

S1 Table. Correlation matrix between potential predictor variables for the Boosted Regression Tree models. h_short = short vegetation height category; h_intert = intermediate vegetation height category; h_tall = high vegetation height category; mammals = mammal density perceived by tourists; PC1-2 = principal components 1-2 (accounting for > 60% of the variance) from the Principal Component Analysis on vegetation variables.

	visibility	bare_ground	short_grass	rock	burned	grass	shrubs	trees	h_short	h_inter	h_tall	PC1	PC2	mammals
visibility	1													
bare_ground	0.70	1												
short_grass	0.39	0.43	1											
rock	0.48	0.48	0.16	1										
burned	-0.09	-0.17	-0.21	-0.13	1									
grass	-0.02	-0.57	-0.56	-0.21	0.19	1								
shrubs	-0.73	-0.50	-0.55	-0.37	-0.12	-0.07	1							
trees	-0.69	-0.31	-0.32	-0.14	-0.06	-0.29	0.54	1						
h_short	0.76	0.49	0.56	0.12	0.04	0.12	-0.85	-0.81	1					
h_inter	-0.68	-0.50	-0.57	-0.05	0.01	-0.01	0.85	0.55	-0.93	1				
h_tall	-0.72	-0.39	-0.44	-0.17	-0.09	-0.21	0.69	0.95	-0.90	0.67	1			
PC1	0.83	0.67	0.69	0.33	-0.05	-0.12	-0.87	-0.75	0.95	-0.88	-0.85	1		
PC2	-0.08	0.51	0.21	0.30	-0.29	-0.89	0.32	0.45	-0.36	0.27	0.41	-0.13	1	
mammals	0.39	0.60	0.73	0.29	-0.20	-0.66	-0.35	-0.20	0.40	-0.41	-0.32	0.57	0.49	1