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Part 1. The Interconnect Survey

Purpose:

The purpose of undertaking the Interconnect Survey was to gather user feedback and provide officials with a guide for future parks and trails planning. The expectations from the results were two-fold; to determine the current use of existing trails and parks within Gallatin County, and to gather input in regards to their adequacy as recreation facilities. The survey was designed in a manner that would provide Gallatin County officials with a profile of the current trail and park users, as well as determine their use(s) of present facilities. Trail and park developments include types of trails and parks, site placement, and future funding needs for acquiring, constructing, and maintaining any future infrastructure investments.

Research Design:

The statistical package used to complete the survey was provided through analytics by Question Pro. In addition, an open-ended question was included at the end of the survey to give respondents an opportunity to give more subjective information, such as suggestions, explanations, and/or feedback on the survey. Additional data was gathered by distribution of a printed copy of the online form to selected sites (see Sampling). The online survey took an average of 12-14 minutes to complete. An informal, internal "pre-test" was completed by County employees and committee members to field concerns and suggestions.

Sampling:

The sampling plan was randomized, with quotas set by zip code to ensure adequate participation by county residents who reported using parks and trails in Gallatin County in the last year. Non-users were not included. Data collection efforts consisted of Public Service Announcements and newspaper notices directing county residents to the survey website. In addition, announcements were made available at community meetings, schools, clubs, and other service-oriented organizations. Local recreation organizations were emailed an announcement to facilitate inclusion, as were the Chambers of Commerce, and hard copies were made available at all Senior Centers and public libraries in the County. In addition, four community outreach meetings were held in Bozeman, Belgrade, Manhattan and Big Sky to inform residents of the survey effort, take questions, and allow for time to fill out a paper copy of the survey. A total of 1764 people viewed the survey online. Of those, 575 people began the survey, but did not complete it. A total of 1,189 people completed the survey. This creates a total survey response level of 67.4%. Question Pro has calculated the confidence level to be 95%.

Participant Demographics:

Survey participant reported the following demographic data:

- 55% live within city limits and 45% live outside city limits
- Males made up 53.49% of survey participants
- Nearly half of participants (49.37%) reported an income level of \$32,550 and \$78,850
- Over half of respondents were between 31 and 50 years old
- A majority (38.29%) of survey participants reported a 2 person household. However, there is a significant number of 4 person household declared as well (22.25%)

Survey Limitations:

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As with any survey attempting to gather quantitative and/or qualitative data, this study has some limitations. This survey was designed and administered in a manner to control as many identified sources of bias as possible. Nevertheless, a few are worth mentioning here.

One is the fact that no "true" pretest was conducted on the survey instrument. "Pretests are necessary to evaluate question wording and question sequence and to test techniques by which responses are recorded."¹

Great care was taken by the survey designers to use clear and concise terminology and definitions were used in certain cases, but there is no guarantee that some of the terminology was not interpreted as designed. It is assumed that all responses are an accurate reflection of the respondent's opinion and that each respondent fully understood the essence of the question and answered accordingly.

A final limitation of this study may be its overall length and the time required to complete it. Roughly 33% of the people who began the survey failed to complete it. There is no way to determine the effects, if any, of respondent fatigue on the final results. However, with a completion rate of 67%, designers determined the length and time of the survey had little to no impact on the final results. It is assumed that for all responses and questions, participants responded with an equal level of accuracy and enthusiasm.

Missing data are the result of unanswered questions and cause the number in the sample to fluctuate from question to question. Such occurrences are treated as response errors and result in very minor data inconsistencies.

It is assumed that by using generally accepted techniques of formatting, sampling, question wording and sequencing, and survey administration that any unseen limitations were eliminated or mitigated to a degree that bears no statistical effect on the final results. These results do not represent the total population of Gallatin County. The results are reported for park and/or trail users.

A summary of responses is provided below followed by the full set of questions, responses, and written comment.

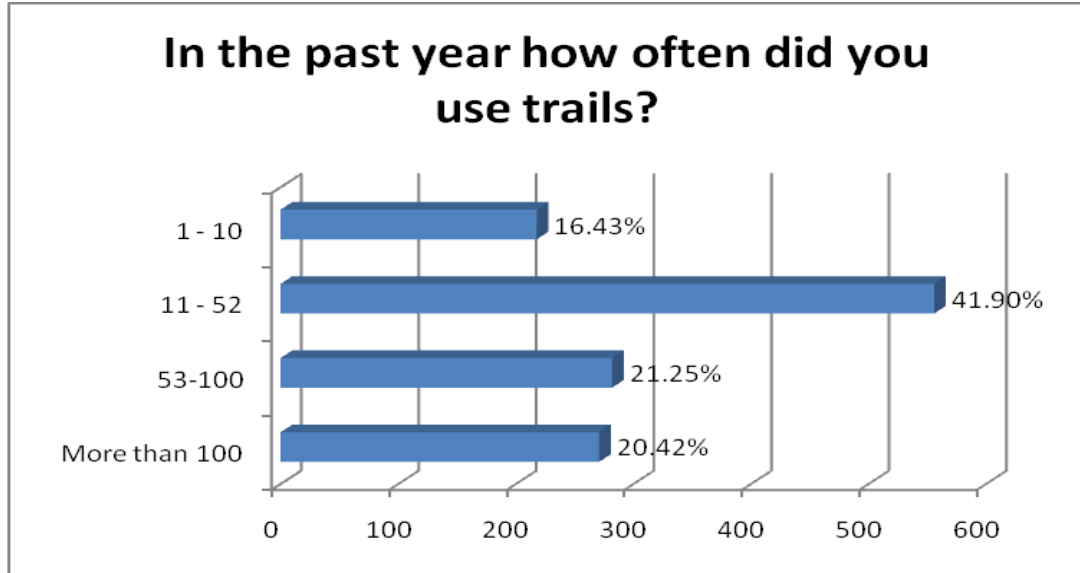
¹ Frey, James H. (1989): "Survey Research By Telephone" Second Edition
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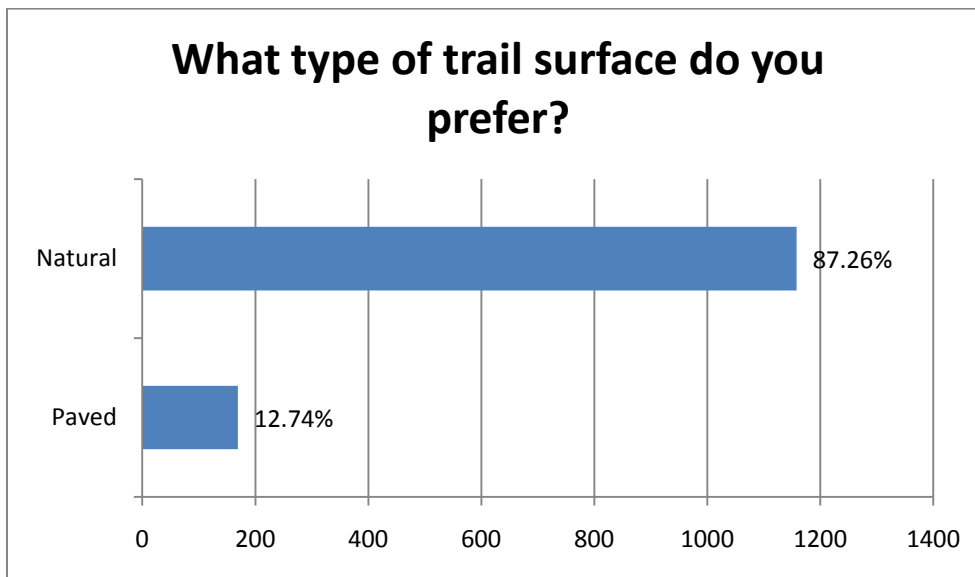
Trails:

Respondents report;

- Just over 83% of users report using trail at least once per week (Q2)

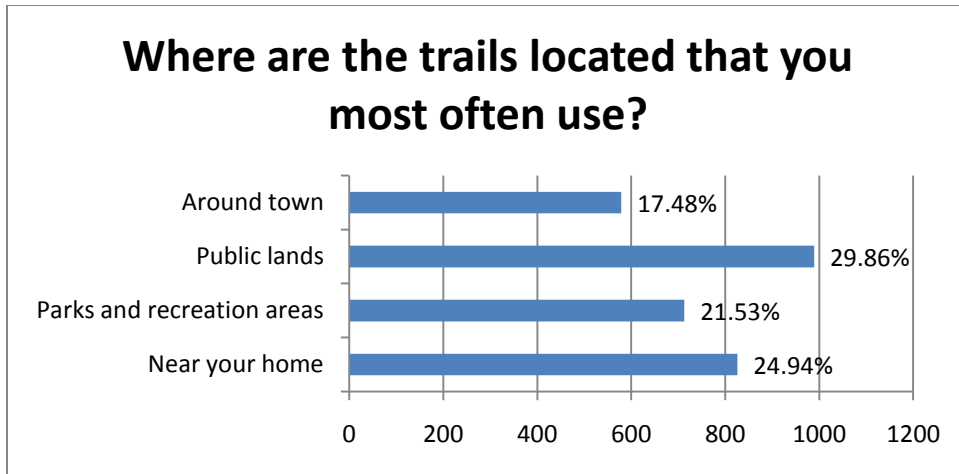


- An overwhelming amount of respondents prefer natural fine trails to surfaced trails (Q7)

