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This project, which stems from the findings of an earlier project, sought to (a) identify the factors which limit the use of the Bankhead National Forest/Sipsey Wilderness Area (BNF/SWA) in North Alabama by minorities, (b) investigate the behavior, use patterns, and participation levels in various recreational activities by visitors to the BNF/SWA, and (c) recruit, mentor, and train a few HBCU students (undergraduate and graduate) in the science of outdoor recreation research.

With the collaboration of community leaders, agricultural extension agents, and civic organizations, resident surveys were initially

