

**NATIONAL PARK SERVICE - BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY**  
**GUARDRAIL REPLACEMENT ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS**  
**PUBLIC INFORMATION QUESTIONNAIRE**

Because of aging, wear and tear, and weathering, the guardrails associated with the parkway need periodic replacement. Additionally, certain locations along the parkway have been identified as needing new guardrail installed to improve safety. Because of the variable nature of the historic resources and safety elements encountered on the 469-mile parkway, and the ongoing nature of guardrail replacement efforts, a comprehensive guardrail replacement approach is needed.

An Environmental Assessment is being prepared to evaluate the effect of installing guardrails at several new locations and what impact that would have on the historic integrity of the Parkway's motor road designed landscape

You are being asked to participate on a questionnaire designed to provide input to assist in developing a methodology or approach that will balance the safety goals of the park with resource protection and visitor experience. The information you provide will supplement information already gathered by the National Park Service. Your feedback will remain confidential and will be summarized with other respondents. This ten question survey should take approximately 10 minutes of your time.

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1. What areas most accurately describe the stretch of the Blue Ridge Parkway you generally drive? (check all that apply)

- ☐ Waynesboro, VA to Roanoke, VA
- ☐ Roanoke, VA to the VA/NC border (Cumberland Knob)
- ☐ VA/NC Border to Blowing Rock, NC
- ☐ Blowing Rock, NC to Asheville, NC
- ☐ Asheville, NC to Great Smokey Mountains National Park

2. How satisfied are you with the quality of your driving experience on the Blue Ridge Parkway, as it is currently designed? (Circle one)

Very Dissatisfied

Neither satisfied  
nor dissatisfied

Very Satisfied

1

2

3

4

5

*What is the level of importance you place on . . .*

	Not Important 1	2	Important 3	4	Extremely Important 5
3. safety to the quality of the Blue Ridge Parkway driving experience?					
4. maintaining historic design features (wooden structures, stone walls) to the quality of the Blue Ridge Parkway driving experience?					
5. experiencing the Parkway in a more natural setting, such as seeing wooden structures that blend with the natural environment?					
6. the guardrail placement and design in affecting your Blue Ridge Parkway driving experience?					

7. Do you feel safe while navigating the parkway? If you answered “No”, why?

Yes

No

8. What areas along the parkway do you feel are unsafe to drive? (You may refer to the map for locations.)

9. What recommendations do you have to increase safety while maintaining the natural value of the views along the parkway?

10. Please provide any other comments or concerns that you may have about the Guardrail Replacement Project

Thank you for participating in the Guardrail Replacement project survey for the National Park Service. Your feedback is important and is greatly appreciated.