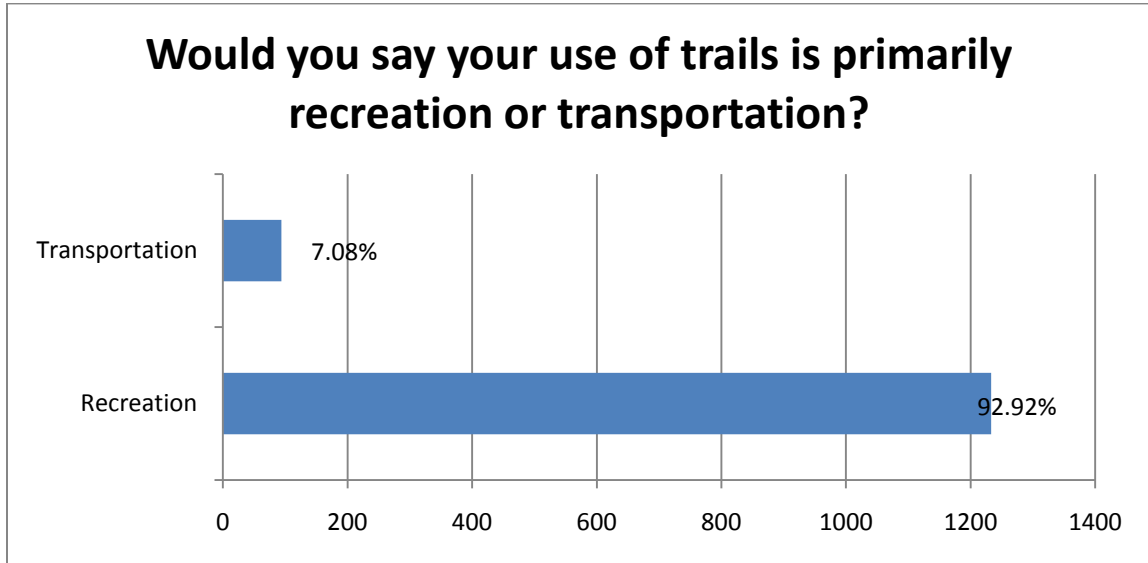


- Just over half of respondents (51.39%) presently utilize trails located on public lands and parks/recreation areas (Q4)

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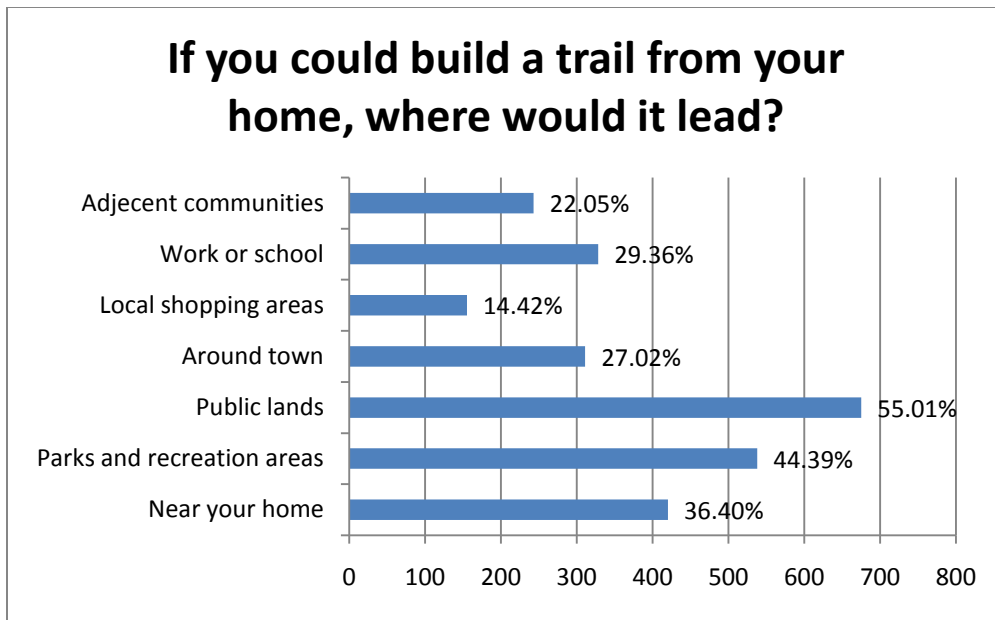


- A vast majority of respondents report that they use trails primarily for recreation, as opposed to transportation (Q6)



- Respondents' preferential ranking revealed they would like to see future trails link to trails they currently use on public lands and parks/recreation areas as determined in question 4 (Q5)

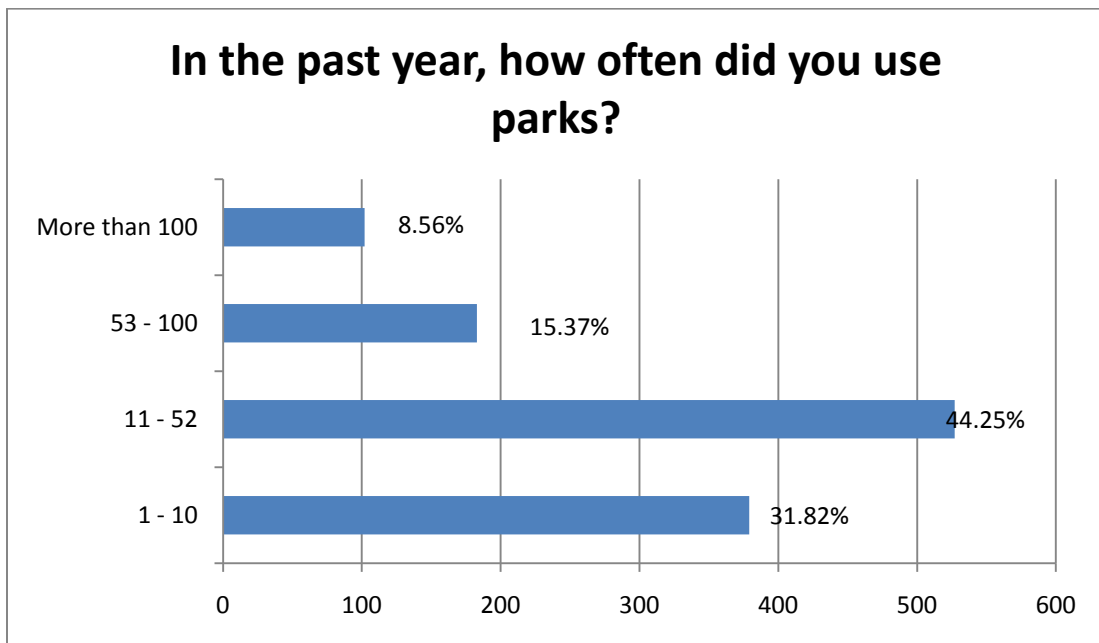
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Parks:

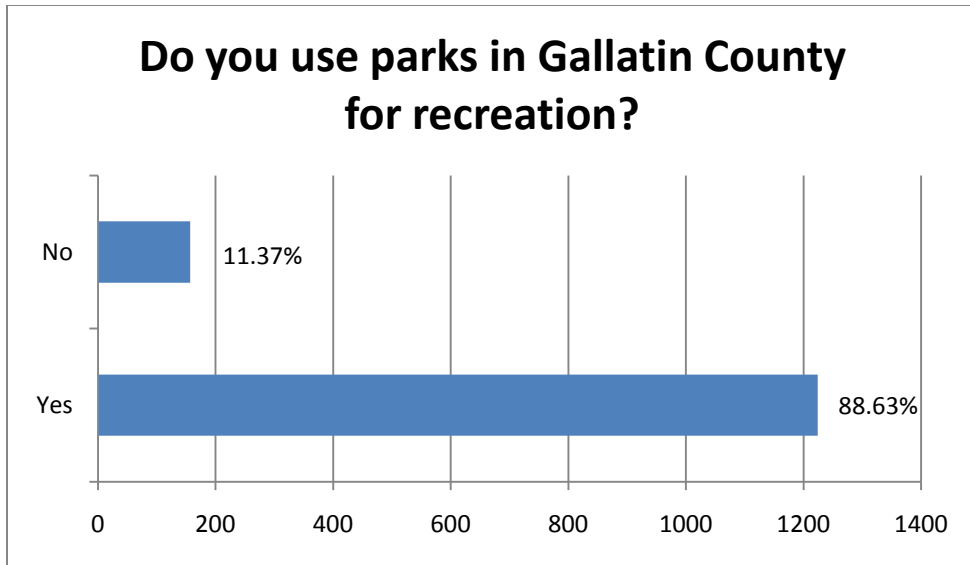
Respondents report;

- 68.10% of survey participants reported that they used parks in Gallatin County at least one time per week in the past year (Q10)

