

Appendix:

- I. December, 2014 Survey (Paper Surveys Included)
- II. April, 2015 Online Survey (No Paper Surveys)

What Makes Japanese Gulch Unique?

- terrain options
- the trails are kept up
- 1) accessibility 2) relative closeness to populated area 3) Everett wishes they had something like this 4) The two hill sides of the track are different 5) because of its valley shape is quite back there
- Quiet - nature - beauty - location
- It's a beautiful forrest in the middle of a city.
- It's a wilderness area that lies in between developments on both side and it seems like they are closing in all around and getting more dense. I have spend many hours as a kid and adult mountain biking in the gulch and I'd like to see my kids some day enjoy what I did.
- Feels like such a getaway in such a suburban neighborhood.
- The undeveloped nature so close to a suburb
- location and terrain
- The natural beauty
- Last of its kind in such city landscape
- Natural area
- The terrain and elevation gain
- The trails are fabulous
- It's versitile trails for beginners and more advanced like small fetures allows learning .
- Location
- It's natural beauty. Things have not been landscaped.
- It's one of the last wooded areas in the area that's fairly safe, and provides a place to go when I need a dose of nature.
- It is gray to have a place to ride with in the city.
- The fact that you feel so far into the woods when riding the trails and you are only hundreds of feet away from the public.
- The steep trails.
- How close it is yet you feel like you're away from it all
- It is an oasis in the middle of a city. You don't have to drive far to feel like you are out in a secluded nature setting.
- Not too developed, feels like nature still despite being surrounded by suburbs
- The friendly people and dogs that walk it!
- Wild space
- It is a gem to have miles of trails and green space in our back yard. To be able to enjoy nature and feel like you're in the middle of the forest and still be close to home is such a cool thing.
- The history, ecology, and salmon restoration.
- Heavily timbered woodlands close to home.
- Proximity to our house
- Close mountain bike trails
- The huge dirt jumps
- Its natural look and non groomed trails.

What Makes Japanese Gulch Unique? Cont.

- Makes you feel free when you go in it, and i like how all the trails are always maintained
- Abundance of biking trails
- The custom trails by riders for riders.
- User built trails in beautiful woods.
- I like riding my mountain bicycle and going on family hikes. It's so awesome to be able to get away in the wilderness so close to the city.
- moderately wild
- Its the only area near where i live to mountain bike and trail run.
- Undisturbed nature.
- Feels like you are in the lower Snoqualmie Alps deep woods with its trees and roots and rolling trails, but it is very easy to get too in a urban area.
- It is a slice of country in the middle of the city. Small elevations, single track winding trails making it an exciting run
- Close to home and beautiful place to get out after work
- Location
- Mountain biking
- The trail system
- Its a community treasure usable by all including hikers, walkers, runners and mountain bikers.
- heavily wooded and great trails
- Native ruggedness, pristine forest
- Bike trails. Bike jumps
- It's home to a lot of flora and fauna. It is large and close. It is beautiful in all seasons.
- It is one of the last natural, treed areas in Mukilteo.
- Miles of trails. Uncut forest. Close to nature.
- so many twists and turns. Well maintained trails. I run there 2 days a week and it seems I hit a different trail every time.
- The culture of mountain biking that not a lot of riders experience around here.
- How untouched it is and the freedom
- Location. Its one of the only GOOD places to mountain bike within 30-40 minutes of Mukilteo
- The trees, the terrain. The animals that make it home.
- The size/acreage and the size of the ravine, and varied terrain, sand gravel/dirt
- Proximity of a large, undeveloped property with challenging biking and running trails.
- Multiple use. The previous jump area and bike trails that go with the land.
- The size, quality of the trails, and how little it is used.
- its so primitive yet the trails are well kept
- I enjoy being able to hike there without having dogs on leash. Everyone is very good about leashing up when you encounter someone else.

What Makes Japanese Gulch Unique? Cont.

- tough trail runs, lots of criss-crossing trails, a train track and a dog park.
- Natural, undeveloped state.
- The fact that you can get lost in it. There are always new things that I find in the Gulch. It is what makes it special and personal to me.
- bring natural, open space
- Variety of terrain, wildlife, quiet atmosphere (when the jets aren't landing). It is an awesome inner city getaway to the woods without having to travel far.
- There are many reasons Japanese Gulch is unique. Here are a few: 1. A truly natural area, not dumbed down, raw and gorgeous, in the middle of a great industrial / residential area. 2. Great singletrack for hiking and mountain biking!
- 3. It is genuinely pretty. 4. Proximity to beaches, restaurants and homes. Great to park down near the Rosehill center, then ride over to Japanese Gulch for a ride and afterwards grab dinner or a beer in town. 4. The airplanes flight path that flies right over. Especially cool when the Historic Flight Foundation is flying vintage aircraft!
- lovely green space near light/heavy industrial area. Great space to balance the misery above
- Puget Sound views, big trees and ferns
- It is a lot like St Edwards park in Kenmore with Mt biking and hiking trails
- Topography
- A rare place where people can play in midst of massive commercial and residential structures.
- The large amount of green space and the ability to bike and hike in the city.
- it is to a great degree passive land use
- A trail system close to home. Not many people have that.
- The gulch is such a large expanse of woods right next to the city. I love the feeling of being lost in the woods within just a few minutes of my house.
- Its trees, natural plants, birds, wetlands, and related environmental features
- Accessible urban forest with varied terrain.
- The terrain, water, air traffic all with a train running through it.
- close proximity to business and housing, but natural beauty and easy access
- Ecology and habitat
- The bike trails of all levels, close to home
- Acres of forested land located so close to downtown Mukilteo.
- Woodsy trail within the city.
- Location and the bike trails.
- the terrain and the dirt
- Forested area so close to town. Great trails, nature, etc
- Such a large area. Can go hike in the upper part and get lost (a good thing). The lower trails create a great loop and will eventually provide a great connection to Edgewater Beach.
- there are no "Activities" there. It stands alone - natural
- Potential

What Makes Japanese Gulch Unique? Cont.

- Sweet mountain biking close to home
- Awesome single track.
- The fact that it isn't officially developed is what makes it unique
- The Gulch is unique as a resource for so many different activities while being so conveniently located. I often ride from work, through the trails, and back to work, all during a long lunch break.
- It's location and elevation changes. So much to do in such a relatively small area.
- The mountain bike trails in such a suburban setting
- Excellent mountain biking located in an urban setting
- The extent of the trails and the size of the park are awesome in the context of how densely developed Mukilteo has become.
- The large area of undeveloped land, in a much more highly developed area.
- Technical and challenging cross country mountain bike trails.
- It's a beautiful park right in the middle of urban sprawl. The old growth forest is awesome. The multi-use trails are great for hikers, runners, and bikers alike
- The opportunity to disappear into the woods only minutes from home. It's a beautiful area, and it's nice how isolated it feels once inside.
- Undeveloped space, interesting terrain, community interest in preserving it for future generations.
- The steep hills, creating lots of opportunities for enjoyment on a mountain bike.
- Awesome mountain biking trails in a place where you would not expect it
- Location in the city
- Oases in an urban area
- Really good technical terrain for mountain biking. Good climbs and good descents.
- The history, the location, the wildlife habitat - can't believe there are deer in there!
- Quiet natural area in an urban setting.
- Good-quality mountain biking right inside Mukilteo.
- Location, size, tie-in with undeveloped land on east side, lots of organic users (ie, just kind of showed up and found good things to do).
- Natural trails for OFF LEASH DOG walks twice per day, he can't poop without his walks
- Lack of development, natural environmental preserve for people & animals
- That you're so close to civilization, yet feel like you're in a primordial forest. The 'woodsyiness' of it
- Diverse natural terrain with varied elevation
- Variety of landscape
- Wooded area near cities

What is Your Favorite Thing about Japanese Gulch?

- close to where I live
- the trails..i also like the beach ..please leave it alone
- Mountain bike trails
- Natural outdoor area to walk and hike.
- That there are so many trails that you can get lost in the woods.
- Mountain bike trails.
- Great way to get exercise, the smells, the sights and the sounds.
- location and I enjoy the trails
- The peace
- Riding the trails
- Used to be dog park when it was ran by volunteers and before the equipment was added
- Myself and several of my coworkers at Electroimpact ride there every week. The fact it's so close makes it convenient and fun.
- The trails
- Keeps me from getting fat from beer
- That I help build most of the trails back in the 90's with Mulkiteo Bike shop.
- Hills, creek, fallen trees.
- That it provides a place for the community to congregate, learn about nature, and escape from their daily toils. All in all: it's nature and I'm so fortunate to have a place like it to hike through.
- Being in nature and the great trails to ride.
- Its close to home and fun. The trails well maintained.
- Bike riding
- The canopy, and not running into somebody at every turn.
- Mountain biking
- Proximity to home and the views that can be had in some spots.
- ive been to it hundreds of times and still find new trails often
- The cleanliness
- No development
- I love trail running on the single track trails and enjoying the quiet.
- An outdoor educational setting.
- The debate
- Several foot paths throughout the area.
- Hiking trails
- Mountain bike trails
- Awesome Mountain Biking and nature preserves.
- The mountain bike trails and the jumps
- Biking trails

What is Your Favorite Thing about Japanese Gulch? Cont.

- Biking in the woods
- Diversity of bike trails for all skill levels.
- Mountain biking
- forest
- Running and biking on the trails
- Undisturbed nature.
- It's natural state. The Gulch offer a great training alternative to driving to the local mountains or parks for local trail runners such as myself for training. The technicality, mud and lack of bridges to cross the streams are all what makes the Gulch attractive to me, as a trail runner.
- proximity (when I lived in Everett) and the makeup of the trails. (I now live in South Prairie)
- Beautiful, safe area away from cars. Great trails for riding.
- Mountain biking trails
- mountain biking
- The views
- Location in my own community.
- mountain bike trails
- Trails for running and walking
- Trails jumps
- Proximity to my house.
- TREES, ANIMALS, PEACE and QUIET!!
- Wild place to walk my dog, much more interesting than a sidewalk.
- Always an adventure and very safe.
- All of the trails, jumps and pathways.
- Used to be the bike jumps
- Good trails close to home! Makes it so we don't have to drive to go ride.
- GREEN!
- All the trails we can bike on
- Challenging Trails.
- Bike Trails and the nature.
- Solitude in the beautiful natural surroundings.
- mt biking
- Hiking with dogs off leash. Love that my dogs can run around & explore.
- Tough trails, few people
- That it's close and undeveloped.
- The trail changes. Up, down, left and right, straight then whiney. Also, getting lost. I love getting lost and finding new trails that I never knew were there. It is what makes the Gulch great! I would hate it if trails were overly marked. Keep the gulch mysterious.

What is Your Favorite Thing about Japanese Gulch? Cont.

- quiet, lots of trails, tranquility
- GOING FAST!!
- The fun (but needs some work) trail on the a East side, from about the Boeing sports fields down. 2nd best trail is the loop trail on the West side, in the cedar loam. That and just getting off in the woods.
- run/bike
- Mountain biking the trails
- Wooded trails where I can take long loop walks. It took about a year to learn the trails but that is also part of the fun.
- Mountain Bike Trails
- Being able to ride single track
- Undeveloped trails close by that I've been riding for almost 30 years.
- The trail network.
- It is peaceful at times, a refuge from the growing congestion in this city
- The fact that you can be in the trail system and lose yourself in nature. I run, hike, and bike in the gulch and am always amazed at how isolated it feels from the city (a good thing). It's a convenient escape.
- I love the feeling of being lost in the woods within just a few minutes of my house. I like being able to go there to bike, run, chase the kids, play in the snow (got that opportunity once this year!) and train for backpacking trips. And again, it's like my big backyard.
- It is a buffer to development of that area
- Proximity to my house and bike trails.
- Proximity to home.
- Year around mountain bike riding that is challenging enough to be fun
- Mountain Biking
- Mountain bike trails and jumps,
- Bike trails
- Wide range of trails for all biking levels.
- Bike trails
- the trails that the mountain bikers have built
- Biking trails for all skill levels.
- Very private feel. Feels like you're out hiking without having to drive 2 hours to get there.
- the way it is - leave it that way
- Accessibility, Mixed Use
- The trails are great
- Awesome single track.
- trails
- Again, the convenience of being able to go there for a wide variety of activities, be it biking, running, or just a walk.

What is Your Favorite Thing about Japanese Gulch? Cont.

- The location and trail networks.
- I love the mountain bike trails
- There is something for everyone there and is welcoming to all user groups. The multi-use trails allow everyone to enjoy all the trails.
- There is a wide variety in trail difficulty such that users of differing skill levels can all enjoy the Gulch. Personally, this helped me get started mountain biking and has kept me coming back as my skills increased.
- The trails, blackberries, and brapplesauce.
- Challenging trails, and close to my home and work. I mountain bike there and take my kids for walks. It's great to have the green space so close by.
- See #8
- The variety of uses, particularly the trails that I hike with my family and dog, and mountain bike with my friends.
- It is accessible. Close by, multiple entrances, easy to get to, undeveloped.
- Mountain biking
- That it offers such good riding so close to work
- Availability of mountain bike trails
- Trails are excellent for mountain biking
- It's a really good work out and for such a small area there are still a lot of trails, i can easily ride 10 miles of trails without repeating any.
- The history, the location, the wildlife - I have participated in the dig in 2012 and am surveying now. To see it grow is amazing
- I can walk to it from my house.
- the amazing bike trails
- Mountain bike trails.
- Miles of single track trails of all kinds, proximity, diversity of trails, absence of restrictions
- Off Leash Dog Walks
- Forested vistas w/o hand of man
- The beauty of nature, the hiking trails, the birds, dog park
- Convenient location, pristine 'natural, untushed' feel.
- Bike friendly trails

What is Your Least Favorite Thing about Japanese Gulch?

- needs to be organized
- its just fine
- That the gulch seems to be under threat of some kind or another every couple of years.
- Bike riders
- That the bmx jumps were taken out.
- The fighting
- I worry I might get lost and the dog park isn't shaded in the summer and is muddy the rest of the year
- very muddy in winter
- Muddy trails
- dog walkers
- Parking
- People who tear down dirt jumps
- N/a
- Nothing
- Poor drainage of water on the trails
- Nothing
- 1) Offleash dogs outside of the dog park (was attacked once), 2) Dirt bikers using the trails (was hit by one on the trail), 3) Trash
- I wish it was bigger!
- It gets muddy and doesn't drain well
- The ivy
- Not enough dedicated mountain bike trails
- mud I guess
- Darkness
- Bike use (abuse)
- The increase in dog poop and bags of dog poop left on the trail since the opening of the dog park.
- The railroad and resulting lack of connectivity between upper and lower gulches.
- The debate
- Requests for establishing sports fields at the expense of cutting down foliage and trees.
- Litter and people making new trails or damaging the trees/environment
- People tearing mountain bike trails
- People were airsofting while I was biking
- People who destroy things.
- Mud holes
- Green peace
- Complaints
- Off leash dogs. I love dogs but they don't belong off leash with bikers nearby.

What is Your Least Favorite Thing about Japanese Gulch? Cont.

- Some of the trails are really sloppy/muddy in the winter months. Also there needs to be an easy trail/mainline to ride up (heading south) to provide an alternative to riding up the rail tracks. (This would require building switch backs with lesser gradients up some of the faces.
- railroad track
- The nettles and blackberries that overgrow the trails
- “Improvements” on nature.
- Nothing that I can think of.
- Mountain bikers and big dogs running free that don’t listen to their masters.
- Having to stay off the trails when they are wet.
- Nothing
- The mud everywhere
- Lack of maintenance and drainage on the trails
- nettles :)
- Tearing down the jumps
- Litter
- Bicycles and jumps.
- No restrooms.
- People not leaching their dogs
- The new reconstruction and management of the gulch.
- The people who complain about its extremities
- Drainage... The trails can get pretty muddy, making riding difficult... or making it so we don’t go ride.
- Groups like the BMX folks who were modifying the park for their own use, at the “expense” of the natural ecosystem.
- Safety, I think there should be some separate trails and signs for biking and hiking, so people that want to ride fast can safely
- Excessive signage, paint on the trees, dog poop bags.
- Mud holes on trails
- Hearing motorcycles when on the trails.
- crashing my bike. I love the gulch
- People leave trash
- trails can be very slippery.
- Bridges that are sloped and slippery when wet or icy
- Some trails go nowhere and just stop or are over ran.
- mud
- People not taking care of the trails they use.
- *Mis-spelling on your question- take note.* Least favorite: 1. Not much. Perhaps a lack of a group or two who are responsible for organizing volunteer trail rebuilding, ala Evergreen Mountain Bike Alliance

What is Your Least Favorite Thing about Japanese Gulch? Cont.

and WTA. 2. Anyone with attitudes that think that whatever their activity within the gulch is more important than someone else's activities. There's room for hikers, bikers, dog walkers, photographers, children, birders and so on. There's no need for animosity.

- that it might be developed
- Trail quality could be better. Less steepness and more flow to maximize potential energy for downhill mountain biking.
- Mud holes.
- None
- Not knowing if I am trespassing
- encroachment of residential neighborhoods.
- BMX Bile riders
- No parking lot at the upper entrance.
- The natural trails do need upkeep. Erosion has made some trails very difficult to ride a bike on.
- The illegal construction of trails, bike jumps, some paint on trees and other changes to the environment that were illegal before and after the City acquired the property. Some try to justify it by saying it has been done for years. Doing something illegal for a long time does not make it legal or even OK at any time. This prior development needs to be removed and restored to its natural condition
- Overly vocal, Mukilteo residents who think they personally own the gulch and complain about what other people do there.
- n/a
- We need to maintain our trails better:) Not expecting the city to shoulder..maybe help us get the job done. Partnering?
- Muddy trails and nettles
- People wanting to change and develop it
- N/A
- Parking...but it is getting better.
- people who don't like mountain bikers
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- I dont really have one.
- dog park, cars! Druggies and not feeling safe when alone
- Not enough trail markers
- Nothing. It is perfection.
- Nothing
- Poeples who complain about it
- I can't think of anything I don't like. Even the Nettles build character!
- People trying to develop it.
- I'm not a fan when someone tells me my dog has to be on a leash when I am in the middle of the woods.

What is Your Least Favorite Thing about Japanese Gulch? Cont.

- Nettles
- The nettles can get pretty vicious at times.
- The nettles
- The development of it.
- Nettles
- Losing so much place to the dog park. I would rather have seen the area developed into an open field that would allow more varied use. I also don't appreciate the anti-biking sentiments from some in the Gulch community.
- The looming prospect of development encroaching on it.
- Hidden dog poop on the trails
- Parking could be a bit better
- Lots of nettles overgrowing the sides of the trails during certain months of the year.
- Trash
- When it is really windy the chances of a tree blowing down is greater - but that's just life. I like riding in the woods and it makes for better trails so comes with the territory.
- The surly and rude nature of the BNSF Railroad police who deal with everyone in their vicinity as criminals. Other than that, what's there to not like about Japanese Gulch?
- What's not to like?
- lack of parking
- Inconsistent drainage on the trail system. Braided trails.
- Mud, garbage left by careless users, slippery make-shift bridges, tires pushed into south end creek from Torfab lot. Drug uses at 19th cul-de-sac.
- Signs, Everywhere
- Pirates digging barrow pits across streams. Dead ferns dug up & tossed aside
- Brambles
- The weather
- Some areas are poorly maintained
- Dogs off leash on trails. Owners no cleaning up after them.

If There is One Thing That Would Bring You to the Gulch More Often, What would it be?

- new trails
- More trails, if that is even possible.
- Park type area with benches
- I'd like to stay undeveloped so it doesn't become over used.
- More time in my life.
- Way finding signs
- more time
- Somewhere to fill up water bottles and a walking trail
- sunshine
- Dirt jumps
- I already go weekly
- Lady in bikinis cheering me on
- More aggressive trails for biking
- Time
- More flow from the trails with some freestyle. Drops, tables jumps, gap jumps ect.
- Keeping and improving the trails.
- Public events.
- More and better bike trails. Freeride and flow lines.
- A bike
- Dedicated and built/maintained mountain bike trails
- off leash wooded areas
- Lighting during evenings
- Less muddy trails
- Keeping the trails simple and natural.
- Connectivity
- Ease of access
- An all weather paved or at least heavily graveled pedestrian trail that would also accommodate bikes. Some rain shelters and possibly a playground with some rest rooms (probably at the dog park area. Durable park benches.
- Keep it as it is
- Real mountain bike trails features that don't get torn down
- my bike
- Trail parties to help trails.
- Better weather
- bringing the jumps back

If There is One Thing That Would Bring You to the Gulch More Often, What would it be? Cont.

- Trails for walkers and trails for bikers
- Better trail maintenance that manages rainfall better.
- Trail signage and indicated direction of flow on some of the obvious one way okay trails.
- better parking
- 4 or 5 days visiting every week is enough for me.
- Large piles of money.
- Nothing that I can think of.
- A Starbucks in the parking lot.
- Better run-off of water to allow more riding opportunities.
- A trail map
- more bike trails
- Well drained trails
- Condition of the trails in winter.
- less rain
- Keeping the trails in good condition
- New dirt jumps
- If I didn't have to work.
- Maintained trails - minimize mud!
- Off leash dog walking trails.
- It would be a park that allowed riders to come in and build, or add on, to jumps and trails.
- More time in my day
- better drainage.
- More time and less to do in my own life!
- Rebuild the BMX jumps.
- Nope, love it the way it is.
- New bike and walking trails
- Nothing. Love it how it is.
- im there 2-3 times a week already
- Keep it like it is!
- a bit more gravel on trails to help traction, a bit of drainage to prevent trails from being washed over(near stream)
- Not for me, but many people would probably like to have access to a map and perhaps some small signs on the trails much like Cougar Mt. or Paradise Valley.
- Slight trail maintenance. There are some areas on a few trails that are pretty dangerous if you don't know about them before hand. I would like to see some slight repairs made to those areas. Also, exploring. I

If There is One Thing That Would Bring You to the Gulch More Often, What would it be? Cont.

love that I can explore new areas of the gulch. I can find how one trail links up with another.

- more time
- More help fixing and maintaining the trails
- 1. Better maintained trails, both for water management and for better use of the elevation. There's a reason my family and our group of friends and families drive for 45 minutes-120 minutes each way to go ride our bikes at Duthie Hill in Issaquah or Tiger Mountain.
- more trails
- Better trails for mountain biking. Like Duthie Hill park near Issaquah or Paradise Valley near Maltby.
- Keep the trails open but don't over develop them. Wildlife, let nature reign.
- More trails
- Better trails
- Keep it the way it is, open and unfettered
- More maintained trails
- making it more passive than it is.
- Better parking at the upper entrance.
- Smooth flowing bike trails. With jumps and features that have runarounds for lesser "skilled" riders or walker/joggers. Pump tracks.
- Probably not except to drive by and admire the wooded area
- Trails better engineered to handle wet weather.
- n/a
- Maybe light up the trail heads and clean up the parking area
- Improved trail maps and signage with GPS coordinates
- More free time
- More trails
- More maintained trails.
- Jump park for mountain bikes! See Duthie Hill Park in Issaquah (King County)
- more mountain bike trails
- During the summer months nettles and black berries were brushed back.
- More daylight in the wintertime. :) seriously though, more access points and loop trails and connectivity.
- less people
- Camera
- A ski lift
- My bike.
- Sunshine, and proper parking at the Garden entrance
- I think a little bit more trail maintenance and erosion prevention would go a long way to the enjoyment

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and safety of the trails for all users.

- More time in the day.
- Better water drainage
- More sun in the PNW!
- More bike friendly trails, also better trail side maintenance. Everything can get pretty over grown early in the summer
- More sun!
- If someone would hack out the nettles alongside the trails
- Organized events, like trail maintenance work parties, or organized hikes/rides.
- If I had a new mountain bike...
- Trail maintenance, removing stinging nettles from the trail edges.
- A good trail map with labeled trails
- The existing trails are great, and having good maintenance to keep the trails wide would benefit the ride quality. Having the vegetation cut back would also make it easier to see ahead, and reduce the change of riding/running up on someone unexpectedly. There is already good trail maintenance in terms of erosion fixes and removing deadfall, which is great.
- It's fine as is
- Nope - it's perfect as it. Great trail system. I guess if the weather was nicer in the winter i would ride more often - but you can't control the weather.
- Trail maintenance to reduce large mud puddles.
- better trail marking
- Time.
- Better drainage and structural support on the single-tracks- ie 'planned' improvements guided by BBTC
- I already go there 2x/day so I hope you don't add one more thing
- Warm weather, easy parking
- More trails design for mountain biking
- Smoother trails and bridges

Which Potential Future Activity Would You Like to See in the Gulch?

- flow park for bikes
- leave it alone except for trail maintenance
- Bring in an event whether it's a cross country mountain bike race or a trail race run. Yes parking would be a problem.
- Nothing, it's perfect the way it is. The bmx jumps should have been kept the way they were built.
- Mostly trail maintenance. I like it the way it is. I think it would be great to have ADA trails somewhere in the Gulch
- Biking
- jumps and pumptrack area
- Dirt bike track
- Dirt jumping
- N/a
- More trails
- More Bike Trails
- Horses
- More trails to ride.
- More downhill trails.
- Bikes. Jumps.
- Nothing, it's good the way it is.
- Downhill bike trails with built features
- Just keep it how it is. Maybe spruce up the trails but don't totally change it.
- Guided walks/runs
- Trails maintained
- Nothing - just keeping the trails simple and natural for hiking, running etc.
- More environmental education
- Walking trails, some BMX areas, bike trail areas, a pathway along the stream.
- N/A - would like it to stay as it is
- Bike jumps
- Some more jumps
- Signage to help people find their way and bike jumps.
- A little less narrow trails
- Bike jumps
- More biking
- Access to Boeing side of railroad tracks.
- I would like to see trail signage and a few bridges across some of the marshes.

Which Potential Future Activity Would You Like to See in the Gulch? Cont.

- hiking separated from bike traffic
- mtb learning area
- Donation of the north side of the gulch by Boeing to the city of Mukilteo if it is left undisturbed.
- None.
- An expansion
- Trail work parties
- A 24 hour mtb race
- I'd just like to see it maintained and available for all to use.
- more mountain bike trails
- Nothing more than what is already there. Keep the trails good for walking, hiking, and running
- Build new dirt jumps
- trail improvements, perhaps
- Native plant restoration.
- Off leash dog walking trails
- Maybe a park at some point at the top of the gulch and the allowing of adding trails, ramps and support structures.
- Bike jumps! And off leash dogs
- NA
- BMX jumps, we could make some sweet trails for the pnw cup there
- Trail improvements to eliminate swampy spots.
- Natural drainage on and around trails to prevent the large water /mud holes
- More help with trail maintenance.
- mt bike races
- Keep it like it is!
- Multi-use trails for day and night use. Dogs off leash.
- Sponsored activities such as rail runs, kids mnt bike camps.
- fun runs, dog walks
- Expanding mountain bike trails, Dedicated BMX area (I am not personally a fan but the kids need somewhere to go, it is a great healthy activity!)
- Right now we have the garden, dog park, mountain bike / hiking trails. So I'd like to see a hike-to-only (not drive up) play area / fort or series of forts for children! Think Saint Ed's, but more raw, adventurous and you cannot use your car to get to it immediately. Should be at least a 10-15 minute walk.
- biking/hiking
- Family friendly mountain bike trails
- Zip lines, guided tours.

