they encountered had no effect on their enjoyment. At both sites, however, respondents who encountered more people than they believed was acceptable for each site (i.e., their norm) were significantly more likely to say that the number of people they encountered reduced their enjoyment, whereas those

who encountered less than their norm were more likely to say that encounters increased or had no effect on enjoyment,  $\chi^2(2, N = 134 \text{ to } 324) \ge 10.49$ ,  $p \le .005$ ,  $V \ge .29$ . Interestingly, the largest percentage of users at each site who encountered more people than they would tolerate still felt that this number of encounters had no effect on their enjoyment (49% to 59%). This finding suggests that although crowding and use levels are important social issues at these sites, high use levels may not substantially distract from users' experiences at these sites.

Section Summary. Taken together, results showed that:

- Respondents at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach encountered, on average, 78 to 112 other users at this site. At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches, respondents encountered an average of 37 to 50 other users.
- Respondents would accept encountering, on average, a maximum of approximately 217 other people at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach and 118 other people at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches. When results are extrapolated to a landscape level and aggregated across the entire site, social carrying capacity indicator standards of quality are approximately 140 people at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach and 111 people at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches.
- Users at each site with a strong protectionist value orientation toward nearshore reef areas rated relatively low use levels as more acceptable and higher use levels as less acceptable than respondents with a mixed protection use value orientation.
- In total, 44% of respondents felt crowded by the total number of people encountered at Waikiki Diamond Head Shoreline FMA in the summer. Total perceived crowding was higher at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach (47% crowded) than Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches (39%). Both sites had "low normal" crowding, suggesting that a problem situation related to social issues such as crowding does not exist at these sites at this time.
- At Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, respondents felt most crowded by the number of sunbathers and swimmers encountered at this site (39%). At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches, respondents felt most crowded by the number of surfers (56%) and windsurfers / kitesurfers (34%) encountered.
- At Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, residents of Hawaii felt significantly more crowded by sunbathers and swimmers (residents = 44%, nonresidents = 29%). At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs, residents of Hawaii felt significantly more crowded by both surfers (residents = 63%, nonresidents = 41%) and windsurfers / kitesurfers (residents = 39%, nonresidents = 20%). At both sites, residents of Hawaii felt significantly more crowded by the total number of people encountered (Sans Souci Kaimana: residents = 54%, nonresidents = 30%; Diamond Head / Kuilei: residents = 45%, nonresidents = 22%).
- At both Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach and Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches, the majority of respondents reported encountering fewer people than the maximum number of people they would accept seeing at each site. Approximately one-third of respondents at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, however, encountered more than their maximum tolerance limit and this site also had the highest amount of perceived crowding, suggesting that research and management attention may be needed to determine if use is expected to increase in the future, allowing management to anticipate any potential

problems. Perceived crowding was highest for respondents who reported more encounters than their maximum tolerance level.

• Over 61% of respondents felt that the number of other people they encountered had no effect on their enjoyment. At both sites, however, respondents who encountered more people than they believed was acceptable for each site were more likely to say that the number of people they encountered reduced their enjoyment, but the largest percentage of these users at each site still felt that this number of encounters had no effect on their enjoyment (49% to 59%). This suggests that although crowding and use levels are important social issues at these sites, high use levels may not substantially distract from users' experiences at these sites; some users may feel crowded and encounter more people than they feel is acceptable, but this may not substantially alter their overall enjoyment / satisfaction at the site.

## **Facility Carrying Capacity Indicators**

The previous section addressed social carrying capacity indicators at Waikiki – Diamond Head Shoreline FMA. Another objective of this project, however, was to measure facility indicators of recreation carrying capacities and determine thresholds when perceived impacts for these facility indicators reach unacceptable levels. Facility carrying capacity is the amount and type of facilities acceptable for accommodating a particular use level (Shelby & Heberlein, 1986). Most studies have ignored facility capacities (Manning, 2007). As shown in the previous section, this project examined relationships among multiple concepts to measure social carrying capacity indicators (i.e., encounters, norms, crowding). A similar approach was used to examine facility carrying capacity indicators. Four separate measures related to facility capacity were employed in this project: (a) respondents' number of *encounters* (i.e., number seen) with six types of facilities at the site (i.e., bathrooms, showers / rinse stations, trash cans, picnic tables, park benches, information signs about regulations / guidelines); (b) the *actual number* of these six types of facilities at the site; (c) respondents' *norms* regarding how many of each of these types of facilities should be at the site; and (d) respondent *satisfaction* with these facilities at the site.

To measure encounters with facilities, the surveys asked respondents "how many of each of the following facilities have you seen at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach" and instructed them to circle one number from a list of 16 numbers (0 to 20+) for each of the six facilities (i.e., bathrooms, showers / rinse stations, trash cans, picnic tables, park benches, information signs). The actual number of each type of facility was recorded during site visits by the researchers. To measure respondents' norms regarding facility indicators, the surveys presented users with the list of six facilities, asked "how many of each of the following facilities do you feel should be at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach," and instructed users to circle one number from a list of 16 numbers (0 to 20+) for each of the six facilities. Finally, the surveys asked users the extent to which they were satisfied with these facilities at the site on 5-point scales from 1 "very dissatisfied" to 5 "very satisfied." Diamond Head Beach was substituted as the site name in surveys at this site.

Table 21 shows the actual number of each facility at each site (i.e., bathrooms, showers, trash cans, picnic tables, park benches, signs), the average number of each facility that respondents encountered, and respondents' norms regarding how many of each facility should be at each site. Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach has more facilities than Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches. A

common facility at each site is trash cans. Each site also has showers / rinse stations and informational signage. There are bathrooms, picnic tables, and park benches at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, but not at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches.

On average, respondents often saw fewer of each facility than what is actually present at each site (Table 21). At Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, for example, there are 32 trash cans, but respondents only encountered an average of approximately five trash cans. This pattern was relatively consistent across facilities and sites. Although respondents encountered fewer facilities than what is actually present at each site, they believed that there should still be more of each facility than what they saw. At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches, for example, respondents reported encountering an average of three trash cans, but believed that there should be six or more trash cans at this site. This suggests that users want more of each facility at each site. When comparing the actual number of each facility to how many respondents think should be at the site, however, it is evident that there are enough trash cans, tables, and benches at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach; and trash cans and signs at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches. According to users, there are not enough bathrooms, showers, and signs at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach; and bathrooms, showers, tables, and benches at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs. There were no relationships between users' responses to facilities at each site and: (a) their value orientations toward coral reef areas, and (b) if they were a resident or nonresident of Hawaii.

	Actual number	Respondent average encounters (number seen)	Respondent average norm (number that should be)
Sans Souci / Kaimana			
Bathrooms	2	1.37	2.91
Showers / rinse stations	2	1.92	3.11
Trash cans	32	4.79	7.59
Picnic tables	10	3.09	6.08
Park benches	16	7.11	8.43
Information signs	3	1.97	3.72
Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs			
Bathrooms	0	0.48	1.91
Showers / rinse stations	2	2.11	2.93
Trash cans	8	2.99	6.47
Picnic tables	0	0.62	2.32
Park benches	0	0.73	2.67
Information signs	8	2.91	4.39

Table 21. Facility encounters, norms, and actual numbers at each site

Table 22 shows relationships among facility encounters (i.e., number seen), norms (i.e., number should be), and satisfaction at each site. At both sites, the majority of respondents reported encountering fewer of each facility than what they feel should be at the site (i.e., their norm). At Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, for example, 73% of respondents encountered fewer bathrooms than they believe should be at this site. The main exception to this pattern was park benches at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach; the majority of users believed that there were enough benches (16) at this site. Satisfaction scores at both sites were lower for users reporting fewer of each facility than what they feel should be at the site (i.e., their norm). Taken together, results in Table 22

showed that: (a) satisfaction with facilities was lowest for recreationists who reported fewer of each facility than what they feel should be at each site, and (b) the majority of users at each site encountered fewer of most facilities at each site than what they feel should be at each site. These findings suggest that users want more of most facilities at each site and this would increase satisfaction with facilities at each site.

	Encounters (number seen) compared to norm <sup>1</sup> Average satisfaction <sup>2</sup>			tisfaction <sup>2</sup>			
Site and facility	% Fewer encounters	% More encounters	Fewer than norm	More than norm	<i>t</i> -value	<i>p</i> -value	Effect size $(r_{pb})$
Sans Souci / Kaimana							
Bathrooms	73	27	2.91	3.81	6.17	< .001	.36
Showers / rinse stations	64	36	3.55	4.12	4.86	< .001	.27
Trash cans	69	31	3.92	4.14	2.09	.038	.12
Picnic tables	71	29	3.32	3.55	2.16	.032	.14
Park benches	43	57	3.75	3.79	.48	.635	.03
Information signs	71	29	3.38	3.58	1.71	.090	.10
Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs							
Bathrooms	65	35	2.17	3.49	5.79	< .001	.46
Showers / rinse stations	54	46	3.79	4.17	2.35	.020	.19
Trash cans	82	18	3.24	3.76	2.10	.042	.17
Picnic tables	48	52	2.90	3.59	3.57	.001	.30
Park benches	51	49	3.01	3.63	3.33	.001	.28
Information signs	58	42	3.15	3.56	2.18	.031	.19

Table 22.	Relationships among	facility encounters, norms,	, and satisfaction at	each site
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<sup>1</sup> Percent of users who encountered either fewer than or more than they feel should be at the site.

<sup>2</sup> Mean satisfaction based on a 5-point scale from 1 "very dissatisfied" to 5 "very satisfied."

The majority of respondents at each site encountered fewer of each facility than what they feel should be at each site (i.e., their norm), which suggests that users want more of each facility at each site (Table 22). Table 23, however, shows that when these norms are compared to the actual number of facilities at each site, there are actually enough of most facilities at each site. At Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, for example, 73% of respondents reported seeing fewer bathrooms at this site than what they felt should be at this site (i.e., norm). The actual number of bathrooms at this site, however, was equal to or greater than the number specified by 66% of respondents. In other words, there was actually the same number or more of most facilities at each site underestimate the number of many facilities at each site. This suggests that: (a) users at each site underestimate the number of many facilities at each site, and (b) there are enough of most types of facilities at each site to meet or exceed users' expectations and needs. There were, however, some important exceptions to this pattern of findings. At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches, there were actually fewer bathrooms, picnic tables, and park benches (there are none of each of these facilities) than what summer users believed should be at this site.

	Encounters ( compared	number seen) to norm <sup>1</sup>	Actual number compared to norm <sup>2</sup>		
Site and facility	% Fewer encounters	% More encounters	Fewer than norm	More than norm	
Sans Souci / Kaimana					
Bathrooms	73	27	34	66	
Showers / rinse stations	64	36	47	53	
Trash cans	69	31	0	100	
Picnic tables	71	29	9	91	
Park benches	43	57	7	93	
Information signs	71	29	42	58	
Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs					
Bathrooms	65	35	73	27	
Showers / rinse stations	54	46	37	63	
Trash cans	82	18	24	76	
Picnic tables	48	52	52	48	
Park benches	51	49	57	43	
Information signs	58	42	11	89	

Table 23. Relationships between norms and actual number of facilities at each site

<sup>1</sup> Percent of users who encountered either fewer than or more than they feel should be at the site.

<sup>2</sup> Percent of users whose norm was higher or lower than actual conditions at the site.

Section Summary. Taken together, results showed that:

- On average, respondents typically saw fewer bathrooms, showers / rinse stations, trash cans, picnic tables, park benches, and information signs than what is actually present at each site. In addition, they believed that there should still be more of each facility than what they saw. When comparing the actual number of each facility to how many respondents think should be at the site, however, it is evident that there are enough trash cans, tables, and benches at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach; and trash cans and signs at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches. According to users, there are not enough bathrooms, showers, and signs at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach; and bathrooms, showers, tables, and benches at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs.
- At both sites, the majority of respondents reported encountering fewer of each facility than what they believed should be at the site (i.e., their norm). Satisfaction scores for these facilities at both sites were lower for users reporting fewer of each facility than what they believed should be at the site (i.e., norm). These findings suggest that users want more of each facility at each site and this would increase satisfaction with facilities.
- When users' norms are compared to the actual number of facilities at each site, there are actually enough of many facilities at each site (i.e., there was actually the same number or more of many facilities at each site than what users felt should be at each site). This finding suggests that: (a) users at each site underestimate the number of many facilities at each site by reporting fewer encounters with facilities than what is actually present at each site, and (b) there are enough of many types of facilities at each site to meet or exceed users' expectations and needs. At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches, however, there were actually fewer bathrooms, picnic tables, and park benches (there are none of each of these facilities) than what summer users believed should be at this site.

## **Recreation Conflict and Coping Behavior**

*Conflict with Activity Groups*. As discussed above, there are multiple types of conflict (e.g., interpersonal, social values). Consistent with past research (Vaske et al., 1995, 2007), respondents in this project were first asked how frequently they had observed three different situations / events for six different activity groups at each site. The six activity groups were: (a) sunbathers or swimmers, (b) snorkelers or divers, (c) surfers, (d) windsurfers or kitesurfers, (e) boaters (e.g., kayak, motorboat), and (f) anglers (i.e., people fishing). Respondents were asked how frequently they had observed each of these activity groups: (a) being rude or discourteous, (b) being too close, and (c) not looking where they were going (anglers: not looking where they cast their line / hook). Responses for these situations / events were measured on 4-point scales of "never," "once or twice," "sometimes," and "many times." For analysis purposes and consistent with past research (Vaske et al., 2007), responses were recoded as "observed" (i.e., at least once) or "did not observe" the event (i.e., never saw event).

	Observed at site <sup>1</sup>					
Situation / event	Sans Souci / Kaimana	Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs	Total	$\chi^2$ - value	<i>p</i> - value	$\phi$
Sunbathers or swimmers						
being rude / discourteous	39	24	34	9.57	.002	.15
being too close	54	23	43	35.18	< .001	.29
not looking where going	56	30	47	24.46	< .001	.25
Snorkelers or divers						
being rude / discourteous	17	7	14	8.31	.004	.14
being too close	22	10	18	9.53	.002	.15
not looking where going	26	10	20	14.99	< .001	.19
Surfers						
being rude / discourteous	17	52	29	54.62	< .001	.38
being too close	18	52	30	48.99	< .001	.36
not looking where going	20	54	32	47.97	< .001	.35
Windsurfers or kitesurfers						
being rude / discourteous	10	44	21	59.01	< .001	.39
being too close	11	46	23	61.83	< .001	.40
not looking where going	12	42	23	43.51	< .001	.34
Boaters						
being rude / discourteous	15	12	14	0.42	.515	.03
being too close	22	12	18	6.55	.010	.13
not looking where going	19	10	16	6.03	.014	.12
Anglers						
being rude / discourteous	11	8	10	1.07	.301	.05
being too close	15	14	15	0.20	.653	.02
not looking where going	16	12	15	0.91	.340	.05

Table 24. Observed activity group behavior at each site

<sup>1</sup> Cell entries are percentages (%) of users at each site who observed the event at least once.

Table 24 shows that the most commonly reported conflict events observed at Waikiki – Diamond Head Shoreline FMA were sunbathers and swimmers not looking where they were going (47%) and being too close (43%). Approximately one third of respondents also reported observing surfers not looking where they were going (32%) and being too close (30%). Fewer summer users (less than 20%) reported observing any conflict behaviors associated with snorkelers, divers, boaters, and anglers at Waikiki – Diamond Head Shoreline FMA. It is important to note, however, that this study occurred during an odd numbered year when angling was prohibited at this site so conflict with anglers may increase when this activity is permitted at the site.

	Problem at site <sup>1</sup>					
Situation / event	Sans Souci / Kaimana	Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs	Total	$\chi^2$ - value	<i>p</i> - value	$\phi$
Sunbathers or swimmers						
being rude / discourteous	22	12	18	6.55	.010	.13
being too close	32	14	25	15.96	< .001	.20
not looking where going	30	15	25	12.38	< .001	.17
Snorkelers or divers						
being rude / discourteous	15	8	13	4.25	.039	.10
being too close	16	7	13	7.50	.006	.13
not looking where going	18	9	15	6.28	.012	.12
Surfers						
being rude / discourteous	13	45	24	45.35	< .001	.35
being too close	16	43	25	32.92	< .001	.30
not looking where going	17	44	27	33.10	< .001	.30
Windsurfers or kitesurfers						
being rude / discourteous	10	35	19	34.40	< .001	.31
being too close	12	39	22	38.42	< .001	.32
not looking where going	12	37	21	32.92	< .001	.30
Boaters						
being rude / discourteous	17	12	15	2.35	.125	.08
being too close	23	12	19	6.76	.009	.13
not looking where going	21	12	18	4.29	.038	.10
Anglers						
being rude / discourteous	15	11	14	1.26	.262	.06
being too close	18	14	17	1.25	.264	.06
not looking where going	19	15	17	0.98	.323	.05

Table 25. Perceived activity group problem behavior at each site

<sup>1</sup> Cell entries are percentages (%) of users at each site who perceived the event to be a problem.

There were differences between the two sites (i.e., Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches) in observed conflict behaviors (Table 24). Both sunbathers / swimmers and snorkelers / divers were observed being rude or discourteous, not looking where they were going, and being too close more often at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach,  $\chi^2(2, N = 396 \text{ to } 399) \ge 8.31$ ,  $p \le .004$ ,  $\phi \ge .14$ . In addition, boaters were observed being too close and not looking

where they were going more often at Sans Souci / Kaimana,  $\chi^2(2, N = 396) \ge 6.03$ ,  $p \le .014$ ,  $\phi \ge .12$ . Conversely, surfers and windsurfers / kitesurfers were observed being too close, not looking where they were going, and being rude and discourteous more often and by over 40% of users at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches,  $\chi^2(2, N = 397 \text{ to } 399) \ge 43.51$ , p < .001,  $\phi \ge .34$ .

Users were then asked if they believed that each of the three events for each of the six activity groups was a problem at each site. Responses were coded on 4-point scales from "not at all a problem" to "extreme problem." For analysis purposes and consistent with past research (Vaske et al., 2007), variables were recoded as "no problem" or "problem." Table 25 shows that that the most problematic events at Waikiki – Diamond Head Shoreline FMA were both sunbathers / swimmers and surfers not looking where they were going (25% and 27%, respectively) and being too close (25%). Both sunbathers / swimmers and snorkelers / divers being rude or discourteous, not looking where they were going, and being too close were more of a problem at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach,  $\chi^2(2, N = 391 \text{ to } 392) \ge 4.25$ ,  $p \le .039$ ,  $\phi \ge .10$ . In addition, boaters being too close and not looking where they were going were more of a problem at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach,  $\chi^2(2, N = 392) \ge 4.29$ ,  $p \le .038$ ,  $\phi \ge .10$ . Conversely, surfers and windsurfers / kitesurfers being too close, not looking where they were going, and being rude and discourteous were more of a problem at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches,  $\chi^2(2, N = 389 \text{ to } 392) \ge 32.92$ , p < .001,  $\phi \ge .30$ .