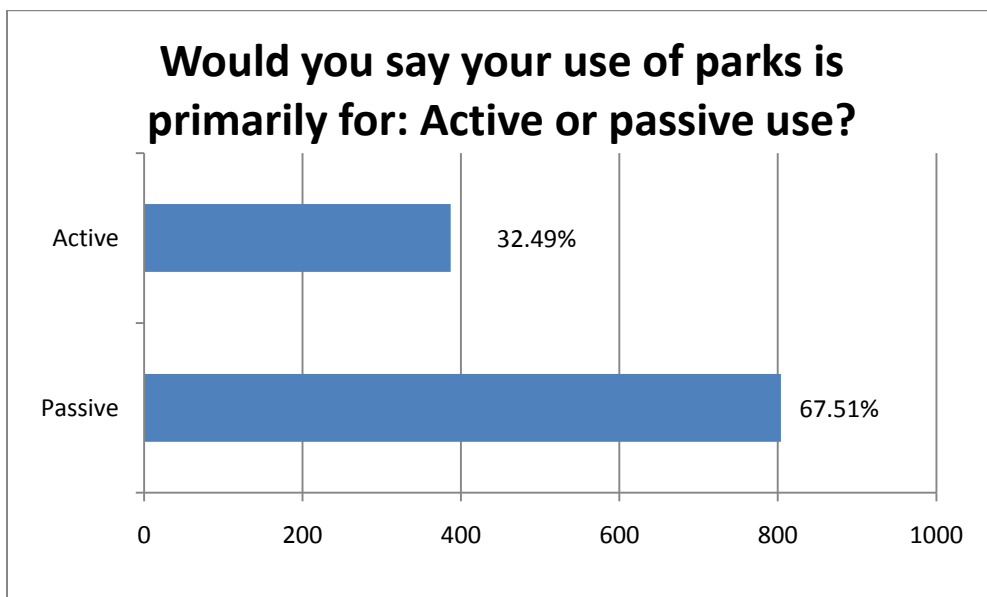


- 88.63% of respondents said they use parks in Gallatin County for recreation (Q9)

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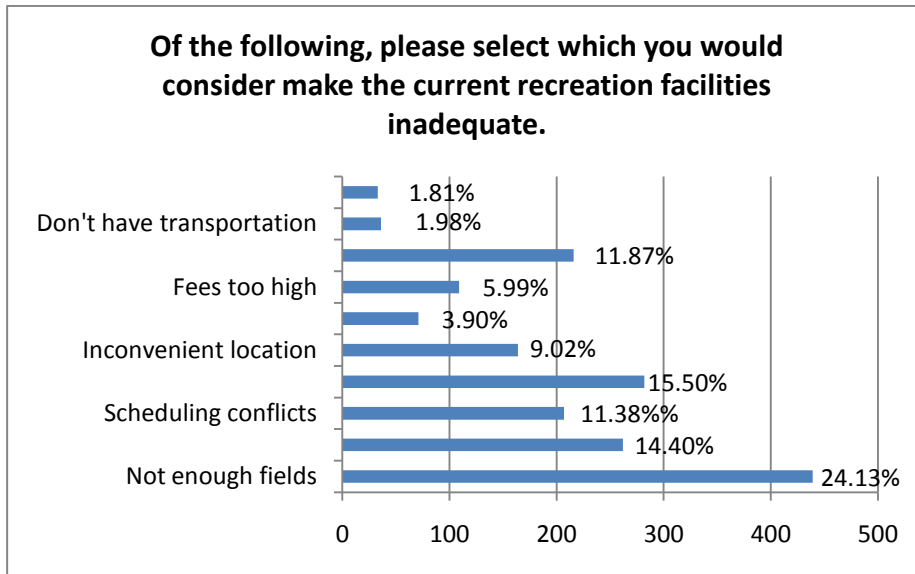


- Just over two-thirds (67.51%) of the respondents report their use of parks as passive versus active (Q12)

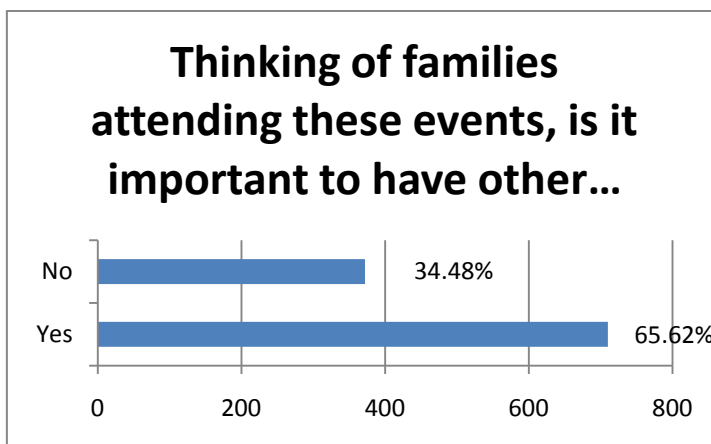


- When asked about what makes current park facilities inadequate, 49.91% say issues related to the lack of field space (not enough fields, inadequate space at current fields, and scheduling conflicts) is the biggest issue. (Q14)

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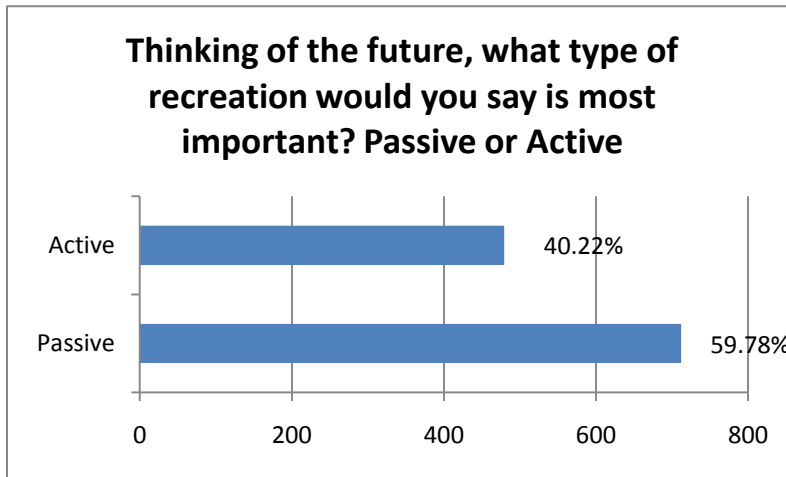


- When asked about families attending events occurring on parks within the county, almost two-thirds responded that other recreational improvements be made available during the events. (i.e. playground for kids at or near ball field) (Q19)



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- When prompted about their thoughts on future park uses, 59.78% reported that passive use is most important. This is a significant decline from what they (around 7%) report is their current type of use as reported in question 12 (Q17)



Full Interconnect Survey Report

Q1

DO YOU USE TRAILS IN GALLATIN COUNTY? (A TRAIL CAN BE IDENTIFIED AS ANY PATHWAY USED FOR RECREATION OR TRANSPORTATION .)

Yes	1412	96.25%
No	55	3.75%
Total	1467	

Q2

IN THE PAST YEAR HOW OFTEN DID YOU USE TRAILS?

1 to 10	218	16.43%
11 to 52	556	41.90%
53 to 100	282	21.25%
more than 100	271	20.42%
Total	1327	

Q3

IN THE LAST YEAR WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING TRAIL ACTIVITIES DID YOU PARTICIPATE IN?

Backpacking	393	8.70%
Bicycling	761	16.85%
Cross country skiing	528	11.69%
Horse back riding	131	2.90%
Jogging, walking or hiking	1055	23.36%
Off road vehicle	328	7.26%
Hunting or fishing	439	9.72%

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Walking your dog	656	14.53%
Other	225	4.98%
Total	4516	

Q4

WHERE ARE THE TRAILS LOCATED THAT YOU MOST OFTEN USE?

Near Your Home	826	24.94%
Parks And Recreation Areas	713	21.53%
Public Lands	989	29.86%
Around Town	579	17.48%
Local Shopping Areas	64	1.93%
Work Or School	141	4.26%
Total	3312	

Q8

HAVE YOU EVER USED A RURAL ROAD OR HIGHWAY AS A RECREATIONAL TRAIL?

Yes	1055	80.17%
No	261	19.83%
Total	1316	

Q5

IF YOU COULD BUILD A TRAIL FROM YOUR HOME WHERE WOULD IT LEAD? PLEASE RATE THE IMPORTANCE OF THE FOLLOWING DESTINATIONS. (1 BEING LOWEST IMPORTANCE AND 5 BEIGN HIGHEST)

Near Your Home

1	126	10.92%
2	113	9.79%
3	264	22.88%
4	231	20.02%
5	420	36.40%
Total	1154	

Parks And Recreation Areas

1	63	5.20%
2	74	6.11%
3	192	15.84%
4	345	28.47%
5	538	44.39%
Total	1212	

Public Lands

1	59	4.81%
2	59	4.81%
3	160	13.04%
4	274	22.33%
5	675	55.01%
Total	1227	

Around Town

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1	145	12.60%
2	125	10.86%
3	265	23.02%
4	305	26.50%
5	311	27.02%
Total	1151	

Local Shopping Areas

1	326	30.33%
2	212	19.72%
3	242	22.51%
4	140	13.02%
5	155	14.42%
Total	1075	

Work Or School

1	227	20.32%
2	132	11.82%
3	207	18.53%
4	223	19.96%
5	328	29.36%
Total	1117	

Adjacent Communities

1	242	21.96%
2	188	17.06%
3	260	23.59%
4	169	15.34%
5	243	22.05%
Total	1102	

Q6

WOULD YOU SAY YOUR USE OF TRAILS IS PRIMARILY RECREATION OR TRANSPORTATION?