Which Potential Future Activity Would You Like to See in the Gulch? Cont.

- Hiking and biking
- Stay open to all trail users on all trails.
- Hiking and biking
- Community Garden leave as is Bikers-have to go
- A parking area at the upper entrance.
- I would like to see the trails improved by professionals. Similar to what was designed at Duthie Hill in King County by the Evergreen Mountain Bike Alliance.
- A few walking paths that would not require changing the environment. Mostly left untouched as it was always advertised to happen if the City acquired it--until recently when the BMK bikers and their supporters from the Japanese Gulch Group started pushing development with emphasis on that kind of activity. BMK biking and other more active use was not talked about by the Japanese Gulch Group as they raised money with community auctions, donations etc. until the bikers became vocal and contributed to support elected officials and the Japanese Gulch Group
- Mountain bike skills practice area.
- Partnering between city and users to improve trails.
- Mountain biking
- Mountain bike trails stay, if jumps must be torn down like they have been already, make new lines of jumps for all skill levels somewhere else
- More mountain biking
- Organized mountain bike trail maintenance.
- Jump park for mountain bikes! See Duthie Hill Park in Issaquah (King County)
- separate biking and walking trails
- Just more bike trails
- Keep hiking and biking. Maybe more interpretive signs. Possibly paved trail for road bikes and/or disabled accessibility
- NONE the whole point of “saving” this area was to leave it as it is. This is what we were told since the beginning
- Trail Running events
- Mountain biking
- Bike trails separate from walking.
- An interpretive walk with signage would be nice
- Nothing in particular.
- Organized cycling events.
- x-country bike race
- Mountain Biking, running

Which Potential Future Activity Would You Like to See in the Gulch? Cont.

- Sanctioned dirt jumps
- I like it the way it is.
- More mtn biking trails
- Technical biking area with stuff for people of all skill levels. Maintain the current access to the trails for mountain bikers as well as hikers and other uses. Small kiosks with trail maps, trail markers throughout the trail network. Picnic area and open fields (replicate the success of the Lighthouse Park development), maybe down near the water on the tank farm.
- Zip line?
- A small mountain bike race
- I see a lot of mountain biking, trail running, and just hiking in the Gulch, and I would like to keep these human-powered activities as the goal for the Gulch.
- It's fine as is
- None, mountain biking is all i want to see.
- Remove of invasive species, preservation of quiet natural areas, native species and wildlife preservation.
- I'm very happy with the activities available there at present.
- Mtn. bike races, multi-sport races, high-school cross-country races, orienteerint points (compass not GPS), expansion to protect east-side from development.
- None
- Habitat Restoration nursery, permaculture food forest, birdge over creek, historal interpretive signage, Japanese Gaden, Emergency Vechical Access
- Well designed & managed bike jump & wood work features, disc golf
- Pump Track or Duthie Hill - Style riding
- Bike only area. Skills area with jumps and other features

Which Potential Future Activity Would You NOT Like to See in the Gulch? Cont.

- motocross or trail bikes anything commercial
- Limits imposed by BNSF, or any sale or encroachment on any of the remaining forested area.
- I don't want it shut down to hikers
- Major development. I think it should stay the same as it is. If it is developed with bathrooms and playgrounds it will cost the city a lot of money.
- Lots of rules.
- Hunting
- Paintballers
- The tearing down of dirt jumps
- The closing
- Dunno
- Nothing.
- Skeet shooting
- Any activity other than upkeep
- Motorized vehicles
- Crowded trails all the time, no dogs on trails, blocking of current trails
- Bike jumps etc
- I would prefer not to see mountain bike jumps etc. It is an accident waiting to happen with bikes coming down so fast with people hiking and walking. Also I've seen dirt bikes and motorcycles which should not be allowed on the trails.
- Unreasonable restrictions to access caused by and imposed by the railroad.
- Sports fields.
- Paintball, air soft or motorized.
- People tearing down bike jumps
- Gravel trails, corny stuff.
- No traffic
- Old guy that takes photos of you then try to call the police center on you for riding your bike
- Nothing
- Hiking only trails. Trail closures.
- Anything that would take away from the current trail system.
- developed playgrounds
- Park "development" having any impact on undisturbed nature.
- I don't want to see the trails "managed". I don't want less mud, or easier trails. leave it the way it is.
- A reduction
- Residential or commercial

Which Potential Future Activity Would You NOT Like to See in the Gulch? Cont.

- Non I love everything
- Motorized vehicles.
- playgrounds
- BMX jumps
- Destroying peoples hard work put into dirt jumps
- anything motorized
- Active recreation like ballfields, parking lots, lights, etc..
- Motorcycles
- Not like to see the limitations of freedom to express ones self in a constructive and competitive fashion be taken away.
- Assigned trails and no structures
- NA
- Man-made bike jumps, pits, etc.
- I'm open to all users, as long as they have a safe spot to perform their activity. I see people practicing archery in there, but i don't want to get hit by an arrow
- Would prefer no further new restrictions on use or removal of existing improvements.
- Too late. The demolition of the existing jumps.
- No MORE bmx/mountain bike jump areas. I wish that the existing area had NOT been leveled, because now more will be built somewhere else.
- Would be sad if they made it only on-leash for dogs to hike. The dog park is ok but having the dogs be able to explore & romp is awesome!
- more parking to make it a more accessible destination
- Anything that would take away from it's current undeveloped feel.
- Horses. Those trails are way to narrow for horses. There are plenty of trails in WA that are perfect for horses; not the Gulch.
- Anything motorized
- Everyone can play in the gulch!
- Commercial buildings. Zero problem with buildings or businesses, but let's keep a few spots filled with trees and not pavement.
- industry or residential development
- Give everyone access so all can enjoy this wonderful place. Don't preclude certain types of users.
- Horse back riding, they never clean up the mess
- Development
- Developed and policed trails. No need for signage, this is not a big area.
- Illegal activities, hard drugs, squatters, camping

Which Potential Future Activity Would You NOT Like to See in the Gulch? Cont.

- Any sort of bike activity
- Paid parking or a service fee.
- See above 12
- Anything motorized.
- Any type of large man-made structure or something with a lot of lights. It's a natural area and I'd like to keep it that way.
- No motorized vehicles or horses
- BMX park
- Businesses, warehouses
- Logging
- motorized vehicles.
- Trails being closed to bikes.
- as long as we can all share the gulch I don't really care
- Paved paths or making existing trails too easy.
- Organized sport activities like ballfields
- see above
- Things that aren't mountain biking
- Middle income housing.
- large amounts of official trail development
- Motorized vehicles.
- anything that involves pavement.
- Anything that would impact the mountain bike trails
- Motorized vehicles and horses
- Dirt bikes or ATVs would destroy things
- Development
- Still like it the way it is.
- Overdevelopment and unnecessary structures, to include art, trailhead arches, bike shelters, large event/education structures. Leave the Gulch just the way it is, as much as possible.
- Development
- Motorized vehicles (dirt bikes)
- Paving all the trails, or any general expansion of the trails intended mostly for walking.
- From time to time, though very rarely, I have seen motorized vehicles in the Gulch, and I would prefer to keep it human-powered.
- It's fine as is
- I would not like to see any equestrian activity.

Which Potential Future Activity Would You NOT Like to See in the Gulch? Cont.

- motorized sports
- Cutting down trees.
- Motorized recreation, horses.
- Buildings, destruction of trail systems that do work and were built by hand.
- All activities should be allowed, walking, bikes, mini bikes etc.
- Over development
- Ampitheater, Special Event Gathering Place, Enviro. sculptues
- Pavilions - please don't turn the wooded part of the gulch into a park
- Restricted access
- Paved Trails

Which Improvements Would You Be Willing to Support, as a volunteer?

- All
- trail maintenance
- Trail building/maintenance
- Basic trail upkeep.
- Bridges, signs, maps, publicity.
- Dirt jumps
- I would help with litter clean up
- Trail building
- Trail Building
- Maintenance
- Trail maintenance
- Trail building and maintenance.
- Tail maintenance
- Trail maintenance events
- Bike trails
- Trail construction and maintenance
- trail matinence
- Keeping it clean
- Dog park
- Normal erosion control, downed tree clearing, any garbage pick up, but I think the beauty of the current trails is their simplicity.
- Archaeology, salmon stream restoration, trail building, native plantings, invasive removal.
- Annual spring clean up. Community volunteer repairs.
- Clean up
- Trails
- Any help needed.
- Help trail building
- Jumps and biking trails
- Building trails
- Bike/multi-use trail construction/maintenance.
- Trail building and maintenance.
- trail building/maintenace
- trail maintenance
- I already volunteerily clear trails of branches, rocks, & debris. I don't like the sound of the word "improvements." You can't "improve" on nature.

Which Improvements Would You Be Willing to Support, as a volunteer? Cont.

- General trail maintenance, perhaps adding some connecting trails to by pass the area where they have recently developed houses. I wouldn't support "improvements" meant to detract from the natural state of the trail.
- If I still lived in the area, I would seek ways for water remediation. Lower trails get really soggy. Also, stinging nettles abound on the Northeast side of the tracks. Removal of these.
- Trail work to alleviate standing water and holes.
- Clearing of trails
- Trail maintenance
- Trail maintenance
- trails.
- Trail maintenance
- getting rid of non-native species
- Trail maintenance and native plantings.
- Off leash dog walking trails. Trail mapping.
- Clean trails. Remove brush.
- Depending on plans and if the city is willing to listen to groups that ride and have experienced various places of difficulty and safety.
- I'd build bike jumps
- trail maintenance
- trails, clearing for access
- Anything mountain bike related. I already help the trailblazers when when I can, wish we could do mountain bike features.
- Trail work.
- Trail erosion prevention. And new trailer building
- Trail maintenance.
- Yes
- Picking up trash, removing invasive plants. Maintaining trails
- Spreading gravel
- I currently regularly cut back the vegetation from the trails and clear blowdowns when needed so would probably not volunteer for much.
- trail building and maintenance.
- most anything
- Trail documenting Repairing current trails Digging new trails Races! ANYTHING!
- Trail building, maintenance, design, marketing, photography, engineering, name it. There should be a kids and adults pump track area, technical trails / hiking balance areas and maybe a ropes course! It

Which Improvements Would You Be Willing to Support, as a volunteer? Cont.

needs to happen for all of us on the North End. Email me at boxxerace@gmail.com . I've worked with Evergreen Mountain Bike Alliance as a volunteer trail person and photographer. - Aaron

- trail building, picnic areas
- Building mountain bike trails. Coordinate with Evergreen Mountain Bike Association.
- trail upkeep
- Low-impact trails
- Trail building
- Continue the work of the local mountain bike volunteers to keep bridge crossings in good shape.
- Trail building and maintenance
- I can do mailouts, can not do heavy lifting stooping.
- Parking at the upper entrance.
- I would do trail maintenance and even supply wood and tools to help a bike trails project develop.
- None
- Trail improvements.
- Improvements to the trails
- Trail maintenance
- Trail building, signage, work parties.
- Any improvement moving forward
- Trail building, adding a restroom facility or gazebo area
- Trail building and maintenance.
- Bike trails.
- helping to build and maintain the trails at the gulch
- Trail maintenance and creation.
- keeping the trails clean and safe- nothing else on the lower end - put the parking up by the community garden
- Trail improvements
- Trail work.
- Trail maintenance and cleanup.
- Trail building and maintenance
- Bike trails
- Trail maintenance and improvements
- Trail maintenance and creation
- Trail maintenance, clearing downed trees, building bridges. I would not like to see the trails "improved" to the point that they're not a challenge any more.
- Trail building

Which Improvements Would You Be Willing to Support, as a volunteer? Cont.

- Trail maintenance, trail map kiosk installation, trail marker installation, help develop rules/etiquette for multi-use trail areas to ensure safe and positive experience during use of the trails by different types of users (BMX/mountain bikers, hikers, casual walkers, ADA, etc.)
- Trail building, cleanup, etc.
- Trail clean up
- I have done some trail maintenance with the mountain bike advocacy group, and would like to continue to do so.
- Trail improvements
- Mountain biking trail maintenance, which i already do a little of.
- Already supporting with wildlife/fish surveys
- Trail maintenance, invasive species removal.
- Volunteerism in Mukilteo is difficult for me - I live elsewhere. However, I try to give trail work days from time to time, and hope that Mukilteo residents visit the trails that I do work on.
- Trail building/maintenance
- Pick-up litter; security- call 911 info re:dangerous situations
- Bike trail crew
- Trail maintenance
- Biek Trails. Jumps Skills Center

Please Share Any Other Ideas You Have:

- a fishing pier
- I think it should stay basically the same. I only run in the trails, but I believe the BMX trails should stay as they were originally built. The people who use them obviously put a lot of work into them and give them a good place to ride and enjoy the outdoors. I don't think they will enjoy it, or use it as much if they are jumps built by someone else or the city.
- Just because you view someone's activities as dangerous or don't approve does not mean that you should prohibit them from doing something they love. It's that whole freedom thing: you can do and say what you want as long as it does not infringe on another's rights.
- Keep it going
- Public events with work crews.
- Stop telling people about it. Last thing we need are more people in our beautiful park.
- This is one of my favorite places to ride, but it was just lacking that little something special in the mountain biking sense. If there were a few (the more the better) dedicated bike trails with built features, jumps, technical sections, etc. this place would be a paradise!
- benches towards the entrance would be nice. And doggy bags on site.
- None
- I would really like to see the mouth of the creek day lighted and safely connected to a well-maintained trail system that extended the full length of city-owned property in the gulch.
- Survey is too subjective.
- If bikes of any type use the park trails that also have pedestrians, the bikes must have a signaling device such as a horn, bell or whistle to alert us old folks of their approach, particularly from behind. AND PEDESTRIANS HAVE THE RIGHT OF WAY!!! Enhanced reconstruction of the fish ponds with a covered overlook. A few picnic tables near the dog park and fish ponds.
- Honest don't have places for little kids to play because they can get hurt
- Let the bikers use the space a certain next to the garden for jumps
- I would like to see a legal railroad crossing to allow beach access from the lower gulch. One way trails. More technical features on trails (logs, balance features, wood features). Access or purchase of land on east side of Boeing spur railroad tracks.
- some existing trails could be reworked to make them more rideable going uphill. Like add switchbacks.
- I will visit much less often if Japanese Gulch is "developed" like a city park. Please leave it alone. Please ignore consultants that offer such "improvements."
- The boundary between private and public land is unclear. Clarification? Also, we need bridges over the creek. I find plenty of rivers and creeks trail running in the Mt. Rainier Nat'l Forest. It is nice to have a local area to trail run that is free of muddy, water soaked crossings.
- keep it simple and do not change much or overspend on needless things. It doesn't need to be reinvented.

Please Share Any Other Ideas You Have: Cont.

- Perimeter monitoring is a good idea - particularly in areas where development is occurring.
- Native plant identification signs. Japanese Gulch historic information sign boards.
- I would like the ability to create a social congregations of people to hear out the opinions and such of the public pertaining to the gulch. That means alterations and additions to such place without inhibiting creativity with an opinion about safety which is usually biased on no "should" be hurt. How do we learn and adapt as people without that, even though it's a daily thing no matter what.
- I don't want much built or anything taken down. The only suggestion I really have is to have some more bike jumps. Their not dangerous and they're more fun then anything else
- There continues to be talk/rumors of closing trails, banning cyclist, etc. This should stop. If these trails are closed to anyone (hikers/cyclist), you lose a large part of what makes Mukilteo so great!
- I think the park could be as popular as duthie, and draw alot of revenue for local business, especially if it had events, pnw cup, redbull rampage, dog shows, etc. It's a great place, and there is good food nearby at local stores, could drive lots of business
- Please don't over regulate this area.
- Plenty of space in the gulch. with a good plan, I don't see why bikes can't coexist there :) ...that being said, it might make more sense to put bike trails over nearer to the garden so there is more parking available for them.
- I would hate to see the trails over marked. I love getting lost in the gulch. It is what make it special from other trails. I like there there are no maps. The more you ride it, the more you know it. Major pathways are fine to mark but I think over marking trails like at Paradise Mnt would have a negative affect on the Gulch experience.
- boards about history at entrances, nice wooden entrances at all points, good maps for visitors and community members, picnic benches
- I believe the space across the "street" from the community garden would be a great place for the BMX jumps and a pump track. That way it is close to parking and easy to access for medical personnel in case of accidents because that will happen. Also the park should be open 24-7. I personally night ride my bike quite a bit and would be very upset if I was not allowed to do so. Just kidding, I would keep doing it. Lastly I think it would be great if we had a few dedicated walking paths. I ride pretty fast some days, I am always on the lookout for walkers and hikers but close calls do happen. If we had dedicated walking only trails it could move some people out of harms way.
- A revised master-plan that allows properly built trails entirely by volunteers with both multi use and some segregation between user types would be appreciated by all. One or two centralized areas for community activities / user hubs would also be nice.
- Don't develop the Gulch.
- I ask that you visit Duthie Hill Mountain Bike Park near Issaquah. It is extremely popular place to

Please Share Any Other Ideas You Have: Cont.

bring the family, enjoy the outdoors and get away from the TV. Wish we had something like this in our own backyard. The closest places are at least 30 to 45 minutes drive away. The trails there are all well planned and coordinated with King County Parks. A real success story.

- Make the place one big park for the health of the community a place to get away from cars, sidewalks, pavement.
- I'm happy that the city bought the property on the south side. I ride and run on both sides. I see no reason to spend money turning it into a fancy park and segregating trails.
- I hope leaving as much as the Gulch as is (minus the BMXers) will come to pass, it is a refuge for people who like to walk and show their kids nature. We don't have many spots like this anymore.
- At the Dec 10 public meeting the consultants preparing the plan commented on how they want the plan to reflect the wishes of the 21,000 residents of Mukilteo and how they appreciated the turnout for that meeting. If one analyzed the composition of those at the meeting you would find that a large part of those attending were the consultants and their staff, the City and its staff, several Councilmembers, several from the Japanese Gulch Group and other so called stakeholders including BMK bikers both as stakeholders and enthusiasts, someone from the Community Garden and the dog park etc. Those who were from the other 21,000 in the community, excluding the above staff etc were very few. One reason is that there has been no publicity about what is happening with this plan development to the overall public and even the Dec 10 meeting was not publicized hardly at all. Most who live in Mukilteo have no idea what is being discussed by the consultants, stakeholders and a handful of others who attended. There is no publicity about what the last two meetings discussed, what is being emphasized etc. and most citizens remember the vote to acquire the Gulch and fund it and it was not approved by the voters. Since most felt any acquisition was only to preserve the environmental nature of the property they do not and did not know there would now be a big effort to use the property in other ways. Without some major publicity about this to all in the community, most do not believe there is anything needed to be done or decided. So the attempt to portray what is being done as getting the input of the 21,000 residents is just a smoke screen so that can be asserted later as having been the process. Also with the Council president and two alternates plus the president of the Mukilteo Parks and Arts Commission participating as stakeholders, it is unlikely any significant changes will be accepted when the public finds out what is in the ultimate plan. The Council will have the final approval and it only takes a 4 vote majority to pass approval with 3 Councilmembers already involved in the plan determination. Not likely those 3 will vote to change anything and most of the others on the Council will listen to the recommendations of the 3 now participating. So this is all a put up job to make sure the BMK bikers get access to all the trails and be able to build their bike jumps etc under the guise of having been developed with the input of the community.
- I would like the City of Mukilteo to partner with the Evergreen Mountain Biking Alliance for the purpose

Please Share Any Other Ideas You Have: Cont.

of improving and maintaining the trail systems.

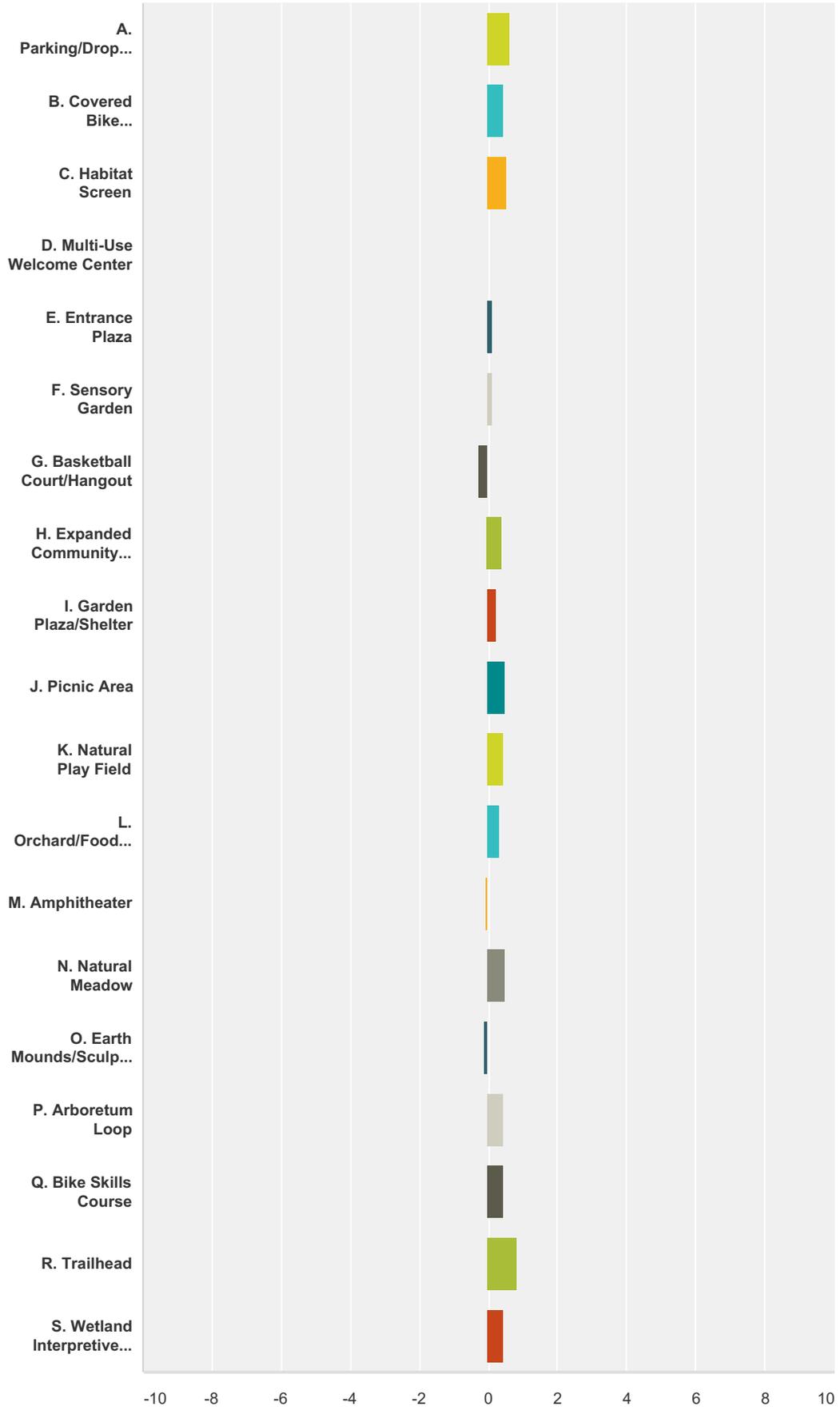
- Make new jump area/ park in gulch
- Opening trails up to organized and respected groups results in well maintained and respected trails.
- Jump park for mountain bikes! See Duthie Hill Park in Issaquah (King County)
- Don't change it to much. Thanks!
- learn from the dog park which brought in fights, parking issues, garbage & vandalism - think ahead - peace & safety should be # 1 priority
- Limited trail development, no concrete, asphalt, wood chips. Mainly, leave it alone. It's been fine as it is, so just preserve it.
- Although I do not use the bike dirt jumps, I was disappointing to see them leveled and that user group excluded from the gulch.
- My hope for Japanese Gulch is to maintain it as is. I don't want massive development or improvement of the space. It's great as is, and there's a lot more potential for ruining it than improving it in my humble opinion.
- I have lots of great ideas about all sorts of things...
- Please leave the mountain biking trails alone, they are perfect. I have been riding here very regularly for 7 years and i am still not bored. Just this year i have ridden approx 1000 miles inside the gulch, about 150 hours worth! It really is a VERY good mountain biking spot and i want/need it to stay as it is.
- Keep up the good work, City of Mukilteo!!! (Hi Patricia!)
- Some trails should be pedestrian only. There are Not too many bikes right now, but when it gets more popular, too many bikes could make it hard to walk there. There needs to be a plan for access for people that don't live close enough to walk or ride a bike to the park. i suggest parking at the gardens, dog park and waterfront, with walking, or bike neighborhood access in between.
- A perennial fear for those of us who enjoy mountain biking is that trails are made too easy. I think sustainability is important, especially given how wet Japanese Gulch is. But when trail sections are flattened in the name of rideability, they can become boring. I think it's great that Evergreen Mountain Bike Club has been allowed to contribute to maintaining the trails, and would like to see that continue.
- Don't attract careless users (as we have w/lighthouse park). Ensure user buy by charging for parking, Clearly state the 'rules of road' (bikes yield to horses to walkers).
- That people be tolerant of each other
- Don't kow-tow to special interest. Maybe make maps for use by walkers/prevent getting lost.
- Trash cans at ins and outs, maybe some doggy bag stations
- Bike shelters will be uses for fear of theft, however a bike wash station will be populat! Also, wash stations spread of foreign plant life.

April, 2015 Online Survey Supplemental Results

Q1 Please provide feedback on the design elements for Option A.

Answered: 348 Skipped: 19

Japanese Gulch Park Master Plan



Japanese Gulch Park Master Plan

	Like It	Neutral	Don't Like It!	Total	Weighted Average
A. Parking/Drop-off	69.53% 235	21.01% 71	9.47% 32	338	0.60
B. Covered Bike Parking/Kiosk	60.06% 203	22.19% 75	17.75% 60	338	0.42
C. Habitat Screen	64.35% 213	22.05% 73	13.60% 45	331	0.51
D. Multi-Use Welcome Center	33.93% 113	30.33% 101	35.74% 119	333	-0.02
E. Entrance Plaza	39.21% 129	31.91% 105	28.88% 95	329	0.10
F. Sensory Garden	39.52% 132	31.74% 106	28.74% 96	334	0.11
G. Basketball Court/Hangout	25.15% 85	23.96% 81	50.89% 172	338	-0.26
H. Expanded Community Garden	57.10% 193	26.33% 89	16.57% 56	338	0.41
I. Garden Plaza/Shelter	44.88% 149	32.53% 108	22.59% 75	332	0.22
J. Picnic Area	64.76% 215	20.18% 67	15.06% 50	332	0.50
K. Natural Play Field	60.30% 199	21.52% 71	18.18% 60	330	0.42
L. Orchard/Food Forest	50.15% 168	29.55% 99	20.30% 68	335	0.30
M. Amphitheater	35.44% 118	24.32% 81	40.24% 134	333	-0.05
N. Natural Meadow	61.93% 205	22.36% 74	15.71% 52	331	0.46
O. Earth Mounds/Sculpture Installation	33.23% 111	21.56% 72	45.21% 151	334	-0.12
P. Arboretum Loop	60.30% 199	23.94% 79	15.76% 52	330	0.45
Q. Bike Skills Course	65.60% 225	14.29% 49	20.12% 69	343	0.45
R. Trailhead	85.54% 284	10.84% 36	3.61% 12	332	0.82
S. Wetland Interpretive Area	57.19% 187	28.13% 92	14.68% 48	327	0.43

Japanese Gulch Park Master Plan

Q2 What is missing or should be different about this design?

