Fengshui Forest Survey Form

Date __________________________

Researchers ____________________

Interviewee(s) __________________ Age __________

Permission to Interview __________ Permission to Use Name __________

Photo Numbers ____________________

I. Basic Locational Information
Province __________________________

Prefecture __________________________

County ______________________________

Township ____________________________

Administrative Village ________________

Natural Village ________________________

Nature Reserve _________________________

Location (Coordinates) __________________

Ethnicity _____________________________

II. Village Situation

- Village Within Nature Reserve: Yes     No
- Village Type: Cluster Non-Cluster Other_________

- Predominant building materials: Traditional__________/______% ;
  New__________/______%

- Age of Village: ______________

- Predominant Family(ies): ________________________________

- Number of Generations in situ/in record ______/_______

- Population: __________

- Average Income (Household, Fuqi)______________________

- Primary Economic Activities General________________________

- Primary Economic Activities that Affect Village Land Use____________________

- Primary crops_____________________________________

- Primary forest products________________________________

- Approximate percentage of people under 40 outmigrating______________

III. Forest Patch Sociocultural and Land Tenure:

- What do you call these/this forest(s)? ______________

- How many FSL in village? _____________

- Estimated area (mu) of largest FSL____________________

- Estimated area (mu) of other important FSL______________
- Are they designated collective or state land: *guoyoude/jitide* (circle one)

- Relative Location(s)?__________________________________________________________

- Participant Says the Purposes of FSL is:

  Wind_______Water_______Qi flow_______Erosion_______

  Flood control____Water storage_______

- The village FSL are associated with the following features:

  *Houlongshan* (Back Dragon Mt.) ______

  *Shanáo* (wind/water gap)____

  *Tudigong/gongwang* (Earthgod Shrine)_____

  *Citang* (Ancestral Temple)_____

  *anmiao* (Local Buddhist/Daoist temple)____

  Shuitou/cuntou (water source/top of village_______

  Shuiwei/cunwei (water exit/bottom of village____________

  TDG/GW, *citing*, anmiao associated with *this* village only?________________

Village FSL and shrine Sketch Map:

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IV. Rules, Regulations, & Management Practices

Traditional Punishment for removing trees (村规民约):

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Present Punishment for removing trees (How different from past?):

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Who monitors the forest today? Who enforces the laws?

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Crop/economic plant propagation permitted:

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Gathering permitted (list medicinal, economic, fungus):

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Hunting permitted (past/present):

____________________________________________________________

Wildlife (birds/mammals) seen (past/present):

____________________________________________________________

- Management/ Disturbance

Understory allowed to be cleared?

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Understory cleared?

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Economic plant propagation permitted? If no, why not? If yes, which plants?

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V. Environmental History and Disturbance Regimes

Fire history:

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Disruption of, or threats to, FSL during Great Leap Forward and/or Cultural Revolution?

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What are the most important present-day threats to the FSL forests here?

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Additional Notes on Culture History or Prospects:

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VI. Belief and Prospects for Preservation

Is there a connection between *fengshuilin* protection and conservation of biodiversity? If so explain.________________________________________

Do young people in the village believe in *fengshui*?

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Is the present cohort of young people likely to protect FSL in the future?

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What could be done to improve the protection of FSL in the present and insure it in the future?

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VII. Forest Patch Ecology and Conservation – Field Observations

- FSL Within Nature Reserve: Y/N

- Within Other Protected Area:

- Management (circle one): State Village Both

  Explain __________________________________________________

- Location at Center (coordinates):____________Aspect:____________

- Measured/estimated area (Ha) of forest patch______________

- Technique used for area measurement/estimate:
Rope _____ Paces _____ GPS circumference _____ GPS points _______

- Shape of individual forest(s) (sketch):

- Elevation of highest point in FSL: __________

- Elevation of lowest point in FSL: __________

- Forest Type:  Cryptomeria       Other needleleaf
  Broadleaf Mixed (at least 30% deciduous, needleleaf, or both)

- Five largest Trees (Species, dbh, and height)

  1: ________________________________

  2: ________________________________

  3: ________________________________

  4: ________________________________

  5: ________________________________

- Wildlife signs (inquire with locals)

  Sightings: ________________________________

  Tracks: ________________________________

  Scat: ________________________________

  Auditory: ________________________________

  Insect evidence: ________________________________
- Relationship of FSL to nearby streams and water bodies (check one)
  Stream flows through FSL______
  Stream flows adjacent to FSL______
  Streams distant from FSL (but within 100 meters)______
  Streams absent or more than 100 meters distant______

Additional Notes on Streams and Forests:

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Additional Notes on Landscape Ecology:

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