



MLTPA FIELD SHEET

PART 1: How to Fill This Thing Out:

The most important thing about this field sheet is that it must be filled out COMPLETELY—and legibly, please. This is an “evidence of use” inventory: Circle a “Y” if you are reasonably sure that people use this point as a way to get to a trail or area to do an activity; circle an “N” if you are reasonably sure that people DO NOT use this point as a way to get to a trail or area to do an activity. If you don’t know how to fill in a field, please circle the question mark in the box—we can confirm the missing information on our end.

***IMPORTANT:** There are many areas within the Town Urban Limit, Town Boundary, and surrounding public lands, such as Sherwin Ridge/Sherwin Meadow, in which a number of seasonal activities occur. Because access points to the same area may be different in winter than summer, and provide access for different activities, we will direct you to specific access points *before* you head out and let you know which season to fill the sheet out for. For example, people enjoy both summer and winter activities in the Sherwins, but the access for summer hiking (i.e., Sherwin Creek Road) is different than the access for winter backcountry skiing (i.e., Lake Mary Road). Since we will have separate sheets for each spot for each season, please do not combine summer with winter unless otherwise directed by MLTPA staff.

Also, please take pictures! There’s a more detailed explanation of the specific photos we need at the end of this document, but for now, make sure to: 1) set your camera to its highest JPEG setting; 2) DON’T SHOOT INTO THE SUN, and; 3) shoot pictures that will really describe your subject to people who will most likely never get to most of the places that are the subject of this inventory. We need: 1) Site Photos; 2) Signage Photos; and 3) Condition Photos.

Most of the fields included on the attached sheet are self-explanatory, but here’s a breakdown of the fields by name and how to fill in the blanks:

Point Name: Leave this as it appears.

Point Location: Leave this as it appears.

USFS Route Designation #: Leave this as it appears. If you’re able to cross-check it with Forest Service signage on site, please do so and indicate if there is a discrepancy by writing in the alternate number next to what appears on the sheet.

New MLTPA #: Leave this blank.

Old MLTPA #: Leave this as it appears.

Documented By: Your first and last name.

Date: When the survey was completed.

Phone: Your phone number.

Email: Your email address.

GENERAL:

Summer Use: Leave this as it appears.

Winter Use: Leave this as it appears.

Urban Limit: Leave this as it appears.

Parking: Y or N. This means paved, lined parking lots as well as unmarked dirt lots, road shoulders, etc.

Public Transport: Y or N. Is the access point near a winter bus stop, ski lift, or summer Lift/Trolley line?

Signage: Y or N. If there is any kind of signage near the access point, from a Forest Service road designation to an information kiosk to a bike-path sign—ANYTHING—circle “Y.” Make sure to take a picture of it.

Bathroom: Y or N. Are public restrooms available?

WINTER:

Backcountry

General Access Point: Y or N. Does the point provide access to winter backcountry activities?

Kicker Zone: Y or N. Does the point provide access to an area in which people consistently build park features such as kickers and gap jumps?

Ski/Snowboard: Y or N. Does the point provide access to an area in which people backcountry ski or snowboard?

Ski/Snowboard Access: Y or N (i.e., winter terminus of Lake Mary Road to the Sherwins). Is this a point from which people access the backcountry from town?

Ski/Snowboard Egress: Y or N (i.e., from bottom of the Sherwins to Town). Is this a point from which people get back to their cars, trailheads, busses, town, etc., from the backcountry?

Biathlon: Y or N. Combination of cross-country skiing and sharp-shooting with a gun. Is this a point from which people access biathlon areas?

Dog Sledding: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access dog-sledding areas?

Ice Climbing: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access ice-climbing areas?

Ice Fishing: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access ice-fishing areas?

Ice Skating: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access ice-skating areas?

MMSA

Access Point: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access their neighborhood or the backcountry from the resort?

Egress Point: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access the resort from their neighborhoods or the backcountry?

Nordic

Groomed, Fee Area: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access pay-to-play Nordic areas specifically machine-groomed into Nordic ski tracks?

Groomed, Public: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access free trails groomed for non-motorized use? (Excludes Nordic tracks.)

Ungroomed, Public: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access free, ungroomed (i.e., human-created) trails/roads only (i.e., Blue Diamond Trails)?

Pets

Area: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access areas that are set aside as, or are similar to/used as, “pet parks”?

Walking: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access unpaved (dirt) trails on which they can hike with their pets?

Snowmachine

Trail: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access trails where snowmobiles are allowed?

Open Area: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access open areas where snowmobiles are allowed?

Snowplay

Fee Area: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access pay-to-play areas used for sledding, tubing, snowball fights, making snowmen, or other fun in the snow? (**Sledz only.**)

Public: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access free areas used for sledding, tubing, snowball fights, making snowmen, or other fun in the snow (i.e., lot at 203 and Minaret)?