Answered: 164 Skipped: 203

#	Responses	Date
1	Try to keep the area natural as possible without so many manmade structures.	5/12/2015 9:11 PM
2	It should be kept as natural as possible. It would help keep costs down, stay true to the purpose of "nature" and prevent it from being overrun by noise, kids and cars as happened to the beach when parking and play structures were added.	5/12/2015 6:01 PM
3	This corner that will be used for access is already overwhelmed with traffic. How are you going to deal with the excess traffic? There are only partial, poorly constructed sidewalks in this area, are these going to be rebuilt by a legitimate contractor? From my view(commercial construction for 40 years), I have noticed Mukilteo consistently uses inferior contractors and the new constuction seems shoddy at best and unfinished. This tells me you are using the lowest bid and trying to get more for the money without paying much, this results in poor workmanship and shabby contractors that do not back up their work. As an example, just look at the sidewalks on 44th ave or the storm drains on 45th. The storm drains are higher than the road so water just flows right past them. I also notice that we cannot maintain the park at the north end of Japanese Gulch on Mukilteo Lane, how can we build and maintain this large of a park while other parks are in need? I believe the mountain bikes have earned the right to continue use of their trails and if we wish to build walking trails they should be new trails so both can use this park. I am against tearing down the existing bike trails.	5/12/2015 5:22 PM
4	Please include EV charging stations for vehicles that are battery powered and dog waste bags.	5/12/2015 2:51 PM
5	I prefer a minimal approach to Japanese Gulch park management. What is the point in having a beautiful natural outdoor park if you're just going to develop a bunch of the land into buildings and "art" sculptures?	5/12/2015 2:36 PM
6	Make sure are available multiuser trails ie mountain bikes	5/12/2015 12:13 PM
7	Additional mountain biking trails	5/12/2015 12:01 PM
8	I don't think anything is missing but the bike skills area would be a major attraction for me especially since Japanese Gulch is one of the places I started riding. My concern is that the differences from bmx to mountain biking will get overlooked in favor of a "good enough" solution. Mild trails like what is found at Paradise Valley Conservation Area as well as dirt jumps like the ones at Green Lake and a pump track like the three at Duthie Hill would be ideal to keep the different users of the bike community happy and coming back as well as hosting local events at the park and bringing revenue for the city.	5/12/2015 11:52 AM
9	I don't see the point of the arboretum loop, when this park is the entrance to an entire trail network. Could be used for more mtb skills area, or kids play area.	5/12/2015 11:04 AM
10	I like the general natural feel, and suggest as little ground clearing as possible/native planting where appropriate.	5/12/2015 9:46 AM
11	Drinking fountains	5/11/2015 10:52 PM
12	maybe have the bmx course up closer to the Garden so people can watch riders of all ages have fun as well as people could see the garden in bloom.	5/11/2015 10:38 PM
13	Less development , more NATURE	5/11/2015 10:28 PM
14	Public washrooms near the amphitheatre and play areas and picnic areas. I would like to see more land for the community garden and permanent buildings in or adjacent to the community garden for storage of supplies and offices. I do not like the idea of a welcome center blocking entrance to the park. If there is to be a welcome center I would put it at the back of the sensory garden so that the gardens and facilities are open and visible from the road. I also do not like the basketball court. It is not in keeping with the spirit of the park and would be better suited closer to school or in a more open and accessible area of Mukilteo	5/11/2015 9:22 PM
15	Trying too hard. Keep it simple enough that you can support this park into the future	5/11/2015 8:43 PM
16	More room for biking	5/11/2015 8:36 PM
17	Arboretum could grow high and shade community garden, not good.	5/11/2015 6:29 PM

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18	Make sure to include plenty of parking. This is an exciting design, and when completed will likely attract lots of visitors. Duthie Hill recently had to expand it's parking lot due to overcrowding.	5/11/2015 6:26 PM
19	Remove the earth mounds and sculptures. I understand the desire for some artwork, but earth mounds will just get in the way of people enjoying the space. Also, the Gulch has always been viewed as a great nature get away in the city. Adding too many "urban" features such as basketball courts, sensory gardens, and an amphitheater will take away from this.	5/11/2015 5:14 PM
20	Work with trail system already developed for foot & bike traffic	5/11/2015 3:15 PM
21	More bike trail, people now use this a lot for biking, much more so then anything else. Take out the bike trails and less people will use the space. Look around and see what gets used...there are hundreds for basketball courts and "hang out area" but very few bike places and the bike areas get used and bring in people from other areas that spend money. This can not be said about any of the other items on the list. I see you taking out a lot of bike trails trying to please all the people. This will never happen. Pick the best use and run with it...trying to please everyone will only make a sub-par resource and very few will enjoy it.	5/11/2015 3:00 PM
22	This is the closest mountain biking spot to me in the Edmonds/Lynnwood area where I live so it's important to me that mountain biking options still remain the same or better. I like the addition of a skills course but what about the current trails already out there?	5/11/2015 2:39 PM
23	It looks like the parking spaces are limited. I think we will need lots of parking at the Precht property.	5/11/2015 11:04 AM
24	Way over-developed. Not adequate funding to build or maintain. Leave much more natural area.	5/11/2015 7:30 AM
25	I suspect that the wood structures/buildings will require expensive maintenance, which might be unaffordable in the long run. Might also "attract" graffiti. BTW, this assesment would be easier to do if the map CLEARLY indicated which way was North or South. I had to scan frequently between the text description and the map to finally conclude that UP was South, etc. The text explained "south of" and "east of", and gave enough clues, but it took me 15+ minutes to relate them to the map. It would also help to include "(a)" or "(f)" etc in the text. I also have no knowledge of what & where the Precht Property is. Otherwise, this represents an excellent portrayal of the Plan. Thank you.	5/10/2015 2:07 PM
26	Best to leave it as natural as possible.	5/10/2015 10:17 AM
27	More mountain bike trails	5/9/2015 11:38 PM
28	Might need more parking spaces or another option for parking.	5/9/2015 7:32 PM
29	To many unnatural aspects is it a park or downtown keep it simple	5/9/2015 2:01 PM
30	Please include EV chargers in this design.	5/9/2015 1:38 PM
31	The natural meadow (N) . I'd like some trees left which would curtail its use as a ball park.	5/9/2015 12:17 PM
32	My biggest concern about this plan is having more traffic on 76th St. SW. I live in a condo just above Olympic View Middle School and between school traffic, ferry traffic, Boeing traffic and just normal traffic, exiting and entering the condo problem is becoming more and more dangerous. People come flying down the 76th hill at ridiculously high speeds, never bothering to think that there might be traffic, pedestrians, bikers, animals, or anything else as they come over the lip of the hill. I've seen more than one accident in front of the condo driveway in which people could have and probably should have been seriously injured. In addition, the constant noise from the speedway ferry traffic and the overhead noise of Paine Field is enough to drive one crazy, we just don't need more noise and more traffic going up and down this hill.	5/9/2015 10:00 AM
33	?Bathrooms? Water fountain? Posts for doggie poop bags and disposal. Other spaces to attract teens? Climbing wall or iron man course equipment - ie pull up bar, steps, etc. Fire pits in picnic area?	5/8/2015 8:59 PM
34	In general, all the plan designs have too much stuff going on and represent big bucks and a ton of maintenance. These areas should be as maintenance free as possible and as simple as possible. Appropriate areas should be used for rain gardens and other stormwater management project. There are too many options that are incompatible. This area is already a community garden and having an arboretum, orchard and other uses that are compatible with this garden setting would be more appropriate. I understand that you are looking for a place for bike skills course and basketball for kids, but this does not seem to be an appropriate place,	5/8/2015 3:53 PM

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35	What's should be different is that choosing to "develop it" the way the City sees it, takes away the natural beauty of this place (one of few left in Mukilteo) There are deer, raccoons, rabbits, and yes I have seen eagles in the gulch. What you envision is a man made people attracting monster. And why, pray tell me, does everyone from outside Mukilteo get a say???? Why don't we just send the survey out world wide. Maybe we can attract foreign visitors too! Presumably, they won't be taxed as I surely will when all is said and done with this plan as you propose it. Please.....as little development as possible,no BMX bikes,none, not one. You know if you develop it as planned, it will attract way too many people, people who are not always aware of the wild life. If the dog park is any example, there are people who think rules are for others, not them (for instance where cleaning up after your dog is concerned) I urge you to please not develop this beautifully natural place. Isn't the waterfront development enough? Elaine	5/8/2015 2:29 PM
36	Please don't make any changes to the existing trail system! They're perfect just as they are.	5/8/2015 12:00 PM
37	Your putting in too much, when it is fine the way it is. It needs some cleaning up, but Mukilteo doesn't need to drop all this money to "fix" something that isn't broken. I a lot of ppl use the space now the way it is.	5/8/2015 8:52 AM
38	It seems there is too much focus on appearance and less focus on function. In my opinion, parks are a place of nature in a city - an escape one has available without driving too far. If it has sculptures and more than a bathroom and picnic area, that's just too much infrastructure. And sculptures are useless, especially huge ones that take away from natural areas.	5/8/2015 6:53 AM
39	Your orchard/ Food forest and community garden will be eaten by the raccoons and deer, just ask any bordering neighbor. You will have to fence it all in. I really like the Orchard idea - my assumption is that it will have many fruit trees that produce well in this Pacific NW climate. Leave out the basketball court and any concrete structures that "skaters" will use. No reason to attract riff-raff, graffiti, and drug users. A 9 hole Frisbee (disc) golf course would be a nice touch and bring families back to the park after they have already experienced the Arboretum a couple of times. Make the bike skills course something that doesn't end up a mud bog for the 9 rainy months of the year. It should have a couple different courses that range from easy for children to technical for advanced Mtn. bikers. If done right, many people and families would come use this alone just to learn new techniques and train for riding the Gulch's many awesome trails. This could really be a GEM if done right. We already have a Wetland interpretive area at the bottom of the Gulch. Develop that one even more, don't make another.	5/8/2015 5:16 AM
40	What are the 3 different sized orange colored things next to the bike jump area? its marked the same as the orchard area with a small "I".? The meadow area should include some of the huge trees already there.	5/7/2015 7:05 PM
41	Anytime trees get cleared in Japanese Gulch, I'm hesitant to get on board. I understand some clearing will be necessary. Otherwise I enjoy most of the plans.	5/7/2015 5:19 PM
42	Too much going on. More trails and undisturbed woods.	5/7/2015 3:37 PM
43	I'd like to affirm my support of the mountain biking and jump aspect of this design.	5/7/2015 2:51 PM
44	1. More park, Less parking. Focus on local users who can walk and bike here. 2. Earth mounds are great if they were constructed by native people a thousand years ago, otherwise they are just kitschy interpretative crap that no one understands or cares about. Just leave the forest, which we are losing at an alarming rate. We have plenty of art, we don't need to make artistic lumps of dirt.	5/7/2015 2:43 PM
45	A dirt trail that connects the Bike Skill Course to the Parking area.	5/7/2015 2:21 PM
46	want outdoor drinking fountain make sure there is a wide enough path between the parking lot and mountain bike trail for bikes to go fast between without running into people	5/7/2015 1:24 PM
47	keep biking accessible!	5/7/2015 1:14 PM
48	Absolutely no basketball court or other places for punk kids to cause trouble	5/7/2015 1:11 PM
49	Will there be restrooms (i.e. in the Multi-Use Welcome Center)? How much will this cost and how will it be paid for? What about the ongoing upkeep, what is the estimated costs to maintain each year and where will these funds come from?	5/7/2015 1:11 PM
50	The stated intent of the Japanese Gulch purchase focused on preservation. This design is over-developed. The priority for improvements should be parking, trailheads, and possibly restrooms.	5/7/2015 1:06 PM
51	Just leave more natural. the more natural the better no one needs earth mounds!	5/7/2015 1:05 PM
52	Leave it natural	5/7/2015 1:05 PM

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53	Keep it natural and low impact on the nature. Bike parks, trails and BB court are awesome to keep kids active, gardens and orchards are cool. Natural meadows, sculpture mounds, natural play, entrance plazas, sensory gardens will just take away from the areas natural beauty. No need to add to this people should experience the woods as they are! Covered bike parking is a joke right? If you ride a bike you get wet no need to have covered parking.	5/7/2015 12:57 PM
54	Storage area for Bmx dirt jumps tools for sculpting and maintaining the course. Such as shovels,brooms,rakes and wheelborrow.	5/7/2015 12:57 PM
55	Too much "development"! Leave it wild and natural and put in some nice trails to appreciate the wild area!	5/7/2015 12:53 PM
56	There should be a large bike specific concrete park and a USABMX certified track.	5/7/2015 12:53 PM
57	Bike skills park should be bigger	5/7/2015 12:52 PM
58	The more natural the area is left, the better. I think the only potential good that can be added is more accessibility.	5/7/2015 12:48 PM
59	Just leave it untouched. This seems like a make-work project that doesn't need to happen. A park can be a forested, natural space (like it already is).	5/7/2015 12:23 PM
60	The BMX jump area should be larger. Even if the jump area starts out with only a few lines/runs by allocating more space now, it will help out in the future when the park expands over the years.	5/7/2015 12:21 PM
61	Currently, the area is generally used for mountain biking and hiking. I would not want to introduce many hang out spots for trouble makers to come and hang out/vandalize. Currently its safe and I have no problem walking it alone, I would potentially feel different if its developed and starts attracting the wrong crowd. Also I strongly support keeping trails off-leash areas. Its the only time dogs can really run around and be free. KEEP AS MANY MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAILS AS POSSIBLE! The only other place to ride that I know if is an hour away!	5/7/2015 12:14 PM
62	Major development for human use isn't needed or wanted. Keeping it as a natural recreation area, similar to a National Park would be best. More trails and open areas are good, more structures and things which require constant human intervention and maintenance are not.	5/7/2015 12:13 PM
63	Please don't cut any trees for large areas of use such as the amphitheater (there is one down at Mukilteo Beach) or a meadow - what could possibly be the reason behind that? Don't take a forest and make a parking lot.	5/7/2015 10:35 AM
64	There's no need for a welcome center, but there will be a need for a restroom. If they are one and the same, then I revoke my criticism of the welcome center. The arboretum loop crosses the access road to the trailhead at the point where cyclists will be moving pretty fast. This crossing presents a possible hazard to little kids who don't typically look around when crossing an intersecting trail.	5/7/2015 8:56 AM
65	Parking lot is not big enough. We lived in the Elliot Pointe development for many years. Our home backed the 19th street dead end cul de sac. Over the years the number of cars parked in the cul de sac to gain entrance to the Gulch grew. I can only imagine the number of cars at the Gulch Park. Think: lack of parking spaces at the beach and all of the headaches that has created. To have vehicles park along side of the road in this area is absolutely not safe!!!! Road too narrow, curvy, and blind spots. Remember: if you build it, they will come. Mukilteo has one shot at Gulch Park. Let's get it right the first time and be proactive instead of reactive to potential issues. I guarantee, parking will be #1 if the lot is not big enough. Areas D and E should be revamped: smaller.	5/7/2015 8:33 AM
66	A level area to place the Mukilteo Farmers Market.	5/7/2015 7:33 AM
67	you should only consider using native plants in your plantings in all of the above elements (habitat screen) Enhance design to attract wildlife (i.e. birds). consider using the wetlands area for controlling surface runoff add bird viewing areas with bird blinds. for the earth mounds/sculpture installation - look at what the city of Kent did at Mill Creek Earthworks Park make areas/paths accessible to people who are handicapped/wheelchair accessible - also stroller accessible	5/6/2015 11:16 PM
68	Too invasive.. It is already a sensory garden. Too few natural places already and this will make it less natural	5/6/2015 11:00 PM
69	How much parking is available, especially if there is a Community Center for Seniors?	5/6/2015 10:23 PM
70	Really, I don't care what happens as long as the animals' habitat stays a big forest and wetland.	5/6/2015 8:11 PM
71	I'm OK with what we can achieve with this area for community use. I'm mostly interested in the trail areas.	5/6/2015 7:27 PM
72	Want to be aware of lighting options. Will park be closed at night? Would you have to rent or reserve any spaces/needed areas? More info no community garden and it's connection with the Mukilteo Food bank.	5/6/2015 5:05 PM

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73	I would like to see a senior center and pickleball courts added to the design. Our community currently has neither.	5/6/2015 4:20 PM
74	I like it just like it is. Off leash, trails for hiking and biking.	5/6/2015 4:09 PM
75	The Mukilteo Seniors Center!!!!!! Not multiuse welcome center.	5/6/2015 3:46 PM
76	Hate to say it, but more parking is likely needed; everything else looks great!	5/6/2015 3:28 PM
77	These plans are very nice and thoughtful with all the activities but what is missing is the ROM cost to build and maintain all these features. I have a house a short walking distance away that I have owned since 1987 and I have used the trails (biking, hiking, running, with dogs accompanying me off-leash) for 20+ years in Japanese Gulch. I am partial to how they were - but I do like the new ideas. I think however, most of the Users of the Gulch will be nearby residents and those residents are fine with the Gulch being mainly walking/running/biking trails and fine with dogs off-leash. My input is for those wanting a basketball court, or specialized BMX biking, or inside/outside meeting or gathering places or having another seldom used amphitheater, is to go to other Mukilteo parks or the Rosehill Community Center that has already the capability and capacity for those interests.	5/6/2015 12:37 PM
78	keep it simple this is a place not alot of people access	5/6/2015 11:50 AM
79	Ever thought about a minimal approach? Every park doesn't require intensive development. Think: Yost Park Edmonds	5/6/2015 10:51 AM
80	The whole reason we contributed to saving the gulch was to keep it a natural space, not to destroy it with a bunch of foreign areas or to make it a park. This is a waste of money and will destroy the natural beauty of this space.	5/6/2015 10:13 AM
81	I'm the biggest fan of the bike amenities	5/6/2015 9:55 AM
82	Way too many options - keep it SIMPLE	5/5/2015 10:44 PM
83	I really like the gulch how it is. I don't think much should be added. It is a unique and peaceful place. The only thing I have been wanting is some trail markers and some sort of map. I think the gulch should be similar to Lord Hill...just the basics. Trails, natural vegetation, trail markers and a simple map. Follow the K.I.S.S model = Keep It Simple, Stupid. We like the gulch how it is. Please don't change it.	5/5/2015 10:33 PM
84	The introduction says that there will be a "well maintained lawn" but the voting letter N says "Natural Meadow". Those are two very different things. I would vote for a natural meadow, but definitely not a "well maintained lawn" that requires any sort of maintenance or watering. No concrete in the gulch, please!	5/5/2015 9:55 PM
85	Please don't change this area! Parking improvements, permanent bathrooms, and a better marked trail system are fine, but an amphitheater and events center? That's what the Lighthouse Park and Community Center are for. People like going to Japanese gulch because of its current natural state. Leave it as is!	5/5/2015 9:35 PM
86	What is missing is the fact this property should be left as a forest. Why should more money be spent on our natural habitat. Has any one thought of how to get water to this area in case of a fire?	5/5/2015 9:17 PM
87	The area should be left in its natural state or returned to a more natural state as much as possible with minimal development. All dogs should be on leash so everyone can enjoy the park without fear of being harrassed by off leash dogs. This will also reduce the amount of fecal choliform bacteria from dog waste that would accumulate in the nearby wetlands and streams.	5/5/2015 7:46 PM
88	Leave it alone! People like Japanese Gulch because it's not developed! There are plenty of developed parks around - leave the Gulch as is please!!	5/5/2015 7:05 PM
89	There's too much in too small of an area. It's sensory overload.	5/5/2015 5:10 PM
90	it's too much. the gulch has a wild feel to it that is a nice respite from suburbia, there are plenty of generic welcome center interpretive center things around, we don't need another one.	5/5/2015 4:35 PM
91	Too many artificial areas which detracts from the natural and peacefulness of the area.. Many of the proposed items bring in crowds, noise, and traffic which makes it like a commercial development than a quiet contemplative place for locals to go.	5/5/2015 4:06 PM
92	There is not a playground. The trails and such are fun areas to explore but a dedicated toddler friendly play area would be great. Basketball and bike course for older kids and adults. The younger kids are missing a dedicated area. Perhaps this is met by the natural play field. Are the "Earth Mounds" able to be climbed on/explored?	5/5/2015 3:34 PM
93	Leave it as natural and low maintenance as possible. There is an outdoor theater at lighthouse park that is never used. Basketball courts across the bridge a couple blocks away. Don't waste valuable money on that.	5/5/2015 2:40 PM

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94	I think it's a good, well thought out plan. I have questions about anything that might be noisy (basketball area) or invite habitat destruction (bike skills course) Most people don't visit parks to listen to shouting, noise, and roughhousing. I think the Earth Mounds/Sculpture Installation is a result of our current unease with open space. We want everything to look like man has manipulated it.... even our meadows.	5/5/2015 1:46 PM
95	Family restrooms.	5/5/2015 1:33 PM
96	Bike Skills course should be expanded to include bmx dirt jumps.	5/5/2015 1:17 PM
97	It should be a natural area to study native flora.	5/5/2015 12:49 PM
98	Will there be enough parking? Are bbqs or bbq pits available in the picnic area?	5/5/2015 12:38 PM
99	Bike park and well kept trail walking/running trail system should be the strong focus. Make it a bike destination. Dogs should still be off leash.	5/5/2015 12:22 PM
100	The park should focus on natural environmental aspects like trails, meadows, and the arboretum loop and ditch the senior center, that is what the Rose Hill community center should be used for. Don't allow dogs to run off-leash and make it people unfriendly, especially if you are having picnics. The two are mutually exclusive and there is a dog park already nearby.	5/5/2015 11:50 AM
101	The design should also address safety. The way the world is going I want a safe (day & evening) place to walk, relax and enjoy the beauty of the park with a minimal concern for thieves, assaults, or worse.	5/5/2015 11:44 AM
102	The best part of Japanese Gulch is how natural it is so any park should stick to that. Paving a section for a basketball court or similar purpose doesn't seem appropriate. And any building should be small.	5/5/2015 11:44 AM
103	Assuming there will be restrooms, recycling and pet waste stations, etc? Perhaps a location where the community can buy/sponsor/donate bricks or pavers with their names or organizations engraved?	5/5/2015 11:31 AM
104	Do we really need any more interpretive wetland signs? It's the northwest - there are wetlands everywhere. Put that money to use elsewhere. This seems like a pretty out of the way area. Do you think it will draw enough traffic to actually use all these features? I like the idea of having a place for sculptures and art but the earth mounds seem pretentious.	5/5/2015 10:53 AM
105	Leave nature alone. You cannot improve on nature.	5/5/2015 10:53 AM
106	Japanese Gulch is one of the only green spaces with a trail system in Snohomish County. Why on EARTH would you want to develop it and turn it into another building site? Basketball courts and a senior center?? Come on!! Rosehill is less than a mile away - you have that already. Keep this as a trailhead with trail access. As a long time resident of the area, the beauty of the gulch is feeling as though you are in nature while still in your own back yard. I am VERY disappointed with the development approach you are proposing and will not support it.	5/5/2015 10:52 AM
107	It's not clear if the natural play area is a playground.	5/5/2015 9:58 AM
108	What is missing is a minimalist approach. Disturb as little as possible of the existing property, while allowing easy public access.	5/5/2015 9:58 AM
109	I would hate to see so much put in there that it becomes overcrowded like Lighthouse Park.	5/5/2015 9:39 AM
110	The construction of a building (D.) and numerous features (E., F., L., M.) that will require a great deal of daily, weekly, and annual maintenance and attention are unnecessary and expensive additions. They should be left off the design and efforts should be made to keep the design as natural as possible.	5/5/2015 9:34 AM
111	Seems like items are too packed into the space. Will there be ways to have quiet time, privacy w/in the space? Open spaces that require less maintenance, cost and upkeep.	5/5/2015 8:50 AM
112	Please don't develop the gulch! The beauty of the gulch is the wild, undeveloped place. The rest of Mukilteo is developed - leave to gulch for those that enjoy nature!	5/5/2015 8:41 AM
113	The access to this park is through a residential community, so parking and traffic are going to be a problem. Trees to provide shade in the parking lot, with screening around the perimeter to hide the parking lot from the residential community. The schools have basketball hoops, so we do not need more in this park. Amphitheaters out. Interpretive areas (just put a crushed gravel path through the wetland) A tea room and restroom facilities associated with the garden area would be a nice addition for quiet thoughts and a warm beverage. Restrooms near the children's play area are a must! Security camera's near the bike locker are a must. No park fees.	5/5/2015 8:34 AM
114	Keep it as natural as possible	5/5/2015 6:46 AM