Similar to previous research, combining the frequency of occurrence (observed, not observed) variables with the corresponding perceived problem (no problem, problem) variables for each respondent produced conflict typologies with three possible attributes for each activity group: (a) no conflict, (b) interpersonal conflict, and (c) social values conflict (Figure 2). In other words, this analysis strategy resulted in three situations / events (e.g., being too close, rude or discourteous) common to all six activity groups where respondents were described as having: (a) no conflict, (b) interpersonal conflict, or (c) social values conflict. Separate K-Means cluster analyses were conducted on the three variables for each of the six activity groups to obtain an overall view of the total proportion of respondents in each activity experiencing each type of conflict. For each activity, cluster analyses were performed for 2, 3, and 4 group solutions. The 3-group solution provided the best fit. To confirm these solutions, the data were randomly sorted four times and cluster analyses were conducted after each sort. These analyses supported the initial three group solution. The first cluster of individuals did not express any conflict (i.e., no conflict). Cluster 2 individuals consistently indicated social values conflict and those in cluster 3 consistently expressed interpersonal conflict.

At Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, the largest amount of conflict was with sunbathers and swimmers (31%) with most of this being interpersonal conflict (Table 26). Twenty three percent of users also experienced conflict with boaters at this site with most of this being interpersonal conflict. At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches, 45% of respondents experienced conflict with surfers and 38% experienced conflict with windsurfers and kitesurfers. Almost all of this conflict with surfers and windsurfers / kitesurfers at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs was interpersonal conflict. Few respondents (less than 19%) experienced conflict with snorkelers, divers, and anglers at each site. It is important to note, however, that this study occurred during an odd numbered year when angling was prohibited at this site so conflict with anglers may increase when this activity is permitted at the site.

	Site <sup>1</sup>					
Conflict with activity group	Sans Souci / Kaimana	Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs	Total	$\chi^2$ - value	<i>p</i> - value	Cramer's V
Sunbathers or swimmers				16.60	< .001	.20
no conflict	69	84	74			
social values conflict	6	7	7			
interpersonal conflict	25	9	19			
Snorkelers or divers				7.16	.028	.13
no conflict	82	91	85			
social values conflict	8	5	7			
interpersonal conflict	10	4	8			
Surfers				44.93	< .001	.35
no conflict	83	55	73			
social values conflict	6	4	5			
interpersonal conflict	11	41	22			
Windsurfers or kitesurfers				50.45	< .001	.37
no conflict	88	62	79			
social values conflict	6	5	6			
interpersonal conflict	6	33	15			
Boaters				7.12	.028	.13
no conflict	77	86	80			
social values conflict	9	8	9			
interpersonal conflict	14	6	11			
Anglers				4.41	.110	.10
no conflict	81	86	83			
social values conflict	8	10	9			
interpersonal conflict	11	4	8			

Table 26. Overall amount of each type of conflict at each site

<sup>1</sup> Cell entries are percentages (%) of users at each site who experienced each type of conflict with the activity group.

Additional analyses showed that compared to nonresidents, residents of Hawaii experienced more conflict with all of the activity groups at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach (Table 27). For example, 38% of residents experienced conflict with sunbathers and swimmers at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, whereas only 19% of nonresidents experienced conflict with this activity group at this site. This pattern of differences between residents and nonresidents was statistically significant for three of the six activity groups,  $\chi^2(2, N = 243 \text{ to } 248) \ge 10.17, p \le .006, V \ge .19$  (Table 27).

There were also differences between residents and nonresidents in the amount of conflict experienced at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches (Table 28). For example, 54% of residents experienced conflict with surfers at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches, whereas only 23% of nonresidents experienced conflict with this activity group at this site. Likewise, 46% of residents experienced conflict with windsurfers and kitesurfers at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches, whereas only 17% of nonresidents experienced conflict with this activity group at this activity group at this site. This
pattern of differences between residents and nonresidents was statistically significant for three of the six activity groups,  $\chi^2(2, N = 131 \text{ to } 134) \ge 6.41$ ,  $p \le .041$ ,  $V \ge .17$  (Table 28).

Conflict with activity group	Residents	Nonresidents	$\chi^2$ - value	<i>p</i> - value	Cramer's V
Sunbathers or swimmers			10.68	.005	.20
no conflict	62	81			
social values conflict	7	6			
interpersonal conflict	31	13			
Snorkelers or divers			10.17	.006	.19
no conflict	77	92			
social values conflict	10	2			
interpersonal conflict	13	6			
Surfers			4.09	.129	.12
no conflict	80	88			
social values conflict	8	2			
interpersonal conflict	12	9			
Windsurfers or kitesurfers			3.09	.213	.11
no conflict	86	92			
social values conflict	6	6			
interpersonal conflict	7	2			
Boaters			2.90	.235	.11
no conflict	74	84			
social values conflict	10	6			
interpersonal conflict	16	11			
Anglers			10.65	.005	.19
no conflict	77	89			
social values conflict	9	8			
interpersonal conflict	14	2			

Table 27. Differences between residents and nonresidents in amount of each type of conflict at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach <sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Cell entries are percentages (%) of users who experienced each type of conflict with the activity group.

**Depreciative Behavior toward Coral Reefs.** In addition to these activity conflicts, the surveys also asked respondents two questions regarding if they had seen users at the site handling or standing on coral and whether they believed that this was a problem at the site. First, users were asked how often they had seen people handling or standing on coral during any of their visits to the site. Responses were measured on a 4-point scale of "never," "once or twice," "sometimes," and "many times." For analysis purposes, responses were recoded as "observed" (i.e., at least once) or "did not observe." Second, users were asked if they thought that people handling or standing on coral was a problem at the site. Responses were coded on a 4-point scale from "not at all a problem" to "extreme problem." For analysis purposes, responses, responses were recoded as "no problem" or "problem."

Conflict with activity group	Residents	Nonresidents	$\chi^2$ - value	<i>p</i> - value	Cramer's V
Sunbathers or swimmers			6.41	.041	.17
no conflict	81	91			
social values conflict	10	0			
interpersonal conflict	9	9			
Snorkelers or divers			4.58	.101	.15
no conflict	89	97			
social values conflict	7	0			
interpersonal conflict	4	3			
Surfers			12.13	.002	.29
no conflict	46	77			
social values conflict	5	0			
interpersonal conflict	49	23			
Windsurfers or kitesurfers			10.13	.006	.27
no conflict	54	83			
social values conflict	6	3			
interpersonal conflict	40	14			
Boaters			3.32	.190	.15
no conflict	83	94			
social values conflict	10	3			
interpersonal conflict	7	3			
Anglers			3.32	.190	.14
no conflict	84	91			
social values conflict	12	3			
interpersonal conflict	4	6			

Table 28. Differences between residents and nonresidents in amount of each type of conflict at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs <sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Cell entries are percentages (%) of users who experienced each type of conflict with the activity group.



Figure 17. Percent of users who have observed people handling or standing on coral at each site <sup>1</sup>

Figure 17 shows that 58% of users at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach and 61% of users at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches observed people handling or standing on coral during their visits to the site. Research has shown that behaviors such as handling and standing on coral can cause deleterious effects such as coral breakage and mortality (e.g., Hawkins et al., 1999; Rodgers & Cox, 2003).





Additional analyses showed that at both sites (i.e., Sans Souci / Kaimana, Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs), residents of Hawaii were significantly more likely to have observed people handling or standing on coral during their visits to the site,  $\chi^2(1, N = 152 \text{ to } 264) \ge 12.02$ , p < .001,  $\phi \ge .27$ . At Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, for example, 66% of residents observed people handling or standing on coral, whereas 35% of nonresidents observed these depreciative behaviors at this site. Residents were also significantly more likely to feel that these depreciative behaviors were a problem at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach (residents = 78%, nonresidents = 62%),  $\chi^2(1, N = 258) = 6.31$ , p = .012,  $\phi = .16$ . There were no statistically significant relationships (p > .05) between residency and the extent to which users perceived that people handling or standing on coral were problems at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches.

At Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, respondents with a strong protectionist orientation toward coral reef areas were more likely than those with mixed protection - use values to feel that handling or standing on coral were a problem. For example, 85% of strong protectionist respondents, 72% of moderate protectionist respondents, and 58% of mixed protection – use respondents believed that these depreciative behaviors were a problem at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach,  $\chi^2(2, N = 268) = 13.51$ , p = .001, V = .23. There were no significant relationships between respondents' value orientations toward coral reef areas (e.g., use, protection) and whether they observed people handling or standing on coral at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs, or if they believed that these behaviors were a problem at this site.

Figure 18 shows that the majority of users think that people handling or standing on coral is a problem at both sites (i.e., Sans Souci / Kaimana, Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs). In total, 75% of users think that people handling or standing on coral is a problem at Sans Souci / Kaimana and 67% of users believe that these behaviors are a problem at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs.

Recreation Displacement and Product Shift. As discussed above, recreationists and tourists may cope with crowding and conflict by choosing to visit alternative locations or return to the same location at different times. This project measured three different coping behaviors: (a) temporal displacement (i.e., shift time of visit), (b) spatial displacement (i.e., shifts to other areas within the same recreation area [intrasite] or to completely different recreation settings [intersite]), and (c) product shift (i.e., reevaluate and change definition of experience or setting). Respondents were asked "assuming that you could be on Oahu Island again in the future, how likely would you take the following actions based on the number of people or behavior of other activity groups that you have seen at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach?" Two items were used to measure temporal displacement: (a) "come back to Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, but avoid peak use times (weekdays, holidays)," and (b) "come back to Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach earlier or later in the day when less people are here." Two items were used to measure spatial displacement: (a) "go to other nearby or adjacent beach / marine areas instead" (i.e., intrasite), and (b) "go to other beach / marine areas on other parts of Oahu Island instead" (i.e., intersite). One item was used to measure product shift: "come back to Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, but change the way I think about this area, deciding that it offers a different type of experience than I first believed." Finally, one item was used to measure no behavior change: "come back to Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach realizing that conditions I saw today are suitable." Responses to these six items were measured on 5-point scales from "very unlikely" to "very likely." The site name was replaced with Diamond Head Beach Park in surveys administered at this other site. These variables are generally consistent with past research measuring these coping behaviors (e.g., Hall & Shelby, 2000; Shelby et al., 1988).

	S	ite <sup>1</sup>				
Behavior	Sans Souci / Kaimana	Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs	Total	$\chi^2$ - value	<i>p</i> - value	$\phi$
Come back realizing conditions are suitable	75	69	72	1.58	.209	.06
Come back earlier or later in day when less people are here	62	68	64	1.74	.187	.07
Come back, but avoid peak use times (weekends, holidays)	60	65	61	0.94	.333	.05
Go to beach / marine areas on other parts of Oahu instead	25	30	27	0.93	.336	.05
Come back, but change way think about area, deciding it offers a different experience	23	28	25	1.13	.289	.05
Go to other nearby or adjacent beach / marine areas instead	17	23	19	2.37	.124	.08

Table 29. Coping behavior in response to conditions at each site

<sup>1</sup> Cell entries are percentages (%) of users at each site who said they would be likely to take the action.

Table 29 shows that the largest percentage of respondents (72%) is unlikely to change their behavior; they will come back to sites in Waikiki – Diamond Head Shoreline FMA realizing that conditions they experienced are suitable. However, 64% of respondents are likely to come back

earlier or later in the day when less people are in the area. In addition, 61% of users are likely to come back, but avoid peak use times such as weekends and holidays. Both of these items suggest that many users are likely to be temporally displaced because of conditions they experienced. Only 27% of users are likely to go to other beach or marine areas on other parts of Oahu Island instead and 19% are likely to go to other nearby or adjacent beach or marine areas instead, suggesting that most users are unlikely to be spatially displaced because of conditions they experienced. Most respondents are also unlikely to experience a product shift by changing the way that they think about the area and deciding that it offers a different type of experience than they first believed (25%). There were no statistically significant and substantial differences (p > .05, effect sizes < .20) in likelihood of adopting these six behaviors between: (a) residents and nonresidents of Hawaii, and (b) the three value orientation cluster groups at each site.

Section Summary. Taken together, results showed that:

- The most commonly reported conflict events observed at Waikiki Diamond Head Shoreline FMA were sunbathers and swimmers not looking where they were going (47%) and being too close (43%). One third of respondents also reported observing surfers not looking where they were going (32%) and being too close (30%). Fewer summer users (less than 20%) reported observing conflict behaviors associated with snorkelers, divers, boaters, and anglers. Sunbathers / swimmers and snorkelers / divers were observed being rude or discourteous, not looking where they were going, and being too close more often at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach. Boaters were also observed being too close and not looking where they were going more often at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach. Conversely, surfers and windsurfers / kitesurfers were observed being too close, not looking where they were going, and being rude and discourteous more often and by over 40% of users at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches.
- At Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, the largest amount of conflict was with sunbathers and swimmers (31%), and boaters (23%). At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches, 45% of respondents experienced conflict with surfers and 38% experienced conflict with windsurfers and kitesurfers. Few respondents (less than 19%) experienced conflict with snorkelers, divers, and anglers at each site. It is important to note, however, that this study occurred during an odd numbered year when angling was prohibited in this area so conflict with anglers may increase when this activity is permitted.
- Compared to nonresidents, residents of Hawaii experienced more conflict with all activity groups at both sites. For example, 38% of residents experienced conflict with sunbathers and swimmers at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, whereas only 19% of nonresidents experienced conflict with this activity group at this site. In addition, 54% of residents experienced conflict with surfers at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches, whereas 23% of nonresidents experienced conflict with this activity group at this site.
- A large percentage of users at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach (58%) and Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches (61%) observed people handling or standing on coral during their visits to the site. In addition, 75% of users think that people handling or standing on coral is a problem at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach and 67% of users believe that these

behaviors are a problem at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches. At both sites, residents of Hawaii were significantly more likely to have observed people handling or standing on coral during their visits to the site.

In response to crowding and conflict, most respondents (72%) are still unlikely to change their behavior; they will come back to sites in Waikiki – Diamond Head Shoreline FMA realizing that conditions they experienced are suitable. However, 64% of respondents are likely to come back earlier or later in the day when less people are in the area, and 61% are likely to come back, but avoid peak use times such as weekends and holidays, suggesting that many users are likely to be temporally displaced because of conditions they experienced. Only 27% of users are likely to go to other beach or marine areas on other parts of Oahu Island instead and 19% are likely to go to other nearby or adjacent beach or marine areas instead, suggesting that most users are unlikely to be spatially displaced because of conditions they experience a product shift by changing the way that they think about the area and deciding that it offers a different type of experience than they first believed (25%).

### **Evaluations and Tradeoffs of Potential Management Strategies**

Support and Opposition of Potential Management Strategies. Recent studies have highlighted the importance and need for understanding user support and opposition toward management strategies designed to mitigate negative effects of coastal recreation in Hawaii (e.g., Cesar & van Beukering, 2004; Cesar et al., 2004; Friedlander et al., 2005). There are two general categories of approaches for managing recreation use. First, *direct* management strategies act directly on user behavior leaving little or no freedom of choice (Manning, 1999). Second, *indirect* management strategies attempt to influence the decision factors upon which users base their behavior (Manning, 1999). To illustrate, direct management practices aimed at reducing litter in a beach environment could include a regulation prohibiting littering and then enforcing this regulation with fines or other sanctions. An indirect management practice would be an education program designed to inform users of undesirable ecological and aesthetic impacts of litter, and encourage them to avoid littering.

This project asked summer users whether they supported or opposed five different direct and indirect management strategies: (a) "should commercial activities (e.g., recreation tour operators) be allowed at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach," (b) "should there be designated parking areas for tour buses at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach," (c) "should there be more enforcement of rules and regulations at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach," (d) "should Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach be zoned so that different recreation activities do not overlap in the same areas," and (e) "should there be more educational or interpretive information at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach?" Responses were coded as "no," "yes," or "unsure." The site name was replaced with Diamond Head Beach Park in surveys administered at this other site.

Table 30 shows that none of the strategies received support from the majority of users at Waikiki – Diamond Head Shoreline FMA. The strategy that received support from the most respondents at each site (38% to 44%) was providing more educational and interpretive information. Users at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach were somewhat divided on whether there should be more

enforcement of rules and regulations at this site. This strategy, however, was opposed by the majority of users at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches (58% oppose). The majority of users at both sites also opposed designated parking for tour buses (66% to 74% oppose) and zoning of activities (50% to 51% oppose). Respondents were most strongly opposed to allowing commercial activities (e.g., recreation tour operators) at each site (78% to 80% oppose). In general, there were minimal differences in support and opposition of most of these management strategies between: (a) residents and nonresidents of Hawaii, and (b) the three value orientation cluster groups at each site. At Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, however, residents of Hawaii were significantly more likely than nonresidents to oppose designated parking for buses and zoning activity groups at this site,  $\chi^2(2, N = 252 \text{ to } 266) \ge 6.15$ ,  $p \le .046$ , V = .16.

		Site <sup>1</sup>				
Conflict with activity group	Sans Souci / Kaimana	Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs	Total	$\chi^2$ - value	<i>p</i> - value	Cramer's V
Should there be more education or interpretive information?				1.37	.503	.06
Yes	38	44	40			
Unsure	37	32	35			
No	25	24	25			
Should there be more enforcement of regulations?				7.60	.022	.13
Yes	30	23	28			
Unsure	26	19	23			
No	44	58	49			
Should there be designated parking for tour buses?				5.89	.053	.11
Yes	16	26	20			
Unsure	10	8	10			
No	74	66	71			
Should site be zoned so activities do not overlap?				0.21	.899	.02
Yes	17	19	18			
Unsure	32	31	32			
No	51	50	51			
Should commercial activities (tour operators) be allowed?				0.19	.909	.02
Yes	10	10	10			
Unsure	10	11	11			
No	80	78	79			

Table 30.	Support for	management	strategies at	each	site

<sup>1</sup> Cell entries are percentages (%).

*Tradeoffs in Acceptance of Potential Management Strategies*. There is a need in recreation planning and management to understand the range of contextual factors and conditions influencing management, and how the public responds to these factors. Traditional approaches

for evaluating recreationists' attitudes toward conditions and management strategies have typically involved asking users the extent to which they believed that conditions are important or if they supported or opposed individual management alternatives (Manning, 1999). These approaches were used in this study and results are discussed earlier in this section (e.g., should there be more enforcement of rules and regulations, should there be more educational or interpretive information). These approaches, however, rarely reflect the complexity of recreation and tourism management, as they do not address contextual factors that may influence decisions to support or oppose particular management actions. It may be more useful, therefore, to examine users' tradeoffs in their support of management strategies and regimes depending on a range of situational factors such as different levels of social, resource, and facility impacts. For example, if a coastal recreation site has adequate facilities, little crowding, and minimal coral reef impacts (i.e., situational factors), modifying any current management regimes may not be supported by users. Conversely, if the reef is damaged and the site is overcrowded, actions such as zoning or limiting use levels may be supported by users. Understanding these types of situational influences on public acceptance of coastal recreation management may increase manager confidence when choosing among various potential actions.

Recent research has used multivariate statistical techniques such as stated choice modeling and conjoint analysis to quantitatively measure the relative importance that respondents place on selected factors of recreation settings and the extent to which individuals make tradeoffs in their support of alternative management practices (e.g., Kneeshaw et al., 2004; Lawson et al., 2006). Instead of asking respondents to rate their support for a single factor or attribute at one time, they evaluate scenarios describing alternative configurations of a set of factors. When evaluating each scenario, respondents weigh tradeoffs among factors when considering their acceptance of management strategies. This approach provides managers with an understanding of how recreationists would likely respond to implementation of management actions given combinations of current or future social, resource, and facility conditions (Lawson et al., 2006).