Recreation	1233	92.92%
Transportation	94	7.08%
Total	1327	

Q7

WHAT TYPE OF TRAIL SURFACE DO YOU PREFER?

Paved	169	12.74%
Natural	1158	87.26%
Total	1327	

Q9

DO YOU USE PARKS IN GALLATIN COUNTY FOR RECREATION?

Yes	1224	88.63%
No	157	11.37%

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Q10

IN THE PAST YEAR HOW OFTEN DID YOU USE PARKS?

1 to 10	379	31.82%
11 to 52	527	44.25%
53 to 100	183	15.37%
more than 100	102	8.56%
Total	1191	

Q11

WHERE ARE THE PARKS LOCATED YOU MOST OFTEN GO? (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)

Neighborhood parks near your home	692	30.70%
City or regional parks	701	31.10%
State parks and public lands	861	38.20%
Total	2254	

Q12

WOULD YOU SAY YOUR USE OF PARKS IS PRIMARILY FOR: RECREATION: being recreational uses that do not require special facilities, fields or equipment or PASSIVE RECREATION: being organized activities requiring special facilities like soccer fields, tennis courts swimming pools, and playgrounds? ACTIVE

Passive	804	67.51%
Active	387	32.49%
Total	1191	

Q13

Are the recreation facilities that you use adequate to meet your needs?

Yes	725	62.02%
No	444	37.98%
Total	1169	

Q14

Of the following please select which you would consider make the current recreation facilities inadequate?

Not enough fields/facilities are available	439	24.13%
Inadequate space at currently used fields/facilities	262	14.40%
Scheduling conflicts	207	11.38%
Maintenance/condition of facility	282	15.50%
Inconvenient location	164	9.02%
Inconvenient program times	71	3.90%
Fees too high	109	5.99%
Lack of parking	216	11.87%
Don't have transportation	36	1.98%
Inadequate staffing	33	1.81%
Total	1819	

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Q15

IN THE PAST YEAR HOW OFTEN HAVE YOU PARTICIPATED IN THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES IN GALLATIN COUNTY?

Walking

Once a Year	27	2.42%
Once a Month	170	15.23%
Once a Week	363	32.53%
Daily	524	46.95%
Never	32	2.87%

Total 1116

4-H & Agricultural Fair Events

Once a Year	394	39.80%
Once a Month	51	5.15%
Once a Week	11	1.11%
Daily	1	0.10%
Never	533	53.84%

Total 990

Fairgrounds

Once a Year	558	52.54%
Once a Month	223	21.00%
Once a Week	90	8.47%
Daily	61	5.74%
Never	130	12.24%

Total 1062

Concerts

Once a Year	544	52.01%
Once a Month	221	21.13%
Once a Week	22	2.10%
Daily	1	0.10%
Never	258	24.67%

Total 1046

Rodeo

Once a Year	408	40.32%
Once a Month	44	4.35%
Once a Week	9	0.89%
Daily	3	0.30%
Never	548	54.15%

Total 1012

Biking

Once a Year	76	7.04%
Once a Month	294	27.25%
Once a Week	341	31.60%
Daily	203	18.81%
Never	165	15.29%

Total 1079

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Picnic

Once a Year	319	31.03%
Once a Month	460	44.75%
Once a Week	73	7.10%
Daily	7	0.68%
Never	169	16.44%

Total	1028	
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Playground

Once a Year	185	18.16%
Once a Month	205	20.12%
Once a Week	178	17.47%
Daily	32	3.14%
Never	419	41.12%

Total	1019	
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Fishing

Once a Year	196	18.51%
Once a Month	330	31.16%
Once a Week	159	15.01%
Daily	22	2.08%
Never	352	33.24%

Total	1059	
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Fitness trail

Once a Year	83	8.07%
Once a Month	236	22.93%
Once a Week	257	24.98%
Daily	147	14.29%
Never	306	29.74%

Total	1029	
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Canoeing

Once a Year	230	22.75%
Once a Month	149	14.74%
Once a Week	30	2.97%
Daily	5	0.49%
Never	597	59.05%

Total	1011	
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Golfing

Once a Year	124	12.28%
Once a Month	145	14.36%
Once a Week	107	10.59%
Daily	19	1.88%
Never	615	60.89%

Total	1010	
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Nature programs

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Once a Year	225	22.52%
Once a Month	131	13.11%
Once a Week	29	2.90%
Daily	4	0.40%
Never	610	61.06%
Total	999	
Bird watching		
Once a Year	130	12.87%
Once a Month	142	14.06%
Once a Week	84	8.32%
Daily	44	4.36%
Never	610	60.40%
Total	1010	
Soccer		
Once a Year	57	5.61%
Once a Month	87	8.56%
Once a Week	135	13.29%
Daily	63	6.20%
Never	674	66.34%
Total	1016	
Volleyball		
Once a Year	90	9.07%
Once a Month	43	4.33%
Once a Week	19	1.92%
Daily	3	0.30%
Never	837	84.38%
Total	992	
Baseball		
Once a Year	62	6.25%
Once a Month	57	5.75%
Once a Week	51	5.14%
Daily	11	1.11%
Never	811	81.75%
Total	992	
Softball		
Once a Year	73	7.35%
Once a Month	53	5.34%
Once a Week	59	5.94%
Daily	5	0.50%
Never	803	80.87%
Total	993	
Rugby		
Once a Year	13	1.32%
Once a Month	6	0.61%

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Once a Week	11	1.11%
Daily	4	0.41%
Never	953	96.56%
Total	987	
Lacrosse		
Once a Year	19	1.94%
Once a Month	13	1.33%
Once a Week	19	1.94%
Daily	7	0.71%
Never	923	94.09%
Total	981	
Hockey		
Once a Year	38	3.78%
Once a Month	45	4.47%
Once a Week	73	7.26%
Daily	77	7.65%
Never	773	76.84%
Total	1006	
Rollerblading		
Once a Year	54	5.50%
Once a Month	58	5.91%
Once a Week	23	2.34%
Daily	8	0.82%
Never	838	85.42%
Total	981	
Ice Skating		
Once a Year	168	16.60%
Once a Month	140	13.83%
Once a Week	105	10.38%
Daily	65	6.42%
Never	534	52.77%
Total	1012	
Football		
Once a Year	69	6.98%
Once a Month	74	7.48%
Once a Week	45	4.55%
Daily	12	1.21%
Never	789	79.78%
Total	989	
Swimming (outdoor)		
Once a Year	159	15.73%
Once a Month	250	24.73%
Once a Week	125	12.36%
Daily	21	2.08%

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Never	456	45.10%
Total	1011	
Swimming (indoor)		
Once a Year	141	14.02%
Once a Month	189	18.79%
Once a Week	115	11.43%
Daily	31	3.08%
Never	530	52.68%
Total	1006	
Going to the beach		
Once a Year	213	21.28%
Once a Month	189	18.88%
Once a Week	51	5.09%
Daily	9	0.90%
Never	539	53.85%
Total	1001	
Tennis		
Once a Year	104	10.41%
Once a Month	117	11.71%
Once a Week	73	7.31%
Daily	15	1.50%
Never	690	69.07%
Total	999	
Jogging		
Once a Year	37	3.65%
Once a Month	146	14.38%
Once a Week	237	23.35%
Daily	151	14.88%
Never	444	43.74%
Total	1015	
Frisbee Golf		
Once a Year	74	7.51%
Once a Month	76	7.71%
Once a Week	31	3.14%
Daily	10	1.01%
Never	795	80.63%
Total	986	
Skateboarding		
Once a Year	25	2.54%
Once a Month	41	4.17%
Once a Week	37	3.76%
Daily	10	1.02%
Never	871	88.52%
Total	984	

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Camping

Once a Year	204	19.56%
Once a Month	471	45.16%
Once a Week	167	16.01%
Daily	14	1.34%
Never	187	17.93%

Total	1043	
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Cross-country skiing

Once a Year	112	10.71%
Once a Month	238	22.75%
Once a Week	234	22.37%
Daily	72	6.88%
Never	390	37.28%

Total	1046	
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Sledding

Once a Year	222	22.20%
Once a Month	250	25.00%
Once a Week	93	9.30%
Daily	13	1.30%
Never	422	42.20%

Total	1000	
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Motorcycle/ATV Riding

Once a Year	65	6.24%
Once a Month	111	10.65%
Once a Week	129	12.38%
Daily	40	3.84%
Never	697	66.89%