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115	1. Parking area looks very small for the size of the park. 2. The basketball court is in a bad location. Where there should be tranquility to enjoy the surrounding gardens, there will be a lot of noise. It should be relocated closer to the other active play areas or it should be eliminated.	5/5/2015 5:32 AM
116	A nice 4 lane highway to the ferry dock. But we know you don't give a rats ass about anyone from Whidbey.	5/5/2015 5:00 AM
117	the Japanese Gulch is missing. Leave it be. Clean it up. Take care of it, like the people who have been volunteering in there for decades. The garden and bikes are "grandfathered" in, and they are the majority end users anyway. People love the garden, and it is self sustaining. Allow them to teach those who are interesting to work on the own garden, and expand a little to accommodate the proven demand, a garden plaza allows people who are working to get out of rain/sun for a break, and for anyone for that matter. it doubles for the "picnic" area. Bikes were promised something too, and they are the ones who maintain all the trails, and have been for decades. reward them. other than that, leave it natural. it is a natural place, why ruin it? with Sculptures? with a boardwalk? why do we need to alter nature in order to enjoy it? Allow access for the users, hikers, runners, bikers, and those things we call animals.	5/4/2015 11:37 PM
118	No buildings please. Just open spaces.	5/4/2015 11:19 PM
119	Insufficient Bicycle course. There are no BMX jumps to replace the ones removed.	5/4/2015 10:02 PM
120	Traffic mitigation. That corner of 44th is already to tight where school buses can't make it without taking up both lanes. No sidewalks in the area.	5/4/2015 2:20 PM
121	Overall, I really like concepts here. I would much prefer a pump track to a bike skills course. All the pump tracks and small jump areas I see (e.g., Duthie Hill, Green Lake in Seattle) are incredibly attractive to a wide range of riders, especially little kids. It's also odd that the skills course is drawn like a pump track and the pump track like a skills course but maybe that's just me. :-)) I do question the inclusion of a community garden as it seems out of place with the rest of the park, but if that's pre-existing then I support it completely.	5/4/2015 1:39 PM
122	There design is too busy. Things like earth mounds and sensory gardens look good to architects but provide no tangible benefit or enjoyment for park users and Mukilteo residents.	5/4/2015 1:26 PM
123	Overall just keep it simple and cheap and focused on the groups that really use it (hikers, bikers and the community garden).	5/4/2015 10:03 AM
124	Seems very expensive!	5/4/2015 8:55 AM
125	The gulch was purchased to be kept as a natural preserve area. The basketball court and senior center should have stayed in the RoseHill community center master plan. There is area at Rose Hill for the basketball courts. As for the name of the area it should be called the Japanese Gulch Nature Preserve not "park". I would like to know where the funding for the proposed plan is coming from. Will this project be like Rose Hill where the community agrees on the master plan and then at the last minute it's changed to something that someone who doesn't even live in the community comes up with. Do we have to save the gulch from the city like we had to save it from the developers? Leave the Gulch alone!!	5/3/2015 5:12 PM
126	Need more parkng	5/3/2015 9:02 AM
127	Keep it simple by preserving the trails for hiking and biking. However, separate the biking from the hiking. Allow for a presentable entrance that connects with the beach, too. Other than that, fixing up a few areas for viewing natural habitat is good. I would rather have a bike trail than a bike skills area. thanks.	5/2/2015 7:45 PM
128	Please don't forget about the trail runners. Trail runners use the same trails as the mountain bikers. It would be nice to have a small stretching/exercise area somewhere (maybe near the trailheads), where there could be pull-up bars, stretching poles, etc (similar to what's along the Burke-Gilman in spots). Also, I feel that the bmxers need more than on this plan (I like what's in Option B for the bmxers), It would be nice if the natural play area was a little bigger too, just for toddlers and small kids could have open space to run around. Nice work though! Very exciting!	5/2/2015 5:42 PM
129	Theres too much stuff.	5/2/2015 2:47 PM
130	Love the continuation of the community garden and all things that celebrate nature and the enjoyment of this last piece of natural habitat we are lucky enough to own. Not sure the basketball court is necessary there, or even a good fit. How will the sound of hoops shooting impact the enjoyment of the natural surroundings?	5/2/2015 2:09 PM

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131	All of these design ideas we are asked to vote on are horrible and one-sided. That is to say, there is no option to LEAVE THE GULCH EXACTLY AS IT IS. We fought hard and raised money and worked to purchase enough of the gulch SO THAT NO ONE COULD DEVELOP IT. So the top option, as far as I am concerned, is to do nothing but enjoy nature, and to experience the wilderness in our backyards. Mountain bikers, hikers, trail runners, dog watchers, nature enthusiasts, bird watchers, all use the gulch every single day. Please don't spoil the wilderness with more concrete and parking lots and buildings and picnic areas and amphitheaters - save that for the Lighthouse Park and existing areas like the 92nd Street playground area. we have more than enough over-built public access area in Mukilteo. PLEASE LEAVE THE GULCH IN IT'S NATURAL STATE FOR US ALL TO ENJOY, AS-IS.	5/2/2015 1:18 PM
132	Bike jumps	5/2/2015 10:51 AM
133	The survey and plan is bias toward development. Adding non-natural (concrete, sidewalk, buildings/structures) and non-native elements (herbs, food garden, lawn, fragrant plant) should not be included. The community effort to save this land as led by the Japanese Gultch Group was for preservation of a natural area and Urban forest. Not for a Park, community center or sports facility. The city is already low on revenue to cover infrastructure needs and we have debt with Rosehill. This property should be maintained as natural and native space. I support sustainable trails, native plant restoration and unobtrusive interpretive markers and nothing else.	5/1/2015 6:08 PM
134	I see Japanese Gulch as a native resource and don't want to see pavement added to the area, ie picnic area, plazas/shelters, bike parking, basketball court, etc. Is the "natural meadow" a lawn that needs to be maintained or will it be native?	5/1/2015 4:04 PM
135	this is not a park it is a forest and we should be trying to conserve the nature still with us and try to keep the gulch a place without the being taken over by technology	5/1/2015 3:59 PM
136	This is far too over designed!! Upgrade parking and expand community garden if needed. Preserve as much area as possible as it is.	5/1/2015 3:13 PM
137	Bike skills course is on a sloped area from what I recall. This would be a difficult spot for a pump track if this is the intent.	5/1/2015 10:50 AM
138	keep it as natural as possible.	5/1/2015 9:46 AM
139	18 hole disc golf course	5/1/2015 8:35 AM
140	I'd like it to focus more on natural elements of native plant and tree species.	5/1/2015 7:54 AM
141	this design appress to be development heavy. the gulch is a natural wooded area. must you pave everything?	4/30/2015 8:46 PM
142	Do away with the interpretive stuff and over signage, over development. Those things look great on paper, but never really get used.	4/30/2015 4:53 PM
143	How about some bird feeders? Pay 25 cents for a handful of seeds...	4/30/2015 2:16 PM
144	Protect existing trees and native vegetation and limit grading and construction. Except for the garden and trail heads, I personally prefer a more passive open-space approach.	4/30/2015 1:32 PM
145	Educational opportunities for kids such as animal/nature facts/clues throughout the trail they can follow and look for. Things on a child's scale and possibly large representations of animals within the habitat kids can climb on and/or people can sit on.	4/29/2015 9:50 PM
146	Low Impact Development, particularly a clear indication that pervious pavement, bioswales, infiltration, and green roofs, will be used when feasible. Also, I would like to see interpretive signage with information about native plants and wildlife.	4/29/2015 8:36 PM
147	Water play area?	4/29/2015 4:16 PM
148	Minimul change to gulch, no concrete pored for picnic area just use ground work.	4/29/2015 1:34 PM
149	Please no basketball court noise pollution also neighbors will hate that (I would)	4/29/2015 12:03 AM

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150	I don't see any rest rooms. Where do people go when they need one? No indication of how many parking stalls would be in the parking area. I can't determine if there would be enough for all the activities and activity areas that would attract people on nice days. Much of this is very expensive to build. I did not expect the acquisition of Japanese Gulch to create a need for more tax dollars on top of what the City now spends on parks and recreation. The Precht property has been owned for a number of years and although it connects to Japanese Gulch, it could have had most of the features you show now at any time without spending \$5.4 million to acquire Japanese Gulch. This is just another expensive park for Mukilteo to construct and maintain with the excuse of saying it is to develop Japanese Gulch. At a public meeting I attended we were told you would provide cost estimates for each part of the Gulch design options. Without knowing the cost, I cannot say I like or do not like a feature. If money was no object and we had a lot of it without more taxes, my views might be changed. If someone parks here and decides they want to walk the entire Japanese Gulch I presume they need to walk the entire distance back to get their car? How far is that and how long would it take? Will there be restrooms along the way or does everyone have to "hold it" until they get to a restroom somewhere? Or just go in the bushes along a Gulch trail?	4/28/2015 9:04 PM
151	I'm concerned there aren't enough parking spots, as there really isn't anywhere for overflow traffic to park. I also love the idea of a biking skills course, but would like to know more details about what it would look like and include.	4/28/2015 8:49 PM
152	The best and most ample sun, as well as most protected area from the winds is O and N. People don't use slopes. (Landscape Design 101). The mounds are... clinically insipid, At the National "Great Park Design Awards"... this won't even be nominated, Geesh. Barker should be embarrassed. They know better! D & E destroy parking that already exists. It ignores "imbedded carbon". Back to the drawing board. Or.. quit pretending to be about "green and sustainable". Put the picnic area, along with some attractions for families with little kids at N and O. J is TOO small. M.. useless. Look at the usage of the the amphitheater at Lighthouse Park, It sits there days after day, week after week, unused. It is a failed design. Building something else that "looks good to a committee" and "looks good on paper" is a waste of community opportunities. Build something at Mukilteo will everyday. That that "invites". The "accessible boardwalk loop" is in the wrong place. The topography doesn't work.	4/28/2015 8:41 PM
153	more active areas	4/28/2015 8:08 PM
154	love it!	4/28/2015 6:22 PM
155	more bike	4/28/2015 2:40 PM
156	Mountain bike skills area should be "difficult". After all, it is a training area. More parking and forget about B,C,D,E. Keep the park as "undeveloped" and natural looking as possible. Make sure the open grass area drains extremely well!. Make the bike trails challenging and leave as much natural obstacles and dirt as possible. Variety is key. Would be cool if dogs could be off leash in a safe area. Maybe incorporate a few disc golf holes. The space needs to be functional and practical, not "look good" at the expense of functional space.	4/28/2015 2:33 PM
157	Your picture shows a half court basketball court. If you go with a basketball court, it should really be full court. From talking to a lot of people on the trail, I get the impression most of the regular users love the gulch because it feels like you are in the mountains, yet you are so close to home. While I do like a lot of the ideas for the south entrance, I do encourage the planners to make it feel as wild and undeveloped as possible.	4/28/2015 1:55 PM
158	It's a good plan, my use for the park will be mostly hiking and mountain biking, so my choices likely reflect that.	4/28/2015 12:48 PM
159	Restrooms throughout	4/28/2015 12:24 PM
160	1. More parking (hah!). To be specific, I'd encourage an agreement with the Elementary School down the hill from this entrance to allow parking after school hours / all hours during the summer and encourage users to be able to park there when needed. In particular this works great for mountain bikers like me (the hill is a good warm up and not as objectionable as a mom with her toddlers). Proper signage at the school and on the sidewalk with directions is not a bad idea. 2. I view the basketball court as repetitious with the ballcourts in the surrounding area, including the aforementioned elementary school. It is also a very urban oriented sport that seems in contrast with the garden, walking and bike trails of Japanese Gulch. I'd rather see a climbable sculpture in remembrance of the areas heritage or some other feature thats interactive and appropriate for the area. If any urban feature were to be there, I'd like to see a kids-oriented (small scale) skate park and maybe a (snake?) I think the name is, similar to what they have in Whistler next to the river. A kids play area like Saint Edwards State Park would also be fantastic, especially if natural materials were used (wood instead of plastic). 3. I would highly recommend that the existing pavement be replaced and a winding (but ambulance accessible) path be constructed. The current road follows the fall-line directly down. I zip down the road at 30mph + and climb back up at 2mph on my mountain bike. It's fine for how the current setup is, but not ideal for a park full of children and families. The bikers will definitely default to riding down the bike feature on the fall-line-right side of the current road to get to the trails most of the time, but a winding path will be better for everyone as a main access path.	4/28/2015 12:00 PM

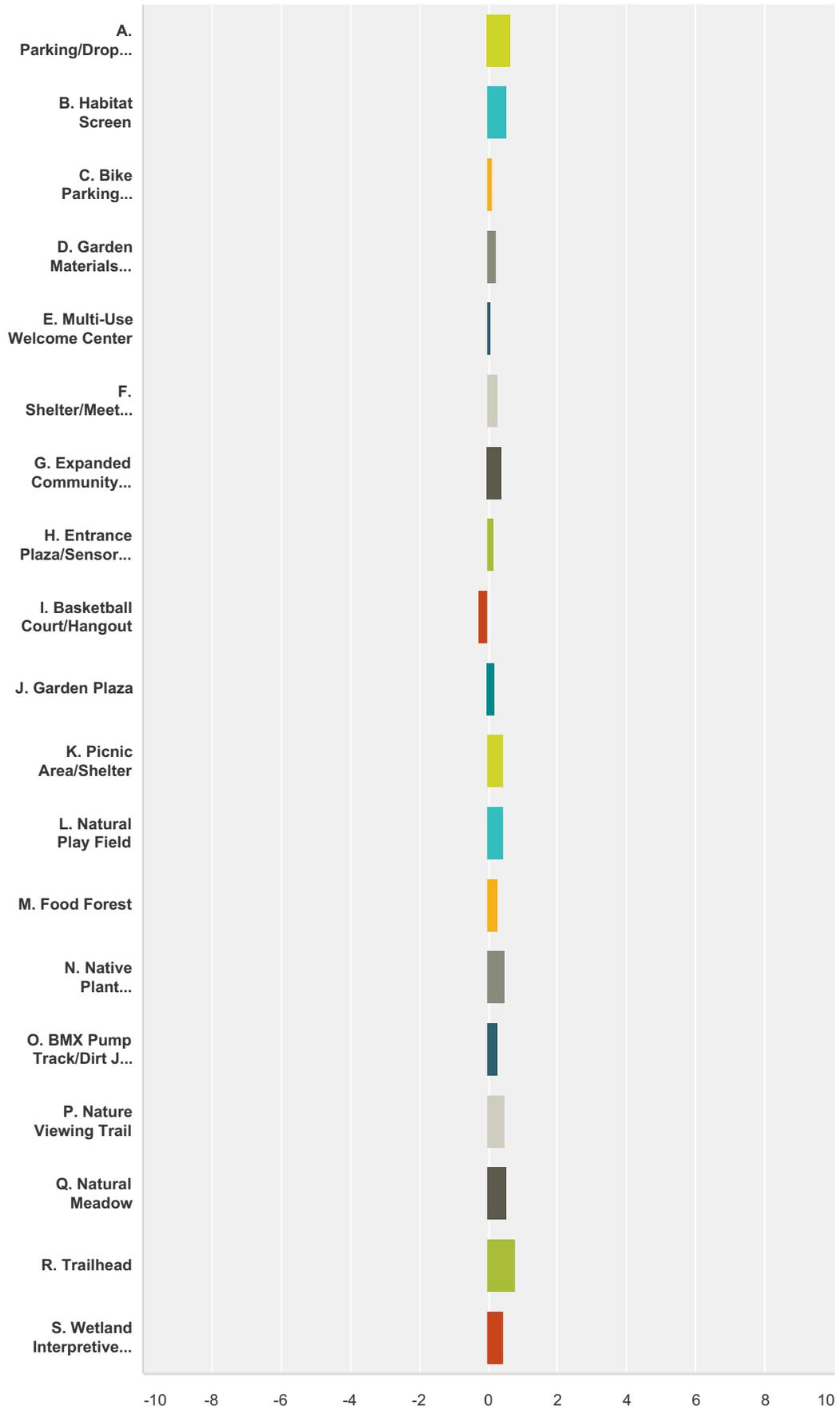
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161	Remove basketball option, perhaps work with school district to improve/add additional to Olympic View Middle School. Add a separate entrance for bikers to skills course to reduce foot traffic/bike impact through main areas.	4/28/2015 11:52 AM
162	Too many features requiring high maintenance	4/28/2015 11:51 AM
163	Just because there is open land does mean that it should be built upon. The Japanese Gulch allows to cope with daily struggles and gives them a place to "get away." It is a great place to hike, run, bike, and teach young kids about the outdoors. By having things such as a basketball court and a sculpture yard, you are taking things away from long time Mukilteo residents who enjoy the forest atmosphere and the opportunity to "get away."	4/28/2015 11:48 AM
164	It's okay.	4/28/2015 11:37 AM

Q3 Please provide feedback on the design elements for Option B.

Answered: 308 Skipped: 59

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	Like It!	Neutral	Don't Like It!	Total	Weighted Average
A. Parking/Drop-off	73.74% 219	17.51% 52	8.75% 26	297	0.65
B. Habitat Screen	63.61% 187	23.81% 70	12.59% 37	294	0.51
C. Bike Parking (Rentals?)	43.67% 131	24.33% 73	32.00% 96	300	0.12
D. Garden Materials Load/Unload	44.41% 131	34.58% 102	21.02% 62	295	0.23
E. Multi-Use Welcome Center	38.23% 112	28.67% 84	33.11% 97	293	0.05
F. Shelter/Meeting Place	49.32% 145	29.25% 86	21.43% 63	294	0.28
G. Expanded Community Garden	54.88% 163	27.95% 83	17.17% 51	297	0.38
H. Entrance Plaza/Sensory Garden	42.66% 125	29.69% 87	27.65% 81	293	0.15
I. Basketball Court/Hangout	23.57% 70	25.59% 76	50.84% 151	297	-0.27
J. Garden Plaza	39.66% 115	37.24% 108	23.10% 67	290	0.17
K. Picnic Area/Shelter	61.43% 180	22.18% 65	16.38% 48	293	0.45
L. Natural Play Field	62.54% 182	18.56% 54	18.90% 55	291	0.44
M. Food Forest	47.26% 138	31.16% 91	21.58% 63	292	0.26
N. Native Plant Nursery/Forest Restoration Area	59.79% 174	26.46% 77	13.75% 40	291	0.46
O. BMX Pump Track/Dirt Jump Track	55.45% 168	14.85% 45	29.70% 90	303	0.26
P. Nature Viewing Trail	63.95% 188	22.11% 65	13.95% 41	294	0.50
Q. Natural Meadow	66.44% 192	19.03% 55	14.53% 42	289	0.52
R. Trailhead	83.11% 246	12.84% 38	4.05% 12	296	0.79
S. Wetland Interpretive Area	57.73% 168	27.15% 79	15.12% 44	291	0.43

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Q4 What is missing or should be different about this design?

Answered: 110 Skipped: 257

#	Responses	Date
1	As much as I'm NOT a fan of BMX trails, I think one fits nicely in this design. Ya gotta watch out for *others* best interests, too!	5/12/2015 6:44 PM
2	It should be kept as natural as possible. It would help keep costs down, stay true to the purpose of "nature" and prevent it from being overrun by noise, kids and cars as happened to the beach when parking and play structures were added.	5/12/2015 6:02 PM
3	This is too aggressive design allowing too many opportunities for trouble. This should be a natural park, not a center for teen hangout and party animals. This design will create late night hangouts and there won't be parking enough for all the users. This is not an extension of Forest Park.	5/12/2015 5:31 PM
4	Please include EV charging stations for electric cars and dog waste bags.	5/12/2015 2:52 PM
5	There seems to be a lot of focus on developing the park out of it's natural state. Could the focus be more on trail improvement and a minimal approach to this natural area?	5/12/2015 2:42 PM
6	Additional mountain biking trails	5/12/2015 12:02 PM
7	I'm nervous about how much space is allocated for a community garden, versus, how much of the community will actually contribute to maintaining that space.	5/12/2015 11:04 AM
8	Like natural feel. Native plant incorporation and limited ground clearing desired.	5/12/2015 9:49 AM
9	I'm neutral with the BMX track because there are more MTB riders than BMX. So I lean more towards MTB skills/pump track.	5/11/2015 11:42 PM
10	I like this Option B better as it will allow better viewing areas for say the kids to be visible while riding and the gardeners can enjoy as well as show off their gardening techniques. also, with kids needing different sports like bike riding, this is great as it will allow more space to have better, longer jump lines so riders of all skills can ride and enjoy. this type of bmx riding, builds confidence, teaches skills for riders who may become commuters and use bicycles to not only stay fit and in shape, but to help keep traffic down, in addition to making them more confident riding in traffic next to trucks and cars.	5/11/2015 10:43 PM
11	Public washrooms? I don't like the idea of a basketball court/hangout in such a isolated and heavily wooded area. I think it will lead to vandalism in the park.	5/11/2015 9:27 PM
12	The middle of a parking lot seems like a bummer location for the bike parking facility. Nobody likes to be in a parking lot, and they're really not for bikes or pedestrians. Next to the buildings marked 'h' and 'e' seems like a better location to me.	5/11/2015 8:46 PM
13	Again too much going on keep it simple	5/11/2015 8:45 PM
14	I like the idea of the bike rentals, but they would need to be off-road bikes (unless some trails are paved). I realize the image may just be a placeholder, though.	5/11/2015 6:26 PM
15	I prefer this option over option A. It is less developed and is more dedicated to keeping the gulch a natural habitat. Remove the basketball court and food forest. Also, the gulch is not a national park. A visitor center would be a waste. A sign will do.	5/11/2015 5:17 PM
16	Keep it simple.	5/11/2015 3:02 PM
17	Way over-developed. Preserve more natural area. City lacks funding to maintain extravagant development.	5/11/2015 7:33 AM
18	More mountain bike trails	5/9/2015 11:43 PM
19	Could there be a playground added?	5/9/2015 7:35 PM
20	If this design is chosen please include EV chargers.	5/9/2015 1:40 PM

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21	Native plant nurseries require green houses, water, staff and much work. Another cost that probably would not be worth it when you can get plants for cheap. My other comments are the same as the other option.	5/8/2015 4:26 PM
22	see previous note I would prefer the senior center to all the other ideas posted. At least they are quiet and most understand the importance of quiet spaces.	5/8/2015 2:33 PM
23	Your putting in too much, when it is fine the way it is. It needs some cleaning up, but Mukilteo doesn't need to drop all this money to "fix" something that isn't broken. I a lot of ppl use the space now the way it is.	5/8/2015 8:53 AM
24	While I like the bike track, I think there should be a limit to it as I foresee people going too fast on it and causing a problem.	5/8/2015 6:53 AM
25	The nature viewing trail could be longer to encourage exercise.	5/8/2015 6:53 AM
26	The Garden Material Load/Unload is a stroke of genius if done right. My assumption is that people can dump yard waste off and the "City" will shred/chip up the material and turn it into compost for citizens to come get for their yards and gardens. The only two downfalls I see are commercial landscape companies dumping HUGE amounts and taking HUGE amounts at tax payers expense (Monitoring usage will be a concern). Secondly, the traffic jam in the parking lot with people loading/unloading yard waste/compost. Forget the expensive buildings for a welcome center, make them pole barn style and definitely have bathroom facilities available. Forget the basketball courts. Native plant nursery? Are you kidding? The Gulch is full of Native and non-native plants, let nature take care of itself when it comes to that. The BMX track is a great idea, except for one thing. IT RAINS ALOT HERE. No BMX track is open in the winter time for that reason, unless it is covered, the course would be a mud bog. The first proposal with a bike skills course that could add some BMX style trails is a decent idea but the drainage and course material are serious considerations to make this work. As for the Natural Meadow, please put it somewhere that the sun can actually shine on it for more than an hour, open up the area around it from tall trees, otherwise it is of no use for most visitors.	5/8/2015 5:33 AM
27	The natural meadow should include some of the big trees already there	5/7/2015 7:06 PM
28	I want to affirm my support of the Mountain Bike and jump track.	5/7/2015 2:54 PM
29	Need more park, Less parking. Really like the expanded bike area, the bike rental idea!!! and a bigger community garden in this plan. Also, bigger restored forest and no mounds of dirt art makes this one better.	5/7/2015 2:47 PM
30	I don't like the bike rental. Inexperienced riders on the mountain bike trails could get crashed into by more advanced riders. The trails are narrow and technically advanced. Those rental bikes would get trashed. Leave the mountain bike trails to people with their own bike. I like the BMX pump track.	5/7/2015 1:27 PM
31	more oriental inspired design would be fitting	5/7/2015 1:17 PM
32	BMX jumps, bike rentals, and BB courts are awesome. Giving teens something to do keeps them out of trouble. Natrual play, natural meadow, garden plaza sensory garden, meeting place seem unnecessary. Keep it wild! I like the idea of conserving the native plants going strong. People can play, meet up and sense in the woods.	5/7/2015 1:15 PM
33	separate courts from pump track as loose balls and crowds may interfere	5/7/2015 1:15 PM
34	Will there be restrooms (i.e. in the Multi-Use Welcome Center)? How much will this cost and how will it be paid for? What about the ongoing upkeep, what is the estimated costs to maintain each year and where will these funds come from?	5/7/2015 1:12 PM
35	The stated intent of the Japanese Gulch purchase focused on preservation. This design is over-developed. The priority for improvements should be parking, trailheads, and possibly restrooms.	5/7/2015 1:09 PM
36	Tool storage area for tools to keep dirt jump track maintained	5/7/2015 1:00 PM
37	Again, Less is more. The more untouched this can stay while improving accessibility, the better!	5/7/2015 12:56 PM
38	BMX jumps should have a MTB/bike skills trail that follows the perimeter or is part of this area	5/7/2015 12:56 PM
39	Too much "development". Put in some walking trails, some parking and leave the rest alone. People need places to walk in undisturbed nature!	5/7/2015 12:56 PM
40	Bike specific concrete park and a USABMX track.	5/7/2015 12:55 PM
41	Just leave it untouched. This seems like a make-work project that doesn't need to happen. A park can be a forested, natural space (like it already is).	5/7/2015 12:24 PM
42	I don't like how the path is going through the community garden. It should remained fenced and gated.	5/7/2015 12:23 PM