Conjoint analysis models how people make complex decisions based on multiple factors (e.g., Dennis, 1998; Luce & Tukey, 1964). The technique can be used to assess how situational factors such as use level, coral reef damage, and facility conditions influence recreationists' acceptance of coastal recreation management strategies (e.g., limit use, provide education). By presenting individuals with descriptions of different scenarios, respondents can make implicit tradeoffs in their decisions about acceptable management strategies. For the conjoint analysis in this project, scenarios were used to represent combinations of four situational factors and factor levels related to impacts associated with coastal recreation. Two factor levels were used for each factor:

- Number of people (i.e., use level) (low vs. high).
- Recreation damage to coral reef areas (minimal [less than 25% broken, trampled] vs. substantial [over 75% broken, trampled]).
- Amount of litter (none vs. some).
- Condition of facilities (e.g., bathrooms, showers, trash cans, signs) (good vs. poor).

A full factorial design involving all of these factors and factor levels would produce  $2^4$  or 16 possible combinations or scenarios. To reduce respondent burden, a smaller subset of scenarios was created using an orthogonal fractional factorial design in SPSS software (conjoint module). This reduced the number of scenarios asked in the surveys to eight (Table 31).

Scenario	Use level	Reef damage	Litter	Facilities condition
1	High	Minimal	None	Poor
2	High	Substantial	Some	Poor
3	High	Minimal	Some	Good
4	Low	Minimal	None	Good
5	Low	Substantial	None	Poor
6	Low	Substantial	Some	Good
7	High	Substantial	None	Good
8	Low	Minimal	Some	Poor

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<sup>1</sup> Each factor has two dichotomous levels. Following each scenario, respondents rated four management actions (improve education / awareness of users, restrict number of people allowed in area, improve maintenance or upkeep of area, provide more facilities or services in area) on 5-point scales recoded as -2 "very unacceptable" to +2 "very acceptable."

For each scenario, respondents were asked to imagine that all four conditions were common at the site and then rate their acceptance of four different management strategies: (a) improve education / awareness of people at the site, (b) restrict the number of people allowed at the site (i.e., limit use), (c) improve maintenance or upkeep of the site, and (d) provide more facilities or services at the site. Respondents rated 32 separate management actions (four for each of the eight scenarios) on 5-point scales from 1 "very unacceptable" to 5 "very acceptable." For analysis purposes, scales were recoded to -2 "very unacceptable" to +2 "very acceptable." Information about main effects of all other possible combinations (scenarios) can be determined additively from the constants and utility scores generated by conjoint analysis, and can be used to predict acceptance of management strategies for scenarios that were not evaluated.

Before presenting results of the conjoint analysis, it is important to examine the descriptive (i.e., univariate) findings of responses to management strategies for the scenarios. When analyzing and presenting descriptive responses to management strategies, it is important to assess not only the extent to which respondents would support or oppose particular strategies, but also the level of consensus or agreement among respondents. If a management action is supported, but there is little consensus among respondents, implementation of the strategy could be highly controversial and cause user disapproval and discontent, and possible backlash toward managers.

To understand the extent of support or opposition and degree of consensus among respondents, it is necessary to examine several basic summary statistics that describe responses to management variables in terms of central tendency (e.g., mean), dispersion (e.g., standard deviation), and form (e.g., skewness; Loether & McTavish, 1976). A goal of human dimensions research is to provide information that will improve management decision making. When communicating results to managers, therefore, it is imperative that researchers provide clear statistical information and convey the practical implications of findings. Although these various basic

descriptive summary statistics can efficiently convey meaning, an accurate understanding of a variable's distribution requires consideration of all measures simultaneously, which can be challenging to communicate and understand. The *Potential for Conflict Index (PCI)*, therefore, was developed to facilitate understanding and interpretation of statistical data (e.g., Manfredo, Vaske, & Teel, 2003; Vaske, Needham, Newman, Manfredo, & Petchenik, 2006). The PCI was used in this project to understand the: (a) extent of support and opposition toward the four potential management strategies for each of the scenarios, and (b) degree of consensus among users regarding these strategies.

The management variables in this project used response scales with an equal number of response options surrounding a neutral center point. Numerical ratings were assigned in continuous fashion and recoded with a neutral point of 0 (e.g., -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, where -2 = very unacceptable, 0 = neither, and 2 = very acceptable). The PCI describes the ratio of responses on either side of a rating scale's center point. The greatest potential for conflict (PCI = 1.0) occurs when there is a bimodal distribution between two extreme values of the response scale (e.g., 50% very unacceptable, 50% very acceptable, 0% neither). A PCI value of 1.0 suggests total disagreement among respondents and no consensus. A distribution with 100% at any one point on the scale yields a PCI value of 0, which suggests total agreement, complete consensus, and no potential for conflict. The PCI is computed with a frequency distribution and follows the formula:

$$PCI = \left[1 - \frac{\left|\sum_{i=1}^{n_a} |X_a|}{Xt} - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n_u} |X_u|}{Xt}\right] * \frac{Xt}{Z}$$

where:

 $X_{a} = an individual's "support" (or "likely" or "acceptable") score$   $n_{a} = all individuals with "support" scores$   $X_{u} = an individual's "oppose" (or "unlikely" or "unacceptable") score$   $n_{u} = all individuals with "oppose" scores$   $Xt = \sum_{i=1}^{n_{a}} |X_{a}| + \sum_{i=1}^{n_{u}} |X_{u}|$  Z = the maximum possible sum of all scores = n\*extreme score on scale (e.g., Z = 2n for scale with 5 response options); n = total number of subjects

Following computation of the PCI, results are displayed as "bubble" graphs to visually and simultaneously describe a variable's form, dispersion, and central tendency. The size of the bubble depicts the PCI and indicates degree of dispersion (e.g., extent of potential conflict regarding acceptability of a management strategy). A small bubble suggests high consensus and little potential for conflict; a large bubble suggests less consensus and more potential for conflict.

Unlike a standard deviation, which is centered on the mean, the PCI is centered on the neutral point. Although both statistics can communicate agreement, the PCI is based on absolute values and: (a) does not necessitate the relatively normal distribution required by a standard deviation, (b) accounts for all (100%) of respondents instead of just the 68% that are included in one standard deviation, (c) is communicated in standardized units (i.e., 0 to 1) rather than the original

scale, which facilitates easier comparisons across items measured on different scales, and (d) has more intuitive and visual appeal for managers (Manfredo et al., 2003; Vaske et al., 2006).

The center of the bubble is plotted on the *y*-axis (e.g., extent of acceptance) and indicates the average (i.e., mean) response to the variable (i.e., central tendency). With the neutral point of the response scale on the *y*-axis, it is apparent that respondents' average evaluations are situated above or below the neutral point (i.e., the action is acceptable or unacceptable). Information about a distribution's skewness is reflected by the position of the bubble relative to the neutral point (i.e., bubbles at the top or bottom of the graph suggest high degrees of skewness).





Numbers next to each bubble are the potential for conflict index (PCI), which ranges from 0 (no conflict, complete consensus) to 1 (maximum conflict, no consensus). The center of each bubble is the average (i.e., mean) acceptance of the management strategy. Acceptance of most strategies was not significantly different between the two sites (i.e., Sans Souci / Kaimana, Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs) for each scenario (after Bonferroni correction [.05/8 = .006]) and effect sizes were minimal ( $\eta \le .12$ ), so these means and PCI values are aggregated across both sites at Waikiki-Diamond Head Shoreline FMA.

Figure 19 displays the PCI values and mean acceptance for each of the four management strategies for three of the eight scenarios. To ease interpretation, only three scenarios (instead of all eight) are displayed in Figure 19: (a) scenario 4 (low number of people, minimal recreation damage to coral reef, no litter, good condition of facilities), (b) scenario 5 (low number of people, substantial recreation damage to coral reef, no litter, poor condition of facilities), and (c)

scenario 2 (high number of people, substantial recreation damage to coral reef, some litter, poor condition of facilities). These three scenarios are displayed because each factor level in scenario 4 represents the lowest amount of negative impact for each factor (e.g., few people, minimal reef damage). Conversely, each factor level in scenario 2 represents the greatest amount of negative impact for each factor (e.g., many people, substantial reef damage). Impacts to each factor level in scenario 5 (and all other scenarios not displayed) were in between those in scenarios 2 and 4.

On average, improving education and awareness of people in the area was the most strongly supported management action for most scenarios at both sites in Waikiki-Diamond Head Shoreline FMA (Figure 19). Even for scenario 4, which represents the lowest amount of negative impact for each factor, improving education and awareness was acceptable (M = 0.77 where -2 = very unacceptable, +2 = very acceptable). This suggests that respondents believe that education and awareness of users at each site in Waikiki-Diamond Head Shoreline FMA currently needs to be improved. In addition, if conditions deteriorate (e.g., more damage to reefs, more litter), this management action would be even more acceptable (e.g., M = 1.41 for scenario 2).

Improving maintenance or upkeep of the area was the second most strongly supported management action for each scenario. Like improving education and awareness, improving maintenance or upkeep was acceptable even for scenario 4 (lowest amount of negative impact for each factor; M = 0.57). This suggests that respondents believe that maintenance and upkeep of each site in Waikiki-Diamond Head Shoreline FMA currently needs to be improved. In addition, if conditions worsen (e.g., more damage to reefs, more litter), this management action would be even more acceptable (e.g., M = 1.48 for scenario 2).

The third most strongly supported management strategy for each scenario was providing more facilities and services in the area. More facilities and services was, on average, acceptable even for scenario 4 (lowest amount of negative impact for each factor; M = 0.22), suggesting that many current users would support more facilities and services at Waikiki-Diamond Head Shoreline FMA. If conditions deteriorate (e.g., more damage to reefs, more litter), providing more facilities and services would be even more acceptable (e.g., M = 1.02 for scenario 2).

On average, respondents were opposed to restricting the number of people allowed in the area if conditions in scenario 4 were common (i.e., lowest amount of negative impact for each factor; M = -0.31). This suggests that if use levels are low, there is minimal litter and recreation damage to reefs, and facilities are in good condition, management strategies aimed at restricting the number of people allowed would be opposed by the majority of users. If site conditions worsen, however, restricting use would become more acceptable (e.g., M = 0.56 for scenario 2). In other words, if use levels are high, there is a substantial amount of litter and damage to coral reefs from recreation, and facilities are in disrepair, users would be, on average, supportive of strategies designed to restrict the number of people allowed in the area.

The PCI values showed that the most strongly supported strategy of improving education and awareness of people also generated the most consensus among respondents, suggesting that this would be the least controversial action (PCI = 0.08 to 0.14; Figure 19). There was also a reasonable amount of consensus across scenarios for improving maintenance and upkeep of the area (PCI = 0.04 to 0.18). Conversely, there was a relatively large amount of disagreement (i.e.,

lack of consensus) regarding acceptability of providing more facilities and services if conditions in scenario 4 were common (i.e., lowest amount of negative impact for each factor; PCI = 0.31), but consensus increased as conditions worsened (e.g., PCI = 0.17 for scenario 2). The least acceptable strategy was restricting the number of people allowed in the area, but this was also the most controversial (PCI = 0.31 to 0.48). Given the size of the PCI values for this strategy, it is likely that restricting the number of people allowed in the area would generate controversy among users unless conditions deteriorated to a point where use levels were extremely high, there was substantial damage to reefs, litter was abundant, and facilities were in disrepair. There was more agreement among respondents regarding acceptability of all four management strategies as conditions deteriorated, as shown by the PCI values that became smaller as negative impacts to each factor in the scenarios increased (e.g., from scenario 4 to scenario 2).

Acceptance of three of the four management strategies did not significantly differ between the two sites at Waikiki-Diamond Head Shoreline FMA (i.e., Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches) for each of the eight scenarios (after Bonferroni correction [.05/8 = .006]) and effect sizes were minimal ( $\eta \le .12$ ), so Figure 19 presents results aggregated across both sites. There were, however, some statistically significant differences between sites regarding acceptance of providing more facilities and services for most scenarios. Providing more facilities and services was slightly more acceptable at Sans Souci / Kiamana Beach than at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches (p < .006), but the eta effect sizes of  $\eta \le .21$  suggest that the differences were relatively weak or minimal (Cohen, 1988; Vaske et al., 2002).

The next step in assessing the influence of situational factors on acceptance of management strategies is through conjoint analysis. In conjoint analysis, the factors (i.e., number of people, damage to coral reef, litter, condition of facilities) are considered the independent variables and acceptance ratings for each of the four management actions (i.e., improve education / awareness, restrict use, improve maintenance / upkeep, provide more facilities) are the dependent variables. The output displays utility scores or part-worth estimates identifying preferences for factor levels, percentages of averaged importance attributed to each factor, and correlations between predicted and observed acceptability ratings (i.e., Pearson R goodness of model fit statistics). Conjoint analysis decomposes each respondent's ratings of a management action into utility scores for each factor. Utility scores represent the influence of each factor level on acceptance ratings of management actions for a particular scenario. Utility scores can be added together with the constant to predict acceptance of each management strategy for of all possible scenarios, including those not asked in the survey. Unlike ordinary least squares (OLS) regression, conjoint analysis eliminates cases with missing values and cases with equal ratings (i.e., ties) across all scenarios. If a respondent rated "restricting the number of people" for scenario 1 as "very acceptable," for example, and then repeated this same answer for all eight scenarios, he or she would be eliminated from the analysis for this management strategy because this individual would not have a preference for the different factors and their associated levels. Averaged importance scores are standardized percentages computed by taking the range of utility scores for each factor and dividing them by the total range in utility values across all factors.

Separate conjoint models were run for each of the two sites in Waikiki-Diamond Head Shoreline FMA (i.e., Sans Souci / Kiamana, Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs). Given that these results paralleled those for the overall sample, only findings from the entire sample aggregated across

both sites at Waikiki-Diamond Head Shoreline FMA are presented. In other words, analyses and results are for respondents from both sites in Waikiki-Diamond Head Shoreline FMA combined.

Conjoint analysis was conducted separately for responses to each of the four management actions at Waikiki-Diamond Head Shoreline FMA (i.e., improve education / awareness, restrict use, improve maintenance / upkeep, provide more facilities). Utility scores were used to assess how factor levels influence mean acceptance ratings for each of the coastal recreation management actions. Table 32 displays the utility scores for each of the factor levels for each management strategy derived from the conjoint analyses. Utility scores represent averages across respondents and assess how factor levels affect mean acceptance. The magnitude and sign of the utility score (positive or negative) indicate the relative influence of each factor level on mean acceptance. A positive utility score indicates that the factor level increased acceptance of the management strategy (constant + factor level utility); a negative utility score suggests that the factor level decreased mean acceptability (constant – factor level utility).

	Improve education / awareness		Limit restrict	use / people	Improve upkeep		More	More facilities	
Factor	Averaged utility	Mean rating <sup>1</sup>	Averaged utility	Mean rating <sup>1</sup>	Averaged utility	Mean rating <sup>1</sup>	Averaged utility	l Mean rating <sup>1</sup>	
Use level									
Low	-0.095	0.958	-0.295	-0.086	-0.077	0.894	-0.069	0.532	
High	0.095	1.147	0.295	0.504	0.077	1.048	0.069	0.669	
Reef damage									
Minimal	-0.264	0.789	-0.269	-0.061	-0.061	0.910	0.001	0.602	
Substantial	0.264	1.316	0.269	0.478	0.061	1.033	-0.001	0.600	
Litter									
None	-0.080	0.973	-0.028	0.181	-0.112	0.859	-0.060	0.541	
Some	0.080	1.132	0.028	0.236	0.112	1.083	0.060	0.661	
Facilities condition									
Good	-0.007	1.045	-0.015	0.194	-0.344	0.627	-0.354	0.247	
Poor	0.007	1.060	0.015	0.223	0.344	1.315	0.354	0.955	
Constant	1.052		0.209		0.971		0.601		
Model fit <sup>2</sup>	0.985		0.982		0.981		0.997		

 

 Table 32. Mean acceptance ratings and utility scores of management actions by situational factor levels at Waikiki-Diamond Head Shoreline FMA

<sup>1</sup> Scale for acceptance of management strategies was recoded as -2 "very unacceptable" to 0 "neither" to +2 "very acceptable"

<sup>2</sup> The model goodness of fit statistic is the Pearson R correlation between predicted and observed acceptance ratings. All values were significant at p < .001

Mean acceptance of each of the four management strategies as influenced by each of the eight situational factor levels are displayed in Table 32. The management strategy "improve education and awareness of users" was rated as acceptable across all factor levels, but was most acceptable

if the amount of damage to coral reefs was substantial (M = 1.32). This strategy was also more acceptable if use levels were high (M = 1.15) and was slightly more acceptable if there was some litter present (M = 1.13) and facilities were in poor condition (M = 1.06).

"Restricting the number of people allowed in the area" (i.e., limit use) was rated, on average, as acceptable for two factor levels, but was unacceptable if use levels were low (M = -0.09) and reef damage was minimal (M = -0.06); if use levels were low and reef damage was minimal, this would not be a supported strategy. This management strategy was most acceptable if use levels were high (M = 0.50) and the amount of damage to coral reefs was substantial (M = 0.48). The strategy was also more acceptable if there was some litter present (M = 0.24) and facilities were in poor condition (M = 0.22). This direct management strategy, however, was less acceptable than the other three strategies (i.e., improve education, more facilities, improve upkeep) across all factors levels, suggesting that this should be a strategy of last resort.

The management strategy "improve maintenance and upkeep" was rated as acceptable across all factor levels, but was most acceptable if facilities were in poor condition (M = 1.32). This strategy was also more acceptable if there was some litter present (M = 1.08), use levels were high (M = 1.05), and there was substantial damage to coral reefs (M = 1.03). Similarly, "providing more facilities or services" was rated, on average, as acceptable across all factor levels, especially if facilities were in poor condition (M = 0.95). This strategy was also more acceptable if use levels were high (M = 0.67) and there was some litter present (M = 0.66). Pearson R goodness of fit statistics ranged from 0.981 to 0.997, indicating strong fit for the conjoint models. Taken together, these results show that situational factor levels differentially influenced acceptance of coastal recreation management strategies.

Factor	Improve education / awareness	Limit use / restrict people	Improve upkeep	More facilities
Use level	24	34	19	23
Reef damage	38	32	21	19
Litter	19	17	21	18
Facilities condition	18	17	38	39

Table 33. Relative importance of each factor for each management action at Waikiki-Diamond Head Shoreline FMA<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Cell entries are percentage averaged importance (%).

The relative importance of each factor for each of the four management strategies is displayed in Table 33. The numbers are averaged importance ratings across all respondents and sum to 100% for each management action. When rating acceptance of "improving education and awareness of users," the most important factor was recreation damage to reefs (38%). This suggests that if reefs are damaged from recreation use, the most acceptable strategy would be to improve user information and education. Use level accounted for 24% of importance. Litter (19%) and condition of facilities (18%) were least important factors influencing acceptance of this management action. In rating acceptance of "restricting the number of people allowed" (i.e., limit use), the most important factors were use level (34%) and damage to coral reefs (32%). Again, litter and condition of facilities (17%) were least important factors influencing acceptance of this management action. When rating acceptance of "improving maintenance and upkeep"

and "providing more facilities," the most important factor was condition of facilities (38% and 39%, respectively). This suggests that if facilities are in poor condition, the most acceptable strategies would be to improve maintenance and upkeep, and provide more facilities. Use level, reef damage, and litter were substantially less important in affecting acceptance of these two management actions (18% to 23%). Taken together, these results indicate that the relative importance of the four factors to mean acceptance ratings substantively differed according to the management actions evaluated.