Total	1042	
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Snowmobiling

Once a Year	74	7.20%
Once a Month	70	6.81%
Once a Week	95	9.24%
Daily	35	3.40%
Never	754	73.35%

Total	1028	
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Gardening Greenhouse programs

Once a Year	83	8.44%
Once a Month	74	7.53%
Once a Week	42	4.27%
Daily	24	2.44%
Never	760	77.31%

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Horseback riding

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Once a Year	103	10.27%
Once a Month	73	7.28%
Once a Week	38	3.79%
Daily	31	3.09%
Never	758	75.57%
Total	1003	

Hunting

Once a Year	138	13.53%
Once a Month	180	17.65%
Once a Week	97	9.51%
Daily	27	2.65%
Never	578	56.67%
Total	1020	

Playing Horseshoes

Once a Year	121	12.32%
Once a Month	77	7.84%
Once a Week	29	2.95%
Daily	5	0.51%
Never	750	76.37%
Total	982	

Exercising your dog

Once a Year	19	1.82%
Once a Month	91	8.72%
Once a Week	173	16.59%
Daily	368	35.28%
Never	392	37.58%
Total	1043	

Q16

THINKING OF THE FUTURE PLEASE RANK THE IMPORTANCE FOR THE FOLLOWING NEW TYPES OF RECREATIONAL FACILITIES IN GALLATIN COUNTY?

Trail

Very Important	926	83.05%
Somewhat Important	152	13.63%
Not Important	37	3.32%
Total	1115	

Fairgrounds

Very Important	325	30.81%
Somewhat Important	494	46.82%
Not Important	236	22.37%
Total	1055	

Concert

Very Important	246	23.45%
Somewhat Important	511	48.71%
Not Important	292	27.84%

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Total	1049	
Rodeo		
Very Important	132	12.73%
Somewhat Important	469	45.23%
Not Important	436	42.04%
Total	1037	
Picnic		
Very Important	284	27.15%
Somewhat Important	520	49.71%
Not Important	242	23.14%
Total	1046	
Rollerblading		
Very Important	62	6.11%
Somewhat Important	331	32.64%
Not Important	621	61.24%
Total	1014	
Playground		
Very Important	382	37.16%
Somewhat Important	399	38.81%
Not Important	247	24.03%
Total	1028	
Fishing		
Very Important	365	35.13%
Somewhat Important	404	38.88%
Not Important	270	25.99%
Total	1039	
Golfing		
Very Important	152	15.00%
Somewhat Important	322	31.79%
Not Important	539	53.21%
Total	1013	
Soccer		
Very Important	281	27.31%
Somewhat Important	362	35.18%
Not Important	386	37.51%
Total	1029	
Volleyball		
Very Important	90	8.91%
Somewhat Important	429	42.48%
Not Important	491	48.61%
Total	1010	

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Baseball

Very Important	161	15.97%
Somewhat Important	394	39.09%
Not Important	453	44.94%

Total	1008	
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Softball

Very Important	150	14.85%
Somewhat Important	408	40.40%
Not Important	452	44.75%

Total	1010	
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Rugby

Very Important	46	4.58%
Somewhat Important	322	32.07%
Not Important	636	63.35%

Total	1004	
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Lacrosse

Very Important	53	5.31%
Somewhat Important	314	31.46%
Not Important	631	63.23%

Total	998	
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Football

Very Important	101	10.08%
Somewhat Important	359	35.83%
Not Important	542	54.09%

Total	1002	
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Hockey

Very Important	254	24.85%
Somewhat Important	345	33.76%
Not Important	423	41.39%

Total	1022	
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Ice Skating

Very Important	319	30.97%
Somewhat Important	440	42.72%
Not Important	271	26.31%

Total	1030	
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Swimming (outdoor)

Very Important	391	37.92%
Somewhat Important	412	39.96%
Not Important	228	22.11%

Total	1031	
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Swimming (indoor)

Very Important	371	36.30%
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Somewhat Important	397	38.85%
Not Important	254	24.85%
Total	1022	
Beach		
Very Important	195	19.33%
Somewhat Important	411	40.73%
Not Important	403	39.94%
Total	1009	
Tennis		
Very Important	170	16.80%
Somewhat Important	436	43.08%
Not Important	406	40.12%
Total	1012	
Frisbee Golf		
Very Important	103	10.27%
Somewhat Important	377	37.59%
Not Important	523	52.14%
Total	1003	
Skateboarding		
Very Important	102	10.19%
Somewhat Important	373	37.26%
Not Important	526	52.55%
Total	1001	
Camping		
Very Important	602	57.33%
Somewhat Important	297	28.29%
Not Important	151	14.38%
Total	1050	
Cross-country skiing		
Very Important	543	51.96%
Somewhat Important	315	30.14%
Not Important	187	17.89%
Total	1045	
Sledding		
Very Important	337	32.81%
Somewhat Important	458	44.60%
Not Important	232	22.59%
Total	1027	
Motorcycle/ATV Riding		
Very Important	274	25.95%
Somewhat Important	177	16.76%
Not Important	605	57.29%

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Total	1056	
Snowmobiling		
Very Important	244	23.26%
Somewhat Important	195	18.59%
Not Important	610	58.15%
Total	1049	
Equestrian		
Very Important	190	18.65%
Somewhat Important	337	33.07%
Not Important	492	48.28%
Total	1019	
Shooting Range		
Very Important	259	25.19%
Somewhat Important	332	32.30%
Not Important	437	42.51%
Total	1028	
Horseshoe		
Very Important	66	6.59%
Somewhat Important	385	38.46%
Not Important	550	54.95%
Total	1001	
Dog Park		
Very Important	463	44.10%
Somewhat Important	321	30.57%
Not Important	266	25.33%
Total	1050	
Lakes		
Very Important	555	53.01%
Somewhat Important	359	34.29%
Not Important	133	12.70%
Total	1047	
Q17		
THINKING OF THE FUTURE, WHAT TYPE OF RECREATION WOULD YOU SAY IS MOST IMPORTANT? PASSIVE RECREATION: being recreational uses that do not require special facilities, fields or equipment or ACTIVE RECREATION: being organized activities requiring special facilities like soccer fields, tennis courts, playgrounds and swimming pools?		
Passive	712	59.78%
Active	479	40.22%
Total	1191	

Q18

During different parts of the year what times of the day and week are you most likely to recreate?

Spring

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Weekday Morning	251	10.09%
Weekday Afternoon	359	14.43%
Weekday Evening	444	17.85%
Weekend Morning	443	17.81%
Weekend Afternoon	635	25.52%
Weekend Evening	356	14.31%
Total	2488	
Summer		
Weekday Morning	410	12.97%
Weekday Afternoon	352	11.14%
Weekday Evening	626	19.81%
Weekend Morning	623	19.72%
Weekend Afternoon	616	19.49%
Weekend Evening	533	16.87%
Total	3160	
Fall		
Weekday Morning	251	9.95%
Weekday Afternoon	387	15.34%
Weekday Evening	435	17.24%
Weekend Morning	462	18.31%
Weekend Afternoon	641	25.41%
Weekend Evening	347	13.75%
Total	2523	
Winter		
Weekday Morning	218	10.49%
Weekday Afternoon	364	17.51%
Weekday Evening	228	10.97%
Weekend Morning	407	19.58%
Weekend Afternoon	651	31.31%
Weekend Evening	211	10.15%
Total	2079	
All Year		
Weekday Morning	259	11.33%
Weekday Afternoon	309	13.52%
Weekday Evening	349	15.27%
Weekend Morning	449	19.65%
Weekend Afternoon	605	26.48%
Weekend Evening	314	13.74%
Total	2285	
Never		
Weekday Morning	106	38.55%
Weekday Afternoon	57	20.73%
Weekday Evening	24	8.73%
Weekend Morning	33	12.00%
Weekend Afternoon	20	7.27%

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Weekend Evening	35	12.73%
Total	275	

Q19

Thinking of families attending these events, is it important to have other recreational improvements available during your events?

Yes	710	65.62%
No	372	34.38%
Total	1082	

Q20

Thinking about transportation by participants to your events please rank the importance of the following transportation facilities?