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43	Expanded parking is nice so that people can get in and use the area. But developing this land extensively and adding a lot of pavement and buildings would destroy it permanently.	5/7/2015 12:16 PM
44	we may be inviting danger by placing a basketball court/ "hangout" next to the entrance to a bmx pump track. Who will be attracted to the "hangout"? My guess is it'll be surly teenagers who smoke and hang out in small "gangs". The very existence of a group of cursing teenagers will likely deter some users from wanting to also use the area. therefore, it will be ceded to the gangs. This only works if there is adequate enforcement of standards, rules, and policies. Will the city or the police department do this?	5/7/2015 9:06 AM
45	see my comments in item #2 above	5/6/2015 11:16 PM
46	Unnecessary to mess with the park as it is.	5/6/2015 11:02 PM
47	I just want a nice habitat for the animals.	5/6/2015 8:15 PM
48	Don't like the idea of going to have a picnic/walk with my family and having to deal with teenage boys riding wildly on their bikes. BMX may attract an undesirable crowd. Nothing said about lighting or hours of park.	5/6/2015 5:09 PM
49	I continue to advocate for a senior center and pickleball courts.	5/6/2015 4:25 PM
50	The Mukilteo Seniors Center.....	5/6/2015 3:47 PM
51	You should add the Amphitheater back into this design like in Plan A.	5/6/2015 2:08 PM
52	These plans are very nice and thoughtful with all the activities but what is missing is the ROM cost to build an maintain all these features. I have a house a short walking distance away that I have owned since 1987 and I have used the trails (biking, hiking, running, with dogs accompanying me off-leash) for 20+ years in Japanese Gulch. I am partial to how they were - but I do like the new ideas. I think however, most of the Users of the Gulch will be nearby residents and those residents are fine with the Gulch being mainly walking/running/biking trails and fine with dogs off-leash. My input is for those wanting a basketball court, or specialized BMX biking, or inside/outside meeting or gathering places or having another seldom used amphitheater, is to go to other Mukilteo parks or the Rosehill Community Center that has already the capability and capacity for those interests.	5/6/2015 12:39 PM
53	although i like the ideas it is just a nature trail place and doesnt need any of this or anything fancy our national parks are simple and there is only one place about halfway up the gulch from the dog park there is a meadow and a clearing where the road ends. this area needs a bathroom installed and made a couple designated campsites there is a road so it or a trashcan would not be difficult to maintain and would make the gulch more accessible	5/6/2015 11:54 AM
54	actually like this better than plan A!!!	5/6/2015 11:06 AM
55	Or do nothing for ten years except build trails.	5/6/2015 10:53 AM
56	Preserving the gulch the way it is and not trying to destroy it and waste money. The more you add to it the more it will be vandalized and raise taxes to repair and maintain. KEEP IT AS IS!	5/6/2015 10:15 AM
57	The only thing I have been wanting is some trail markers and some sort map to navigate. I think the gulch should be similar to Lord Hill...just the basics. Trails, natural vegetation, trail markers and a simple map. Follow the K.I.S.S model = Keep It Simple, Stupid. We like the gulch how it is. Please don't change it.	5/5/2015 10:36 PM
58	There should be no design- Leave it as walking trails and forest	5/5/2015 9:19 PM
59	The BMX track has too large of a footprint. The less development here, the better.	5/5/2015 7:46 PM
60	Leave it alone! People like Japanese Gulch because it's not developed! There are plenty of developed parks around - leave the Gulch as is please!!	5/5/2015 7:06 PM
61	Leave the wetland alone. I like this option - it has the ability to load / unload for the gardeners.	5/5/2015 4:18 PM
62	This seems more like what a forest park should be like. I have a BMX skills track by my residence, and it's just a lot of bumpy, raw, torn up dirt with overflowing garbage cans of prepackaged snack food wrappers. I hope yours looks different.	5/5/2015 1:50 PM
63	Family restrooms.	5/5/2015 1:33 PM
64	Bike parking would be ok. Rentals set up as electric bike rentals is a bad idea. NO ELECTRIC BIKES!! A good idea would be to have space (shelter?) for an approved Rental Bike Co. to have space for rentals on weekends during the summer months. I've seen similar types of rental space in Kenmore on the north end of Lake Washington for rentals of kayaks & paddleboards. I really like the inclusion of a bmx pumptrack as well a dirt jump track. I'd love to have a local spot I can bring my children to learn to ride and enjoy these types of things.	5/5/2015 1:23 PM
65	I'd have the same comments as before. Is there enough parking and are bbqs available?	5/5/2015 12:40 PM

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66	Bike track should be for mountain bikes. All skill levels. BMX only would be a waste of money.	5/5/2015 12:24 PM
67	The BMX run is far too large for this area and you really need to get rid of the idea of putting a community garden in the park. The focus should be on keeping it in its predominantly natural state and building things that will allow people to understand and appreciate nature in this area. Add the Arboretum back into the plan and drop the idea of bike rentals. Under NO circumstances let dogs in the park off-leash, this should be enforced by local law enforcement as it will destroy the usability of the park for other uses, especially picnicking. .	5/5/2015 11:57 AM
68	Love the bike rentals!	5/5/2015 11:33 AM
69	I like this design better - it has more bike related stuff. Again, skip the (yawn) wetland interpretive signs. Hopefully, this will be served by a good public transportation route as it seems out-of-the-way for a city park.	5/5/2015 10:58 AM
70	LEAVE NATURE ALONE. YOU CANNOT IMPROVE ON NATURE.	5/5/2015 10:55 AM
71	The construction of a building (E.) and numerous features (C, F., H., J., M., N.) that will require a great deal of daily, weekly, and annual maintenance and attention are unnecessary and expensive additions. They should be left off the design and efforts should be made to keep the design as natural as possible. The BMX track is a good idea in this location to encourage biking activities closer to the parking area to discourage mountain bikers from going on the trails in the rest of the gulch where they are in conflict with foot traffic users and are tearing up the trails.	5/5/2015 9:40 AM
72	Please keep the gulch wild! People love the gulch because there is no development - there are plenty of other developed parks in Mukilteo. Leave this natural space alone!	5/5/2015 8:43 AM
73	Traffic access through residential neighborhood is a problem. Parking lot must be screened from community. Add shade trees. Covered bike parking with security camera's. Bathrooms at children's play areas. Butterfly garden with milkweed. No basketball courts - people have them at the schools. No interpretive stuff on the wetland trail. Leave nature alone. Most importantly, you folks ruined years of hard work by the BMX people. Very disrespectful. Peace offering would be to invite them back to design/build the new BMX park and you folks supply the materials and heavy equipment to make it an easy task. Needs to be located near access to ambulance pickup.	5/5/2015 8:42 AM
74	1. I like this layout better than option A. 2. Get rid of the basketball court! A basketball does amazing damage to surrounding plantlife! Also, it will be noisy, destroying the tranquility of the surrounding gardens. 3. Do not like the BMX track - again, noisy and disturbing to the rest of the park's surroundings. Also, what's to keep kids from turning the rest of the park features into BMX track?	5/5/2015 5:40 AM
75	See previous comment.	5/5/2015 5:01 AM
76	ditto	5/4/2015 11:37 PM
77	Much improved bicycle course over 1st option. Suggest other bicycle course features to allow bicyclists to prepare for more advanced riding. please coordinate with Evergreen MTB to make like Duthie park in Issaquah.	5/4/2015 10:08 PM
78	Traffic mitigation. That corner of 44th is already too tight where school buses can't make it without taking up both lanes. No sidewalks in the area.	5/4/2015 2:21 PM
79	I really like this design. The smaller community garden area seems out of place in the context of the park; this one seems to be well situated to be part of the natural park. I also really support the pump track, although it really needs to have a loop, a "one and done" design isn't really a pump track. :-)	5/4/2015 1:41 PM
80	Missing mtb skills area	5/4/2015 12:17 PM
81	We tear down the BMX bumps and now you propose to put them back, how is that cost-effective? We spent \$8000 to tear them down and now you propose to put them back ?	5/3/2015 5:15 PM
82	Parking lot is too small. Don't need a basketball court. Is the natural meadow just a field of grass or is it an actual meadow? Natural playfield is depicted as a big mud puddle. Garden loading area does not look good. Don't like farm theme building for garden. Park should look more natural and improvements should be NW contemporary in keeping with Rosehill and other city buildings.	5/3/2015 9:10 AM
83	I like the bigger BMX area, but don't like that the amphitheater is left out. Love the wetland interpretive trail, and a boardwalk trail is a great idea! Again, a larger natural play area would be great for little kids, and adding a stretch/exercise area for trail runners near the trailhead to the gulch trails would be awesome!	5/2/2015 5:46 PM

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84	<p>What is missing from this design? This design is missing the entire point of having the gulch at our disposal. That is to say, there is no option to LEAVE THE GULCH EXACTLY AS IT IS. We fought hard and raised money and worked to purchase enough of the gulch SO THAT NO ONE COULD DEVELOP IT. So the top option, as far as I am concerned, is to do nothing but enjoy nature, and to experience the wilderness in our backyards. Mountain bikers, hikers, trail runners, dog watchers, nature enthusiasts, bird watchers, all use the gulch every single day. Please don't spoil the wilderness with more concrete and parking lots and buildings and picnic areas and amphitheaters - save that for the Lighthouse Park and existing areas like the 92nd Street playground area. we have more than enough over-built public access area in Mukilteo. PLEASE LEAVE THE GULCH IN IT'S NATURAL STATE FOR US ALL TO ENJOY, AS-IS.</p>	5/2/2015 1:19 PM
85	<p>The survey and plan is bias toward development. Adding non-natural (concrete, sidewalk, buildings/structures) and non-native elements (herbs, food garden, lawn, fragrant plant) should not be included. The community effort to save this land as led by the Japanese Gulch Group was for preservation of a natural area and Urban forest. Not for a Park, community center or sports facility. The city is already low on revenue to cover infrastructure needs and we have debt with Rosehill. This property should be maintained as natural and native space. I support sustainable trails, native plant restoration and unobtrusive interpretive markers and nothing else. I am in favor of natural meadow only if it is native and low/no maintenance (doesn't require watering, weed control or fertilizer). The picture is of grass.</p>	5/1/2015 6:11 PM
86	<p>I would like to see minimal changes to this area overall. Welcome signs, improved parking, bike jumps to replace the ones removed and continued Community Garden usage are good! Are there plans for an overview map of the gulch to be installed at the entrance?</p>	5/1/2015 4:12 PM
87	<p>as i have stated none of this is needed and we need to keep the way it is</p>	5/1/2015 4:01 PM
88	<p>Same comments as previous option. Way to over designed. Leave it as it is!!</p>	5/1/2015 3:16 PM
89	<p>garden looks too large.</p>	5/1/2015 11:00 AM
90	<p>BMX pump track/Dirt jump track is on a sloping area. This would be better served to be multiple jump lines of progressing difficulty with a walk up. Not suitable for pump track.</p>	5/1/2015 10:55 AM
91	<p>I feel like some elements contrast too much with others. If you want to make a BMX park, that's fine. Make one. If you want to make a natural interpretive walk, that's fine. Make one. But combining the two elements renders both of them a little pointless.</p>	5/1/2015 8:02 AM
92	<p>same as before. why pave the gulch?</p>	4/30/2015 8:49 PM
93	<p>This plan seems to have a lot more pervious surface with the parking lot. All hard surfaces should be pervious, if possible, to reduce storm water runoff: grass-crete, pavers, etc. I am opposed completely to ball field, play area, and BMX jump uses. Those can occur in other areas of the City that are already degraded/cleared/developed. The Gulch should be used for passive open space and habitat restoration with minimal human destruction. I also feel mountain bike usage is a potential hazardous conflict with walkers and the natural habitat.</p>	4/30/2015 1:41 PM
94	<p>same as before</p>	4/29/2015 9:54 PM
95	<p>Low Impact Development, particularly a clear indication that pervious pavement, bioswales, infiltration, and green roofs, will be used when feasible. Also, I would like to see interpretive signage with information about native plants and wildlife (that may be included in the wetland interpretive area).</p>	4/29/2015 8:37 PM
96	<p>Natural as possible and Basketball courts are at the schools, NOT for the gulch</p>	4/29/2015 1:39 PM
97	<p>Like this plans bike track as long as some starter jumps too</p>	4/29/2015 12:05 AM

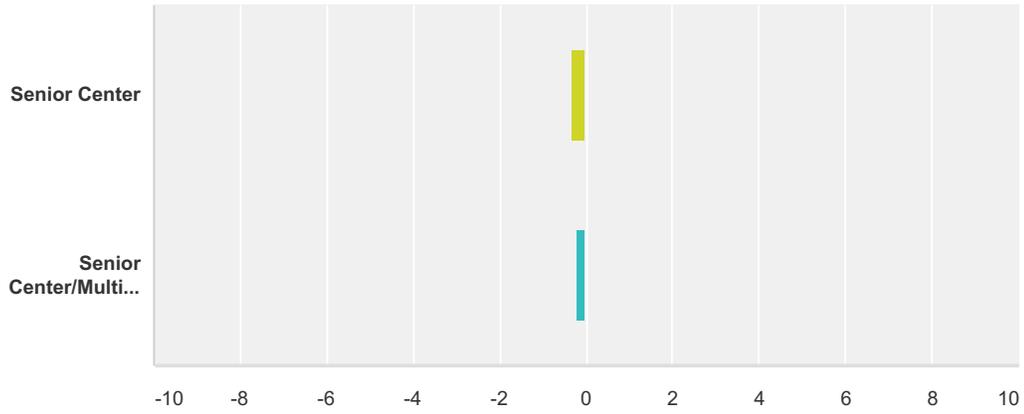
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98	I pretty much have the same comments and questions as I wrote for Design A For all the years acquisition of Japanese Gulch was promoted as a way to save the natural environment and pristine nature of the Gulch. Now all kinds of biking activities have been emphasized by a small number of residents. What you describe as a large number of people attending the last public meeting on this design were actually very few of the 20,000 residents, most of whom did not even know there was a meeting as it was not well advertised and held while many who work in Seattle or Bellevue were on their way home from work. At the round table discussions, biker enthusiasts were careful to make sure at least one of them sat at each table to ensure biking would be mentioned in the summary of the table discussion at the end. This made it seem like there is a huge demand for biking in the Gulch. Of course, there were quite a few bikers who do not live in Mukilteo but who want to use the Gulch for biking. I was totally displeased with the purpose of acquiring the Gulch changed from all its original emphasis to one where biking is a large use that will create way too much activity in the Gulch to maintain the natural environment, pristine nature and animal life that now exists. I am unwilling to have my tax dollars increased to fund all of this when we have been told Mukilteo needs more tax dollars to provide critical services without any dollars for Japanese Gulch in any future Budget projections. Failure to show any dollar estimates for the plans you are asking us to rate and comment on is obviously to keep attention away from financial considerations. Non residents should not have a voice in options unless they want to pay for them.	4/28/2015 9:04 PM
99	F: slopes north. Are you filling it in and regrading? Last I knew, south slopes = happy plants. O: this will FAIL at the ballot box. Watch and learn. S: there are herons and beavers here. How does inviting the public protect them? P and Q: this is the best area in all of Mukilteo for protection from wind and for sun. Make it a destination. Not a walk-thru. H: huh? C + E = embedded carbon. Why change this? F: Where to people meet? Close to where they walk or park. K: Bigger, more, and further to the east.	4/28/2015 8:56 PM
100	The BMX track looks awesome. I don't think rental bikes would be worthwhile, and they'd probably get beaten to a pulp. I'm concerned about the amount of parking available.	4/28/2015 8:55 PM
101	these are my priorities	4/28/2015 6:24 PM
102	more bike	4/28/2015 2:42 PM
103	Much better than Plan A. Get rid of the welcome center and the basketball court. The area is already over developed and every inch of undeveloped or natural space is a treasure. When in doubt, refrain from using concrete! Make sure the BMX area suits BMX bikes, Dirt Jumper Bikes, and traditional trail bikes. This will mean consulting with expert trail builders. The "Seattle" rental bikes will not be suited for riding on the trails...and if the trails are developed to the point that the "Seattle" rental bikes can be ridden on the trails, it means that the trails will have lost their technical appeal and difficulty, essentially eliminating the interest for most bikers that regularly ride those trails now. Refrain from developing the trails. Natural obstacles...rocks, roots, uneven/loose terrain, different soil, steep grades, steps...they are all essential! Food forest is a cool idea! Focus on good drainage for the winter months without using concrete or wooden platforms. Keep things as natural/rural as possible. Overall, I think in both designs, too many things are being squeezed into a small space. The open/natural land is why people love the gulch in the first place, so please don't over develop it.	4/28/2015 2:41 PM
104	Same as comments for design A. I think your typical bike share/bike rental would not be good for this area. Usually these bikes are super heavy and not a lot of fun to ride. This area is surrounded by hills both on road and off. Not ideal for bike rentals. Usually these bike rentals are not good for mountain bike trails either.	4/28/2015 2:03 PM
105	I like plan B better than A overall.	4/28/2015 12:53 PM
106	Restrooms throughout	4/28/2015 12:28 PM
107	See previous comments on previous page.	4/28/2015 12:04 PM
108	Basketball option, move to OV fields.	4/28/2015 12:01 PM
109	to much human interference. leave as much natural as possible.	4/28/2015 11:49 AM
110	Also ok.	4/28/2015 11:40 AM

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Q5 What are your thoughts on a:

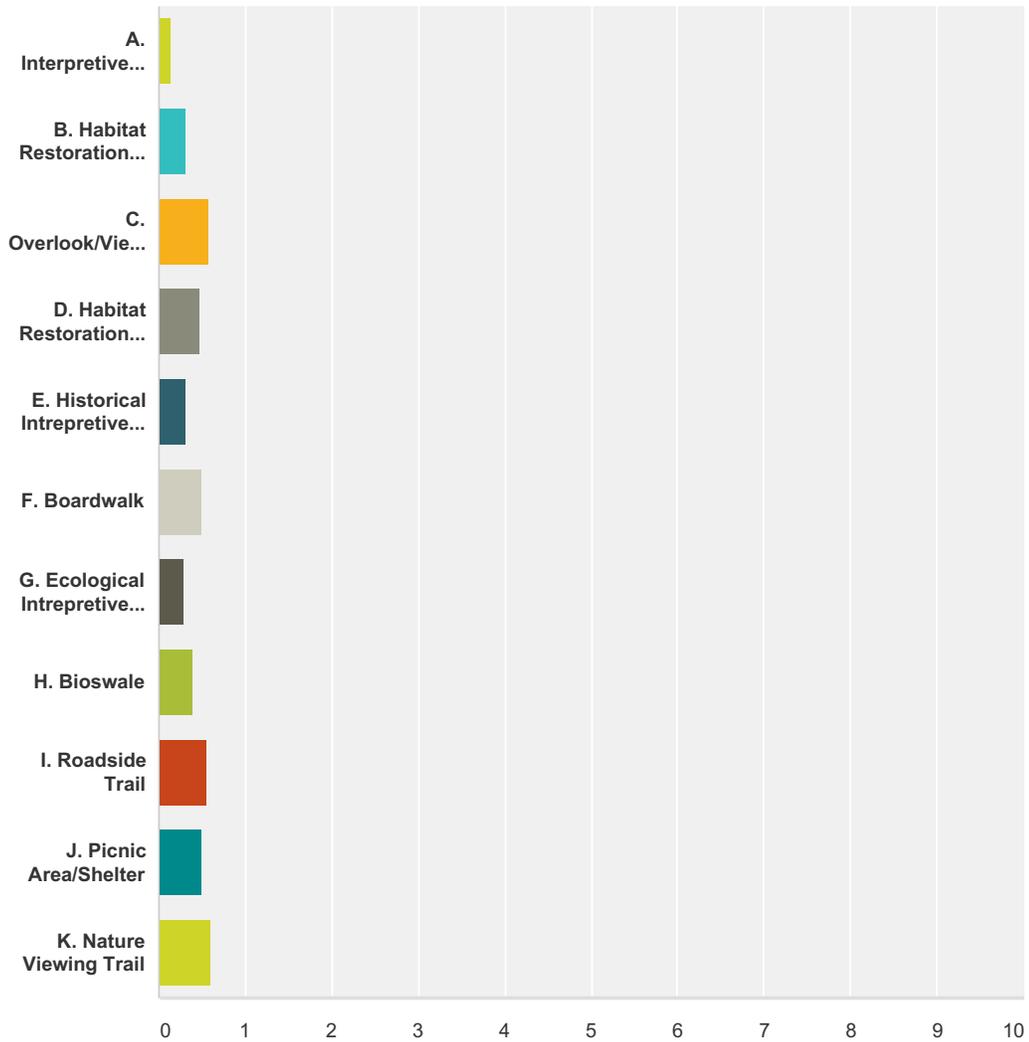
Answered: 323 Skipped: 44



	Like It!	Neutral	Don't Like It	Total	Weighted Average
Senior Center	14.42% 45	38.14% 119	47.44% 148	312	-0.33
Senior Center/Multi-Use Center	24.29% 77	33.12% 105	42.59% 135	317	-0.18

Q6 Please provide feedback on the design elements for Lower Japanese Gulch Park.

Answered: 299 Skipped: 68



	Like It!	Neutral	Don't Like It!	Total	Weighted Average
A. Interpretive Art for Habitat Restoration	40.75% 119	33.90% 99	25.34% 74	292	0.15
B. Habitat Restoration Demonstration	49.66% 145	32.53% 95	17.81% 52	292	0.32
C. Overlook/Viewpoint	69.59% 206	20.27% 60	10.14% 30	296	0.59
D. Habitat Restoration Nursery	62.76% 182	21.72% 63	15.52% 45	290	0.47
E. Historical Intrepretive Elements	50.86% 148	29.90% 87	19.24% 56	291	0.32
F. Boardwalk	64.51% 189	20.82% 61	14.68% 43	293	0.50

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G. Ecological Intrepretive Elements	50.17% 145	30.10% 87	19.72% 57	289	0.30
H. Bioswale	54.14% 157	31.72% 92	14.14% 41	290	0.40
I. Roadside Trail	69.15% 204	18.64% 55	12.20% 36	295	0.57
J. Picnic Area/Shelter	65.31% 192	20.41% 60	14.29% 42	294	0.51
K. Nature Viewing Trail	70.27% 208	19.93% 59	9.80% 29	296	0.60

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Q7 What is missing or should be different about this design?

Answered: 91 Skipped: 276

#	Responses	Date
1	It should be kept as natural as possible. It would help keep costs down, stay true to the purpose of "nature" and prevent it from being overrun by noise, kids and cars as happened to the beach when parking and play structures were added.	5/12/2015 6:03 PM
2	Parking. How do you support a park with no parking? We do not maintain this park as it is, why would that change. I walk this twice a week and there is no maintenance on the trails. Parking for only a few cars and a narrow road that will be very expensive to widen. This is a case of a kid in a candy store, big eyes with desire and no money. Lets get real here and act like grownups.	5/12/2015 5:38 PM
3	Please add EV charging stations.	5/12/2015 2:54 PM
4	I think there should be an emphasis on stream restoration/conifer planting where appropriate. Restoration at the stream mouth near the train tracks would be very beneficial. I like environmental outreach.	5/12/2015 9:52 AM
5	Involve the local tribe! There is so much history to do with the native tribes (tulalip?) and this can be a great avenue for education. I'm pretty sure there used to be oyster mounds close by. You could also talk about what the natural resources dept for the tulalip tribes have done for that area in terms of restoration.	5/12/2015 8:59 AM
6	Please don't take away from bike risers. If you have trails, let bikes on.	5/11/2015 11:44 PM
7	Public restrooms rather than the current portapotties and a water pipe stand providing drinking water for dogs and people. the current dog park needs improved drainage as it get marshy in winter	5/11/2015 9:32 PM
8	Dog run should be larger	5/11/2015 8:46 PM
9	PEOPLE/ DOGS/BIKERS SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO WALK THROUGH ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE/RESORATION AREAS !!! ALL WILL TAKE ADVANTAGE AND DO AS THEY PLEASE AND DESTROY AREA. RAILROAD TRACKS ARE A PUBLIC SAFETY ISSUE NOT A PLAYGROUND. STORM WATER DRAINAGE PIPES AND HEAVY WATER FLOW ARE A PUBLIC SAFETY ISSUE ESPECIALLY FOR SMALL CHILDREN WITH DISTRACTED PARENTS. POTENTIAL FOR TEENAGE AND VAGRANT HANG OUT AREAS. POTENTIAL FIRE DANGER FOR THOSE SMOKING IN A HEAVILY WODED AREA . AS WELL AS COMTAMINATIONS OF THE CREEK BY SELFISH DOG OWNERS WITH DOGS OFF LEASH IN SENSATIVE AREAS .PUBLIC NUSIANCE FOR NOISE TO RESIDENTS IN AREA. BIKERS & MINI MOTOIZED BIKERS WILL ABUSE THE BOARDWALK. AREA WAS CLASSIFIED AS A "LOWER RAPARIANE FOREST" FOR CONSERVATION. NO PUBLIC ALLOWWED. THERE ARE HERON NESTS AND I HAVE PERSONALLY HEARD SPOTTED OWLS THIS MONTH/MAY 2015	5/11/2015 6:46 PM
10	Perhaps a bike rack at the north end of the trail?	5/11/2015 6:26 PM
11	Dog shower/bath area. Coin operated, like the one in Redmond.	5/11/2015 6:18 PM
12	Not sure why the boardwalk is there. There already is a trail.	5/11/2015 5:19 PM
13	Missing: Pedestrian continuity between parcels to the west and east of the railroad tracks, especially on north side of automobile road. Cannot find location of picnic area/shelter or ecological interpretive elements on map... I presume the latter could co-locate with the restoration nursery. Locating historical interpretive elements next to dog park could be an awkward juxtaposition. How about putting more of these elsewhere instead, making them a destination in themselves as seen at Cougar Mtn. park.	5/11/2015 4:21 PM
14	What about the extensive trail system mountain bikers have developed	5/11/2015 3:17 PM
15	parking?	5/11/2015 9:56 AM
16	Over-developed with little regard for future maintenance costs.	5/11/2015 7:35 AM
17	More mountain bike trails	5/9/2015 11:46 PM
18	(F) leave existing boardwalk.	5/9/2015 12:54 PM

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19	For the area below 5th Street -The area where the nursery is planned is a wetland and not appropriate for a native nursery - as I indicated before, native plant nurseries are very expensive to operate and need staff and facilities and infrastructure. The boardwalk would be good for the areas of the trail that get wet, but should not be moved into forest or into the planted area, so that there is no more disturbance to this area. There are already overlooks along the trail and no need for more. The trail is short and very pretty and the biggest need is to get rid of the ivy, vinca, deadly nightshade, morning glory, holly. There is also poison hemlock in the water I think. And the trail needs maintenance. Can;t find "j" on the map. As for the dog park - keep it for dogs.The area doesn't need restoration. Is there a need for a Linear off leash dog run? Keep it simple and minimize costs even if this is a long term plan.	5/8/2015 4:27 PM
20	Same as previous, leave it as little changed as possible	5/8/2015 2:34 PM
21	Please don't change the existing trail system!	5/8/2015 12:12 PM
22	Needs more bike trails	5/8/2015 11:21 AM
23	Your putting in too much, when it is fine the way it is. It needs some cleaning up, but Mukilteo doesn't need to drop all this money to "fix" something that isn't broken. I a lot of ppl use the space now the way it is.	5/8/2015 8:56 AM
24	I like it all except for ONE thing. DO NOT put a traffic calming device such as speed bump/hump on the road. Install a highly visable cross-walk with a solar powered LED lighting system that pedestrians only have to push a button on either side of the road to activate. I will personally campaign HARD to eliminate any "calming" device such as this. When it comes to this do the SMART thing, not the EASY,CHEAP thing. It pays dividends for a long time to come.	5/8/2015 5:42 AM
25	don't see "J", picnic/shelter? What about the dog park?	5/8/2015 12:07 AM
26	Keep the trails away from the road. The improved crossing is nice, but what about going under the road where the RR does. Try to eliminate conflicts, not just improve them. All the restoration and interpretive elements are great!	5/7/2015 2:53 PM
27	I like it because it stays away from the mountain bike trails. We generally don't ride in these areas so it will be nice to have that stuff there.	5/7/2015 1:31 PM
28	Will there be restrooms be located at (or are there restrooms being considered in this design? How much will this cost and how will it be paid for? What about the ongoing upkeep, what is the estimated costs to maintain each year and where will these funds come from?	5/7/2015 1:14 PM
29	Don't really care too much for this layout. Would really like to see a designated area for Bmx dirt jumps in the area simulate to green lake but more jumps. There is a huge amount of Bmx riders in the are ah including myself. And it would benefit greatly to those not ONLY in our area of mukilteo but all around the pacific northwest. There is a lot of descrepencies with bikes being allowed in skate parks. "Mukilteo YMCA" being one of them. I feel the Bmx community would greatly appreciate and respect a designated piece of land to build jumps and not be bothered or have to worry about being kicked out.	5/7/2015 1:11 PM
30	Doggie water fountains to keep pooches hydrated.	5/7/2015 1:08 PM
31	Just leave it untouched. This seems like a make-work project that doesn't need to happen. A park can be a forested, natural space (like it already is).	5/7/2015 12:24 PM
32	doesn't all of this already exist? Seems to already be well-loved. My concern is for dangerous amounts of dog waste being concentrated in this poorly-drained dog park area. how do we fix teh drainage issues there?	5/7/2015 9:12 AM
33	Remember, if you build it they will come. Parking. No one in Mukilteo wants our roadways and neighborhoods to be affected by the new Gulch Park.	5/7/2015 8:35 AM
34	all new plantings should be native vegetation good to hear that parts would be ADA all off leash dog areas should be surrounded by a fence (I can't tell if it is or not) good to see that you will be including cultural background (I am assuming it is why it is called Japanese Gulch). It would be great to include the "archeological" findings that were un-earthed.	5/6/2015 11:22 PM
35	The whole place is a nature viewing trail.why are you messing with it? Very confused by these proposals. It is heavenly and wild now. Why mess?	5/6/2015 11:06 PM
36	I want a nice habitat for the animals.	5/6/2015 8:17 PM
37	Parking?	5/6/2015 5:12 PM
38	A bigger and nice dog park (i.e. Willis Tucker or Puget Park Drive in Silver Firs) with drinking water (from a faucet) for the dogs and the means (pool/basin) to wash them afterwards.	5/6/2015 12:46 PM