Section Summary. Taken together, results showed that:

- The management strategy that received support from the most respondents at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach and Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches (38% to 44%) was providing more educational and interpretive information. Users at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach were somewhat divided on whether there should be more enforcement of rules and regulations at this site. This strategy, however, was opposed by the majority of users at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches (58% oppose). The majority of users at both sites also opposed designated parking for tour buses (66% to 74% oppose) and zoning of activities (50% to 51% oppose). Respondents were most strongly opposed to allowing commercial activities (e.g., tour operators) at each site (78% to 80% oppose).
- Respondents were presented with eight scenarios of varying use levels, impacts to coral reefs, amounts of litter, and conditions of facilities (i.e., factors), and then evaluated the acceptability of four management strategies for each scenario (improve education and awareness of users, restrict number of people [i.e., limit use], improve maintenance and upkeep, provide more facilities). Improving education and awareness was the most strongly supported management action for each scenario. Even for the scenario describing the lowest amount of negative impact for each factor, improving education and awareness was acceptable, suggesting that respondents believed that education and awareness of users at each site currently needs to be improved. If conditions deteriorate (e.g., more damage to reefs, litter), this action would be even more acceptable.
- Improving maintenance or upkeep was the second most strongly supported management action for each scenario. This strategy was acceptable even for the scenario describing the lowest amount of negative impact for each factor, suggesting that users believed that maintenance and upkeep at each site needs to be improved. If conditions worsen (e.g., more reef damage, litter), this strategy would be even more acceptable.
- The third most strongly supported management strategy for each scenario was providing more facilities and services. More facilities and services was acceptable even for the scenario describing the lowest amount of negative impact for each factor, suggesting that many current users would support more facilities and services at each site. If conditions deteriorate (e.g., more damage to reefs, litter), providing more facilities and services would be even more acceptable.
- Respondents were most strongly opposed to restricting the number of people allowed in the area. If site conditions worsen, however, restricting use would become more acceptable. If use levels are high, there is a substantial amount of litter and damage to coral reefs from recreation, and facilities are in disrepair, users would be more supportive of strategies designed to restrict the number of people allowed in the area.

- The most strongly supported strategy of improving education and awareness of people also generated the most consensus among respondents, suggesting that this would be the least controversial action. There was also strong consensus for improving maintenance and upkeep. The least acceptable strategy was restricting the number of people allowed in the area, but this was also the most controversial; it is likely that restricting the number of people allowed would generate controversy among users unless conditions deteriorated to a point where use levels were extremely high, there was substantial damage to reefs, litter was abundant, and facilities were in disrepair. Acceptance of each of the four management strategies did not substantively differ between the two sites (i.e., Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches) for each scenario.
- Conjoint analyses showed that situational factor levels differentially affected acceptance of management strategies. The strategy "improve education and awareness of users" was rated as acceptable across all factor levels, but was most acceptable if the amount of damage to reefs was substantial. "Restricting the number of people allowed in the area" was acceptable for two factor levels, but was unacceptable if use levels were low and reef damage was minimal; if use levels were low and reef damage was minimal; if use levels were low and reef damage was minimal; if use levels were low and reef damage was minimal, this would not be a supported strategy. This strategy was most acceptable if use levels were high and the amount of damage to reefs was substantial. "Improve maintenance and upkeep" and "provide more facilities or services" were acceptable across all factor levels, but were most acceptable if facilities were in poor condition.
- When rating acceptance of "improving education and awareness of users," the most important factor was recreation damage to reefs. In rating acceptance of "restricting the number of people allowed" (i.e., limit use), the most important factors were use level and damage to coral reefs. When rating acceptance of "improving maintenance and upkeep" and "providing more facilities," the most important factor was condition of facilities.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on these results from surveys of users at Waikiki-Diamond Head Shoreline FMA, the following management recommendations are proposed:

- The types of people, activities in which they were participating, and their attitudes and preferences often differed between the two sites (i.e., Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches). This suggests the need for site-specific management of various areas within Waikiki-Diamond Head Shoreline FMA irrespective of the close proximity of some of these areas.
- Within each site, users were heterogeneous, exhibiting a range of demographic characteristics and preferences. This suggests that not all users will respond in the same manner to changes in conditions and management at each site. Despite this diversity of users, the largest proportion of respondents had previously visited each site before and were residents of Hawaii, suggesting that managers should take opinions of repeat visitors and local residents into consideration when making decisions affecting each site.

- The largest proportion of respondents had strong protectionist value orientations toward coral reef areas (i.e., biocentric, nature-centered), suggesting that recreation or other uses that have deleterious effects on coral reef ecosystems are not likely to be supported at each site. Research has shown that individuals' value orientations influence their attitudes, intentions, and behaviors, so knowing users' value orientations can be useful for estimating possible reactions to potentially controversial management actions. In addition, value orientations are stable and resistant to change, so attempts to inform and educate individuals with protectionist value orientations toward reef areas to consider adopting a favorable attitude and vote in support of actions that may be harmful to reef areas are unlikely to be successful.
- Although overall satisfaction of summer users at each site was extremely high, users were not satisfied with every aspect of the setting or their experience. At Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, users were most dissatisfied with availability of parking and conditions of bathrooms. At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches, respondents were most dissatisfied with the lack of bathrooms. These issues deserve management attention.
- At Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, respondents were most satisfied with the presence of lifeguards at the beach and that users were not required to pay a fee to visit the area. At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches, users were most satisfied with the clean ocean water and that they did not have to pay a fee to visit the area These and other conditions (e.g., bathrooms and parking at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach; signs and trash cans at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches) should be maintained and monitored to ensure that user satisfaction does not decline.
- Users rated all aspects of their experience and the conditions at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach as important and were satisfied with these aspects, suggesting that managers should "keep up the good work" in their current management of this site. At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches, users also rated most aspects of their experience and the conditions as important and were satisfied with these aspects, suggesting that managers should "keep up the good work" in their management of this site. However, bathrooms were important to users at this site, but users were dissatisfied with the lack of bathrooms at this site, suggesting that managers need to concentrate on addressing the lack of bathrooms at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches.
- Both Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach (47% of users felt crowded) and Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches (39% of users felt crowded) had "low normal" crowding, suggesting that a major problem situation with summer use crowding does not exist at these two sites at this time. Use levels and users' perceptions of crowding should be monitored to ensure that crowding does not increase.
- At both sites, the majority of users reported encountering fewer people than the maximum number that they would accept encountering, suggesting that summer use levels are not a major problem at each site. Given that approximately one-third of users at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach, however, encountered more people than their maximum tolerance, research and management attention may be needed to determine if summer use is expected to increase dramatically. In addition, use levels should be monitored to

ensure that they do not frequently exceed approximately 217 people at one time at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach and 118 people at one time at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs.

- At each site, the majority of users reported encountering fewer bathrooms, showers, trash cans, picnic tables, park benches, and information signs than they feel should be at each site. In other words, users want more of each facility at each site and this would increase their satisfaction. From a management perspective, however, this may not be financially or logistically feasible. When the number of each facility that users' felt should be at each site was compared to what was actually at each site, there were enough of most facilities. At Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches, however, managers should consider installing bathrooms, picnic tables, and park benches.
- There was not a substantial amount of conflict among activity groups at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach. The most prevalent conflict was with sunbathers and swimmers at this site (31%). There was, however conflict with surfers (45%) and windsurfers / kitesurfers (38%) at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches. Zoning activity groups to keep them apart is often used to mitigate conflict. Zoning does not seem to be feasible or necessary at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach at this time, but may be useful for separating surfers and windsurfers / kitesurfers at Diamond Head / Kuilei Cliffs Beaches. Enforcing zones, however, tends to be expensive and time consuming. It may more appropriate to inform users of appropriate behaviors by improving user education and awareness (e.g., signs, brochures, orientation sessions, contact with personnel).
- A large percentage of users observed people handling or standing on coral at each site and believed that this depreciative behavior was a problem at each site (58% to 61% observed, 67% to 75% felt it was a problem). Research has shown that touching or standing on coral reefs can cause harmful effects such as coral breakage and mortality. In addition, this behavior could pose safety risks to humans (e.g., cuts, scrapes, infections). As a result, management attention is needed to reduce the amount of handling and standing on coral at each site. A first step would be to provide interpretive and educational material at each site (e.g., signs, brochures, orientation sessions) informing users of the various problems associated with these behaviors. Following implementation of these indirect management actions, monitoring and additional follow-up research should be conducted to examine the extent to which participation in these behaviors has been reduced. If these approaches are unsuccessful, more direct management tactics such as regulations and enforcement may be necessary.
- The management strategy that would be supported by the most users at each site would be providing more interpretive and educational information (e.g., signs, brochures, orientation sessions, contact with personnel / lifeguards). Zoning of activities, parking for tour buses, and commercial activities (e.g., recreation tour operators) would be opposed by the majority of users. If managers decide that zoning, bus parking, and / or commercial activities are necessary in the future, users and local residents should be involved in informing the decision making process and a highly visible educational campaign should be implemented educating users and the community about the rationale for any decisions.

• Respondents believed that improved interpretive and educational information, more upkeep and maintenance of facilities, and more facilities would currently be acceptable at each site. Restricting the number of users allowed at each site (i.e., limiting use) would currently be unacceptable. If there is ever evidence of substantial coral reef damage from recreation at each site, the most supported management strategy would be to provide more interpretive and educational information to users. If there is evidence that facilities (e.g., bathrooms, showers, trash cans) are in disrepair at each site, the most supported management strategies would be to improve upkeep and maintenance followed by providing more facilities. Restricting the number of people allowed at each site would only be supported if there was evidence that use levels were extremely high, coral reefs were damaged substantially, litter was prevalent, and facilities were in disrepair.

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# **APPENDIX A: SURVEY INSTRUMENTS**

The Hawaii Division of Aquatic Resources ar experiences at Sans Souci Beach and opinion managers. Participation is voluntary and answ	Id Hawaii Coral Reef a about how this area a vers are anonymous. P	Initiative are con should be manag lease answer <u>all</u>	ducting this so ed. Your input questions and	rvey to ur is importa is return to	nderstand yo ant and will <i>the field re</i>	ur help searcher.
<ul> <li>You are at Sans Souci / Kaimana Beach ri</li> <li>No</li> <li>Yes → if yes, how many previous</li> </ul>	ght now. <i>Prior to toda</i> times have you been t	<b>1y</b> , had you ever o Sans Souci Be	been to Sans S ach? <b>(write re</b>	Souci Beac sponse)	h before? (c	time(s)
<ul> <li>Please check <i>all</i> of the activities in which</li> <li>A. Sunbathing</li> <li>D.</li> <li>B. Swimming or Wading</li> <li>C. Fishing</li> <li>F.</li> </ul>	you are participating Snorkeling SCUBA Diving Beach Walking or Hil	<i>at Sans Souci Ba</i> G. I H. S Sing I. V	each today. (cl Boating (e.g., l Surfing Windsurfing of	h <b>eck ALL</b> Kayak, Car Kitesurfir	THAT AP	PLY) oat)
<ol> <li>From the activities in Question 2 above, w today? (write ONE letter that matches y Letter for main activity</li> </ol>	what is the <u>ONE</u> main rour response)	<i>activity</i> in which	n you are partie	cipating <i>at</i>	Sans Souci	Beach
<ol> <li>How would you describe your skill level i</li> <li>Beginner Novice</li> </ol>	n this main activity? (	check ONE) diate	] Advanced		Expert	
5. Are you participating in this main activity	today as part of an or	ganized or guide	d tour? (checl	(ONE)	🗌 No	🗌 Yes
<ul> <li>Overall, how satisfied are you with your v</li> <li>Very Dissatisfied</li> <li>Dissatisfied</li> </ul>	risit to Sans Souci Bea I Distinct	ch today? (chec	k ONE) ] Satisfied	E	] Very Sati	sfied
7. Approximately how many other people di 0 5 10 20 35 50 75	d you see in total at S 100 200 350	ans Souci Beach 500 750	today? <b>(circle</b> 1000 150	<b>ONE nur</b> ) 2000	nber) + people	
B. How did the number of other people you Reduced My Enjoyment	saw at Sans Souci Bea ] Had No Effect on M	ch today affect y Iy Enjoyment	our enjoymen	t? (check) eased My	<b>ONE)</b> Enjoyment	
<ul> <li>What is the <i>maximum</i> number of other per It is OK to see as many as: (circl 0 5 10 20 35 50 75 OR  </li> </ul>	e ONE number OR of 100 200 350 e doesn't matter to me	t seeing at any o heck one of the 500 750 It ma	ne time at San other two op 1000 150 tters to me, bu	s Souci Be <b>tions)</b> ) 2000 t I can't sp	each? + <i>people</i> recify a num	ber
10. How important is it that you have the opp <ul> <li>Not at all Important</li> <li>Slight</li> </ul>	ortunity to escape cro ntly Important	wds of people at	Sans Souci Be Important	each? (che	ck ONE) cemely Impo	ortant
11. To what extent did you feel crowded by e	ach of the following a	t Sans Souci Bea	ich today? (cir	cle one nu	mber for <u>E</u>	<u>ACH</u> item)
	Not at all Crowded S	lightly Crowded	Moderately	Crowded	Extremely	Crowded
Number of subathers or swimmers	1 2	3 4	5 6	7	8	9
Number of surfere	1 2	3 4	5 6	/	8	<u>9</u> <u>-</u>
Number of windsurfers or kitesurfers	1 2	5 4 3 4	5 6 5 6	7	8 8	9
Number of boaters (e.g., kayak, motor)	1 2	3 4	5 6	' 7	8	<u>´</u>
Number of anglers (people fishing)	1 2	3 4	5 6	7	8	9
Total number of people at Sans Souci	1 2	3 4	56	7	8	9

## 12. We are interested in how many people you are willing to see at Sans Souci Beach. Please rate how <u>ACCEPTABLE</u> the density of people is in EACH photograph below <u>IF IT WAS TO OCCUR AT SANS SOUCI</u> (circle one number for each photo)

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	Very Unacceptable		Unacceptable		Neither	Acce	Acceptable		Very Acceptable	
Photograph A	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Photograph B	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Photograph C	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Photograph D	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Photograph E	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Photograph F	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	













13. Now, please rate the extent to which you feel that the density of people in EACH photograph above SHOULD OR SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO OCCUR AT SANS SOUCI BEACH. (circle one number for each photo)

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	Should E Not A	efinitely Allow	itely Should Maybe Not Allow		Neither	Should Maybe Allow		Should Definitely Allow			
Photograph A	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9		
Photograph B	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9		
Photograph C	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9		
Photograph D	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9		
Photograph E	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9		
Photograph F	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9		

14. Which <u>ONE</u> photograph above is like what you saw most often at Sans Souci Beach today? (check ONE)

Photo A Photo B Photo C Photo D Photo E Photo F

15	. To	what	extent	do '	vou disagree	or agree with	h each c	of the	foll	lowing statements?	(circle on	e number i	for <i>each</i>	statement	)
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	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither	Agree	Strongly Agree
Humans should manage coral reef areas so that humans benefit.	1	2	3	4	5
The needs of humans are more important than coral reef areas.	1	2	3	4	5
Recreational use of coral reef areas is more important than protecting the species that live there.	1	2	3	4	5
The primary value of coral reef areas is to provide for humans.	1	2	3	4	5
Coral reef areas should be protected for their own sake rather than to simply meet the needs of humans.	1	2	3	4	5
Coral reef areas should have rights similar to the rights of humans.	1	2	3	4	5
Recreational use of coral reef areas should not be allowed if it damages these areas.	1	2	3	4	5
Coral reef areas have value whether humans are present or not.	1	2	3	4	5

16. Assuming you could be on Oahu Island again in the future, how likely would you take the following actions based on the number of people or behavior of other activity groups you have seen at Sans Souci Beach? (circle one number for each action)

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	Very Unlikely	Unlikely	Neither	Likely	Very Likely
Come back to Sans Souci, but avoid peak use times (weekends, holidays).	1	2	3	4	5
Come back to Sans Souci earlier or later in day when less people are here.	1	2	3	4	5
Come back to Sans Souci, but change the way I think about this area, deciding that it offers a different type of experience than I first believed.	1	2	3	4	5
Come back to Sans Souci realizing conditions I saw today are suitable.	1	2	3	4	5
Go to other nearby or adjacent beach / marine areas instead.	1	2	3	4	5
Go to other beach / marine areas on other parts of Oahu Island instead.	1	2	3	4	5

17. To what extent do you feel that you have seen or experienced conflict with each of the following activity groups during any of your visits to Sans Souci Beach? (circle one number for *each* activity group)

How much conflict with	No Co	onflict	Slight	Conflict	Moc	lerate Con	nflict	Extreme Conflict		
sunbathers or swimmers	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
snorkelers or SCUBA divers	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
surfers	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
windsurfers or kitesurfers	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
boaters (e.g., kayak, motorboat)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
anglers (people fishing)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	

18.	To what extent do you	u disagree or ag	ree with each of	f the following	statements?	(circle one number	for each statement)

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither	Agree	Strongly Agree
Just knowing that <i>sunbathers or swimmers</i>	1	2	3	4	5
Just knowing that snorkelers or SCUBA divers are at Sans Souci Beach bothers me, even if I never see or hear them.	1	2	3	4	5
Just knowing that <i>surfers</i> are at Sans Souci Beach bothers me, even if I never see or hear them.	1	2	3	4	5
Just knowing that <i>windsurfers or kitesurfers</i> are at Sans Souci Beach bothers me, even if I never see or hear them.	1	2	3	4	5
Just knowing that <b>boaters</b> (e.g., kayak, motorboat) are at Sans Souci Beach bothers me, even if I never see or hear them.	1	2	3	4	5
Just knowing that <i>anglers (people fishing)</i> are at Sans Souci Beach bothers me, even if I never see or hear them.	1	2	3	4	5

19. How often have you seen each of the following during any of your visits to Sans Souci? (circle one number for each item)

	Never	Once or Twice	Sometimes	Many Times
Sunbathers or swimmers being rude or discourteous	0	1	2	3
Sunbathers or swimmers being too close	0	1	2	3
Sunbathers or swimmers not looking where they are going	0	1	2	3
Snorkelers or SCUBA divers being rude or discourteous	0	1	2	3
Snorkelers or SCUBA divers being too close	0	1	2	3
Snorkelers or SCUBA divers not looking where they are going	0	1	2	3
Surfers being rude or discourteous	0	1	2	3
Surfers being too close	0	1	2	3
Surfers not looking where they are going	0	1	2	3
Windsurfers or kitesurfers being rude or discourteous	0	1	2	3
Windsurfers or kitesurfers being too close	0	1	2	3
Windsurfers or kitesurfers not looking where they are going	0	1	2	3
Boaters (e.g., kayak, motorboat) being rude or discourteous	0	1	2	3
Boaters (e.g., kayak, motorboat) being too close	0	1	2	3
Boaters (e.g., kayak, motorboat) not looking where they are going	0	1	2	3
Anglers (people fishing) being rude or discourteous	0	1	2	3
Anglers (people fishing) being too close	0	1	2	3
Anglers (people fishing) not looking where they cast their line / hook	0	1	2	3