Paved Trails

0	196	18.51%
1	95	8.97%
2	110	10.39%
3	188	17.75%
4	170	16.05%
5	300	28.33%
Total	1059	

Bus Stops

0	207	19.92%
1	101	9.72%
2	156	15.01%
3	205	19.73%
4	154	14.82%
5	216	20.79%
Total	1039	

Bus Parking

0	255	25.20%
1	163	16.11%
2	185	18.28%
3	189	18.68%
4	109	10.77%
5	111	10.97%
Total	1012	

Bicycle Racks

0	127	11.96%
1	58	5.46%
2	101	9.51%
3	172	16.20%
4	202	19.02%
5	402	37.85%
Total	1062	

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Parking Spaces

0	52	4.86%
1	59	5.51%
2	116	10.84%
3	200	18.69%
4	235	21.96%
5	408	38.13%
Total	1070	

Q21

HOW SATISFIED ARE YOU WITH THE FOLLOWING:

County Park System

Very Unsatisfied	77	6.97%
Unsatisfied	152	13.77%
Neutral	482	43.66%
Satisfied	340	30.80%
Very Satisfied	53	4.80%
Total	1104	

County Trail System

Very Unsatisfied	122	10.99%
Unsatisfied	234	21.08%
Neutral	343	30.90%
Satisfied	323	29.10%
Very Satisfied	88	7.93%
Total	1110	

City And County Funding For Parks Improvements

Very Unsatisfied	126	11.46%
Unsatisfied	294	26.75%
Neutral	467	42.49%
Satisfied	173	15.74%
Very Satisfied	39	3.55%
Total	1099	

City And County Funding For Park Maintenance

Very Unsatisfied	112	10.23%
Unsatisfied	257	23.47%
Neutral	503	45.94%
Satisfied	181	16.53%
Very Satisfied	42	3.84%
Total	1095	

Q22

PLEASE TELL US IF YOU AGREE OR DISAGREE WITH THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS:

The needs for parks, trails and recreation facilities in Gallatin County can be met by volunteers and private donations.

AGREE	92	8.19%
SOMEWHAT AGREE	272	24.20%
NEUTRAL	146	12.99%

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SOMEWHAT DISAGREE	351	31.23%
DISAGREE	263	23.40%
Total	1124	

Parks, trails and recreation facilities in Gallatin County are necessary infrastructure and should be funded by the Government.

AGREE	547	47.98%
SOMEWHAT AGREE	383	33.60%
NEUTRAL	93	8.16%
SOMEWHAT DISAGREE	55	4.82%
DISAGREE	62	5.44%
Total	1140	

Q23

IN ORDER TO FUND MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENTS FOR PARKS AND TRAILS IN GALLATIN COUNTY HOW MUCH PER YEAR WOULD YOU BE WILLING TO PAY?

\$10/YEAR

Strongly Support	536	63.51%
Support	149	17.65%
Neutral	77	9.12%
Oppose	13	1.54%
Strongly Oppose	69	8.18%
Total	844	

\$25/YEAR

Strongly Support	452	50.56%
Support	229	25.62%
Neutral	95	10.63%
Oppose	19	2.13%
Strongly Oppose	99	11.07%
Total	894	

\$50/YEAR

Strongly Support	292	32.85%
Support	173	19.46%
Neutral	156	17.55%
Oppose	96	10.80%
Strongly Oppose	172	19.35%
Total	889	

\$75/YEAR

Strongly Support	125	15.26%
Support	105	12.82%
Neutral	130	15.87%
Oppose	178	21.73%
Strongly Oppose	281	34.31%
Total	819	

\$100/YEAR

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Strongly Support	203	21.76%
Support	86	9.22%
Neutral	111	11.90%
Oppose	132	14.15%
Strongly Oppose	401	42.98%
Total	933	

Q24

DO YOU LIVE INSIDE THE CITY LIMITS?

Yes	647	55.49%
No	519	44.51%
Total	1166	

Q25

WHAT IS YOUR AGE?

Under 18	11	0.92%
18 TO 30	216	18.14%
31 TO 40	337	28.30%
41 TO 50	322	27.04%
51 TO 60	198	16.62%
61 TO 70	82	6.88%
OLDER THAN 70	25	2.10%
Total	1191	

Q26

HOW MANY PEOPLE IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD?

1	135	11.34%
2	456	38.29%
3	224	18.81%
4	265	22.25%
5	82	6.88%
6	20	1.68%
MORE THAN 6	9	0.76%
Total	1191	

Q27

GENDER

Male	639	53.65%
Female	552	46.35%
Total	1191	

Q28

WHAT IS YOUR ANNUAL INCOME LEVEL?

\$0 and \$8,025	48	4.03%
\$8,025 and \$32,550	198	16.62%

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\$32,550 and \$78,850	588	49.37%
\$78,850 and \$164,550	282	23.68%
\$164,550 and \$357,700	62	5.21%
\$357,700 OR GREATER	13	1.09%
Total	1191	

Q30

WHAT IS YOUR ZIP CODE?

59714	158	13.76%
59715	497	43.29%
59716	66	5.75%
59718	324	28.22%
59730	29	2.53%
59741	29	2.53%
59719	5	0.44%
59717	3	0.26%
59728	3	0.26%
59752	16	1.39%
59758	18	1.57%
Total	1148	

• Open Ended Text Data

• Q31

• PLEASE FEEL FREE TO GIVE US ANY ADDITIONAL COMMENTS ABOUT COUNTY PARKS AND TRAILS.

- I will move out of the county before I will pay for the recreation of others. This is not the peoples socialist republic of Gallatin
- Over half of the county is government owned open space. Don't cave to the liberals and increase our taxes. Developers are required to put in parks and the homeowner pays dues to maintain them - that's double taxation.
- I am in support of county parks outside the city limits.
- The the Regional Park is a waste of space, and not a Regional Park at all. I think the money spent on it was better spent on city parks as they are used the most! I would like to see more pave trails like the ones from Three Forks and outside of Manhattan for walking and biking.
- WE NEED FISH IN OUR WATERS. INCREASED FISH POPULATIONS WOULD STIMULATE MONTANA'S ECONOMY
- They just need too improve...poor government funding.
- I just wish not every park in the county or city or state was not used as a dog park the water and grounds are so dirty from them
- really enjoy the trail system in town, the 'M', drinking horse, etc. but feel that taxes are too high already so funds should be found elsewhere
- Greatly appreciate off-leash dog parks, but these areas could really use some enhancements such as trees. It would be nice to be able to frolic with other pups in the shade during summer.
- It would be reasonable to erect one set of rugby posts on a field in town during spring and fall to support local followers of the code.
- Our community struggles with implementing appropriate facilities that can be used by families (multi use fields, playgrounds, skate park) as we have no existing method of funding these efforts outside volunteerism and donors. The needs come from both local families and second homeowners who bring children/grandchildren to town. Yes, we live in a 'park', but where do children go to play basketball, skate, rollerblade, play Frisbee golf, etc... Please help us find a way to fund our community park.
- Please make more trails available for motorized use.
- the weekend fruit market needs to be moved so that the hockey rink can stay up all year BAHA has put so much money into improvements that it is an injustice to not have ice all year for the kids and figure skating groups
- A permanent rugby facility would be great!

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- there needs to be more focus on the snowmobiling trail... there needs to be more ridding areas. Snowmobilers bring a lot of money to our communities
- I wish there was a way of enforcing the leash law when out hiking on the trails. I like dogs, but i don't own one. I just don't appreciate dog owners who will not leash their dogs on trails. I have never been attacked by a dog but I have been jumped on and sometimes you don't know if the dog is friendly or not. When I'm hiking, I'm out there to enjoy my time, don't like being pestered by other hikers dogs. Not everyone is a dog lover and it seems like in the Bozeman area it is a requirement to live here.
- Want to keep motorized in the picture, as well as bikes and just hiking. Don't forget about us that like all forms of recreation including motorized.
- Bicycle lanes along secondary roads would or wider sholders on roads would be helpful and allow for alternative transportation.
- The USFS seems to have an agenda to eliminate mororized recreation in Gallatin county, forcing these trail users to go elswhere.. This will surely have a negative economic impact on Gallatin county.
- more access of OHV and horses
- We really enjoy four-wheeling. Of course we would like to see more, but that might not be possible. Thanks for your consideration.
- I think offroad motorized vehicle use are being condemned by the forest service, and many of these surveys are setup to confirm that. I think they are a vital part of our community and the county should overturn some of the terrible decisions the forest service is making. I think for the popularity of soccer in our town, very little importance is given to having a facility that would accomodate it. I think a very nice soccer complex should be a top priority in the new regional park. Thanks Jason
- County Commission should stop thinking they have all the answers and cities are the enemy, they are elected and should represent all of the citizen of the county. Not just those in unincorporated areas. County needs to step up long range planning for all of its services and land use regulations instead of just hoping things will work out. Better coordination with local cities is essential.
- All Gallatin County Money gets spent in Bozeman. West Valley gets zip. Unfair.
- Dog doo bags and garbage cans are deeply appreciated. I'm happy to pay for my share of these and other park and trail conveniences!
- Please stop closing our trails to motorized users.
- Ever since Bozeman Hot Springs burnt down, I feel there is not adequate outdoor swimming during the winter time. Please consider building a new hotsprings near Bozeman because Norris and Chico are just a little far away.

Bike lanes: what about an incentive to ride your bike to work throughout the summer. Less traffic on the roads means safer biking!