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39	this area is fine to do something like this	5/6/2015 11:55 AM
40	Keeping the gulch the way it is!	5/6/2015 10:17 AM
41	Trail markers and a map. I like the idea of the expansion of the dog park.	5/6/2015 5:36 AM
42	We are over run in Old Town - the dog park is an eye sore and not taken care of. Keep things as they are in the rest of the gulch - NATURAL	5/5/2015 10:47 PM
43	The dog park needs better drainage!	5/5/2015 9:58 PM
44	I worry about too many people in the forest, ruining what is already there.	5/5/2015 9:21 PM
45	Leave it alone! People like Japanese Gulch because it's not developed! There are plenty of developed parks around - leave the Gulch as is please!!	5/5/2015 7:07 PM
46	My preference is to leave as much native growth as possible. Keep development to a minimum.	5/5/2015 4:20 PM
47	Seems to be a good plan.	5/5/2015 4:17 PM
48	Sounds good!	5/5/2015 1:52 PM
49	Family restrooms	5/5/2015 1:34 PM
50	Nothing I can see.	5/5/2015 12:41 PM
51	Habitat restoration and a dog park are mutually exclusive uses. dogs atack and run off natural species of animals that would otherwise be brought back to the area.	5/5/2015 12:01 PM
52	I like the trails but really don't need anyone to interpret - we really just don't need any more signs.	5/5/2015 11:03 AM
53	Leave nature alone. You cannot improve on nature.	5/5/2015 10:57 AM
54	There are a number of features on this plan that are not explained or for which we are not asked to comment, for example the addition of a linear off-lease dog run. The lowest end of the gulch near the tank farm and waterfront promenade access shows no available parking. Is this correct or simply a omission in the graphic? Parking access at the point of the gulch would be important.	5/5/2015 9:46 AM
55	The roadside trail needs to be moved on the other side of Mukilteo Blvd (the water side). Ideally, the crossing would be under the bridge adjacent to the railroad tracks. This park is too structured. Leave it wild with access only - a boardwalk through the woods.	5/5/2015 8:50 AM
56	Please keep the gulch wild! People love the gulch because there is no development - there are plenty of other develped parks in Mukilteo. Leave this natural space alone!	5/5/2015 8:45 AM
57	None of these options have mentioned restrooms. Will there be restrooms at each location?	5/5/2015 5:44 AM
58	A 4 lane highway to the ferry dock.	5/5/2015 5:01 AM
59	Clean it up. Take care of it. Leave it natural. Why ruin it? People go to enjoy nature, not to read some sign telling them what they are enjoying. That is no longer nature, lol. Use your senses, that is nature. Restore as needed, and honor (not dedicate) those who were there before.	5/4/2015 11:47 PM
60	Bike trail to tank farm (or is boardwalk multi-use?)	5/4/2015 10:13 PM
61	Parking, Traffic calming is a joke, need an over/underpass or move the trail beside the bridge.	5/4/2015 2:24 PM
62	Seems fine.	5/4/2015 1:42 PM
63	Leave things as they are PLEASE	5/4/2015 1:17 PM
64	I don't see picnic area on this map (J). I would like to see a sight and voice control instead of a leash law for dogs. So many people currently ride with dogs in the Gulch. It would be difficult to enforce a leash law with the Boeing side not on city property. I think the city will end up wasting law enforcement resources on people calling in to try and enforce the leash law. Here is a link to an article that looked at three options. I think option 1 is the best. http://www.parkrecord.com/cj_25824971/county-leash-law-may-soon-change	5/4/2015 9:16 AM
65	Why can't we put the senior center down in the lower coach area?	5/3/2015 5:18 PM
66	The lower trail does not have to be completely redone. Save money and resources for other areas if need be. Better signage and some info on salmon restoration and Japanese history would be good.	5/3/2015 9:16 AM
67	I don't know if all of this is necessary. Probably half of it is good enough.	5/2/2015 7:48 PM

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68	Looks great!	5/2/2015 5:49 PM
69	I like that the focus is on the environment, nature and education about both of those items.	5/2/2015 2:14 PM
70	This design is terrible and it wastes the incredible opportunity that Japanese Gulch brings to us. That is to say, there is no option to LEAVE THE GULCH EXACTLY AS IT IS. We fought hard and raised money and worked to purchase enough of the gulch SO THAT NO ONE COULD DEVELOP IT. So the top option, as far as I am concerned, is to do nothing but enjoy nature, and to experience the wilderness in our backyards. Mountain bikers, hikers, trail runners, dog watchers, nature enthusiasts, bird watchers, all use the gulch every single day. Please don't spoil the wilderness with more concrete and parking lots and buildings and picnic areas and amphitheaters - save that for the Lighthouse Park and existing areas like the 92nd Street playground area. We have more than enough over-built public access area in Mukilteo. PLEASE LEAVE THE GULCH IN ITS NATURAL STATE FOR US ALL TO ENJOY, AS-IS.	5/2/2015 1:21 PM
71	My guess is most people completing this survey do not know what a bioswale is. It seems the natural area already serves the purpose of filtering runoff. If a roadside trail improves safe access for the community then in favor. If there is already safe sidewalk or large road shoulders it isn't needed.	5/1/2015 6:19 PM
72	It's unclear to me what "Historical/Ecological Interpretive Elements" are, what they'd look like or where they'd be placed. Improved drainage at the dog park would be beneficial.	5/1/2015 4:19 PM
73	don't like it we need to preserve the nature that we have	5/1/2015 4:02 PM
74	Elements that improve safety (roadside trail) or support restoration (nursery) seem useful but my preference is still to develop as little as possible.	5/1/2015 3:22 PM
75	Interpretive stuff is a waste of time. It will likely never get used.	4/30/2015 4:57 PM
76	Tree preservation!!	4/30/2015 1:45 PM
77	This design is missing daylighting of mouth of Japanese Gulch. I'd really like to see the stream mouth opened up and removed from the pipe. This will add significantly to the ecological and aesthetic value of the property. I'm supportive of a habitat restoration nursery but not so sure that this is the lower gulch is the best location for something like that.	4/29/2015 8:47 PM
78	Have no idea how to access this area. Is there parking?	4/29/2015 4:22 PM
79	where is the picnic area? (j)?	4/29/2015 1:43 PM
80	Please don't cut down a bunch of trees for Boardwalk make sure nonslip and shady	4/29/2015 12:06 AM
81	Where are the restrooms etc Same comment as above on Precht property. Where is the parking for all this? How many spaces and access from where and with what safety needs? It appears the existing dog park is no longer at that location? Why? With all the time and money to build the existing dog park will that be torn out and moved? Again as I said above, this is far too expensive to build and to maintain. It also goes far beyond the original purpose of acquiring the Gulch property a bait and switch huge expenditure of Mukilteo money that had to be taken from the REET fund that is to pay the annual bond payments and which does not have sufficient funds to reach so, especially after spending the huge amount on this acquisition. No cost estimates are provided and we were told they would be provided as part of this plan. Also, no indications of where the money would come from to do all this. Annual maintenance has to be a huge amount of money. How much?	4/28/2015 9:15 PM
82	I didn't see where the picnic area/shelter is on the picture, so I chose 'neutral'. I think it is a good idea though. I think the area is beautiful and doesn't need interpretive art. I like the idea of a boardwalk, but am not sure how it can be ADA accessible with the steep hill leading down to that area?	4/28/2015 9:02 PM
83	Boardwalks should be only in areas requiring ground protection	4/28/2015 4:32 PM
84	Interpretive art is a waste of space for the majority of people that will regularly use this space. Sure, it might be cool the first time you see it, but most park users will be repeat visitors, and most likely value their ability to reach an undeveloped area without traveling too far. Keep it as natural as possible and only use boardwalks where necessary for the environment. Roadside trail should be accessible to bikes. BBQ/Grill area for the picnics.	4/28/2015 2:46 PM
85	no bike	4/28/2015 2:44 PM

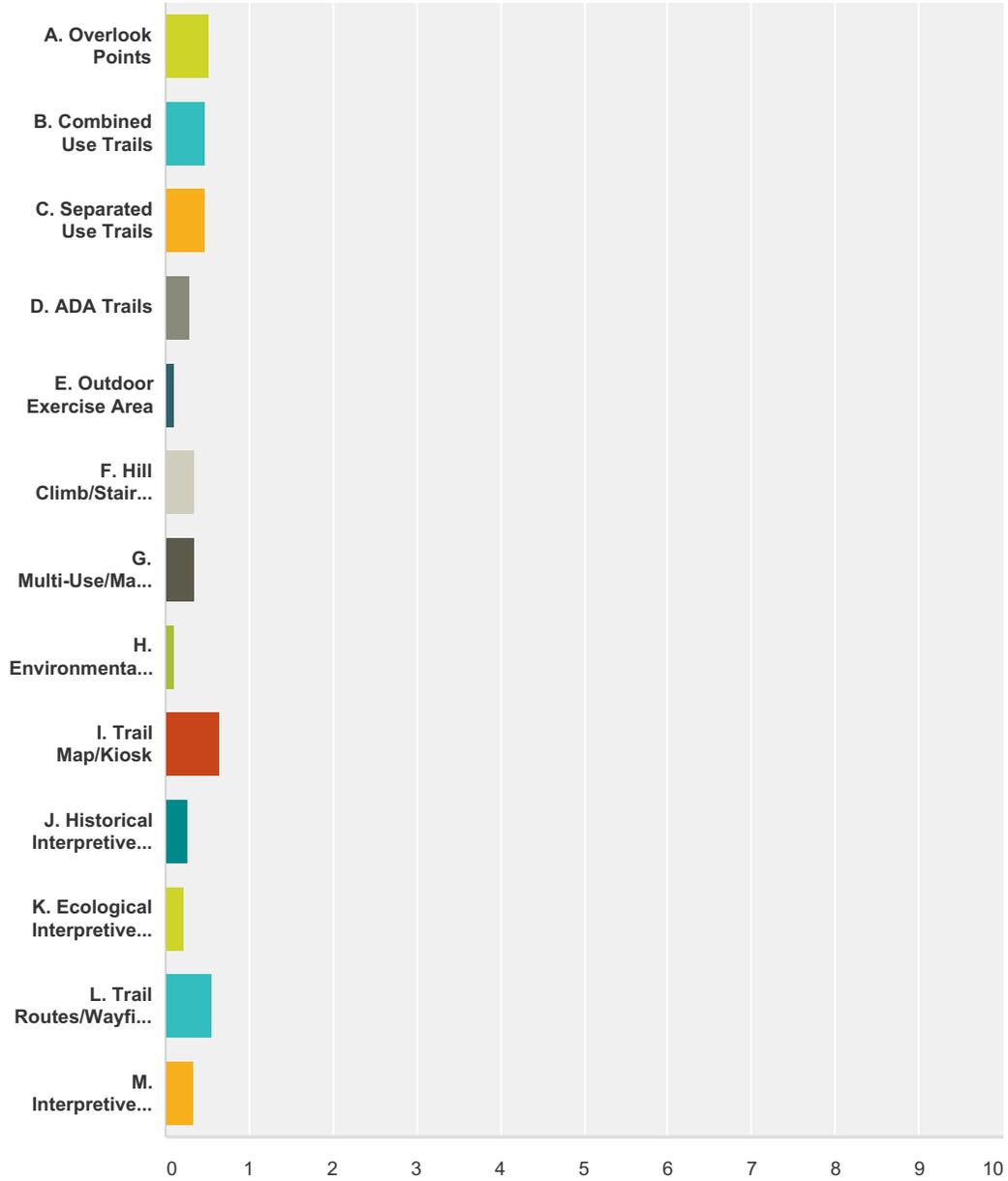
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86	I don't see J on the diagram anywhere. Also I am a bit confused about the trail that connects the feature A's. It appears to cross the railroad tracks twice. Are you actually thinking about have a trail cross the tracks? I will say that I believe the lower gulch trail is excellent as is. If anything I would like to see a more integrated crossing from the bottom of the trail to the beach. This seems to be in work. I LOVE the idea of historical markers and replicas in the gulch. There is so much history here. In all I think the lower gulch improvements should come as the last phase of the master plan.	4/28/2015 2:16 PM
87	Would be great if it were possible to add trail that runs directly underneath Mukilteo Blvd and not just along road. Work with rail to create safe pedestrian crossing points along rail with signals during daylight hours?	4/28/2015 12:09 PM
88	Parking lot at the bottom of the trail (I know there's an existing lot next to the tracks). Make sure users can walk / ride up the trail from the very bottom and back to the beach for sunset. Talk about a great mix! Parking along that lower road is fine as well, just carve out some space for some gravel and that will serve most users ok.	4/28/2015 12:07 PM
89	J isnt on the map	4/28/2015 11:55 AM
90	to much human interference. leave as much natural as possible.	4/28/2015 11:50 AM
91	Bike access?	4/28/2015 11:41 AM

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Q8 Please provide feedback on the design elements for the Japanese Gulch Park Overall Plan

Answered: 298 Skipped: 69



	Like It!	Neutral	Don't Like It!	Total	Weighted Average
A. Overlook Points	64.83% 188	22.07% 64	13.10% 38	290	0.52
B. Combined Use Trails	63.70% 186	19.86% 58	16.44% 48	292	0.47
C. Separated Use Trails	66.55% 197	14.86% 44	18.58% 55	296	0.48

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D. ADA Trails	48.11% 140	33.33% 97	18.56% 54	291	0.30
E. Outdoor Exercise Area	42.47% 124	26.03% 76	31.51% 92	292	0.11
F. Hill Climb/Stair Climbs	55.86% 162	23.10% 67	21.03% 61	290	0.35
G. Multi-Use/Maintenance/Emergency Access Trails	52.23% 152	30.93% 90	16.84% 49	291	0.35
H. Environmental/Natural Art	38.14% 111	33.33% 97	28.52% 83	291	0.10
I. Trail Map/Kiosk	74.66% 218	15.75% 46	9.59% 28	292	0.65
J. Historical Interpretive Elements/Signage	48.96% 141	30.21% 87	20.83% 60	288	0.28
K. Ecological Interpretive Elements/Signage	43.51% 124	35.79% 102	20.70% 59	285	0.23
L. Trail Routes/Wayfinding/Emergency Locators	67.01% 193	21.88% 63	11.11% 32	288	0.56
M. Interpretive/ADA Accessible Boardwalk	53.15% 152	27.62% 79	19.23% 55	286	0.34

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Q9 What is missing or should be different about this design?

Answered: 105 Skipped: 262

#	Responses	Date
1	WAY to many miles of dedicated bike-only trails. The multi-use will likely be the bastion of the bikers, as well. Doesn't leave much for pedestrians and those with dogs/strollers/etc. in tow.	5/12/2015 6:55 PM
2	It should be kept as natural as possible. It would help keep costs down, stay true to the purpose of "nature" and prevent it from being overrun by noise, kids and cars as happened to the beach when parking and play structures were added. Priorities in my opinion are safety (access), handicapped accessibility in some areas, and keeping the trails for walking and biking as they have been.	5/12/2015 6:10 PM
3	Parking and better roads to get there. Maybe sidewalks that connect so people can walk there safely. This will be like Lighthouse Park, not enough parking for the people using it. Have we learned nothing from our mistakes? Traffic, traffic, traffic. Rather than build a new road we will build a park you can't get to.	5/12/2015 5:44 PM
4	I see areas that have no trails, where more mtb or multi/use trails could be placed. Maybe some advanced trails, to provide something interesting for skilled riders.	5/12/2015 11:08 AM
5	I think there should be significant emphasis on stream/riparian restoration. Stream restoration should focus on fish barrier removal, habitat enhancement (wood placement), and riparian planting (conifer planting to replace aging alder stands). Significant restoration should occur at the stream mouth near the train tracks and at the interface with salt water (pocket estuary creation?).	5/12/2015 10:02 AM
6	Education! Not just for kids, but adults as well. Along the trail there should be sign posts indicating the native flora. Not just the name, but some more interesting facts as well. How long do they live. How large can they get. The value towards nature that they provide (habitat etc). How did the native americans use this (cedar bark etc.). If we can teach people about our surrounding habitat, then they will care more about protecting it. It would be a shame to waste this opportunity. I am happy to help with this process should you like. soraya@sustainabletourismsolutions.com.	5/12/2015 9:04 AM
7	I primarily visit the Gulch to ride my mountain bike during lunch breaks at my job. I like that the plan appears to keep all the better trails on the west side of the creek. I worry that they might lose some of their character in a new plan, but also realize that erosion and accessibility are big concerns.	5/11/2015 8:53 PM
8	No one ever uses outdoor exercise equipment. total waste of money and space	5/11/2015 8:50 PM
9	I DONT THINK PUBLIC ART SHOULD BE PART OF A NATURAL PRESERVE. THIS GREENSPACE SHOULD ONLY BE ABOUT PRESERVATION & CONSERVATION. THERE IS NOT ONE MENTION OF THE WILDLIFE THAT EXISTS IN THIS GREENBELT. THEY ARE THE STAKE HOLDERS. I AM VEHEMENTLY OPPOSED TO ANY TYPE OF HYPER- PROMOTION OF THIS GREENSPACE TO DRAW MASSIVE AMOUNTS OF PEOPLE TO DESTROY THIS HABITAT. IT SHOULD NOT BE USED AS AMUSEMENT PARK!!!! I AM APPALLED THAT THE CITY STAFF WOULD EVEN CONSIDER SUGGESTIONS FOR THIS SPACE FROM THOSE OUTSIDE OF MUKILTEO.	5/11/2015 6:56 PM
10	I would like more pedestrian only trails. There is no speed limit for bikers so it's scary.	5/11/2015 6:46 PM
11	For the downhill freeride segments, a stairway with ramp to hike the bikes to the top of the ridge would be excellent!	5/11/2015 6:30 PM
12	The interpretive/accessible boardwalk has the potential of being a particularly wonderful element and could include historical interpretive elements as well as ecological. "Potential pedestrian trail" is one of the best trails close to parking. It should be maintained as actual trail. I like overlooks as places to sit or picnic too.	5/11/2015 4:39 PM
13	No. The people that use these trails are mostly bikers, push them out and the park will be like all the rest unused and dilapidated. Build biking trails like Duthie Hill and the park will be used.	5/11/2015 3:07 PM
14	I'm all about the mountain biking trails.	5/11/2015 2:45 PM
15	I see no practical way to install the Mary Lou Morrow trailhead - there is little to no parking available.	5/11/2015 12:39 PM

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16	I think the trails between the Precht property and the dog park should stay the same. Most people I know agree. They should be multi use and they should be maintained the way they have been for the last few years. A few improvements for safety (like bridges) would be all that would be required. Removing invasive species and also nettles so it is safe and pleasant would be all that is necessary. Having kiosks with trail maps at the entrances is good. Maybe a bench at a look out point. It is a great idea to have an ADA trail up by the Precht Property. Please leave the middle 98 acres mostly the same! In addition to leaving the trails as is, please allow dogs to be off leash on the trails!	5/11/2015 11:41 AM
17	Over-developed!	5/11/2015 7:36 AM
18	Please do not allow horses.	5/10/2015 10:26 AM
19	More mountain bike trails	5/9/2015 11:50 PM
20	I think an interpretive walk with signs that will keep the kids and parents interested would be cool along the trail. They could pick up a scavenger hunt/tri-fold map at the trailhead and then along the trail find numbered signs with info. on the map of what is/was located at that position. ie. "Here is the spot where a road used to be during WW2. Notice the cobblestones on the path beneath you." There is a lot of education found in Japanese Gulch and people just walk by without knowing the history behind the things located around them. Please include something like this along the trail .in addition to at the beginning of the trail a sign with history. The maps could be placed back into a kiosk for others to reuse.	5/9/2015 7:45 PM
21	My major idea would be to remove as many of the trails as possible and keep the bikes separated from the people. The area is so fragmented and does not need all those trails. Any trails removed should be restored. Again, keep it simple to minimize maintenance and other costs. Thank you all for your work on this project.	5/8/2015 4:27 PM
22	as previously stated, Leave it alone, stop advertising it so that, once again, the tax-paying citizens of the community are not shafted again.	5/8/2015 2:37 PM
23	Please don't change the existing trail system, it will ruin it!	5/8/2015 12:13 PM
24	Your putting in too much, when it is fine the way it is. It needs some cleaning up, but Mukilteo doesn't need to drop all this money to "fix" something that isn't broken. I a lot of ppl use the space now the way it is.	5/8/2015 8:58 AM
25	Great Plan. I like it with a few additions. The Natural Art trail should also consider something like the art park in Port Angeles next to the Peninsula College. . . . make it a place where Art is constantly being added and people will continue to come just to see what's new. MORE bike only/ trail running trails. No walkers. Most people who come to the Gulch to ride bikes are Mtn. biking, myself included, and that is done at speeds that are dangerous to slow walking (older or very young) people. We can't mix the two. The multi use trails need to be wide for everyone and bike speeds need to be posted for 5 mph on these trails. The single track, ONE WAY, bike/runner trails need to be a loop that is longer than what you have designed here. Mtn. bikers use these trails 365 days a year, rain or shine, where most walkers don't go if it is raining. There is a lot of use from trail runners and Mtn.bikers make this as much for them as the occasional walker.	5/8/2015 5:59 AM
26	don't remove any trails	5/8/2015 12:10 AM
27	Keep allowing 2 wheel use. People have but a lot of effort into developing this area and many of those features should remain, with the ability to develop more.	5/7/2015 5:17 PM
28	I live in 19th Street off Goat Trail and the map is showing our street as having a secondary trailhead. We already get and unacceptable amount of non resident traffic and parking which affects safety for children and causes a lot of noise and sometimes undesirable elements and behavior. Why do we have to tolerate an advertised trailhead in our residential area when the residents we were never consulted about this prior to it being put in in this type of public document?	5/7/2015 5:15 PM
29	I always want less parking, but overall this is good in comparison to other plans in the burbs. Don't succumb to demands for more car parking. People will figure out how to get here on the bus or at times when it's less busy. Put in bike share, please!!!. The whole plan is great. Very encouraged to see many features that I will personally be attracted to use often, and natural restoration. I think you need to identify some way to get to the Sounder Station and also over the RR tracks to beach and whatever development happens over there. Also, make sure that Boeing rail operations can continue and maybe even include a future Link LRT spur from I-5 along SR526 to serve Boeing and Mukilteo Ferry. Talk to the company and RR about electrifying the short line operation because electric trains would cause less air and noise pollution impacting the park than heavy diesel locomotives do and they have better power delivery on steep grades.	5/7/2015 3:12 PM
30	I'd like to affirm my support for a mountain bike jump area.	5/7/2015 2:57 PM

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31	Please consult the advanced mountain bikers to preserve the funnest bike trails or when making new ones. Don't make them less technically advanced, that's what's fun about them. This is one of the funnest and challenging mountain bike trail areas in the Puget Sound, I fear this will ruin our trails. I can't tell.	5/7/2015 1:44 PM
32	Keep it wild! Adding in boardwalks, ADA trails, and emergency access trails will ruin what is cool about the Gulch.	5/7/2015 1:20 PM
33	too much boardwalk can increase impact on wildlife	5/7/2015 1:17 PM
34	I would like to understand if restrooms are being factored into the design (could not tell the information provided). Additionally, shouldn't the estimated/projected costs be included for this as it would impact my thoughts on the design? And.....what about the ongoing upkeep, what is the estimated costs to maintain each year and where will these funds come from? Old Town Mukilteo Resident (6th Street)	5/7/2015 1:16 PM
35	Still not seeing any designated area for Bmx jumps. Would really like to see a designed area for Bmx dirt jumps.	5/7/2015 1:14 PM
36	Too much development.	5/7/2015 1:01 PM
37	Just leave it untouched. This seems like a make-work project that doesn't need to happen. A park can be a forested, natural space (like it already is).	5/7/2015 12:25 PM
38	All the exist trails should be open to bikes (they were designed and built by mtn bikers.) None of the existing mtn bike trails should be removed. The map does not show all the existing trails. If Mukilteo wants to build bike exclusive (i.e. pedestrian only trails) there is a huge undeveloped area just south of the dog park west of the railroad tracks. There aren't any mtn bike trails in there... the only people I've seen in there a few years ago I suspect were cooking Meth.	5/7/2015 12:03 PM
39	Please leave the Gulch alone. I know that it's tempting to manage something to death, but the Gulch was preserved to keep it from development and the first thing that the city wants to do is just that. People have been recreating there for years and have come to expect a certain rawness of the land and terrain (something that is lacking in Mukilto). A community center (Rose Hill) was just built less than .5 miles away - we don't need a senior center. Just take a look at Light House Park on a Summers day. The place is packed and basically trampled to death. Developing the Gulch will result in similar crowding and issues.	5/7/2015 11:12 AM
40	Please don't try to add any art! Nature is the best art!	5/7/2015 10:41 AM
41	Why do you need to separate the trail users? I've never seen any collisions between different types of users (i.e., cyclists and hikers). The single-track trails are pretty difficult to ride, and therefore the bikers do not carry a whole lot of speed. Even if you designate a trail as pedestrian-only, the cyclists are not likely to heed these restrictions. we should just do what we've always done--post the rules for hierarchy of rights-of-way (cyclists yield to pedestrians, Peds yield to equestrians, downhill users yield to uphill users (all based on who has the most difficult time getting moving again)).	5/7/2015 10:03 AM
42	Too many bike trails. More Pedestrian trails needed. Think of the Mukilteo population: more bikers or more walkers????? I did not support the efforts of the Gulch group in an effort to have a lot of bike trails. My husband and I ran in the Gulch many times. The proposed bike only trails are some of the prettiest areas of the gulch. They are also some of the more challenging. These paths need to be open to everyone, especially people who like to run trails. I see no area for trail runners. It is NOT JUST ABOUT THE BIKES!!!! Runners and bikers need to share these trails, as we have done for many years prior to purchase of the property. My husband and I will be very disappointed if this proposed plan moves forward.	5/7/2015 8:45 AM
43	Need an area to house the Farmer's Market	5/7/2015 7:36 AM
44	I want a good habitat for the animals.	5/6/2015 8:19 PM
45	I appreciate removing redundant trails. There are too many short trails that duplicate paths that are redundant. I run all of the trails so I don't like the separation of bike only trails - though if you start renting bikes and the trails become more crowded with bikes it may work better in the future. It depends on how it's facilitated.	5/6/2015 7:36 PM
46	Would discourage usage of neighborhood trail heads and encourage usage of a few main entrances.	5/6/2015 5:14 PM
47	Given the relatively remote and private area, I am concerned about having issues with vandalism and the potential for illegal activities that could take place. I appreciate the use of volunteer labor, but this facility and especially any built up areas or displays will necessarily fall to the city of Mukilteo to maintain and replace, as necessary. Consequently, I am in favor of more nature and fewer amenities. I also have concerns for the potential for damage to the environment of the gulch from mountain bikes. Like Jetty Island, this facility could be loved to death. Unlike Jetty Island, Japanese Gulch is accessible 24/7 and is not as visually open. I also think that a couple of composting toilets in key locations are needed additions to the Gulch.	5/6/2015 4:48 PM