20. To what extent do you feel that each of the following is a *problem* at Sans Souci Beach? (circle one number for each item)

	Not at all	Slight	Moderate	Extreme
	a Problem	Problem	Problem	Problem
Sunbathers or swimmers being rude or discourteous	0	1	2	3
Sunbathers or swimmers being too close	0	1	2	3
Sunbathers or swimmers not looking where they are going	0	1	2	3
Snorkelers or SCUBA divers being rude or discourteous	0	1	2	3
Snorkelers or SCUBA divers being too close	0	1	2	3
Snorkelers or SCUBA divers not looking where they are going	0	1	2	3
Surfers being rude or discourteous	0	1	2	3
Surfers being too close	0	1	2	3
Surfers not looking where they are going	0	1	2	3
Windsurfers or kitesurfers being rude or discourteous	0	1	2	3
Windsurfers or kitesurfers being too close	0	1	2	3
Windsurfers or kitesurfers not looking where they are going	0	1	2	3
Boaters (e.g., kayak, motorboat) being rude or discourteous	0	1	2	3
Boaters (e.g., kayak, motorboat) being too close	0	1	2	3
Boaters (e.g., kayak, motorboat) not looking where they are going	0	1	2	3
Anglers (people fishing) being rude or discourteous	0	1	2	3
Anglers (people fishing) being too close	0	1	2	3
Anglers (people fishing) not looking where they cast their line / hook	0	1	2	3
1. Should there be more educational or interpretive information at Sans So	uci? (check O	NE)	No 🗌 Yes	Unsure
2. Should Sans Souci be zoned so different recreation activities don't over	lap in the same	e areas?	No 🗌 Yes	Unsure
3. Are you: (check ONE) 🗌 Male 🗌 Female				
4. What is your age? (write response) years old				
5. Where do you live? (write responses) State / Province		Country		

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4. H	low wou Beg	ild you des inner	cribe y	our skill	level in this	main activity? (ch	eck ONE) ate 🗌 Adv.	anced		Experi	t	
5. A	tre you p	oarticipatin	g in thi	is main ac	ctivity today	as part of an orga	nized or guided tour	? (check	ONE)	🗌 No		Yes
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	Rate	e IMPORTA	ANCE						Rate S	SATISFAC	TION	
Not	ortant	Neither	Im	Very	Cha	racteristics at San	s Souci Beach	Very	/ atisfied	Neither	Sat	Very
1	2	3	4	5	Pa	arking availability	for vehicles	1	2	3	4	5
1	2	3	4	5		Bathroon	15	1	2	3	4	5
1	2	3	4	5		Showers / rinse	stations	1	2	3	4	5
1	2	3	4	5		Trash car	IS	1	2	3	4	5
1	2	3	4	5		Absence of	litter	1	2	3	4	5
1	2	3	4	5		Picnic tab	es	1	2	3	4	5
1	2	3	4	5		Park bench	nes	1	2	3	4	5
1	2	3	4	5	Informatio	on signs about reg	ulations / guidelines	1	2	3	4	5
1	2	3	4	5		Presence of life	guards	1	2	3	4	5
. 1	2	3	4	5	Not re	quired to pay a fee	to visit the area	1	2	3	4	5
1	2	3	4	5	Oppor	rtunity to escape c	rowds of people	1	2	3	4	5
1	2	3	4	5		Clean ocean	water	1	2	3		5
1	2	3	4	5		Healthy coral	reets	1	2	3	4	5

Opportunity to see small marine life (e.g., fish)

Opportunity to see large marine life (turtle,dolphin)

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8. How many of each of the following HAVE YOU SEEN at Sans Souci Beach? (circle one number for EACH item)

	Number <u>I HAVE SEEN</u> at Sans Souci Beach															
Bathrooms		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12	14	16	18	20+
Showers / rinse stations	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12	14	16	18	20+
Trash cans	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12	14	16	18	20+
Picnic tables	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12	14	16	18	20+
Park benches	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12	14	16	18	20+
Information signs about regulations / guidelines 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 12 1						14	16	18	20+							

9. How many of each of the following DO YOU FEEL SHOULD BE at Sans Souci? (circle one number for EACH item)

			]	Num	ıber	TH	AT S	SHO	ULI	) BE	<u>E</u> at S	ans S	ouci	Beacl	h	
Bathrooms	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12	14	16	18	20+
Showers / rinse stations	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12	14	16	18	20+
Trash cans	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12	14	16	18	20+
Picnic tables	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12	14	16	18	20+
Park benches	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12	14	16	18	20+
Information signs about regulations / guidelines	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12	14	16	18	20+

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11. Should there be designated p	parking areas for tour	buses at	Sans Souci E	each?	🗌 No	Yes	Unsure

12. Should there be more enforcement of rules / regulations at Sans Souci Beach?	🗌 No	Yes	Unsure
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<ol><li>How often have you see</li></ol>	een people handling or standing on c	oral during any of your visit	ts to Sans Souci Beach? (check ONE)
Never	Once or Twice	Sometimes	Many Times

14. To what extent do you feel that people handling or standing on coral is a problem at Sans Souci Beach? (check ONE)

 Not at all a Problem
 Slight Problem
 Moderate Problem
 Extreme Problem

15. To what extent do you disagree or agree with each of the following statements? (circle one number for each statement)

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither	Agree	Strongly Agree
Humans should manage coral reef areas so that humans benefit.	1	2	3	4	5
The needs of humans are more important than coral reef areas.	1	2	3	4	5
Recreational use of coral reef areas is more important than protecting the species that live there.	1	2	3	4	5
The primary value of coral reef areas is to provide for humans.	1	2	3	4	5
Coral reef areas should be protected for their own sake rather than to simply meet the needs of humans.	1	2	3	4	5
Coral reef areas should have rights similar to the rights of humans.	1	2	3	4	5
Recreational use of coral reef areas should not be allowed if it damages these areas.	1	2	3	4	5
Coral reef areas have value whether humans are present or not.	1	2	3	4	5

The following shaded boxes contain 8 scenarios that describe potential conditions at Sans Souci. <u>NO SCENARIOS ARE THE</u> <u>SAME</u>. <u>Carefully read each scenario then answer ALL questions after each scenario</u> by circling one number for each action.

Scenario 1: Imagine all four of the following conditions were common at Sans Souci Beach:				
• HIGH number of people (use level)	• MINIMAL recreation damage to coral reef (less than 25% broken, trampled)			
• NO litter	• POOR condition of facilities (e.g., bathrooms, showers, trash cans, signs)			

16. If all conditions in Scenario 1 were common how acceptable would it be for managers to take EACH of the following actions?

	Very Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Neither	Acceptable	Very Acceptable
Improve education / awareness of people in this area	1	2	3	4	5
Restrict the number of people allowed in this area	1	2	3	4	5
Improve maintenance or upkeep of this area	1	2	3	4	5
Provide more facilities or services in this area	1	2	3	4	5

Scenario 2: Imagine all four of the following conditions were common at Sans Souci Beach:					
• HIGH number of people (use level)	• SUBSTANTIAL recreation damage to coral reef (over 75% broken, trampled)				
• SOME litter	• POOR condition of facilities (e.g., bathrooms, showers, trash cans, signs)				

17. If all conditions in Scenario 2 were common how acceptable would it be for managers to take EACH of the following actions?

	Very Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Neither	Acceptable	Very Acceptable
Improve education / awareness of people in this area	1	2	3	4	5
Restrict the number of people allowed in this area	1	2	3	4	5
Improve maintenance or upkeep of this area	1	2	3	4	5
Provide more facilities or services in this area	1	2	3	4	5

Scenario 3: Imagine all four of the following	g conditions were common at Sans Souci Beach:
• HIGH number of people (use level)	• MINIMAL recreation damage to coral reef (less than 25% broken, trampled)
• SOME litter	• GOOD condition of facilities (e.g., bathrooms, showers, trash cans, signs)

18. If all conditions in Scenario 3 were common how acceptable would it be for managers to take EACH of the following actions?

	Very Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Neither	Acceptable	Very Acceptable
Improve education / awareness of people in this area	1	2	3	4	5
Restrict the number of people allowed in this area	1	2	3	4	5
Improve maintenance or upkeep of this area	1	2	3	4	5
Provide more facilities or services in this area	1	2	3	4	5

Scenario 4: Imagine all four of the following conditions were common at Sans Souci Beach:				
• LOW number of people (use level) • MINIMAL recreation damage to coral reef (less than 25% broken, trampled				
• NO litter	• GOOD condition of facilities (e.g., bathrooms, showers, trash cans, signs)			

19. If all conditions in Scenario 4 were common how acceptable would it be for managers to take EACH of the following actions?

	Very Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Neither	Acceptable	Very Acceptable
Improve education / awareness of people in this area	1	2	3	4	5
Restrict the number of people allowed in this area	1	2	3	4	5
Improve maintenance or upkeep of this area	1	2	3	4	5
Provide more facilities or services in this area	1	2	3	4	5

Scenario 5: Imagine <u>all four</u> of the following condition	ons were common at	Sans Souci Be	ach:		
• LOW number of people (use level) • SUB	STANTIAL recreat	ion damage to c	oral reef	(over 75% br	oken, trampled)
NO litter     POO	R condition of facili	ities (e.g., bathr	ooms, sho	owers, trash c	ans, signs)
20 If all conditions in Scenario 5 were common how	acceptable would it	be for managers	s to take I	EACH of the	following actions?
	Verv Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Neither	Acceptable	Verv Acceptable
Improve education / awareness of people in this area	1	2	3	4	5
Restrict the number of people allowed in this area	1	2	3	4	5
Improve maintenance or upkeep of this area	1	2	3	4	5
Provide more facilities or services in this area	1	2	3	4	5
Scenario 6: Imagine all four of the following condition	ons were common at	Sans Souci Be	ach:		
• LOW number of people (use level) • SUB	STANTIAL recreat	ion damage to c	oral reef	(over 75% br	oken, trampled)
• SOME litter • GOO	D condition of facil	ities (e.g., bath	rooms, sh	owers, trash o	cans, signs)
21 If all conditions in Securatio 6 wars common how	accontable would it.	ha far managar	, to taka I	ZACH of the	following actions?
21. If all conditions in Scenario 6 were common now	Verse Une secontable	Una acomtoble	Naithan	A sasantahla	Vom: A seamtable
Immension advection / anterprese of manyle in this area			Neither	Acceptable	very Acceptable
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Restrict the number of people allowed in this area	1	2	2	4	<u>&gt;</u>
Provide more facilities or services in this area	1	2	3	4	5
Trovide more facilities of services in this area	1	2	5	4	5
22. <u>If all conditions in Scenario 7 were common</u> how	acceptable would it	be for managers	s to take <u>I</u>	EACH of the	following actions?
	Very Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Neither	Acceptable	Very Acceptable
Improve education / awareness of people in this area	1	2	3	4	5
Restrict the number of people allowed in this area	1	2	3	4	5
Improve maintenance or upkeep of this area	1	2	3	4	5
Provide more facilities or services in this area	1	2	3	4	5
Scenario 8:         Imagine all four         of the following condition           • LOW number of people (use level)         • MIN           • SOME litter         • POO	ons were common at IMAL recreation da R condition of facili	Sans Souci Bea mage to coral r ities (e.g., bathr	ach: eef (less t ooms, sho	han 25% bro owers, trash c	ken, trampled) ans, signs)
23. If all conditions in Scenario 8 were common how	acceptable would it	be for managers	s to take <u>I</u>	EACH of the	following actions?
	Very Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Neither	Acceptable	Very Acceptable
Improve education / awareness of people in this area	1	2	3	4	5
Restrict the number of people allowed in this area	1	2	3	4	5
Improve maintenance or upkeep of this area	1	2	3	4	5
Provide more facilities or services in this area	1	2	3	4	~
					5
24. Are you: (check ONE)	9				3
24. Are you: (check ONE)       Male       Female         25. What is your age? (write response)       y	e rears old				3

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<b>Recreationists' Experien</b>	ces and Pr	eference	es at Di	amon	d Hea	d Bea	ch A	rea		
The Hawaii Division of Aquatic Reson experiences at Diamond Head Beach a managers. Participation is voluntary an	nrces and Hawa nd opinions abo nd answers are a	ii Coral Reef out how this monymous.	f Initiative area shoul <b>Please an</b> s	are condu d be man swer <u>all</u> q	ucting thi aged. Yo <i>uestions</i>	is survey ur input i <i>and retu</i>	to und is impo <b>rn to tl</b>	erstand yo rtant and y he field res	ur vill help searcher.	
<ol> <li>You are at the Diamond Head Bea</li> <li>No</li> <li>Yes → if yes, how many provide the second seco</li></ol>	ch area right no evious times ha	w. <i>Prior to to</i> we you been	<i>oday</i> , had to Diamo	you ever nd Head I	been to t Beach? (v	his beach write res	area b ponse)	efore? (ch	eck ONE)	
<ul> <li>2. Please check <i>all</i> of the activities in</li> <li>A. Sunbathing</li> <li>B. Swimming or Wading</li> <li>C. Fishing</li> </ul>	which you are D. Snorkeli E. SCUBA F. Beach W	participating ng Diving /alking or H	a <i>t Diamo</i> iking	<i>nd Head</i> ☐ <i>G</i> . Bo ☐ <i>H</i> . Su ☐ <i>I</i> . Wi	Beach to pating (e., urfing indsurfing	oday. (cho g., Kayak g or Kite:	eck AI , Cano surfing	L THAT e, Motorbo	<b>APPLY)</b> Dat)	A
<ol> <li>From the activities in Question 2 a Beach area today? (write ONE le Letter for main activity</li> </ol>	bove, what is th tter that match	e <u>ONE</u> main les your resj	<i>activity</i> i ponse)	n which y	ou are pa	articipatii	ng <i>at th</i>	ne Diamon	d Head	
4. How would you describe your skil	l level in this m ice	ain activity?	(check O ediate	NE)	Advance	d		Expert		C
5. Are you participating in this main	activity today as	s part of an o	organized of	or guided	tour? (ch	eck ON	E) [	No	🗌 Yes	
6. Overall, how satisfied are you with Very Dissatisfied Diss	a your visit to th atisfied	e Diamond I	Head Beac er	h area too	day? <b>(che</b> Satisfied	eck ONE	)	Very Satis	sfied	
7. Approximately how many other per 0 5 10 20 35 50	ople did you se 75 100	e in total at t 200 350	he Diamo ) 500	nd Head I 750 1	Beach are	ea today? 1500 2	(circle 2000 +	e ONE nui people	nber)	E
<ol> <li>How did the number of other peop</li> <li>Reduced My Enjoyment</li> </ol>	le you saw at th	e Diamond I o Effect on I	Head Beac My Enjoy	h area toc nent	lay affec □ I	t your enj ncreased	joymen My Er	it? (check njoyment	ONE)	
9. What is the <i>maximum</i> number of o It is OK to see as many as:	other people you (circle ONE 1	1 would acce	pt seeing check on	at any one e <b>of the o</b>	e time at <b>ther two</b>	the Diam options)	ond He	ead Beach	area?	
$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	75 100 people doesn't	200 350 matter to me	) 500 e [	750 1 ] It matte	ers to me	1500 2 , but I cai	2000 + n't spec	<i>people</i> cify a num	ber	13
10. How important is it that you have t	he opportunity ] Slightly Impo	to escape cro ortant	owds of pe	ople at D derately I	iamond I mportant	Head Bea	ch? (cl Extrei	neck ONE mely Impo	) rtant	
11. To what extent did you feel crowd	ed by the follow	ing at Diam	ond Head	Beach too	day? (cir	cle one n	umber	• for <u>EAC</u>	<u>H</u> item)	
	Not at a	ll Crowded	Slightly (	Crowded	Modera	ately Crow	vded	Extremely	/ Crowded	
Number of sunbathers or swimmers	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Number of surforg	/ers l	2		4	5	6	- 7	<u>8</u>	<u> </u>	
Number of windsurfers or kitesurfer	1 2 1	2	3	4 4	5 5	0 6	7	8 8	9	
Number of boaters (e.g., kavak, mot	or) 1	2	3	4	5	6		8	9	. 14
Number of anglers (people fishing)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Total number of people at this beach	area 1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	

# 12. We are interested in how many people you are willing to see at this beach. Please rate how <u>ACCEPTABLE</u> the density of people is in EACH photograph below <u>IF IT WAS TO OCCUR AT DIAMOND HEAD BEACH</u> (circle one number for each photo)

	Very Una	acceptable	Unacc	eptable	Neither	Acce	ptable	Very Acceptable		
Photograph A	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Photograph B	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Photograph C	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Photograph D	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Photograph E	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Photograph F	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	













Photo E

3. Now, please rate the extent to which you feel that the density of people in *EACH* photograph above <u>SHOULD OR SHOULD</u> <u>NOT BE ALLOWED TO OCCUR AT DIAMOND HEAD BEACH</u>. (circle one number for *each* photo)

	Should E Not A	Definitely Allow	Should Maybe Not Allow		Neither	Should Al	Maybe ow	Should Definitely Allow		
Photograph A	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Photograph B	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Photograph C	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Photograph D	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Photograph E	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Photograph F	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	

D Photo D

4. Which <u>ONE</u> photograph above is like what you saw most often at Diamond Head Beach today? (check ONE)

Photo C

Photo A Photo B

Photo F Please turn over page  $\rightarrow$ 

15. To what extent do you disagree or agree with each of the following statements? (circle one number for each statement)

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither	Agree	Strongly Agree
Humans should manage coral reef areas so that humans benefit.	1	2	3	4	5
The needs of humans are more important than coral reef areas.	1	2	3	4	5
Recreational use of coral reef areas is more important than protecting the species that live there.	1	2	3	4	5
The primary value of coral reef areas is to provide for humans.	1	2	3	4	5
Coral reef areas should be protected for their own sake rather than to simply meet the needs of humans.	1	2	3	4	5
Coral reef areas should have rights similar to the rights of humans.	1	2	3	4	5
Recreational use of coral reef areas should not be allowed if it damages these areas.	1	2	3	4	5
Coral reef areas have value whether humans are present or not.	1	2	3	4	5

### 16. Assuming you could be on Oahu Island again in the future, how likely would you take the following actions based on the

number of people or behavior of other activity groups you have seen at Diamond Head Beach? (circle one number for each)

	Very Unlikely	Unlikely	Neither	Likely	Very Likely
Come back to Diamond Head Beach, but avoid peak use times (weekend, holiday).	1	2	3	4	5
Come back to Diamond Head Beach early or later in day when less people are here.	1	2	3	4	5
Come back to Diamond Head Beach, but change the way I think about this area, deciding that it offers a different type of experience than I first believed.	1	2	3	4	5
Come back to Diamond Head Beach realizing conditions I saw today are suitable.	1	2	3	4	5
Go to other nearby or adjacent beach / marine areas instead.	1	2	3	4	5
Go to other beach / marine areas on other parts of Oahu Island instead.	1	2	3	4	5

## 17. To what extent do you feel that you have seen or experienced conflict with each of the following activity groups during any of your visits to the Diamond Head Beach area? (circle one number for each activity group)