- There is much talk about shutting trails down to motorized vehicle access. Please do not let the the actions of a few careless individuals dictate regulations set for the majority. The majority of ATV, snowmobile, and ORV recreationists are responsible individuals who care greatly about our trails and wilderness. Please consider us who Tread Lightly. Thank You.
- We need way more recreational areas specifically for motorized vehicles. Open more public land to motorized vehicles. Develop bike trail from Bozeman to Manhattan to keep bikers off Dry Creek road. Its too dangerous for bicyclists on that road. Cyclists need to be more respectful when riding on roads.
- We should be some what like Colorado. Their lottery system pays for their trail system. When i am riding or walking i am trying to improve the trial by removing rocks, trees etc.. as I go. Good luck and please don't shut all the trails down to motor bikes.
- It seems that West Yellowstone is left out of most consideration for funding of facilities. There is very little for young people to do here, outside of take advantage of our natural areas. There is no skateboard park, or paved trail in or around town for rollerblading, skateboards, biking. We have recently put in 2 tennis courts, funded primarily by the town. We do not even have an ice rink unless it is taken care of by volunteers. Most of what we have XC ski trails, snowmobile trails are funded by Chamber members, with some funds from grants & county, but very little relatively speaking. There needs to be cooperation between the National government (forest service) and county and town, to improve accessibility and services that are offered. We have a city park that is used for free concerts that benefit visitors and residents, but again primiarly handled by volunteer who donane time, energy, hard work to make it happen. West Yellowstone brings many many dollars to the County because of visitation & t
- Funding assistance for the Dinosaur playground would be a huge bonus to the project with would bring a new vitality to the regional park.
- My familys primary form of recreation is full sized motorized and there is nothing for us in county parks.
- TAKE BACK ALL FOREST SERVICE LAND AND KICK THE FOREST SERVICE OUT OF MONTANA
- Need better parking for winter recreation. Very poor parking for snowmobile use.
- Find a new home for the Farmers Market so that the ice rink at the fairgrounds can be year round!!! Also more available soccer fields near the ones on Durston and Cottonwood as they seem to be privately owned.
- City of Bozeman does a terrible job at providing good outdoor recreation oppportunities. The City of Livingston does better, with less money and less population. Sad. Why does Bozeman have one outdoor swimming pool for our children?
- Year ounge ice hockey would be great. Find an alternative location for the farmers market.

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- Need more trails and access to our public lands.
- We need more access for hunting, atv, and snomobiling. We are all concentrated in one area. There are more people in living here and chosing a motorized way to recreate and areas keeping getting smaller and smaller. A county trail system would be great also.
- It is a shame that bikes and motorcycles get such a bad rap on public land. Some of the busiest trails are the only onew open to bikes and motorcycles, and it seems like it was done just to create user conflicts. Let bikes and motorcycles use all the trails that they previously could before the new travel plan excluding some of the busiest ie. hylite lake, emerald lake
- The new regional park is wonderful - but it is standing alone unless being approached from the north - the only safe way to get there from the south, east or west is by car, bicycle safety is marginal unless you are coming from directly south. It is completely cut off from walking to it from the west due to the poor planning of pedestrian access on oak street.
- Should be designed, managed and maintained for multiple-use. Segregation between user groups can prevent conflict as well as time share
- we have need rugby feilds for ever.
- I would love to see more urban trails connecting neighborhoods, parks, and open space. That would be my top priority.Thanks.
- I live in Flathead but my son and daughter attended MSU and my daughter lives in Belgrade
- WE need PUBLIC PLATFORM TENNIS to keep tennis players and non-tennis players active in the outdoors during the work week.
I would love to explore this further- have helped in a ribbon cutting event in my hometown of Grosse Pointe, MI to secure public paddle tennis. Could be the new lifeblood of the community in winter months....cjgorski@gmail.com
- Need to encourage Forest Service to open many more trails to motorized use. In winter there is no unplowed FS road open for full size 4x4 use. We have to use unplowed county roads or go some place else. Summer is not much better. Question 28 is none of your damn business! Throw my answer out on 28. It is not correct.
- keep the singletrack motorcycle trails open, not closed. enough wilderness opportunity already !.....
- We need more motorized off road recreation opportunities within the County, especially on public lands.
- instead of spending money on land we can not use, lets spend it on developing areas we can use.. IE. open lands rip off!!!
- I think the county is already too heavily involved.
- i would support more if there were provisions for motorcycles, skateboard parks the were promised. stop closing areas of interest for everyone.
- Recreational infrastructure is not keeping up with growth.
- More motorized vehicle access and less restrictions
- Having supervised the parks department in West Yellowstone, and recognizing that the town is surrounded by public lands, I believe the county's roll in improving park facilities at this end of the county should be through a cooperative effort with the town. The town has adequate lands for parks but has a high need for improved areas for organized activities such as soccer, football, baseball and so forth. There is only one landscaped area in town where those activities can take place and that is not enough.
Ken Davis
- Please refrain from taking away any more of the small amount of land used by snowmobiles and atv's.
- Please Keep working with us motorized users!!! I want EVERYONE to enjoy our land. Motorized and non motorized. Please keep our land open for all users. Thanks for all of your efforts.
- in order to preserve what is currently being used we must form a better game plan to involve the end user in a maintenance and improvement program.
- Every trailhead and trail are covered in dog droppings. I can't count the times I've stepped in it, let alone having to weave through the excreatment. The spring thaw creates quite an aroma too. Please start enforcing the leash law!!! I don't appreciate getting jumped on, barked at, sniffed. And if you want some real abuse, just say something to the dogs owner, politely or not.
- snowmobiling is very important to me and that is why I live in Montana. Do not take any more land away from us or I will move to another area.
- We visit from the Mlssoula area to ride OHV trails because public lands in this area is all but closed to us. We enjoy non-motorized recreation as well.
- mainly my use of these areas in the city limits are for my family (wife, 2 children) outside of town I am a avid OHV fan and support trail awareness and shared use with others. Often times I ride my OHV on trails that are shared with other uses at times that will not effect their popular use times and still catch flak about it from others. I have been an OHV rider for 22 years and obey all the laws for sound requirements, registration, spark arrestor, and proper safety equipment. I try to instil these values in all the people I meet on the trail hoping that we can all get along out there but here in the gallatin valley things are far beyond that point. I am honestly getting to the point of not caring anymore when i come accross a hiker/bicycler on the trail. since i do have the right to be there but they feel i don't. There needs to be a balanced use and more signs in these areas pointing these facts out. many people believe the Bangtails are for bicycles only but they are open to OHV (motorcycle) only
- Questions #12, #17 are ambiguous.

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The recreation/transportation I do on horseback doesn't require much in the way of special facilities except access to safe roadsides, public trails and open space. A public open space dedicated to equestrian uses, with acreage for cross-country recreation & competition, a simple outdoor arena and parking space would be a very popular destination. Currently this is a large recreational population that is not well served by the county.

- In my opinion Gallatin County is dead set against any form of motorized use, and this is both unfair and to an extent unfounded. As an OHV user I understand the concept of the 'bad apple' that ruins it for all, but I also feel that this applies to every user group. There is more than enough recreation opportunities for ALL users in Gallatin County that desire to be in solitude with their chosen form of recreation. What I ultimately fear is an overuse of sections of the trail system due to closures of other trails resulting in poor quality conditions for ALL users of said trail.
- I have a strong like for the in/near town trail system, and believe that is a very good use of public and private funding. I make use of that system on a near daily basis.
- The recreation/transportation I do on horseback doesn't require much in the way of special facilities except access to safe roadsides, public trails and open space. However, a public open space dedicated to equestrian uses, with acreage for cross-country recreation & competition would be a very popular destination. Currently this is a large recreational population that is not well served by the county.
- No not close any trails ,keep all trails open to the public
- The public lands need to stay open for motorized use all year long.
- Give motorized kids and adults a place to play. That keeps them off of empty lots and other private property.
- Feel very strongly that trails need to stay open to motorized use!
- We need more multiple use areas open to off road motorcycles, atv's, bicycles, horses, etc....
- Forest Service needs to stop closing off access for motorized! We have plenty of wilderness!
- We, the motorized trail users pay taxes on every mile we cover so to be fair you need to tax the hikers bikers and the horsemen as well.
- Don't give up trying to obtain more fields for outdoor activities
- The softball fields are in dire need of repair, the players are playing on rocks. Over 100 teams participate on those fields on a weekly basis and they are ignored by the city so we can have more dog runs. Please add some dirt to the softball fields can be playable and safe. The Softball fields in this town are not near as nice as other towns around the state and therefore those teams from other cities will not come here and play.
- Please reopen Hilite to snowmobiling
- Stop closing trails to snowmobiles
- Mtn. biking specific trails are commonplace now in many towns the size and demographic of Bozeman. Let's make more than one. Also what about a Gallatin Canyon trail from Big Sky to Bozeman.
- No fairgrounds farmers market in summer, we need year long ice for the Baha Hockey organization
- We use and enjoy the bicycle trails in county and city. Worst problem: Idiot dog owners who refuse to leash their animals and/or pick up the POOP! Sadly, 'you can't fix stupid.'
- keep the trails open to motorcycle use. We bring money and clear the trails for others to enjoy
- don't make them too nice, let them be natural
- more equestrian trails!
- Providing access to all user groups is important. Please know that rural roads are what I use on a daily basis for exercise, recreation, and transportation. I run, walk my dog, and ride my horses on dirt roads every day. When rural roads are paved, my trails will be destroyed. Recognizing and supporting historic uses, ie equestrians using dirt roads, helps preserve the character of the Gallatin Valley. Finally, investing in trails in a great way to provide the average person, who can't afford a gym membership, a way to exercise every day!
- There are so many horses in Gallatin County and nearly no trails.
- We can't use the trails in the winter because nothing is paved! This forces runners to run on the side of the road. I don't think this is safe. If people want to run on trails, there are plenty outside of town. If Minnesota can pave and maintain their paved trails, why can't we do the same?
- The parks and trails in Gallatin county need to enhance our diversity here. Equestrians and their horses should be able to ride or drive on the trail systems along with the walkers, bicyclist, and jogger. The parks should provide bike racks and hitching rails for those who want to use bikes or horses for transportation to those areas. Shared trails are well used and maintained trails as more individuals and groups share a common interest in them. This might help us work toward a more privately funded maintenance and improvement program.
- County parks and trails have a very narrow focus and do not adequately support the equestrian and agricultural faction in this valley. The past and current facilities are getting taken over by other interests that could be served just as easily at other un-established areas.
- Would like to see more equestrian trails. Inconsiderate mountain bikers and motorcyclists have caused many life threatening incidents on unregulated trails.