Snowshoe:

Trail: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access trails where snowshoeing is allowed?

Open Area: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access open areas where snowshoeing is allowed?

Winter Camping: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access winter-camping areas?

Winter Hiking/Walking

Groomed: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access snow-covered trails that are machine-groomed in the winter?

4-Season: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access trails and walkways that may or may not be plowed in the winter?

Workforce: Y or N. Is this a point from which the workforce accesses trails and byways that reach their places of employment in the winter months?

SUMMER:

Automobiles: Y or N. This applies to Hummers, Jeeps, SUVs, and other 4WD vehicles used in off-road zones that are not registered with the DMV specifically as OHV vehicles, but may drive there. (A permit may be required.) Is this a point from which people access this type of terrain?

Backcountry

General Access Point: Y or N. Y or N. Does the point provide access to summer backcountry activities?

Biking

Unpaved: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access dirt trails and open space only (unpaved)?

Paved: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access a paved trail system? (Distinct from road biking.)

Road: Is this a point from which people access roads for road biking only?

Birding: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access bird-watching areas?

Boating Access

Motor: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access areas to launch motorboats?

Non-Motor: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access areas to launch human-powered boats, such as paddleboats, rafts, and oar-powered boats?

Bouldering: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access bouldering areas? (Distinct from climbing.)

Bow Hunting: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access bow-hunting areas?

Camping

Tent: Y or N. This refers to packing in camping equipment to a designated area *without* the use of an RV, trailer towed behind a vehicle, automobile, or off-road vehicle. (Backpacking, equestrian, etc.) Is this a point from which people access this type of area?

RV: Y or N. This refers to packing in camping equipment to a designated area *with* the use of an RV, trailer towed behind a vehicle, automobile, or off-road vehicle. Is this a point from which people access this type of area?

Caving: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access caves?

Climbing: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access climbing areas? (Distinct from bouldering; includes both sport and aid climbing.)

Equestrian

Commercial Packing: Y or N. Is this a point from which Forest Service–permitted pack operations access trails?

Packing: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access trails used by private individuals for packing?

Trail Riding: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access trails used by private individuals?

Commercial Trail Riding: Y or N. Is this a point from which commercial equestrian operations access trails for trail riding? (Distinct from packing.)

Fall Color Viewing: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access areas to see the leaves change in autumn?

Fishing

Lakes from Shore: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access lakes where they can fish from shore?

Streams/Creeks: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access streams and/or creeks to fish?

Frisbee Golf: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access Frisbee Golf areas?

Hiking/Walking

Paved: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access paved hiking and walking trails?

Unpaved: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access unpaved (dirt) hiking and walking trail?

OHV

ATV: Y or N. This applies only to trikes, quads, and other ATVs registered specifically with the DMV as OHV vehicles, and are not registered for on-highway use. Is this a point from which people access this type of terrain?

Motorcycle: Y or N. This applies only to motorcycles registered specifically with the DMV as OHV vehicles, and are not registered for on-highway use. Is this a point from which people access this type of terrain?

Pets

Area: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access areas that are set aside as, or are similar to/used as, "pet parks"?

Walking: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access unpaved (dirt) trails on which they can hike with their pets?

Running

Cross-Country: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access a combination of paved and unpaved (dirt) trails for cross-country running?

Trail: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access unpaved (dirt) trails for trail running?

Swimming Access: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access lakes, creeks, streams, etc., that they can swim in?

Vistas: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access areas widely known for scenic viewing, such as Mammoth Crest and Minaret Vista?

Wildflowers: Y or N. Is this a point from which people access places to view wildflower fields?

Workforce: Y or N. Is this a point from which the workforce accesses trails and byways that reach their places of employment in the summer months?

Notes: Please use this space for special notes you feel you need to add for clarification, or to inform us of a special situation.

PART 2: Photos

PHOTO RULES:

- 1) Set your camera to highest JPEG setting. We want the highest resolution you can give us; we can scale it down if we need to.
- 2) DON'T SHOOT INTO THE SUN.
- 3) Shoot pictures that will describe your subject to people who will most likely never get to the places that are the subject of this inventory.

PHOTO DESCRIPTIONS:

Signage Photos: If there is any kind of signage in the area, from a Forest Service road designation to an information kiosk to a bike-path sign—ANYTHING—please take photos! Shoot some images close-up enough to read the information on the signs, some farther away that show the signage in its natural context, and certainly images that document the condition of the signage itself.

Site Photos: Shoot photos that identify and document the access point. Think “straightforward” and “descriptive”—convey the information of the site and gather images that will “speak for themselves.”

Condition Photo: Take photos that will describe the existing state of access point. Additionally, please take photos of the activity area or trail. What shape is the trail in? Is it beat up and abused, or healthy and glowing? Is there trash lying around? Broken signage? Hazards? Potholes? In short, what state is the area in?