How much conflict with	No C	onflict	Slight	Conflict	Moc	lerate Coi	nflict	Extreme Conflict		
sunbathers or swimmers	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
snorkelers or SCUBA divers	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
surfers	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
windsurfers or kitesurfers	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
boaters (e.g., kayak, motorboat)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
anglers (people fishing)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	

18. To what extent do you disagree or agree with each of the following statements? (circle one number for each statement)

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither	Agree	Strongly Agree
Just knowing that <i>sunbathers or swimmers</i>	1	2	3	4	5
are at Diamond Head Beach botners me, even if I never see or hear them.					
Just knowing that snorkelers or SCUBA divers	1	2	2	4	5
are at Diamond Head Beach bothers me, even if I never see or hear them.	1	2	3	4	5
Just knowing that <i>surfers</i>	1	 2	·····›	4	<u>د</u>
are at Diamond Head Beach bothers me, even if I never see or hear them.	1	2	3	4	3
Just knowing that windsurfers or kitesurfers	1	2	2	4	5
are at Diamond Head Beach bothers me, even if I never see or hear them.	1	Z	3	4	3
Just knowing that boaters (e.g., kayak, motorboat)	1	2	2	4	5
are at Diamond Head Beach bothers me, even if I never see or hear them.	1	2	3	4	5
Just knowing that anglers (people fishing)	1	2	2	4	5
are at Diamond Head Beach bothers me, even if I never see or hear them.	1	2	3	4	3

19. How often have you seen each of the following during any of your visits to Diamond Head Beach? (circle one number for each)

	Never	Once or Twice	Sometimes	Many Times
Sunbathers or swimmers being rude or discourteous	0	1	2	3
Sunbathers or swimmers being too close	0	1	2	3
Sunbathers or swimmers not looking where they are going	0	1	2	3
Snorkelers or SCUBA divers being rude or discourteous	0	1	2	3
Snorkelers or SCUBA divers being too close	0	1	2	3
Snorkelers or SCUBA divers not looking where they are going	0	1	2	3
Surfers being rude or discourteous	0	1	2	3
Surfers being too close	0	1	2	3
Surfers not looking where they are going	0	1	2	3
Windsurfers or kitesurfers being rude or discourteous	0	1	2	3
Windsurfers or kitesurfers being too close	0	1	2	3
Windsurfers or kitesurfers not looking where they are going	0	1	2	3
Boaters (e.g., kayak, motorboat) being rude or discourteous	0	1	2	3
Boaters (e.g., kayak, motorboat) being too close	0	1	2	3
Boaters (e.g., kayak, motorboat) not looking where they are going	0	1	2	3
Anglers (people fishing) being rude or discourteous	0	1	2	3
Anglers (people fishing) being too close	0	1	2	3
Anglers (people fishing) not looking where they cast their line / hook	0	1	2	3

20. To what extent do you feel that each of the following is a *problem* at Diamond Head Beach? (circle one number for each item)

	Not at all	Slight	Moderate	Extreme
	a Problem	Problem	Problem	Problem
Sunbathers or swimmers being rude or discourteous	0	1	2	3
Sunbathers or swimmers being too close	0	1	2	3
Sunbathers or swimmers not looking where they are going	0	1	2	3
Snorkelers or SCUBA divers being rude or discourteous	0	1	2	3
Snorkelers or SCUBA divers being too close	0	1	2	3
Snorkelers or SCUBA divers not looking where they are going	0	1	2	3
Surfers being rude or discourteous	0	1	2	3
Surfers being too close	0	1	2	3
Surfers not looking where they are going	0	1	2	3
Windsurfers or kitesurfers being rude or discourteous	0	1	2	3
Windsurfers or kitesurfers being too close	0	1	2	3
Windsurfers or kitesurfers not looking where they are going	0	1	2	3
Boaters (e.g., kayak, motorboat) being rude or discourteous	0	1	2	3
Boaters (e.g., kayak, motorboat) being too close	0	1	2	3
Boaters (e.g., kayak, motorboat) not looking where they are going	0	1	2	3
Anglers (people fishing) being rude or discourteous	0	1	2	3
Anglers (people fishing) being too close	0	1	2	3
Anglers (people fishing) not looking where they cast their line / hook	0	1	2	3
21. Should there be more educational or interpretive information at Diamond	Head Beach?	[	No Yes	Unsure
2. Should Diamond Head Beach be zoned so different activities don't overlap	o in the same a	reas?	No Yes	Unsure
3. Are you: (check ONE)				
4. What is your age? (write response) years old				
25. Where do you live? (write responses) State / Province		Country		

R	Recreationists' Experiences and Preferences at Diamond Head Beach Area												
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1.	You are	at the Diam	ond H , how	Iead Beacl	h area right no vious times h	ow. <i>Prior to tod</i> have you been to	<i>lay</i> , had yo Diamond	ou ever been to Head Beach?	this be (write	ach area	a before?	( <b>check</b> t	ONE)
<ul> <li>Please check <i>all</i> of the activities in which you are participating <i>at Diamond Head Beach today</i>. (check ALL THAT APPLY)</li> <li>A. Sunbathing</li> <li>D. Snorkeling</li> <li>G. Boating (e.g., Kayak, Canoe, Motorboat)</li> <li>E. SCUBA Diving</li> <li>H. Surfing</li> <li>C. Fishing</li> <li>F. Beach Walking or Hiking</li> <li>I. Windsurfing or Kitesurfing</li> </ul>													
<ol> <li>From the activities in Question 2 above, what is the <u>ONE</u> main activity in which you are participating at Diamond Head Beach today? (write ONE letter that matches your response) Letter for main activity</li> </ol>													
4.	<ul> <li>How would you describe your skill level in this main activity? (check ONE)</li> <li>Beginner Novice Intermediate Advanced Expert</li> </ul>												
5.	Are you	participatin	g in th	nis main ao	ctivity today a	as part of an org	anized or	guided tour? (	check (	ONE)	🗌 No		Yes
6.	Overall,	how satisfie y Dissatisfi	ed are	you with Dissa	your visit to t tisfied	he Diamond He	ad Beach	area today? (cl	neck O d	NE) [	Very S	Satisfie	d
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	1 2	3	4	5		Showers / rins	e stations		1	2	3	4	5
	1 2	3	4	5		Trash ca	ans		1	2	3	4	5
	1 2	3	4	5		Absence of	f litter		1	2	3	4	5
	1 2	3	4	5		Picnic ta	bles		1	2	3	4	5
	1 2	3	4	5		Park ben	ches		1	2	3	4	5
	1 2	3	4	5	Informatio	n signs about re	gulations	/ guidelines	1	2	3	4	5

Presence of lifeguards

Not required to pay a fee to visit the area

Opportunity to escape crowds of people

Clean ocean water

Healthy coral reefs

Opportunity to see small marine life (e.g., fish)

Opportunity to see large marine life (turtle,dolphin)

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8.	How many of each	of the following HA	<u>VE YOU SEEN</u> a	at Diamond Head Beach?	(circle one number f	for <u>EACH</u> item)
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	Number <u>I HAVE SEEN</u> at Diamond Head Beach															
Bathrooms	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12	14	16	18	20+
Showers / rinse stations	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12	14	16	18	20+
Trash cans	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12	14	16	18	20+
Picnic tables	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12	14	16	18	20+
Park benches	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12	14	16	18	20+
Information signs about regulations / guidelines	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12	14	16	18	20+

9. How many of each of the following DO YOU FEEL SHOULD BE at Diamond Head Beach? (circle one number for EACH)

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Bathrooms	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12	14	16	18	20+
Showers / rinse stations	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12	14	16	18	20+
Trash cans	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12	14	16	18	20+
Picnic tables	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12	14	16	18	20+
Park benches	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12	14	16	18	20+
Information signs about regulations / guidelines	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12	14	16	18	20+

10. Should commercial activities (e.g., recreation tour operators) be allowed at Diamond Head Beach? 🗌 No 🗌 Yes 🗍 Unsure

11. Should there be designated parking areas for tour buses at Diamond Head Beach?	No Yes Unsure
12. Should there be more enforcement of rules / regulations at Diamond Head Beach?	No Yes Unsure
12 How often have you seen people hendling or standing on earal during any of your visits to Diamon	d Hand Banch? (aback ONE)

- 13. How often have you seen people handling or standing on coral during any of your visits to Diamond Head Beach? (check ONE) Never Once or Twice Sometimes Many Times
- 14. To what extent do you feel that people handling or standing on coral is a problem at Diamond Head Beach? (check ONE) Not at all a Problem Slight Problem Moderate Problem Extreme Problem
- 15. To what extent do you disagree or agree with each of the following statements? (circle one number for each statement)

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither	Agree	Strongly Agree
Humans should manage coral reef areas so that humans benefit.	1	2	3	4	5
The needs of humans are more important than coral reef areas.	1	2	3	4	5
Recreational use of coral reef areas is more important than protecting the species that live there.	1	2	3	4	5
The primary value of coral reef areas is to provide for humans.	1	2	3	4	5
Coral reef areas should be protected for their own sake rather than to simply meet the needs of humans.	1	2	3	4	5
Coral reef areas should have rights similar to the rights of humans.	1	2	3	4	5
Recreational use of coral reef areas should not be allowed if it damages these areas.	1	2	3	4	5
Coral reef areas have value whether humans are present or not.	1	2	3	4	5

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The following shaded boxes contain 8 scenarios that describe potential conditions at Diamond Head Beach. <u>NO SCENARIOS ARE</u> <u>THE SAME</u>. Carefully read each scenario then answer ALL questions after each scenario by circling one number for each activ

Scenario 1: Imagine all four of the following conditions were common at the Diamond Head Beach area:					
• HIGH number of people (use level)	• MINIMAL recreation damage to coral reef (less than 25% broken, trampled)				
NO litter	• POOR condition of facilities (e.g., bathrooms, showers, trash cans, signs)				

16. If all conditions in Scenario 1 were common how acceptable would it be for managers to take EACH of the following actions?

	Very Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Neither	Acceptable	Very Acceptable
Improve education / awareness of people in this area	1	2	3	4	5
Restrict the number of people allowed in this area	1	2	3	4	5
Improve maintenance or upkeep of this area	1	2	3	4	5
Provide more facilities or services in this area	1	2	3	4	5

Scenario 2: Imagine <u>all four</u> of the following conditions were common at the Diamond Head Beach area:						
• HIGH number of people (use level)	• SUBSTANTIAL recreation damage to coral reef (over 75% broken, trampled)					
SOME litter	• POOR condition of facilities (e.g., bathrooms, showers, trash cans, signs)					

17. If all conditions in Scenario 2 were common how acceptable would it be for managers to take EACH of the following actions?

	Very Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Neither	Acceptable	Very Acceptable
Improve education / awareness of people in this area	1	2	3	4	5
Restrict the number of people allowed in this area	1	2	3	4	5
Improve maintenance or upkeep of this area	1	2	3	4	5
Provide more facilities or services in this area	1	2	3	4	5

Scenario 3: Imagine all four of the following conditions were common at the Diamond Head Beach area:						
• HIGH number of people (use level)	• MINIMAL recreation damage to coral reef (less than 25% broken, trampled)					
• SOME litter	• GOOD condition of facilities (e.g., bathrooms, showers, trash cans, signs)					

18. If all conditions in Scenario 3 were common how acceptable would it be for managers to take EACH of the following actions?

	Very Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Neither	Acceptable	Very Acceptable
Improve education / awareness of people in this area	1	2	3	4	5
Restrict the number of people allowed in this area	1	2	3	4	5
Improve maintenance or upkeep of this area	1	2	3	4	5
Provide more facilities or services in this area	1	2	3	4	5

Scenario 4: Imagine <u>all four</u> of the following conditions were common at the Diamond Head Beach area:					
• LOW number of people (use level)	• MINIMAL recreation damage to coral reef (less than 25% broken, trampled)				
• NO litter	• GOOD condition of facilities (e.g., bathrooms, showers, trash cans, signs)				

19. If all conditions in Scenario 4 were common how acceptable would it be for managers to take EACH of the following actions?

	Very Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Neither	Acceptable	Very Acceptable
Improve education / awareness of people in this area	1	2	3	4	5
Restrict the number of people allowed in this area	1	2	3	4	5
Improve maintenance or upkeep of this area	1	2	3	4	5
Provide more facilities or services in this area	1	2	3	4	5

Scenario 5: Imagine all four of the following cor	nditions were commo	on at the Diamond	Head Bead	ch area:	
• LOW number of people (use level) • S	SUBSTANTIAL rec	reation damage to	coral reef	(over 75% br	oken, trampled)
• NO litter • I	POOR condition of f	acilities (e.g., bath	rooms, sh	owers, trash c	ans, signs)
20 If all conditions in Scenario 5 were common	now acceptable woul	d it be for manage	rs to take I	EACH of the	following actions?
	Very Unaccenta	hle Unaccentable	Neither	Accentable	Very Accentable
Improve education / awareness of people in this a	irea 1	2	3	4	5
Restrict the number of people allowed in this area	a 1	2	3	4	5
Improve maintenance or unkeen of this area	1	2	3	4	5
Provide more facilities or services in this area	1	2	3	4	5
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Scenario 6: Imagine <i>au jour</i> of the following con	CUDETANTIAL	on at the Diamond	Head Bead	ch area:	
• LOW number of people (use level) • S	SUBSIANIIAL rec	reation damage to	coral reef	(over /5% br	oken, trampled)
• SOME litter • O	GOOD condition of	facilities (e.g., bath	hrooms, sh	owers, trash	cans, signs)
21. <u>If all conditions in Scenario 6 were common</u> h	now acceptable woul	d it be for manage	rs to take <u>I</u>	EACH of the	following actions?
	Very Unaccepta	ble Unacceptable	Neither	Acceptable	Very Acceptable
Improve education / awareness of people in this a	irea 1	2	3	4	5
Restrict the number of people allowed in this area	a 1	2	3	4	5
Improve maintenance or upkeep of this area	1	2	3	4	5
Provide more facilities or services in this area	1	2	3	4	5
Scenario 7: Imagine <i>all four</i> of the following cor	ditions were commo	n at the Diamond	Head Bead	ch area:	
• HIGH number of people (use level) • S	SUBSTANTIAL rec	reation damage to	coral reef	(over 75% br	oken trampled)
NO litter	GOOD condition of	facilities (e.g. bat	hrooms sh	owers trash	cans_signs)
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22. If all conditions in Scenario 7 were common f	now acceptable woul	d it be for manage	rs to take I	EACH of the	following actions?
	Very Unaccepta	ble Unacceptable	Neither	Acceptable	Very Acceptable
Improve education / awareness of people in this a	irea l	2	3	4	5
Restrict the number of people allowed in this area	a l	2	3	4	5
Improve maintenance or upkeep of this area	1	2	3	4	5
Provide more facilities or services in this area	1	2	3	4	5
Scenario 8: Imagine all four of the following cor	nditions were commo	on at the Diamond	Head Bead	ch area:	
• LOW number of people (use level) • M	MINIMAL recreatio	n damage to coral	reef (less t	than 25% bro	ken, trampled)
• SOME litter • I	POOR condition of f	àcilities (e.g., bath	nrooms, she	owers, trash c	cans, signs)
23. If all conditions in Scenario 8 were common h	now acceptable woul	d it be for manage	rs to take I	EACH of the	following actions?
	Verv Unaccepta	ble Unacceptable	Neither	Acceptable	Verv Acceptable
Improve education / awareness of people in this a	urea 1	2	3	4	5
Restrict the number of people allowed in this area	a 1	2	3	4	5
Improve maintenance or unkeep of this area	1		3	4	5
Provide more facilities or services in this area	1	2	3	4	5
24. Are you: (check ONE)	male		2		
25. What is your age? (write response)	years old				
26. Where do you live? (write responses) State	/ Province		Count	ry	

### **APPENDIX B: UNCOLLAPSED FREQUENCIES**

The Hawaii Divisi experiences at San nanagers. Particip	on of Aquatic Res s Souci Beach and ation is voluntary	ources and Hawa l opinions about and answers are	ii Coral Reef In how this area sh anonymous. <b>Ple</b>	itiative are ould be ma ase answe	e co anag e <b>r <u>al</u></b>	nducting t ged. Your <u>Il</u> question	his surve input is i s and rei	y to u import t <b>urn t</b> a	inderstand yo tant and will o the field re	our help searcher.	
. You are at San 17% No 83% Yes →	s Souci / Kaimana if yes, how man	ı Beach right nov y previous times	y. <b>Prior to today</b> have you been to	, had you o Sans Sou	evei ci 1	r been to S Beach? <b>(w</b>	ans Souc rite resp	ci Bea oonse)	ch before? (	check ONI _ time(s)	
2. Please check a	<b><i>u</i></b> of the activities	in which you are	participating at	Sans Sou	ci B	Beach toda	y. (checl	k ALI	L THAT AP	PLY)	
81% A. Sunb	athing	23% D. Snork	eling	4%	. (	G. Boating	(e.g., Ka	ayak, (	Canoe, Moto	orboat)	
92% B. Swin	ming or Wading	1% E. SCUE	A Diving	149	% H	I. Surfing				, í	
4% C. Fishir	ıg	32% <b>F.</b> Beach	32% F. Beach Walking or Hiking			0% <i>I</i> . Windsurfing or Kitesurfing			rfing		
From the activ today? (write	ities in Question 2 ONE letter that n	above, what is the above, what is the above, what is the above of the	ne <u>ONE</u> main ad ponse)	c <i>tivity</i> in w	hic	h you are	participa	ting <b>a</b>	t Sans Souci	Beach	
42% A. Sunb	athing	3% D. Snorke	ling	1%	1% G. Boating (e.g., Kayak, Canoe, Motorboat)						
45% <b>B.</b> Swin	nming or Wading	0% E. SCUE	A Diving	2%	H.	Surfing					
0% C. Fishir	ıg	7% <b>F.</b> Beach	Walking or Hiki	ng 0%	1	. Windsu	rfing or I	Kitesu	rfing		
How would yo	u describe your sk	cill level in this n	ain activity? (cl	eck ONE	)						
7% Beginner	6% N	Jovice	32% Interme	diate	2	4% Adva	nced	2	31% Expert		
Are you partic	pating in this mai	n activity today a	s part of an orga	nized or g	guid	ed tour? (	heck O	NE)	94% No	6% Yes	
. Overall, how s	atisfied are you w	ith your visit to S	ans Souci Beacl	n today? (e	hec	ck ONE)					
3% Very Dis	satisfied 1% I	Dissatisfied	3% Neither		4	5% Satisf	ied	4	49% Very S	atisfied	
Approximately	how many other	people did you s	ee in total at San	s Souci B	eacł	h today? <u>av</u>	/erage =	111.5	1 people		
How did the nu	umber of other peo	ople you saw at S	ans Souci Beach	ı today aff	èct	vour enjoy	ment? (	check	ONE)		
10% Reduce	d My Enjoyment	76% Ha	l No Effect on M	1y Enjoyn	nent	149	% Increa	ased N	/y Enjoymer	nt	
What is the ma	ximum number o	f other people vo	u would accept	seeing at a	ny	one time a	t Sans So	ouci B	each?		
It is OK to see me, but I can't	as many as <u>averas</u> specify a number	ge = 217.01 peop	le, 12% The	number o	ofpe	eople does	n't matte	er to m	ne, 19% It m	atters to	
). How importan	t is it that you hav	e the opportunity	to escape crowd	ls of peop	le at	t Sans Sou	ci Beach	? (che	eck ONE)		
11% Not at a	Ill Important	23% Slightly In	portant	47% Mod	erat	tely Impor	tant 2	.0% E	Extremely Im	portant	
To what extent	did you feel grow	ded by each of f	ne following at s	Sans Souci	Be	ach todav	circle	one n	umber for <i>F</i>	EACH iten	
	2	Not at a	l Crowded Sli	ghtly Crow	ded	l Moder	ately Cro	wded	Extremely	Crowded	
Number of sun	pathers or swimmer	rs 40%	21% 14	1% 8	%	5%	4%	4%	3%	0%	