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48	What is so nice about Japanese Gulch the way that it was and currently still remains is that it is so natural. Any of these new suggested changes made make it less natural and less appealing in my viewpoint. As a frequent runner and mountain biker and dog walker, I like the trails as they currently are and like articulating trails weaving around trees with logs, rocks, streams and obstacles to cross. For those individuals that don't find natural trails appealing, my suggestion to them is that they can walk around Harbour Pointe, or go walk/bike on Centennial Trail or Burke Gillman trails or run around a track at any of the local schools. All these historical/info signages and don't last long and I think are eyesores and they are not needed besides being expensive to maintain. I don't like the specialized trails such as what was done to Big Gulch. The natural trails currently in Japanese Gulch are much nicer looking.	5/6/2015 1:03 PM
49	there needs tyo be designated walk in camping and a bathroom installed and this at the field halfway up from the dog park where there is a clearing and the road Y's off this would be a perfect thing to do here	5/6/2015 11:58 AM
50	Please stop! We saved it to NOT be developed. We do not need to bring more people from outside Mukilteo into our neighborhoods & destroy the natural beauty to create less natural beauty and some fantasy park.	5/6/2015 10:21 AM
51	map and trail markers	5/6/2015 5:44 AM
52	Absolutely NO outdoor exersise area - the gulch IS exercise	5/5/2015 10:48 PM
53	Remember the people who's home back up to the greenbelt. We don't want people in out own backyards. It is peaceful and that is why we bought in this area.. Leave it natural. Spend money building a Senior Center only.	5/5/2015 9:25 PM
54	The city should consider removing more trails to reduce erosion, especially on steep slopes. There are many exposed roots along the trails as they are very close to trees. The bikers who made these trails did not do so in an ecologically-minded way. Each trail should be evaluated for its impact on the environment.	5/5/2015 7:46 PM
55	Leave it alone! People like Japanese Gulch because it's not developed! There are plenty of developed parks around - leave the Gulch as is please!!	5/5/2015 7:07 PM
56	Less is more	5/5/2015 4:47 PM
57	Good plan.	5/5/2015 4:20 PM
58	I rarely ever see anyone using outdoor exercise areas. Isn't that what the trails and stairs are for? Maybe all the "fitness nudging" has burned everyone out.	5/5/2015 1:55 PM
59	Family/ADA restrooms. When a family is out with kids, and a stroller, and a little one needs to "go potty," they really need to go. Strategically placed large family restrooms (perhaps near the Boulevard and Tank Farm) that can hold a family with a stroller, where they can change a diaper, nurse a baby, refill their water bottles, and wash hands, would be wonderful. Large restrooms would also be roomy enough for a person in a wheelchair and their attendant. A few portable toilets during the busy season, in key areas along the trails where families might go, could also be helpful. This might prevent kids from answering the call of nature, all over the nature.	5/5/2015 1:41 PM
60	I've heard rumor about not allowing off leash running and biking. I can't express enough on how this will impact the many individuals that have used these trails on a daily basis for years. Me personally, I have taken my dogs thru these trails for over 10 years. Those making the remodel decisions that don't have active lives with their dogs will not understand this loss. These trails are already beautiful and functional as is. Have you thought of just developing a portion of the Gulch? Why alter the whole thing???	5/5/2015 1:34 PM
61	I think the overlook points should be lightly cleared and marked i.e. a bench for resting off the the side. If there's an overlook point with view of the sound then a larger overlook point with several benches would suffice. The outdoor exercise area may get used but could probably do without being there. Point of the trails is to get into the woods and hike/bike/run for exercise. Trail Map Kiosk signage would be most excellent! Hill Climb/Stair climbs not necessary with the exception of the one already built. If more are added it should be because the trail could not be re-routed or there are significant drainage problems causing for on-going muddy trails that make it difficult to hike up/down.	5/5/2015 1:32 PM
62	Nothing I see. I really like the idea of the exercise area and the hill climb.	5/5/2015 12:43 PM
63	This is the design that should be used. Make this park a destination park.	5/5/2015 12:26 PM
64	Don't make trails like the freeway, keep them pedestrian friendly but not to drive a cart down. Don't let Dogs off-leash, the take over the area and drive other pedestrian users away. Keep the elements minimal in their impact on the environment. Promote elements that would bring wildlife back to the area.	5/5/2015 12:10 PM
65	Who ever uses outdoor exercise equipment? I prefer to walk in the great outdoors without a lot of signs everywhere. It's a great trail system that I enjoy using already, not much more is needed - especially not a lot of boring interpretive signs.	5/5/2015 11:10 AM

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66	I would remove the exercise equipment. In this climate those kinds of installations deteriorate rapidly creating another maintenance need. In reality, while this equipment seems like a good idea and worth installing, it really won't get used that much and poses a liability that the city might prefer to avoid.	5/5/2015 9:53 AM
67	--Want to be sure there is enough hiking trails. --As I mentioned before, I want to be sure that whatever is created, can be sustained and supported. --Park safety is important. Along w/maintenance, how will funding be allocated to ensure that people are safe. --Lighting? Restrooms are not mentioned anywhere? I'm sure that is being addressed.	5/5/2015 9:16 AM
68	Please keep the gulch wild! People love the gulch because there is no development - there are plenty of other developed parks in Mukilteo. Leave this natural space alone!	5/5/2015 8:46 AM
69	Restrooms! Where are they?! These plans have great potential. How much is this going to cost residents in increased taxation?	5/5/2015 5:49 AM
70	The 4 lane highway to the ferry dock. Duh!	5/5/2015 5:02 AM
71	Nature is missing. Have good trails, and don't disturb people from enjoying nature. That defeats the purpose. Smell the flowers!	5/4/2015 11:51 PM
72	Looks good - but keep trails singletrack and natural.	5/4/2015 10:18 PM
73	There are not enough access points. the main access points don't have enough public access or built for the number of people that will need to use the park to make it worth the cost. this design is setup to only benefit the homes in the immediate area of the gulch and not to draw the rest of the city in to use the trails. Without a road redesign/parking overhaul we might as well put in a ferry road that moves traffic off the speedway and opens our waterfront, especially on holidays. that would then make the trails more accessible. But 44th street and the parking at the garden isn't currently good enough for even moderate park usage.	5/4/2015 2:29 PM
74	The long ADA trail seems odd. Ideally, there would be a loop of some form from Ridge Street rather than the "T" shape that's there now; the only two destinations are the overlook and the other parking spot, not any of the other entrances and exits. Does it make more sense to run the ADA path closer to the entrances, so by extending a stem from the boardwalk, all the west entrances are easily connected by ADA paths?	5/4/2015 1:49 PM
75	Overly complicated separated use trails. Unless there is a good reason to limit it to one group or another, dont. I'm out here all the time and have never had or heard of a conflict between groups. There currently isn't enough use either to cause problems. A good use would be if you have bikes that are going to be going fast with limited visibility would be a good place to have bike only and they should also be directional if thats the case. A better alternative is to change the right of way priority. Instead of a bike only trail, make it so bikes have the right of way and hikers yield and vice versa.	5/4/2015 10:21 AM
76	The proposed pedestrian trail between points (a) and (f) that is .15 miles long should remain bike/ped. (Between passive park boundary and dog park). The .1 mi long trail is too steep for 95% of bikers to climb (descending is ok). I also think the bike only trails on the east side of the property (hill side) is too prohibitive. They should be open to hikers. There isn't really enough land to have separate trails on this property. Seems like a great idea, but most segregated trail have in excess of 700 acres. For example Paradise Valley, which I think the city of Mukilteo should look at much closer for adopting a Master Plan. Granted there is not enough area for horses in the Gulch. I think most trails should stay as they are. There are a few that should be rerouted around some low spots. With some trail maintenance these trails could be kept in great condition year round. It's a shame that one or two overly vocal citizens have put a damper on proper trail work. They should be reminded that most of the money to purchase the gulch came from state and county money. Also, to address the trail to be removed on the northwest corner of the map. It seems like it is slated to be removed because it is not entirely on city property. The property owner should be contacted as asked to donate the property to the park as a tax write-off. This property have no commercial value to them anymore as the steep slope prevents access to this property. They need the warehouse complex to be put in for this piece of property to have any marketable value. I think a boardwalk down the "main" ridge trail will be cost prohibitive. The ada trail in the precht property make more sense. I would like to see a sight and voice control instead of a leash law for dogs. So many people currently ride with dogs in the Gulch. It would be difficult to enforce a leash law with the Boeing side not on city property. I think the city will end up wasting law enforcement resources on people calling in to try and enforce the leash law. Here is a link to an article that looked at three options. I think option 1 is the best. http://www.parkrecord.com/ci_25824971/county-leash-law-may-soon-change	5/4/2015 9:39 AM
77	The gulch was purchased to be a nature preserve. Forterra was involved to keep it as a nature preserve not to have it be paved over and made into a non-preserved area. I do not see the city trying to destroy Big Gulch as it is trying to destroy the Japanese Gulch. Save the Gulch!!!!	5/3/2015 5:24 PM

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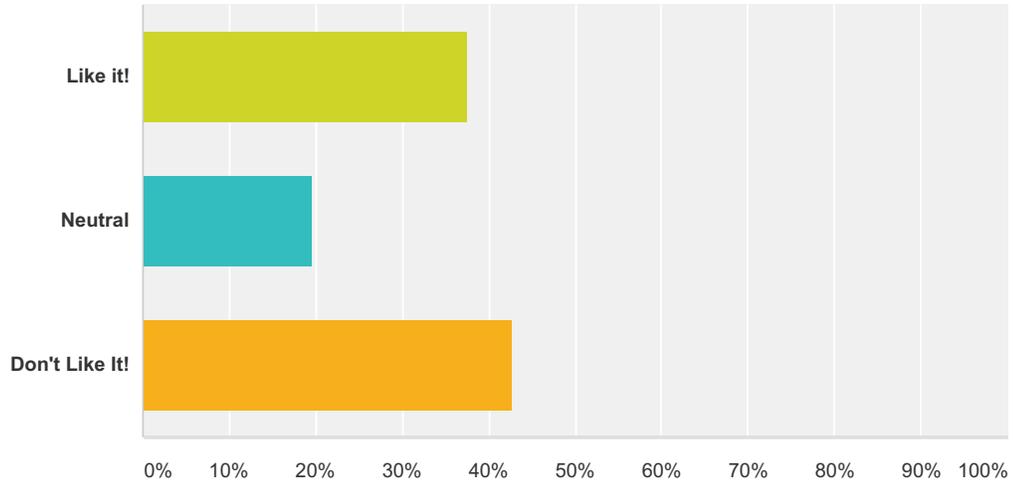
78	Trails are currently mixed use and should remain that way. Too many rules and too many changes will ruin the upper gulch. Do not pave over this park. Trails should be left dirt and possibly have some Ada limited access on each end. Don't ruin this park with too many improvements. Put up some signs and let people use it as they always have. Improvements around entrances are fine but leave the park as natural as you can.	5/3/2015 9:22 AM
79	again, just simple signage and viewpoints is all that we need. Separate bike and hiking trails is a must!	5/2/2015 7:49 PM
80	Love the exercise area (sorry - I didn't see this until this part of the survey). I am very opposed to separated use trails - the mountain bikers and trail walkers/runners seem to get along just fine sharing the trails right now. Plus, people will violate these rules regardless, leading to confrontations and issues. Still, great job with all of this! Thank you for all the hard work and planning.	5/2/2015 5:55 PM
81	I've never seen anyone actually use those outdoor exercise stations after they get installed.	5/2/2015 2:18 PM
82	This design is the worst thing that could possibly happen to Japanese Gulch. Maybe almost worse than just giving up and selling chunks of it to private business and letting them pave in parking lots and build a bunch of buildings. At least that way maybe some of the gulch would be left untouched by your greedy hands. Where is the option to LEAVE THE GULCH EXACTLY AS IT IS? We fought hard and raised money and worked to purchase enough of the gulch SO THAT NO ONE COULD DEVELOP IT. So the top option, as far as I am concerned, is to do nothing but enjoy nature, and to experience the wilderness in our backyards. Mountain bikers, hikers, trail runners, dog watchers, nature enthusiasts, bird watchers, all use the gulch every single day. Please don't spoil the wilderness with more concrete and parking lots and buildings and picnic areas and amphitheaters - save that for the Lighthouse Park and existing areas like the 92nd Street playground area. We have more than enough over-built public access area in Mukilteo. PLEASE LEAVE THE GULCH IN ITS NATURAL STATE FOR US ALL TO ENJOY, AS-IS.	5/2/2015 1:23 PM
83	Not sure what emergency locators are.	5/1/2015 6:21 PM
84	Current gulch users share the trails very well, I don't think separation of pathways is needed at this time.	5/1/2015 4:25 PM
85	nothing is needed	5/1/2015 4:03 PM
86	People of all abilities use the trails as they currently are. This is NOT a park. This area should be preserved as it is with the trails as they are.	5/1/2015 3:26 PM
87	it seems that the public commentary and the actual design are two different things.	4/30/2015 8:51 PM
88	The less we mess with the Gulch the better. Please leave it alone as much as you can.	4/30/2015 8:25 PM
89	Interpretive stuff will likely never get used. I'd also prefer that we not put a road up the middle of the Gulch for "emergency access". Keep it wild, that's the beauty of the place.	4/30/2015 5:02 PM
90	I'm not sure which trail is designated Ped only near Hill Ct, but if it's the one called "Japanese Gully downhill" then I would hate to see it be restricted from bike usage. The "Japanese Gully Downhill" trail comes off the main trail and heads north down into the Gulch. It's narrow, twisting, downhill single track is a favorite of bikers. It comes out near the stream and then crosses the stream near the train tracks. It looks like a lot of effort has been made to limit the "Ped only" trails, which is great. I just hope the Gully downhill is not one of the Ped only trails. Thanks	4/30/2015 2:03 PM
91	Pooper scooper stations? There needs to be some good screening/fencing between the south end of the gulch and the industrial development there. There has been a lot of tree fall and possible encroachment behind the new church being built.	4/30/2015 1:50 PM
92	Daylighting of the mouth of Japanese Gulch needs to be included. More explicit use of Low Impact Development techniques, especially pervious concrete, bioswales, and green roofs, and interpretive signage describing the value of LID. Is it possible to include a better trail connection to Edgewater Beach?	4/29/2015 8:52 PM
93	Exercise stuff at other trails never gets used just rusts and becomes eyesore	4/29/2015 12:08 AM
94	There is far too much activity with those walking and those on bikes. You also say trails will be surfaced. Someone has illusions of huge amount of money for development and maintenance of a property that was promoted as being acquired to keep the historic environmental nature of it and to protect it and the wildlife that exists. With this elaborate plan it would attract huge numbers of users to destroy much of the historical and existing environment and cost Mukilteo a "fortune". And I don't see parking at all at the north end of the Gulch or any restrooms. Maintenance would be huge. I want to see the cost estimates for each feature before expressing any more opinions on what I like or do not like. I will leave those items I have already checked but tell you my opinion on even those may change when I see the missing information provided.	4/28/2015 9:24 PM

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95	THIS IS TOO HARD TO LOOK AT AT TO READ! I noted this at the last meeting at Rosehill. Yet it was not corrected. How is someone to give you a valid and thoughtful opinion about what cannot be read??? What a waste. Why in 2015 did you not post a map that a viewer can hit + or - ? This is perhaps the most critical part of the design and survey,, and it's a FAIL.. Do it over. PLUS... you are removing some trails that reflect both efficient and common usage patterns. GIGO. I answered "Don't like it" because an average person can't read it.	4/28/2015 9:17 PM
96	I honestly don't think people would adhere to "separate use" trail designations. Might as well just say everyone can use any trail, unless a trail is obviously only appropriate for bikes due to jumps or only for pedestrians like the boardwalks.	4/28/2015 9:11 PM
97	Hill climb staircase should be designed for mix use if necessary. Boards walks should be in wetlands only.	4/28/2015 4:35 PM
98	Emergency Access Trails are not necessary. Sure, they are nice to have but at what expense....a tremendous amount of damage to natural forests and more development... Make bike only trails steep and challenging. Make hiking trails near the steep exposure sections or more scenic sections. Give bikes the right of way over hikers...it causes more damage to plants when they ride off trail as opposed to a hiker moving off trail. The park is too small for maps and abundant signs....most users are repeat users anyway. Hill climb stairs is a cool idea! Outdoor exercise area seems redundant with the open space, trails, and stairs...	4/28/2015 2:51 PM
99	more bike	4/28/2015 2:46 PM
100	I think trail maps at trail heads are fine. But we do not need them at every trail intersection. Instead very small simple wood trail makers with arrows can be used at intersections. Lets keep the trails more primitive.	4/28/2015 2:28 PM
101	The design is good overall. I don't really see segregated use trails as being particularly effective, and most problems disappear when people are courteous. I've never had a bad interaction with a hiker on the trails while biking, even around blind corners. Additionally, the idea of signs, overlooks, art and interpretive elements are nice but keeping them limited in size and number is important (to me). The most important thing to me (and many of the hiking / biking community) is keeping trails small and natural. I understand the need for a gravel access path and there is a great spot for one back there that would benefit from gravel and maintenance. There are also a lot of areas the existing trails could be re-routed around wet areas or small bridges built to pass over muddy sections. Widening, straightening, smoothing or leveling existing trails will negatively impact my enjoyment of the Gulch property.	4/28/2015 1:08 PM
102	All great!	4/28/2015 12:12 PM
103	Nothing, other than letting us getting going on trail maintenance and improvements. Evergreen MTB Alliance is ready, I'm sure as well!	4/28/2015 12:09 PM
104	to much human interference. leave as much natural as possible.	4/28/2015 11:51 AM
105	Looking good!	4/28/2015 11:43 AM

Q10 How do you feel about letting dogs be off-leash throughout the Japanese Gulch Trail System?

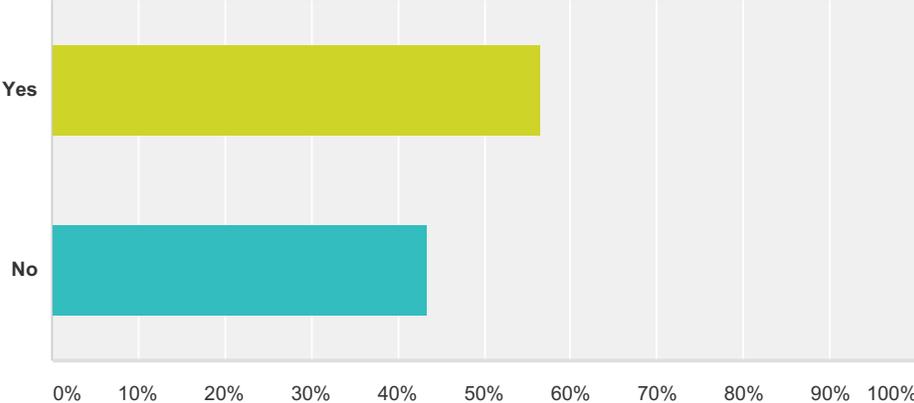
Answered: 311 Skipped: 56



Answer Choices	Responses
Like it!	37.62% 117
Neutral	19.61% 61
Don't Like It!	42.77% 133
Total	311

Q11 Are you a Mukilteo Resident?

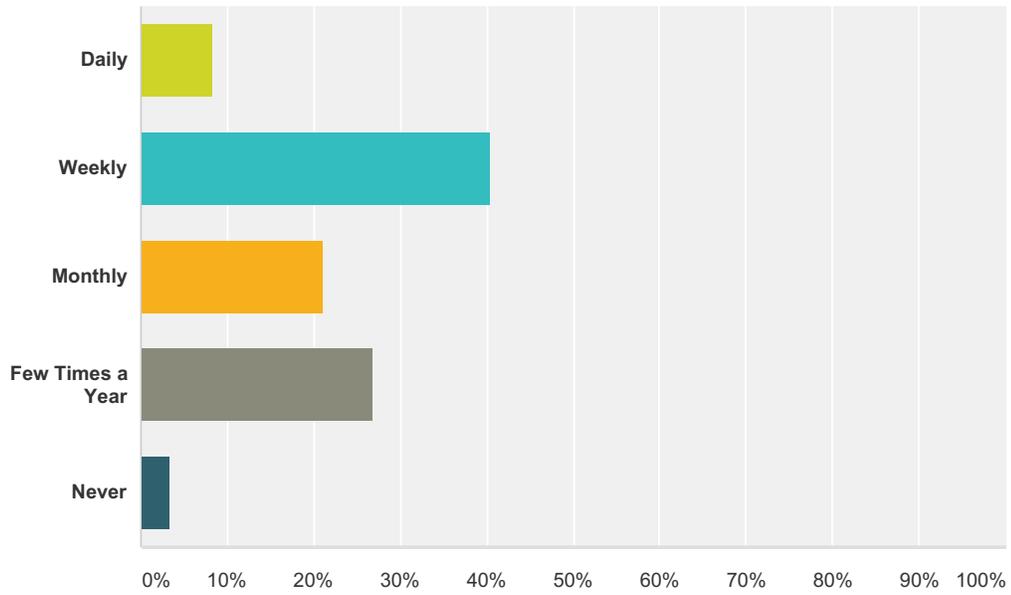
Answered: 308 Skipped: 59



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	56.49%	174
No	43.51%	134
Total		308

Q12 How frequently do you visit Japanese Gulch Park?

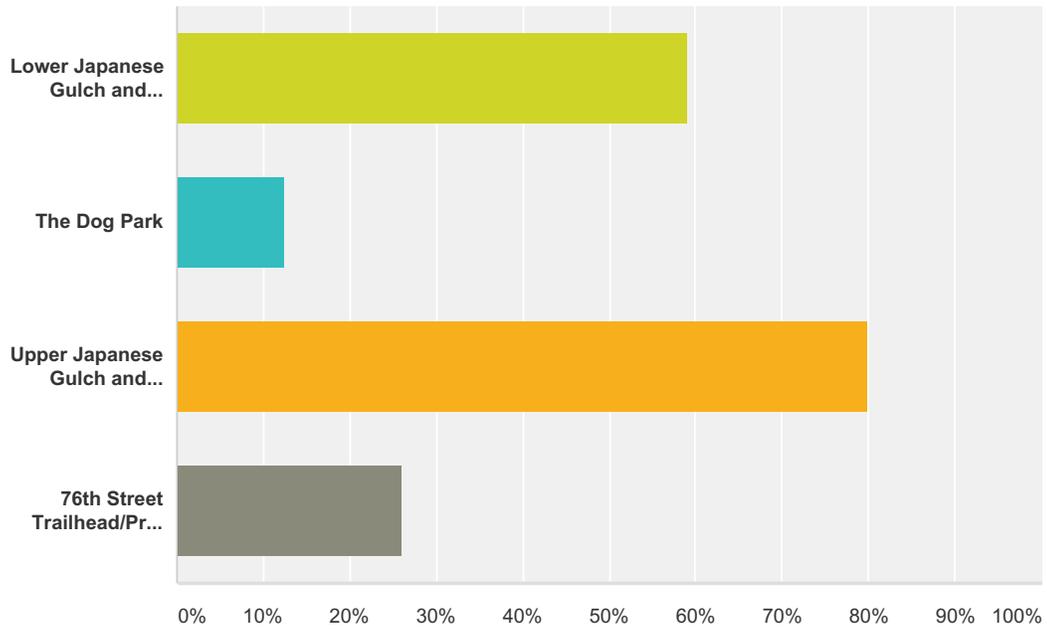
Answered: 309 Skipped: 58



Answer Choices	Responses	
Daily	8.41%	26
Weekly	40.45%	125
Monthly	21.04%	65
Few Times a Year	26.86%	83
Never	3.24%	10
Total		309

Q13 Which areas do you frequent the most in Japanese Gulch Park?