Number of an advalues on ECLIDA discuss (80/ 240/ 20/ 20/ 20/ 00/ 00/ 00/ 00/	
Number of shorkelers of SCUBA divers $68\%$ $24\%$ $3\%$ $2\%$ $2\%$ $2\%$ $0\%$ $0\%$ $0\%$	)
Number of surfers         76%         15%         3%         2%         1% <th1%< th="">         1%         <th1%< th="">         1%</th1%<></th1%<>	,
Number of windsurfers or kitesurfers 85% 10% 2% 1% 1% 0% 1% 0% 1%	<b>)</b>
Number of boaters (e.g., kayak, motor) 73% 17% 4% 2% 2% 1% 0% 0% 1%	,
Number of anglers (people fishing)         85%         8%         2%         1%         0%         0%         1%	)
Total number of people at Sans Souci         35%         18%         17%         11%         5%         6%         2%         1%	)

12. We are interested in how many people you are willing to see at Sans Souci Beach. Please rate how <u>ACCEPTABLE</u> the density of people is in *EACH* photograph below <u>IF IT WAS TO OCCUR AT SANS SOUCI</u> (circle one number for *each* photo)

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	Very Una	cceptable	Unace	eptable	Neither	Acce	ptable	Very Ac	cceptable
Photograph A	9%	2%	3%	2%	6%	6%	4%	6%	62%
Photograph B	3%	0%	1%	2%	3%	12%	6%	17%	55%
Photograph C	2%	1%	0%	1%	4%	18%	20%	18%	36%
Photograph D	4%	0%	2%	6%	8%	29%	18%	12%	21%
Photograph E	16%	12%	15%	16%	14%	16%	4%	2%	6%
Photograph F	59%	14%	6%	9%	4%	4%	1%	1%	3%













	Should I Not A	Definitely Allow	Should Not A	Maybe Allow	Neither	Should All	Maybe	Should I All	Definitely ow
Photograph A	8%	2%	1%	1%	10%	5%	1%	9%	64%
Photograph B	2%	1%	1%	1%	7%	7%	3%	14%	65%
Photograph C	2%	0%	0%	0%	7%	8%	13%	19%	51%
Photograph D	4%	1%	2%	2%	6%	17%	11%	17%	40%
Photograph E	18%	11%	11%	12%	11%	12%	7%	6%	12%
Photograph F	54%	16%	6%	7%	7%	3%	2%	2%	7%

14. Which <u>ONE</u> photograph above is like what you saw most often at Sans Souci Beach today? (check ONE)

2% Photo A 13% Photo B 28% Photo C 43% Photo D 14% Photo E 1% Photo F

15. To what extent do you disagree or agree with each of the following statements? (circle one number for each statement)

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither	Agree	Strongly Agree
Humans should manage coral reef areas so that humans benefit.	18%	24%	17%	20%	21%
The needs of humans are more important than coral reef areas.	47%	32%	14%	4%	4%
Recreational use of coral reef areas is more important than protecting the species that live there.	46%	33%	10%	7%	4%
The primary value of coral reef areas is to provide for humans.	55%	29%	11%	2%	2%
Coral reef areas should be protected for their own sake rather than to simply meet the needs of humans.	3%	3%	8%	39%	47%
Coral reef areas should have rights similar to the rights of humans.	5%	15%	24%	30%	27%
Recreational use of coral reef areas should not be allowed if it damages these areas.	4%	5%	17%	44%	31%
Coral reef areas have value whether humans are present or not.	2%	2%	8%	33%	54%

16. Assuming you could be on Oahu Island again in the future, how likely would you take the following actions based on the number of people or behavior of other activity groups you have seen at Sans Souci Beach? (circle one number for each action)

	Very Unlikely	Unlikely	Neither	Likely	Very Likely
Come back to Sans Souci, but avoid peak use times (weekends, holidays).	4%	12%	24%	34%	26%
Come back to Sans Souci earlier or later in day when less people are here.	4%	9%	25%	36%	25%
Come back to Sans Souci, but change the way I think about this area, deciding that it offers a different type of experience than I first believed.	6%	13%	58%	16%	7%
Come back to Sans Souci realizing conditions I saw today are suitable.	2%	2%	22%	48%	26%
Go to other nearby or adjacent beach / marine areas instead.	17%	31%	36%	13%	4%
Go to other beach / marine areas on other parts of Oahu Island instead.	13%	25%	36%	20%	5%

17. To what extent do you feel that you have seen or experienced conflict with each of the following activity groups during any of your visits to Sans Souci Beach? (circle one number for *each* activity group)

How much conflict with	No C	onflict	Slight (	Conflict	Mod	lerate Coi	nflict	Extreme	Conflict
sunbathers or swimmers	67%	18%	7%	2%	3%	1%	0%	0%	1%
snorkelers or SCUBA divers	72%	20%	3%	0%	2%	0%	1%	0%	1%
surfers	75%	18%	3%	2%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%
windsurfers or kitesurfers	77%	15%	3%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	2%
boaters (e.g., kayak, motorboat)	71%	17%	3%	2%	4%	1%	1%	0%	2%
anglers (people fishing)	75%	14%	3%	1%	2%	1%	1%	0%	3%

18. To what extent do you disagree or agree with each of the following statements? (circle one number for each statement)

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither	Agree	Strongly Agree
Just knowing that <i>sunbathers or swimmers</i> are at Sans Souci Beach bothers me, even if I never see or hear them.	65%	17%	14%	2%	2%
Just knowing that <i>snorkelers or SCUBA divers</i> are at Sans Souci Beach bothers me, even if I never see or hear them.	63%	19%	14%	3%	2%
Just knowing that <i>surfers</i> are at Sans Souci Beach bothers me, even if I never see or hear them.	61%	22%	13%	2%	2%
Just knowing that <i>windsurfers or kitesurfers</i> are at Sans Souci Beach bothers me, even if I never see or hear them.	57%	21%	16%	4%	3%
Just knowing that <i>boaters</i> (e.g., kayak, motorboat) are at Sans Souci Beach bothers me, even if I never see or hear them.	50%	20%	16%	9%	5%
Just knowing that <i>anglers (people fishing)</i> are at Sans Souci Beach bothers me, even if I never see or hear them.	48%	19%	14%	13%	6%

19. How often have you seen each of the following during any of your visits to Sans Souci? (circle one number for each item)

	Never	Once or Twice	Sometimes	Many Times
Sunbathers or swimmers being rude or discourteous	61%	23%	12%	4%
Sunbathers or swimmers being too close	47%	22%	25%	7%
Sunbathers or swimmers not looking where they are going	44%	26%	26%	5%
Snorkelers or SCUBA divers being rude or discourteous	83%	10%	6%	2%
Snorkelers or SCUBA divers being too close	78%	12%	8%	3%
Snorkelers or SCUBA divers not looking where they are going	74%	12%	10%	4%
Surfers being rude or discourteous	84%	9%	6%	2%
Surfers being too close	82%	9%	6%	2%
Surfers not looking where they are going	80%	10%	7%	3%
Windsurfers or kitesurfers being rude or discourteous	90%	4%	5%	1%
Windsurfers or kitesurfers being too close	89%	5%	5%	2%
Windsurfers or kitesurfers not looking where they are going	88%	5%	5%	2%
Boaters (e.g., kayak, motorboat) being rude or discourteous	85%	5%	8%	2%
Boaters (e.g., kayak, motorboat) being too close	78%	9%	10%	3%
Boaters (e.g., kayak, motorboat) not looking where they are going	81%	11%	7%	2%
Anglers (people fishing) being rude or discourteous	89%	4%	5%	2%
Anglers (people fishing) being too close	85%	7%	6%	3%
Anglers (people fishing) not looking where they cast their line / hook	84%	6%	7%	3%

20. To what extent do you feel that each of the following is a *problem* at Sans Souci Beach? (circle one number for each item)

	Not at all	Slight	Moderate	Extreme
	a Problem	Problem	Problem	Problem
Sunbathers or swimmers being rude or discourteous	78%	14%	4%	4%
Sunbathers or swimmers being too close	69%	19%	10%	3%
Sunbathers or swimmers not looking where they are going	70%	20%	7%	3%
Snorkelers or SCUBA divers being rude or discourteous	85%	6%	6%	4%
Snorkelers or SCUBA divers being too close	84%	8%	5%	3%
Snorkelers or SCUBA divers not looking where they are going	82%	9%	6%	3%
Surfers being rude or discourteous	87%	7%	4%	3%
Surfers being too close	84%	8%	5%	3%
Surfers not looking where they are going	83%	8%	5%	4%
Windsurfers or kitesurfers being rude or discourteous	90%	4%	4%	3%
Windsurfers or kitesurfers being too close	88%	4%	5%	3%
Windsurfers or kitesurfers not looking where they are going	88%	4%	5%	3%
Boaters (e.g., kayak, motorboat) being rude or discourteous	83%	8%	5%	4%
Boaters (e.g., kayak, motorboat) being too close	77%	12%	6%	4%
Boaters (e.g., kayak, motorboat) not looking where they are going	80%	11%	5%	5%
Anglers (people fishing) being rude or discourteous	85%	6%	4%	5%
Anglers (people fishing) being too close	82%	8%	6%	4%
Anglers (people fishing) not looking where they cast their line / hook	82%	8%	5%	5%

21. Should there be more educational or interpretive information at Sans Souci? (check ONE) 25% No 38% Yes 37% Unsure

22. Should Sans Souci be zoned so different recreation activities don't overlap in the same areas? 51% No 17% Yes 32% Unsure

23. Are you: (check ONE) 46% Male 54% Female

24. What is your age? (write response) \_\_\_\_\_\_ average = 38.49 \_\_\_\_\_ years old

25. Where do you live? (write responses) State / Province see report Country see report

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9%	3%	11%	26%	51%		Parking availability for	vehicles		5	20	36	31	8		
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3	4	10	36	48		Showers / rinse sta	tions		2	12	21	41	25		
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1	0	6	10	83	Not	required to pay a fee to	visit the	area	0	0	5	11	83		

Opportunity to escape crowds of people

Clean ocean water

Healthy coral reefs

Opportunity to see small marine life (e.g., fish)

Opportunity to see large marine life (turtle,dolphin)

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### 8. How many of each of the following <u>HAVE YOU SEEN</u> at Sans Souci Beach? (circle one number for <u>EACH</u> item)

	Number <u>I HAVE SEEN</u> at Sans Souci Beach
Bathrooms	1.37
Showers / rinse stations	1.92
Trash cans	4.79
Picnic tables	3.09
Park benches	7.11
Information signs about regulations / guidelines	1.97

#### 9. How many of each of the following DO YOU FEEL SHOULD BE at Sans Souci? (circle one number for EACH item)

	Number <u>THAT SHOULD BE</u> at Sans Souci Beach
Bathrooms	2.91
Showers / rinse stations	3.11
Trash cans	7.59
Picnic tables	6.08
Park benches	8.43
Information signs about regulations / guidelines	3.72

10. Should commercial activities (e.g., recreation tour operators) be allowed at Sans Souci?	80% No	10% Yes	10% Unsure
11. Should there be designated parking areas for tour buses at Sans Souci Beach?	74% No	16% Yes	10% Unsure

- 12. Should there be more enforcement of rules / regulations at Sans Souci Beach? 44% No 30% Yes 26% Unsure
- 13. How often have you seen people handling or standing on coral during any of your visits to Sans Souci Beach? (check ONE) 42% Never 20% Once or Twice 25% Sometimes 14% Many Times

14. To what extent do you feel that people handling or standing on coral is a problem at Sans Souci Beach? (check ONE) 25% Not at all a Problem 30% Slight Problem 27% Moderate Problem 18% Extreme Problem

### 15. To what extent do you disagree or agree with each of the following statements? (circle one number for each statement)

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither	Agree	Strongly Agree
Humans should manage coral reef areas so that humans benefit.	26%	16%	13%	23%	22%
The needs of humans are more important than coral reef areas.	49	33	12	4	2
Recreational use of coral reef areas is more important than protecting the species that live there.	56	28	9	3	5
The primary value of coral reef areas is to provide for humans.	60	24	8	5	4
Coral reef areas should be protected for their own sake rather than to simply meet the needs of humans.	2	2	6	29	61
Coral reef areas should have rights similar to the rights of humans.	7	7	25	22	39
Recreational use of coral reef areas should not be allowed if it damages these areas.	1	5	11	36	47
Coral reef areas have value whether humans are present or not.	1	1	3	31	65
The following shaded boxes contain 8 scenarios that describe potential conditions at Sans Souci. <u>NO SCENARIOS ARE THE</u> <u>SAME</u>. <u>Carefully read each scenario then answer ALL questions after each scenario</u> by circling one number for each action.

Scenario 1: Imagine all four of the following conditions were common at Sans Souci Beach:				
• HIGH number of people (use level)	• MINIMAL recreation damage to coral reef (less than 25% broken, trampled)			
• NO litter	• POOR condition of facilities (e.g., bathrooms, showers, trash cans, signs)			

16. If all conditions in Scenario 1 were common how acceptable would it be for managers to take EACH of the following actions?

	Very Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Neither	Acceptable	Very Acceptable
Improve education / awareness of people in this area	3%	3%	20%	41%	33%
Restrict the number of people allowed in this area	8	26	23	29	14
Improve maintenance or upkeep of this area	1	2	10	33	55
Provide more facilities or services in this area	4	4	17	30	45

Scenario 2: Imagine all four of the following conditions were common at Sans Souci Beach:					
• HIGH number of people (use level)	• SUBSTANTIAL recreation damage to coral reef (over 75% broken, trampled)				
• SOME litter	• POOR condition of facilities (e.g., bathrooms, showers, trash cans, signs)				
17. If all conditions in Scenario 2 were common how acceptable would it be for managers to take <u>EACH</u> of the following actions?					
	Very Unaccentable Unaccentable Neither Accentable Very Accentable				

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Improve education / awareness of people in this area	2	3	5	26	65
Restrict the number of people allowed in this area	6	17	17	27	33
Improve maintenance or upkeep of this area	0	3	7	22	68
Provide more facilities or services in this area	3	6	13	25	53

Scenario 3: Imagine all four of the following conditions were common at Sans Souci Beach:

• HIGH number of people (use level)	• MINIMAL recreation damage to coral reef (less than 25% broken, trampled)
• SOME litter	• GOOD condition of facilities (e.g., bathrooms, showers, trash cans, signs)

18. If all conditions in Scenario 3 were common how acceptable would it be for managers to take EACH of the following actions?

	Very Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Neither	Acceptable	Very Acceptable
Improve education / awareness of people in this area	2	2	15	45	36
Restrict the number of people allowed in this area	9	23	26	28	16
Improve maintenance or upkeep of this area	1	5	21	44	29
Provide more facilities or services in this area	4	9	34	33	21

Scenario 4: Imagine all four of the following conditions were common at Sans Souci Beach:				
• LOW number of people (use level)	• MINIMAL recreation damage to coral reef (less than 25% broken, trampled)			
NO litter	• GOOD condition of facilities (e.g., bathrooms, showers, trash cans, signs)			
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19. If all conditions in Scenario 4 were common how acceptable would it be for managers to take EACH of the following actions?

	Very Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Neither	Acceptable	Very Acceptable
Improve education / awareness of people in this area	3	6	24	39	28
Restrict the number of people allowed in this area	20	26	28	17	8
Improve maintenance or upkeep of this area	4	9	32	32	22
Provide more facilities or services in this area	6	14	38	28	14

<u>Scenario 5</u> , magne <u>au jour</u> of the following conditions were common at Sans Boder Deach.							
• LOW number of people (use level) • SUBSTANTIAL recreation damage to coral reef (over 75% broken, trampled)							
• NO litter	er • POOR condition of facilities (e.g., bathrooms, showers, trash cans, signs)						
20. If all conditions in Scenario 5 were comm	<u>non</u> how a	acceptable would it	be for managers	s to take <u>E</u>	ACH of the	following actions	
		Very Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Neither	Acceptable	Very Acceptable	
Improve education / awareness of people in t	his area	3	3	9	26	59	
Restrict the number of people allowed in this	s area	11	24	27	17	20	
Improve maintenance or upkeep of this area		1	5	9	27	58	
Provide more facilities or services in this are	a	3	9	15	29	44	

Scenario 5: Imagine all four of the following conditions were common at Sans Souci Beach:

<ul> <li>LOW number of people (use level)</li> <li>SOME litter</li> <li>SOME litter</li> <li>SOOD condition of facilities (e.g. bathrooms showers trash cans signs)</li> </ul>						
1 If all conditions in Scenario 6 were common how:	acceptable would it l	be for managers	to take <b>F</b>	CACH of the	following action	
	Very Unaccentable	Unaccentable	Neither	Accentable	Very Acceptable	
Improve education / awareness of people in this area	2	2	7	29	60	
Restrict the number of people allowed in this area	10	27	23	20	20	
Improve maintenance or unkeep of this area	0	9	20	38	33	
Provide more facilities or services in this area	5	16	34	26	19	
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• HIGH number of people (use level) • SUBS	STANTIAL recreati	on damage to c	oral reef	over 75% br	oken, trampled)	
• NO litter • GOO	D condition of facil	ities (e.g., bath	rooms, sh	owers, trash o	cans, signs)	
2. If all conditions in Scenario 7 were common how :	acceptable would it l	be for managers	s to take <b>F</b>	ACH of the	following action	
	Very Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Neither	Acceptable	Very Acceptable	
Improve education / awareness of people in this area	2	3	6	27	63	
Restrict the number of people allowed in this area	6	14	18	26	35	
		0	30	30	28	
Improve maintenance or upkeep of this area	3	9	20		= -	
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24. Are you: (check ONE) 38% Male 62% Female

25. What is your age? (write response)  $\underline{average = 38.99}$  years old

26. Where do you live? (write responses) State / Province see report Country see report

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34% F. Beach Walking or Hiking 7% I. Windsurfing or Kitesurfing 10% C. Fishing

3. From the activities in Question 2 above, what is the ONE main activity in which you are participating at the Diamond Head Beach area today? (write ONE letter that matches your response)

19%	A. Sunbathing	2% D. Snorkeling	% G. Boating (e.g., Kayak,	Canoe, Motorboat)
7%	B. Swimming or Wading	0% E. SCUBA Diving	3% H. Surfing	
3%	C. Fishing	11% F. Beach Walking or Hiking	% I. Windsurfing or Kites	urfing