Answered: 295 Skipped: 72



Answer Choices	Responses	Count
Lower Japanese Gulch and Trails	58.98%	174
The Dog Park	12.54%	37
Upper Japanese Gulch and Trails	80.00%	236
76th Street Trailhead/Precht Property	26.10%	77
Total Respondents: 295		

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Q15 Please share any other ideas you have:

Answered: 113 Skipped: 254

#	Responses	Date
1	I'm all for equitable access for all, but the reality is that some uses are easier on the park than others. Please keep that in mind, so the the rights of the few don't wear out the park (and cause maintenance bills) for everyone else.	5/12/2015 6:59 PM
2	Thanks everyone for your work on this.	5/12/2015 6:10 PM
3	Leave it alone. I love it the way it is. Keep the stuffed shirts out of it, most will only visit it once a year anyway.Hire established UNION contractors,Mukilteo is notorious for using shabby cheap contractors. If we build it,build to last, not just for a couple years.	5/12/2015 5:50 PM
4	As I am sure you know, EV sales are rapidly increasing because EVs are environmentally friendly and can save drivers an estimated \$13,000 over a vehicle's lifetime. But, to make the switch to electric and realize the many benefits of driving an EV, drivers need to plug in wherever they go. Many cities and towns have already installed charging stations in their parking lots for residents and visitors to use. EV charging is a valuable service desired by residents and visitors alike and helps municipalities advance its sustainability initiatives. Offering more EV chargers helps establish Mukilteo as a leader in environmental sustainability and provides an attractive benefit for residents and visitors. Owners of electric vehicles would greatly appreciate your consideration to install EV charging. Currently the only EV chargers there are in Mukilteo are on private property. One is located in the Future of Flight parking lot and another is located between the QFC and Chase bank parking lot.	5/12/2015 3:03 PM
5	A continuation of the sidewalk on 76th to the upper park.	5/12/2015 12:57 PM
6	Mountain bikers have done the bulk of trail maintenance over the past several years and I would love to see that reflected in continued bike access on all trails.	5/12/2015 11:17 AM
7	I think it's wonderful that this area is being converted into a community park. Now, more than ever, I think cities have the responsibility to provide these areas to the public, as more, and more, and more land is being developed for housing, with little or absolutely no areas for serious recreation. Tot lots cannot sustain growing children and adults.	5/12/2015 11:13 AM
8	I think this is good for the community and environment. Focus should be put on environmental stream restoration at the stream mouth, and conifer planting in aging alder stands. Additional stream restoration/enhancement should occur throughout the stream system (barrier removal, and habitat enhancement/wood installation). I like an emphasis on natural spaces and exercise (trail systems, outdoor exercise areas, hill climbs/stairs, bike trails, etc). I also like the emphasis on environmental education (wetland interpretative sites, trail signs, general information on environmental degradation and restoration/enhancement options). I think there should be information regarding how individuals can help environmental protection and enhancement in their own yards/daily activities. Thanks!	5/12/2015 10:07 AM
9	All of the plans look amazing but I don't have time to answer all of the questions right now. I just think it is very important to have a place for kids and adults to hang out, as long as it's kept up and not left for transients and bad guys. And whatever you do, keep the dog park!	5/12/2015 9:42 AM
10	I use the Japanese Trails as a place to go to be in a natural environment while hiking. I would like to see minimal impact from development, yet offering elements of interest to get youth into the outdoors.	5/12/2015 9:38 AM
11	Adding a bmx jump park and trails in addition to the mtb single track trails is a VERY good thing. many kids who don't fit into "sitck and ball" sports are turning to sports like mtb and bmx biking, it keeps them in shape, gives them something positive to do, teaches good work ethic, and makes them more confident. These riders learn how to challenge themselves, accept failure, work hard, and understand fear. Make something special in this beautiful Forrest for the youth to engage and enjoy, and trust me lots of good will come out of it!! As Albert Einstein said; ""Life is like riding a bicycle. To keep your balance, you must keep moving."	5/11/2015 10:53 PM
12	Keep trails open to bikes	5/11/2015 9:17 PM

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13	You are trying too hard to please too many groups. Walkers, Dog walkers and mountain bikers use this park year round. Kids will use it if you have play facilities. There are much better parks to visit if you want to picnic or hang out for the day. As for concert venues unless there is a theatre or music group local that is willing to support your effort. Many professional bands will provide there own stage, and you may limit yourself if you build something too small or unsuitable.	5/11/2015 8:55 PM
14	I would walk the trails of JGP more often if they were more clearly marked.	5/11/2015 6:48 PM
15	Although I am not a Mukilteo resident, I live "right next door" at only 2.9 miles away from the Gulch. I love it's proximity, and large network of trails. I am an avid mountain biker, who cycles nearly every day, and I am most excited about the prospect of Mountain Bike trails coming to Japanese Gulch. I would enjoy downhill "freeride" trails and cross-country trails. I am also interested in the mapping and wayfinding markers, as, even though I go there weekly, I can still get lost in the extensive trail system from time to time; and if my wife ever had to come find me on the trail, I don't know how I would direct her to me. I would also be interested in helping out at trail building volunteer parties. I think the gulch has some great potential, and I am excited to see what the future holds for this area! I am a member of the Evergreen Mountain Bike Alliance, and they are the ones who notified me about this survey, so if you need some more help or input from area Mountain Bikers, I would contact them! Thanks for taking the time to listen to the residents on this project.	5/11/2015 6:42 PM
16	Trail names and markings would be a nice touch, maybe with some directional route options.	5/11/2015 4:55 PM
17	I have been on these trails for years as they use to be my back yard at some level	5/11/2015 3:21 PM
18	Beer garden	5/11/2015 1:27 PM
19	Minimal low-impact development only. Keep the area as natural as possible.	5/11/2015 7:39 AM
20	Please do not spend too much money on this.	5/10/2015 10:27 AM
21	Please consider adding EV chargers to the designs for the 76th St property and lower Japanese Gulch Trailhead. These stations will allow people using alternative fuel options to charge their cars and keep helping ease the environmental impact of fuel consumption. This will add to the 2 stations that Mukilteo currently has.	5/9/2015 1:49 PM
22	Maintain existing tree growth wherever possible. Ancient should be kept.	5/9/2015 1:10 PM
23	Preserve, don't develop. Open the upper entrance for parking that is already present. Don't mess with the rest.	5/9/2015 12:38 AM
24	It looks like there has been a lot of great input for this plan.	5/8/2015 9:07 PM
25	I didn't understand if you wanted to put the Senior Center in Japanese Gulch or just if there should be one. Don't think it should be in JG. Think the Buyers Property would be a great place for a Senior Center if a room is not allowed in Rosehill, which I think it should be. I go to JG mainly in the spring and summer.	5/8/2015 4:32 PM
26	You know, I realize that you all mean well, and I do not mean so sound mean-spirited, but you have to think this through again. Today for example, it is so quiet, I can only hear birdsong. With your plans I'll be able to hear shouting, dogs barking,, people shuffling around the gulch (which is 3 minutes from my house. It wii change this neighborhood completely. Please reconsider. Thak You, Elaine Knapp	5/8/2015 2:41 PM
27	Please don't change the trails! I've been walking and riding the Gulch trail system for 14 years. I've met people who have come from all over to ride there. Widening, straightening, flattening, or otherwise "improving" the trail system will absolutely ruin the challenge of the trails, which is all part of the experience. I have seen these types of "improvements" in other trail systems, and they always ruin what is special about the trails.	5/8/2015 12:19 PM
28	Your putting in too much, when it is fine the way it is. It needs some cleaning up, but Mukilteo doesn't need to drop all this money to "fix" something that isn't broken. I a lot of ppl use the space now the way it is.	5/8/2015 9:02 AM
29	I think the focus for the park should be simplicity. Parks are escapes for activity and enjoying time with family. We know that people nowadays need encouragement to exercise, and parks with trails and exercise stations are great encouragement. Superficial items that won't be utilized, such as sculptures and big buildings are unnecessary. If there will be events at the amphitheater, this would be great to bring the community together, but otherwise, it will be a waste.	5/8/2015 6:59 AM
30	Just so happy we have this GEM in our backyard, please make it something that people will use and not just visit once and never come back again. This could actually be a tourist destination for Mukilteo.	5/8/2015 6:02 AM
31	This is a great plan for the Gulch. It should definitely be further developed to encourage greater usage by the community.	5/7/2015 10:41 PM

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32	I've been attacked by off leash dogs a few different times throughout Japanese Gulch. I'm up for the idea of having them off leash but I'm also unsure how safe that would be. Aside from that, thank you all for creating this survey!	5/7/2015 5:34 PM
33	How can we allow teh young and energetic bikers to still be able to build their jumps? Remember--the activities are a useful outlet that encourages creativity, hard work, and keeping off the streets with ill intent.	5/7/2015 4:22 PM
34	Great work. Whatever you decide will be a wonderful improvement for Mukilteo!	5/7/2015 3:14 PM
35	I'd like to say that I'd like to see more mountain bike trail maintenance and the building of a bike jump park.	5/7/2015 2:58 PM
36	I would like the Japanese Gulch to include mountain biking as part of the multi-use master plan. It may help if a few of the trails could be designated as one-way for either up or down for safety reasons.	5/7/2015 2:30 PM
37	I just want sweet mountain biking! Thanks	5/7/2015 1:45 PM
38	Honestly, I don't have additional design ideas, but would just like to learn more overall especially given how much all of this will cost and how it will be funded (on-going funding as well as this can not be cheap to maintain).	5/7/2015 1:18 PM
39	I think adding a bike park and connecting it to the existing trails would be great. There is a large community of MTB and BMX who are having to drive 1-2 hours out of town to access trails. Though the youth will be iusing the facilities adults from 25-45 are the target audience who can afford this recreational hobby. That said limiting the current trail system from MTB would have a reverse effect and drive away that possible tax revenue away to another community who embraces them.	5/7/2015 1:08 PM
40	I would prefer to see the trails remain natural but have the brush cut back regularly. The stinging nettles are overgrowing the trail and cause quite a bit of discomfort to cyclists.	5/7/2015 12:49 PM
41	Dogs of certain types could be off leash. Say under 50 lbs. And pit bulls, etc. should always have to be on leash. Also, how do you encourage and enforce the cleanup and removal of dog waste?	5/7/2015 12:30 PM
42	Just leave it untouched. This seems like a make-work project that doesn't need to happen. A park can be a forested, natural space (like it already is).	5/7/2015 12:25 PM
43	Please leave the existing mtn bike trails alone.	5/7/2015 12:04 PM
44	The senior center and a basketball court would be better utilized at Rosehill Community Center. Please limit large scale use of the area that would increase the need for a paved parking lot. Keep the gulch green and natural; don't try to improve on Mother Nature - because you will fail!	5/7/2015 10:47 AM
45	Please leave the trails as they are. All the trails are good for mountain bikes and i enjoy riding them all very frequently. I share the trail with pedestrians, dogs etc etc, no need to segregate the trails or change them. Thanks	5/7/2015 9:57 AM
46	We have lived in Mukilteo since 1987. From 1987 to 2010 in the Elliot Pointe neighborhood. Our home backed the Gulch. (we now live in Horizon Heights). We have always thought Japanese Gulch was a hidden gem in the middle of suburbia. We spent many a Saturday morning running or walking the trails. It was a peaceful, wonderful place to unwind, relax and refresh while getting in a good cardio work-out! Our hope is it retains that atmosphere and does not become a crowded, noisy, area that people from all over the area come to congregate and "hang out". Of note: we ALWAYS found the bike riders to be courteous, quiet, and respectful of the trails and area. We had no issues sharing the space with them. We support the bike trails, but not to the extent they are currently planned. Please open most of the wonderful trails to everyone!	5/7/2015 8:55 AM
47	If we don't offer a senior center or basketball court here we will need to find another place in the city for them. Seniors need a gathering place and kids need to be active outdoors! Very important to the health and wellbeing of these age groups.	5/7/2015 12:52 AM
48	Thanks for asking our input.	5/6/2015 11:26 PM
49	Please don't disrupt the natural area too much	5/6/2015 11:10 PM
50	I am impressed with all the work that has gone into the planning thus far. I do firmly believe that the property is large enough to accommodate a variety of uses in a compatible way. I am opposed to walking on a trail and encountering a mountain biker bombing down the trail or a dog off leash. I am certain that many others feel the same way but are less organized than the bikers or dog owners when it comes to expressing their opinions.	5/6/2015 9:17 PM

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51	Just a comment...There already is a dog park where the dogs can romp off leash but be contained. I cannot see any reason to have dogs running off leash in any other area of the park and I can see many negatives. There certainly needs to be a Permanent space for Mukilteo seniors. The logical place is the new Rosehill where it was promised to be included. Located somewhere in Japanese Gulch seems to be an odd place and one where seniors might not feel comfortable going. Why is there not an area designated for the seniors at Rosejill?	5/6/2015 9:06 PM
52	I love the idea of putting in more native plants, and I want to keep Japanese Gulch a nice area for the animals to live.	5/6/2015 8:27 PM
53	I'm only in town half of the month so haven't made gulch events. I'm a surveyor and willing to support mapping and other efforts. The gulch is a great resource and it enriches my community experience.	5/6/2015 7:38 PM
54	Just want to say thank you to all that have helped to make this area reality for our city. Bless you.	5/6/2015 5:15 PM
55	I would like to see pickleball courts and a senior center incorporated in the area near the community gardens.	5/6/2015 4:50 PM
56	I think you should keep it as natural as possible and not attract the huge crowd that goes to the beach. Off leash and being away from people is the best part about this park . I hike my dog here daily and I LOVE it. Its a gem.	5/6/2015 4:26 PM
57	We need a Seniors Center. They need a home.	5/6/2015 3:50 PM
58	Love the Amphitheater idea, and open areas for events. With limited access to Lighthouse park now due to implementation of parking fees, more open areas in the city are needed for gatherings.	5/6/2015 2:17 PM
59	Friendly dogs off-leash in all the trails is good for dogs and for their owners. That should be allowed. It has been that way for over 20 years and all was good.	5/6/2015 1:06 PM
60	the camping was my input this is only possible if a bathroom is installed halfway up and would provide for people walking in the gulch a rest stop. it would enable people to spend more time in the gulch	5/6/2015 12:00 PM
61	If dog leashes are required, please include electronic leashes.	5/6/2015 10:51 AM
62	We really don't want or need all this. The last thing we want is Marymoor park in our backyard and cutting down more trees to build park fixtures and art that will be vandalized. The whole point of everyone working so hard to save the gulch was to keep it a natural space for the wildlife and vegetation. It was NOT to create a tribute to the Mukilteo politicians or create jobs for garden architects. It should not be a choice of WHICH option we want...NONE of the above should be an option. Keep the gulch natural!!!	5/6/2015 10:27 AM
63	Off leash dogs are a HUGE PROBLEM - just a few weeks ago - a man AND his dog were bitten by Ivar's. I have been to Lighthouse Park many times - last week - there were THREE dogs off leash at 8:00 in the morning. We have personally been attacked THREE times. The question should not even be considered. LIABILITY LIABILITY NO GOOD WILL COME OF THIS - take that question off the board	5/5/2015 10:51 PM
64	Please don't make any big changes, we like having Japanese Gulch stay native.	5/5/2015 10:00 PM
65	PLEASE LEAVE NATURAL, PLEASE !!!!!!!!!	5/5/2015 9:26 PM
66	Our family has lived near the Japanese Gulch woods since 1968. We appreciate that the bikers opened up a large area of the woods with their trails but there have been consequences with regard to habitat destruction, erosion, wildlife impacts, and uncontrolled dogs. We are often startled by off leash dogs in the woods, with their owners following behind on foot or bike. The dogs usually run ahead and are out of sight and control of their owners. These animals are unpredictable and we have had issues with these dogs bothering us and our (leashed) small dog. Also consider that off leash dogs spread fecal choliform bacteria and harrass or kill wildlife, including fish in the stream. The fact that people have been (illegally) allowing their dogs to run free there does not mean it should continue with the city's blessing. Thank you.	5/5/2015 7:57 PM
67	Leave it alone! People like Japanese Gulch because it's not developed! There are plenty of developed parks around - leave the Gulch as is please!!	5/5/2015 7:08 PM
68	I have to say i laugh every time i see the dog park. here you have this wonderful natural area that we've always enjoyed with our dogs; they can romp and play, sniff and explore to their heart's content. what's been added is a sterile, boring, fenced in doggie prison yard that i wouldn't take my dog to if i were required. i suppose it was a way for the people to mark their territory and say yes, we use this area, don't develop it, but if i were a dog i would be sad that my people think the dog park is the better thing.	5/5/2015 4:52 PM
69	1. I prefer to leave it as natural as possible. I believe the main point of property acquisition was preservation, not development. 2. Not every wetland needs an interpretative trail. Why can't we just stay out of it? 2. I am against the senior center idea. It is an inappropriate location for people that may not drive. A senior center needs to be centrally located in a place seniors can walk or take the bus to. Thank you.	5/5/2015 4:25 PM

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70	There is a senior center called rose hill community center that is awesome. Please use what you already have.	5/5/2015 2:47 PM
71	I'm excited about the prospect of creating more opportunities for the whole community for recreation. Please don't forget about those that love it just the way it is. Please don't take away all the beauty the Gulch currently has. Please have ideas of compromise and not exclusion. jen PS, we don't have history of off leash dog problems now. Please don't create unnecessary restrictions.	5/5/2015 1:34 PM
72	I enjoy moutain biking and trail running on the great trails at JG. Thanks!	5/5/2015 1:34 PM
73	I think everyone who came up with these ideas did a great job!	5/5/2015 12:44 PM
74	The Snohomish Health District would be interested in potential partnership opportunities.	5/5/2015 11:35 AM
75	Please preserve the privacy of the Gulch. Don't over manage it, don't over engineer it, don't over design it. Let it be what it is, a nice private setting in woods that feel remote. With a lot of the stuff going on in your designs, it sounds like it will feel like a city in there with signs, kiosks, over looks, etc. KEEP IT NATURAL PLEASE!	5/5/2015 11:25 AM
76	I strongly object to the installation of a a building or community center as part of this plan, regardless of who the intended audience (seniors, daily rentals, etc). The city already has a brand new and lovely community center at Rose Hill and does not need to build more facilities that require expensive staffing and maintenance and repairs. If there is a need by the senior community for a meeting place (which I don't think has actually been demonstrated) then the senior community and the city needs to sit down and work out a way to more effectively and affordably make the underused Rose Hill Center a viable option. Moreover, I supported the acquisition of Japanese Gulch with my vote for the protection and maintenance of the property as a natural park and in that regard I feel every effort should be made to keep that property as natural and free of new constructions and major building features as possible.	5/5/2015 10:00 AM
77	Amazing.	5/5/2015 9:17 AM
78	I really like the ideas for outdoor exercise equipment. I am a runner and would be very uncomfortable with dogs able to go leash free throughout the entire park. Off leash is for an enclosed area where the dogs can be well controlled. I also don't think such a huge area should be devoted to BMX biking. I look forward to the expansion, I run Japanese gulch at least once a week! Nice area!	5/5/2015 9:03 AM
79	Please keep the gulch wild! People love the gulch because there is no development - there are plenty of other develped parks in Mukilteo. Leave this natural space alone!	5/5/2015 8:46 AM
80	I have not visited the park beyond driving by as there never seems to be parking when I drive by the dog park area. I didn't know about the upper, further south area of the park until I saw the diagram in the last survey section!. I have lived in Mukilteo for six years but am not aware of many recreational venues. When I receive the magazines or other promotional material, I always wonder about the locations of venues or parking. I rarely go to Lighthouse Park because there is no parking and I like the new pass process going into place. It would be helpful to NOT assume that all residents know the locations of all venues! Providing maps would be very helpful.	5/5/2015 5:57 AM
81	A 4 lane highway is needed so Whidbey residents can pass through your stuck up town without seeing much of it.	5/5/2015 5:03 AM
82	Simplicity and self-sustaining. "It doesn't have to be shiny to be valuable".	5/4/2015 11:55 PM
83	Please don't waste a bunch of money on buildings. Mukilteo has more pressing needs. The trail system and access should be the main focus. Don't ruin this gem with a bunch of amenities, keep it natural.	5/4/2015 11:27 PM
84	remember that the trails were built by mountain bikers for mountain biking.	5/4/2015 10:20 PM
85	start with improving the road (44th) and making it safe to walk and for larger vehicles to make the turn in front of the park. THEN start improving the park.	5/4/2015 2:30 PM
86	This all looks great! Thanks for keeping mountain bikers involved; it's about the only way I can get my kids into the woods!	5/4/2015 1:50 PM
87	Additional note for Item #10: I don't mind dogs being off-leash throughout the trails as long as the owner does not act irresponsible by allowing an aggressive dog to roam free. I've been using the Japanese Gulch trails for over 15 years with no issues until the off-leash park was added – now there's an uprising of people walking dog's off-leash which resulting in my leg(s) being bitten 3 times in the past 2 years.	5/4/2015 12:43 PM

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88	Dogs should be on leash on the trails (which currently almost all I see aren't). A bigger off leash area could be nice. It's annoying to have a dog chase or run after you when you don't know it and cant see the owners. It also puts more of a limit on where dogs can go that might not get along with other dogs as well. Even if yours is on leash you cant control the other one and neither can the other owner. Please remove the corrugated plastic protected wetlands signs. They look absolutely horrible, they don't look like they actually belong in the park, they look more like trash. I know there was a conflict between some users and whoever built the jumps, but as far as I can tell that happened a long time ago and isn't an on going problem. I've never seen them worked on, they show no signs of being worked on. I haven't even seen them ridden.	5/4/2015 10:31 AM
89	It seems like all the improvements are going to be very expensive. I'm not entirely sure why the "outdoor forest" is not a county park. Since, it was paid for by mainly state and county money. However, I can see why a Mukilteo resident would not like to see most of the proposed upgrades and on going maintenance costs. I thought the park was going to be primarily maintained by volunteers.	5/4/2015 9:45 AM
90	Keep the gulch as a nature preserve. The City of Mukilteo bought the Gulch so it would not be developed. The new master plan destroys the premise of what we, the citizens of Mukilteo agreed for Japanese Gulch. Are we going to allow what happened to RoseHill, happen to the Japanese Gulch? Save the Gulch from development !!	5/3/2015 5:40 PM
91	Please don't ruin this park. Improvements at the entrances are fine but leave the current trails and free use multi use system in place. Signage in the interior of the park is fine but if you change everything around it will ruin this great park.	5/3/2015 9:25 AM
92	Thank you again for all your hard work!	5/2/2015 5:56 PM
93	Do you want to hear my idea? In case it hasn't come through loud and clear yet in my previous responses, LEAVE THE GULCH ALONE. All of these design ideas we are asked to vote on are horrible and one-sided. That is to say, there is no option to LEAVE THE GULCH EXACTLY AS IT IS. We fought hard and raised money and worked to purchase enough of the gulch SO THAT NO ONE COULD DEVELOP IT. So the top option, as far as I am concerned, is to do nothing but enjoy nature, and to experience the wilderness in our backyards. Mountain bikers, hikers, trail runners, dog watchers, nature enthusiasts, bird watchers, all use the gulch every single day. Please don't spoil the wilderness with more concrete and parking lots and buildings and picnic areas and amphitheaters - save that for the Lighthouse Park and existing areas like the 92nd Street playground area. we have more than enough over-built public access area in Mukilteo. PLEASE LEAVE THE GULCH IN IT'S NATURAL STATE FOR US ALL TO ENJOY, AS-IS.	5/2/2015 1:25 PM
94	This entire process is development oriented. There should have been initial process to understand how much change and new features the community wants and is willing to pay for.	5/1/2015 6:27 PM
95	Thank you for reaching out for public/user input in the planning process.	5/1/2015 4:27 PM
96	leave it the way it is	5/1/2015 4:03 PM
97	As I stated before, this is not a park. It does not require pavement of any kind nor landscaping nor structures nor signage. It should be left as a nature preserve for residents to enjoy in its natural state.	5/1/2015 3:30 PM
98	I'd like to see a series of small signs educating people about the natural aspects of the park (wildflowers, trees, bird species and animals) that they might see while walking through. There are already so many places in the city to play basketball, to have a picnic, to go for a jog or a bike ride, that accommodating those activities in the Japanese Gulch would only serve to make the Gulch less special (in my eyes, at least).	5/1/2015 8:07 AM
99	these ideas seem in conflict with the will of the people. in addition the process itself seems to be development focused.	4/30/2015 8:52 PM
100	The Gulch is a really special place here in Mukilteo. I like that there is always something more to discover there; a trail you never noticed, a view of the sound through the trees as well as the wild life. The more we mess with it and open it up, we are going to destroy the mystery that is the Japanese Gulch. All of these plans seem so big and expensive. Why do we have to spend so much on something that we the people of Mukilteo already enjoy? If we add things like visitor centers and outdoor fitness stations we are just destroying the natural setting that we all go to the Gulch to enjoy. I dont see how that benefits the people of Mukilteo, not to mention the animals and wildlife that call the Gulch their home.	4/30/2015 8:32 PM

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101	<p>please don't make the bike & Ped trails an "off leash" area for dog owners. I have had several near misses with off leash dogs while biking on those trails and I don't think it's a good idea. I ride the trails and use a small cowbell on my handlebars to warn other bikers or pedestrians that I'm nearby. This works great for keeping people from getting startled or avoiding collisions. I encourage many of the riders in their to do the same. I don't think it should be mandatory but I think it's great to post it as a suggestion to bikers. Many pedestrians have thanked me as I ride by for wearing the bell. Night riding: There are many bikers that love going into the gulch after dark and riding with lights on between the months of Oct - Feb when it gets dark early. If there is a way to allow this without any liability then that would be fantastic. If it is disallowed I suspect it will probably occur anyway (just being honest) and maybe this releases the city of any liability. Thanks and keep up the good work!!</p>	4/30/2015 2:15 PM
102	<p>Native tree/plant planting days Native plant/veggie sales days Bio-swale training boot camp for all of us needing help with bad drainage and soggy yards Volunteer credits for school kids Pedestrian access over the train tracks to the waterfront and new ferry station Lighting</p>	4/30/2015 1:55 PM
103	<p>I'm really excited that you're engaging in this planning process for Japanese Gulch.</p>	4/29/2015 8:53 PM
104	<p>Can the off leash dog park be contained but allow for an actual hike similar to marymoors? Right now it's just a big poopy mud pit despite volunteers best efforts so we've stopped coming</p>	4/29/2015 12:11 AM
105	<p>The primary reason I do not visit the Gulch is that until recently it was not owned by the City and those who have been using it up until it was acquired were trespassing and some were damaging property owned while trespassing. You need to get the real input from the community with a full disclosure mailing to every resident with a return feedback questionnaire which would include information about the cost and the source of funding. The token number of residents attending your few public meetings include non residents and a disproportionate number of biking enthusiasts--certainly not a representation of the views of Mukilteo's 20,000 residents.</p>	4/28/2015 9:30 PM
106	<p>Question 11 = WTF Where the respondent lives is self-reported? So anyone can LIE about being a resident or not, Which, of course, leaves the survey wide open to being high-jacked. And... it will be. And... the results will be BOGUS.</p>	4/28/2015 9:22 PM
107	<p>Please review the king county park Duthie Hill for shared use sustainable trails In wetland environments. Thank you</p>	4/28/2015 4:40 PM
108	<p>Minimal development!!!! Keep the feeling of the park very "rural".</p>	4/28/2015 2:53 PM
109	<p>more bike</p>	4/28/2015 2:47 PM
110	<p>Really like the off leash idea.</p>	4/28/2015 2:25 PM
111	<p>Just want to say I think you all are doing a great job with the park plan and I'm excited to see the future of the park. I think paradise valley is a good model for the trail system with great singletrack and a main access path. My only concern and hope is that the park can move forward under town ownership while maintaining the natural feel of the place. When enjoying the area I don't feel like i'm next to Boeing or up against a housing development, and I hope that sense of place can be maintained. Thanks!</p>	4/28/2015 1:12 PM
112	<p>Be sure to spend some time on Youtube or Google Image searching for the differences and understanding of the terms: - Bicycle Pump Track (both kids and full size) - Dirt Gap Jumps - Dirt Tabletop Jumps - Bike freeride features ie: A pump track is a looping trail that requires no pedalling and uses your body and the rolling terrain / tabletop jumps and bermed corners to maintain your speed. Great, safe and hard work! Good for kids and adults. Gap jumps have a much smaller user group who can use them. Tabletops are preferred as the primary jump type, with room for an advanced jump line separately.</p>	4/28/2015 12:13 PM
113	<p>This is one of the best / easiest access places in Snohomish County to ride a mountain bike. Let's keep it that way!</p>	4/28/2015 11:45 AM