4. How would you describe your skill level in this main activity? (check ONE)

5% Beginner 36% Intermediate 36% Advanced 8% Novice 15% Expert

- 5. Are you participating in this main activity today as part of an organized or guided tour? (check ONE) 94% No 6% Yes
- 6. Overall, how satisfied are you with your visit to the Diamond Head Beach area today? (check ONE) 2% Very Dissatisfied 5% Dissatisfied 6% Neither 54% Satisfied 33% Very Satisfied
- 7. Approximately how many other people did you see in total at the Diamond Head Beach area today? average = 49.56
- 8. How did the number of other people you saw at the Diamond Head Beach area today affect your enjoyment? (check ONE) 15% Reduced My Enjoyment 66% Had No Effect on My Enjoyment 19% Increased My Enjoyment
- 9. What is the maximum number of other people you would accept seeing at any one time at the Diamond Head Beach area? It is OK to see as many as: average = 118.41 people **OR** 10% The number of people doesn't matter to me 12% It matters to me, but I can't specify a number
- 10. How important is it that you have the opportunity to escape crowds of people at Diamond Head Beach? (check ONE) 12% Not at all Important 17% Slightly Important 39% Moderately Important 32% Extremely Important
- 11. To what extent did you feel crowded by the following at Diamond Head Beach today? (circle one number for EACH item)

	Not at all	Not at all Crowded		Crowded	Mode	derately Crowded		Extremely Crowded	
Number of sunbathers or swimmers	65%	21%	5%	1%	1%	4%	2%	0%	1%
Number of snorkelers or SCUBA divers	88%	7%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%
Number of surfers	31%	13%	17%	10%	7%	6%	6%	5%	6%
Number of windsurfers or kitesurfers	53%	13%	11%	6%	4%	5%	3%	2%	5%
Number of boaters (e.g., kayak, motor)	86%	8%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%
Number of anglers (people fishing)	84%	8%	2%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	2%
Total number of people at this beach area	44%	17%	16%	8%	3%	4%	3%	3%	3%

12. We are interested in how many people you are willing to see at this beach. Please rate how ACCEPTABLE the density of people H photograph below IF IT WAS TO OCCUR AT DIAMOND HEAD BEACH (circle one number for each photo)

									_
	Very Una	cceptable	Unacc	eptable	Neither	Acce	ptable	Very Ac	ceptable
Photograph A	9%	1%	1%	0%	6%	3%	4%	6%	70%
Photograph B	3%	2%	1%	2%	3%	13%	7%	26%	43%
Photograph C	5%	1%	5%	5%	10%	22%	27%	13%	12%
Photograph D	9%	6%	10%	16%	16%	23%	10%	5%	5%
Photograph E	46%	14%	12%	14%	8%	2%	2%	0%	2%
Photograph F	73%	9%	5%	5%	4%	1%	0%	1%	3%













1% Photo E

13. Now, please rate the extent to which you feel that the density of people in EACH photograph above SHOULD OR SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO OCCUR AT DIAMOND HEAD BEACH. (circle one number for each photo)

	Should I Not A	Definitely Allow	Should Not A	Should Maybe Not Allow		Should Maybe Allow		Should Definitely Allow	
Photograph A	5%	1%	1%	3%	8%	1%	3%	8%	73%
Photograph B	3%	1%	1%	2%	6%	4%	4%	26%	54%
Photograph C	5%	1%	4%	6%	9%	16%	19%	21%	20%
Photograph D	16%	4%	9%	13%	11%	16%	11%	10%	11%
Photograph E	50%	13%	10%	10%	6%	2%	3%	2%	3%
Photograph F	73%	6%	3%	6%	4%	1%	1%	1%	5%

14. Which ONE photograph above is like what you saw most often at Diamond Head Beach today? (check ONE)

9% Photo A 70% Photo B 15% Photo C 5% Photo D

0% Photo F Please turn over page  $\rightarrow$ 

15. To what extent do you disagree or agree with each of the following statements? (circle one number for each statement)

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither	Agree	Strongly Agree
Humans should manage coral reef areas so that humans benefit.	20%	14%	14%	24%	29%
The needs of humans are more important than coral reef areas.	46%	31%	15%	5%	3%
Recreational use of coral reef areas is more important than protecting the species that live there.	49%	29%	13%	5%	5%
The primary value of coral reef areas is to provide for humans.	45%	31%	13%	8%	4%
Coral reef areas should be protected for their own sake rather than to simply meet the needs of humans.	3%	3%	8%	37%	50%
Coral reef areas should have rights similar to the rights of humans.	6%	8%	29%	33%	23%
Recreational use of coral reef areas should not be allowed if it damages these areas.	4%	9%	17%	42%	30%
Coral reef areas have value whether humans are present or not.	3%	1%	8%	35%	53%

16. Assuming you could be on Oahu Island again in the future, how likely would you take the following actions based on the number of people or behavior of other activity groups you have seen at Diamond Head Beach? (circle one number for each)

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	Very Unlikely	Unlikely	Neither	Likely	Very Likely
Come back to Diamond Head Beach, but avoid peak use times (weekend, holiday).	4%	8%	24%	38%	26%
Come back to Diamond Head Beach early or later in day when less people are here.	4%	6%	21%	39%	29%
Come back to Diamond Head Beach, but change the way I think about this area, deciding that it offers a different type of experience than I first believed.	8%	16%	48%	22%	6%
Come back to Diamond Head Beach realizing conditions I saw today are suitable.	2%	6%	24%	55%	14%
Go to other nearby or adjacent beach / marine areas instead.	11%	23%	43%	18%	5%
Go to other beach / marine areas on other parts of Oahu Island instead.	11%	18%	42%	22%	8%

17. To what extent do you feel that you have seen or experienced conflict with each of the following activity groups during any of your visits to the Diamond Head Beach area? (circle one number for each activity group)

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How much conflict with	No Conflict		Slight (	Slight Conflict M		erate Con	nflict	Extreme Conflict	
sunbathers or swimmers	82%	9%	4%	1%	1%	2%	0%	0%	1%
snorkelers or SCUBA divers	83%	9%	4%	1%	1%	2%	1%	0%	0%
surfers	49%	11%	10%	9%	7%	5%	5%	1%	4%
windsurfers or kitesurfers	52%	12%	7%	3%	6%	6%	3%	6%	6%
boaters (e.g., kayak, motorboat)	75%	10%	3%	1%	1%	4%	4%	1%	1%
anglers (people fishing)	76%	13%	1%	1%	1%	4%	1%	1%	2%

18. To what extent do you disagree or agree with each of the following statements? (circle one number for each statement)

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither	Agree	Strongly Agree
Just knowing that <i>sunbathers or swimmers</i>	56%	23%	17%	3%	1%
Lust knowing that snorkelers or SCUBA divers					
are at Diamond Head Beach bothers me, even if I never see or hear them.	53%	25%	19%	2%	1%
Just knowing that <i>surfers</i> are at Diamond Head Beach bothers me, even if I never see or hear them.	51%	25%	20%	3%	1%
Just knowing that <i>windsurfers or kitesurfers</i> are at Diamond Head Beach bothers me, even if I never see or hear them.	44%	27%	16%	10%	3%
Just knowing that <i>boaters</i> (e.g., kayak, motorboat) are at Diamond Head Beach bothers me, even if I never see or hear them.	42%	24%	20%	9%	5%
Just knowing that <i>anglers (people fishing)</i> are at Diamond Head Beach bothers me, even if I never see or hear them.	48%	23%	19%	6%	4%

19. How often have you seen each of the following during any of your visits to Diamond Head Beach? (circle one number for each)

	Never	Once or Twice	Sometimes	Many Times
Sunbathers or swimmers being rude or discourteous	76%	15%	7%	3%
Sunbathers or swimmers being too close	77%	12%	10%	1%
Sunbathers or swimmers not looking where they are going	70%	16%	12%	2%
Snorkelers or SCUBA divers being rude or discourteous	93%	4%	2%	1%
Snorkelers or SCUBA divers being too close	90%	8%	2%	1%
Snorkelers or SCUBA divers not looking where they are going	90%	8%	1%	1%
Surfers being rude or discourteous	48%	19%	19%	15%
Surfers being too close	48%	14%	20%	18%
Surfers not looking where they are going	46%	15%	20%	20%
Windsurfers or kitesurfers being rude or discourteous	57%	17%	14%	13%
Windsurfers or kitesurfers being too close	54%	16%	13%	17%
Windsurfers or kitesurfers not looking where they are going	58%	16%	12%	15%
Boaters (e.g., kayak, motorboat) being rude or discourteous	88%	7%	5%	1%
Boaters (e.g., kayak, motorboat) being too close	88%	8%	3%	1%
Boaters (e.g., kayak, motorboat) not looking where they are going	90%	7%	2%	1%
Anglers (people fishing) being rude or discourteous	92%	4%	4%	1%
Anglers (people fishing) being too close	86%	7%	4%	2%
Anglers (people fishing) not looking where they cast their line / hook	88%	5%	6%	1%

20. To what extent do you feel that each of the following is a *problem* at Diamond Head Beach? (circle one number for each item)

	Not at all	Slight	Moderate	Extreme
	a Problem	Problem	Problem	Problem
Sunbathers or swimmers being rude or discourteous	88%	8%	2%	1%
Sunbathers or swimmers being too close	86%	11%	2%	1%
Sunbathers or swimmers not looking where they are going	86%	12%	2%	1%
Snorkelers or SCUBA divers being rude or discourteous	92%	4%	2%	2%
Snorkelers or SCUBA divers being too close	93%	4%	1%	2%
Snorkelers or SCUBA divers not looking where they are going	91%	7%	0%	1%
Surfers being rude or discourteous	56%	20%	18%	7%
Surfers being too close	57%	22%	15%	5%
Surfers not looking where they are going	56%	20%	17%	8%
Windsurfers or kitesurfers being rude or discourteous	65%	10%	12%	13%
Windsurfers or kitesurfers being too close	61%	12%	13%	15%
Windsurfers or kitesurfers not looking where they are going	63%	9%	16%	12%
Boaters (e.g., kayak, motorboat) being rude or discourteous	88%	6%	1%	4%
Boaters (e.g., kayak, motorboat) being too close	88%	6%	3%	4%
Boaters (e.g., kayak, motorboat) not looking where they are going	88%	7%	2%	4%
Anglers (people fishing) being rude or discourteous	89%	5%	2%	4%
Anglers (people fishing) being too close	86%	7%	4%	3%
Anglers (people fishing) not looking where they cast their line / hook	85%	7%	5%	2%

21. Should there be more educational or interpretive information at Diamond Head Beach? 24% No 44% Yes 32% Unsure

22. Should Diamond Head Beach be zoned so different activities don't overlap in the same areas? 49% No 19% Yes 32% Unsure

- 23. Are you: (check ONE) 69% Male 31% Female
- 24. What is your age? (write response) average = 32.54 years old
- 25. Where do you live? (write responses) State / Province see report Country see report

## The Hawaii Division of Aquatic Resources and Hawaii Coral Reef Initiative are conducting this survey to understand your experiences at Diamond Head Beach and opinions about how this area should be managed. Your input is important and will help managers. Participation is voluntary and answers are anonymous. Please answer all questions and return to the field researcher. 1. You are at the Diamond Head Beach area right now. Prior to today, had you ever been to this beach area before? (check ONE) 16% No 84% Yes $\rightarrow$ if yes, how many previous times have you been to Diamond Head Beach? (write response) time(s) 2. Please check all of the activities in which you are participating at Diamond Head Beach today. (check ALL THAT APPLY) 44% A. Sunbathing 10% D. Snorkeling 2% G. Boating (e.g., Kayak, Canoe, Motorboat) 38% **B.** Swimming or Wading 1% E. SCUBA Diving 63% *H*. Surfing 9% C. Fishing 33% F. Beach Walking or Hiking 7% I. Windsurfing or Kitesurfing 3. From the activities in Question 2 above, what is the ONE main activity in which you are participating at Diamond Head Beach today? (write ONE letter that matches your response) 1% D. Snorkeling 23% A. Sunbathing 0% G. Boating (e.g., Kayak, Canoe, Motorboat) 10% **B.** Swimming or Wading 0% E. SCUBA Diving 49% H. Surfing 4% C. Fishing 10% F. Beach Walking or Hiking 4% I. Windsurfing or Kitesurfing

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## 4. How would you describe your skill level in this main activity? (check ONE)

4% Beginner 11% Novice	35% Intermediate	24% Advanced	26% Expert
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**Recreationists' Experiences and Preferences at Diamond Head Beach Area** 

5. Are you participating in this main activity today as part of an organized or guided tour? (check ONE) 96% No 4% Yes

## 6. Overall, how satisfied are you with your visit to the Diamond Head Beach area today? (check ONE)

2% Very Dissatisfied	1% Dissatisfied	7% Neither	56% Satisfied	34% Very Satisfied
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7. Listed below are several characteristics. On the left, please rate how important it is to you that each characteristic is provided at Diamond Head Beach. Then, on the right, rate how satisfied you are with each characteristic at this beach. Please answer both the importance (on left) and satisfaction (on right) questions for each characteristic by circling numbers for each item

	Ra	te IMPORTA	NCE				Ra	te SATISFAC	TION	
Not Imp	oortant	Neither	I	Very Important	Characteristics at Diamond Head Beach	Very Dissati	Very Dissatisfied			Very Satisfied
8%	3%	11%	24%	54%	Parking availability for vehicles	5%	8%	25%	39%	23%
17	9	24	20	30	Bathrooms	31	13	31	16	10
4	5	9	25	57	Showers / rinse stations	1	9	15	40	35
1	4	12	20	63	Trash cans	8	14	31	27	20
2	1	6	11	80	Absence of litter	5	13	27	36	20
34	20	32	6	8	Picnic tables	10	6	51	15	19
37	15	29	10	10	Park benches	7	9	49	17	19
15	11	29	21	24	Information signs about regulations / guidelines	6	10	43	25	16
25	17	31	14	13	Presence of lifeguards	11	9	51	11	18
10	0	9	6	75	Not required to pay a fee to visit the area	1	0	17	9	73
1	0	12	19	68	Opportunity to escape crowds of people	3	7	21	28	41
1	0	3	3	93	Clean ocean water	1	4	15	36	45
1	1	7	9	82	Healthy coral reefs	6	8	30	32	25
5	5	17	21	52	Opportunity to see small marine life (e.g., fish)	4	11	37	33	16
5	8	19	25	43	Opportunity to see large marine life (turtle,dolphin)	4	10	42	28	16

8. How many of each of the following HAVE YOU SEEN at Diamond Head Beach? (circle one number for EACH item)

	Number <u>I HAVE SEEN</u> at Diamond Head Beach
Bathrooms	.48
Showers / rinse stations	2.11
Trash cans	2.99
Picnic tables	.62
Park benches	.73
Information signs about regulations / guidelines	2.91

## 9. How many of each of the following DO YOU FEEL SHOULD BE at Diamond Head Beach? (circle one number for EACH)

	Number <u>THAT SHOULD BE</u> at Diamond Head Beach
Bathrooms	1.91
Showers / rinse stations	2.93
Trash cans	6.47
Picnic tables	2.32
Park benches	2.67
Information signs about regulations / guidelines	4.39

10. Should commercial activities (e.g., recreation tour operators) be allowed at Diamond Head Beach? 78% No 10% Yes 11% Unsure

11. Should there be designated parking areas for tour buses at Diamond Head Beach?	66% No	26% Yes	8% Unsure
12. Should there be more enforcement of rules / regulations at Diamond Head Beach?	58% No	23% Yes	19% Unsure
13. How often have you seen people handling or standing on coral during any of your visits to Diar	nond Hea	d Beach? (	check ONE)

- 40% Never 16% Once or Twice 33% Sometimes 11% Many Times
- 14. To what extent do you feel that people handling or standing on coral is a problem at Diamond Head Beach? (check ONE) 33% Not at all a Problem 34% Slight Problem 23% Moderate Problem 11% Extreme Problem
- 15. To what extent do you disagree or agree with each of the following statements? (circle one number for each statement)

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither	Agree	Strongly Agree
Humans should manage coral reef areas so that humans benefit.	17%	14%	16%	31%	23%
The needs of humans are more important than coral reef areas.	39	28	23	7	4
Recreational use of coral reef areas is more important than protecting the species that live there.	40	26	18	7	9
The primary value of coral reef areas is to provide for humans.	42	29	12	11	6
Coral reef areas should be protected for their own sake rather than to simply meet the needs of humans.	3	3	10	33	51
Coral reef areas should have rights similar to the rights of humans.	6	12	26	31	25
Recreational use of coral reef areas should not be allowed if it damages these areas.	4	11	21	27	37
Coral reef areas have value whether humans are present or not.	1	1	12	32	54

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The following shaded boxes contain 8 scenarios that describe potential conditions at Diamond Head Beach. NO SCENARIOS ARE THE SAME. Carefully read each scenario then answer ALL questions after each scenario by circling one number for each actic

Scenario 1: Imagine all four of the following	ng conditions were common at the Diamond Head Beach area:
• HIGH number of people (use level)	• MINIMAL recreation damage to coral reef (less than 25% broken, trampled)
NO litter	• POOR condition of facilities (e.g., bathrooms, showers, trash cans, signs)

16. If all conditions in Scenario 1 were common how acceptable would it be for managers to take EACH of the following actions?

	Very Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Neither	Acceptable	Very Acceptable
Improve education / awareness of people in this area	1%	4%	19%	46%	30%
Restrict the number of people allowed in this area	10	27	33	21	9
Improve maintenance or upkeep of this area	2	2	13	45	38
Provide more facilities or services in this area	4	11	27	33	25

Scenario 2: Imagine <u>all four</u> of the following	ng conditions were common at the Diamond Head Beach area:
• HIGH number of people (use level)	• SUBSTANTIAL recreation damage to coral reef (over 75% broken, trampled)
• SOME litter	• POOR condition of facilities (e.g., bathrooms, showers, trash cans, signs)
17. If all conditions in Scenario 2 were com	mon how acceptable would it be for managers to take EACH of the following actions?

	Very Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Neither	Acceptable	Very Acceptable
Improve education / awareness of people in this area	3	4	8	33	51
Restrict the number of people allowed in this area	9	14	23	29	25
Improve maintenance or upkeep of this area	1	3	10	31	55
Provide more facilities or services in this area	8	12	18	27	35

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Scenario 3: Imagine all four of the following conditions were common at the Diamond Head Beach area:
  • HIGH number of people (use level)
                                          • MINIMAL recreation damage to coral reef (less than 25% broken, trampled)
                                           • GOOD condition of facilities (e.g., bathrooms, showers, trash cans, signs)
  • SOME litter
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18. If all conditions in Scenario 3 were common how acceptable would it be for managers to take EACH of the following actions?

	Very Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Neither	Acceptable	Very Acceptable
Improve education / awareness of people in this area	2	3	15	46	35
Restrict the number of people allowed in this area	10	25	28	26	11
Improve maintenance or upkeep of this area	2	5	24	41	29
Provide more facilities or services in this area	6	13	37	30	15

Scenario 4: Imagine all four of the followi	ng conditions were common at the Diamond Head Beach area:
• LOW number of people (use level)	• MINIMAL recreation damage to coral reef (less than 25% broken, trampled)
• NO litter	• GOOD condition of facilities (e.g., bathrooms, showers, trash cans, signs)

19. If all conditions in Scenario 4 were common how acceptable would it be for managers to take EACH of the following actions?

	Very Unacceptable	Unacceptable	Neither	Acceptable	Very Acceptable
Improve education / awareness of people in this area	5	8	28	33	27
Restrict the number of people allowed in this area	19	25	33	12	11
Improve maintenance or upkeep of this area	5	8	34	32	21
Provide more facilities or services in this area	10	19	38	21	12

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