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- Gallatin Valley desperately needs more developed sports fields, especially for youth and adult soccer.
- Want to let you know the number of snowmobilers in the county. And the importance of the tourists it brings from out of town/county.
- you cannot submit without listing income?! thus - i have given you an incorrect answer - ridiculous
- Funding for the parks and trails should be mostly funded with private donations and not taken from the taxpayer. Times are tough and it is NOT a necessity to have the 'biggest and best'.
- Better Equestrian trail access mapping
- we need a year-round ice hockey facility. the farmer's market should find a new home. the amount of people who could use this space far outweighs the fledgling farmers market
- Believe trails that are currently available to motorized use need to stay open
- When it comes to the development of public recreation opportunities it is my strong opinion that Belgrade residents are grossly overlooked. I feel that our community is very isolated from the recreational opportunities that many of our Bozeman neighbors enjoy.

I realize that some of the short comings in the development of both passive and active recreation facilities as identified in the above survey falls directly on local city planning and developers. However, it seems that there is a large disparity in the amount of focus and dollars that the county places on the development of both passive and active recreation opportunities in the immediate Belgrade area.

As both a parent and active recreationist now living in Belgrade this is a matter that I am extremely passionate about. Having once lived in the Bozeman city limits, the recreational opportunities that we once enjoyed there are sorely missed. My children don't have the convenience of a park to play in or nice safe trails to walk or ride bik

- I am most concerned with OHV / ATV trail systems and recreation areas. As the population of Gallatin County continues to grow there will be a large increase in motorized users in the area and the need for adequate recreation areas will increase significantly.
- more maintenance is needed! expand the 'gallagator' trail & make a map of it easily available. Expand bike lanes & connect trails to bike lanes.
- A county trail system between communities (Bozeman to Three Forks) would be awesome.
- There should be no more limitations put onto OHVs on National Forest land in Gallatin County.
- Are there any county parks?
- I bike commute much of the year and frequently bike with my family for recreation. strongly support trails for commuting and recreation but in the county I can't get much of anywhere on trails.
- I would like to see bike lanes from town that safely lead to and trail heads and parks. Adequate (especially during events) bike parking in, parks, and trail heads.
- parks and trails are part of a healthy community and help make bozeman livable.
- This is a poorly written survey.

On #20, I answered 5's to mean important.

In general, county parks and trails are invaluable to our future community. Having them connect more would be beneficial. And, although I don't personally use them for certain activities listed, that doesn't mean I don't deem those activities any less important, for example horse back riding.

Do we have beaches in Montana?

- Bike lanes! I want bike lanes! And driver education to make using bike lanes safe. There should be literature passed out at the driver licensing station, in packets for incoming MSU students, and available at every bike shop in town. I would be willing to lend my limited expertise: kelly_jennifer@yahoo.com.
- This is a frustrating survey as it poses false choices (e.g., active vs. passive, pick one). Several questions make no sense - which 'new facilities' are most needed: fairgrounds, lakes? We have a fairgrounds that needs maintenance and improvement desperately, and we're not likely to make more lakes, are we?
- great job! we love you guys!
- When voting for the open space bond issues, I expected that more would be used for the general public usage or that the general public would be given access to more of the conservation easement lands. It is dissapointing that the County has not been more forthcoming on developing and supporting the new regional park off of Oak St. Even though my use tends to be passive, I think it is very important to provide and support active use for kids and others.
- question 16 - add bicycling!
- Because of water issues in the County, the creation of lakes should be strongly discouraged and avoided. Concern for protecting water resources should also be heavily considered when deciding where to put new trails. Low maintenance is very important for any recreation areal.
- More dog off leash parks.
- Trails are needed within towns and subdivisions and between cities. Trails to connect cities to national forest are not a good idea so that some trails are left uncrowded, i.e. those in the forest.

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- I would be interested cross country ski areas in town where you could ski with your dog. I actually live in Park county but work in Bozeman so I use the trails in Bozeman.
- Bogert tennis courts are the perfect example of the state of our parks that do not have an organized 'user group'. It should not take bake sales and volunteer efforts for years to have tennis courts repaired and facilities like skateboard parks, disc golf, and a BMX course.

The fact that softball uses city lands and is a private organization that can afford to install a million dollar light system is a huge part of the problem. Any other city with a sport or activity that generates revenue funnels that revenue into all aspects of the recreation and parks programs. Politics and promises by city managers in the past have created a system that does not work.

'User group' funding and parkland improvements matching funds grants do not work. Sports like swimming and softball need to have their revenue proportionately used to fund other parks programs.

Another example is Bogert skating rink in which volunteers fought with city hall for years to be allowed to have hockey boards there after the fairgrounds rink

- The county needs a park maintenance division to take care of the parks and trails before you build more of them
- One of the best things about this town is the Gallagator Trail, and the close proximity to public lands (especially Bozeman Creek trail in the winter). I love it here! Thanks for all you do to keep those things going!
- survey too long, and poorly worded, not specific enough
- I see passive and active recreation as equally important and would prefer not to prioritize one over the other. A nice walking/ biking/ equestrian trail is just as important as pools and playgrounds. I would like to see multi use trails adjacent to heavily traveled roads to provide for safe transit for walkers, bikers, and equestrian users. Most of the roads around Bozeman are so narrow (no shoulders) that I would not attempt to ride a bike, much less my horse down the road. I would also like to see multi use recreation paths established along river corridors (i.e a 'Park way').
- I hope that this inventory and trails plan would include the trails on our federally managed public lands in Gallatin County. Multiple use trails provide recreation and transportation for elderly, handicapped and the physically challenged. Only the users of trails should be responsible for maintenance and this cost should not be put on the public as a whole.
- I think it is beneficial to have active recreational sites for children and families; I just wouldn't use them much...and I think that it is VERY important to have passive recreational trails (not all necessarily paved) that can easily be used by families because it is a unique and wonderful experience to be more 'in the wild' -not easy these days.
- Sourdough NEEDS an OFF-Pavement (automobile) trail out to Nash!!!! Off road motorcycles are what help keep trails clear and responsible riders are a constant source of Volunteer trail maintenance.
- The County essentially ignores Big Sky in any financial help or technical assistance. We are part of the county that pays more than our fair share of taxes with little or no help coming back from the county.
- The more the better and as interconnected as possible.

Thanks for your work.

- Need to network trails for all users.
- The city of Bozeman has done a pretty good job of providing parks and recreation facilities. The county's lack of funding to maintain the fairgrounds should be a crime! The fairgrounds are the biggest eye sore to the community yet the site offers enormous potential for first class trade shows, concerts and other events. #1 Get off your behind and maintain what we currently have at the fairgrounds - ie. blade and gravel the parking lots & plow snow in the winter during events! #2 Get with a master plans for new facilities that will better utilize the overall site.

As far as trails & recreation opportunities in the county - they're almost non-existent. Just look at the delays and boonedoggle in handling the new county recreation area. Every time we turn around the county is trying to spin off a few acres of the park for a 911 center or some other ridiculous use. I'd like to see a lot less focus on million dollar payouts to landowner friends of the commission under the guise of 'open space' and invest

- Need to complete the Main Street to the Mountains trail system and desperately need a bike trail to Belgrade and more bike lanes.
- A new aquatics center should be the city and county's #1 recreation priority.
- I am very happy to have the new paved trails in Big Sky to the falls from Hwy 191
- County and Bozeman should work more cooperatively on parks, trails and recreation. County trails board should be re-activated and coordinated with Board of Park Commissioners, which doesn't seem to be doing much. County should give more support and attention to parks, recreation and trails, including acquisition, development and maintenance.
- Love to see more/extended paved bike trails going into Bozeman from outlying areas. Love to see a cyclocross course set up.
- We need a cyclocross track!! Can we build one at 100-acre park?
- We need trail connections from towns to National Forests--Bridgers, Gallatin Range and also to BLM, i.e out to the Madison River/Beartrap.
- I think it is essential to protect open space for people to do various non motorized activities. I am also concerned that there are few if any options for people who want to ride horseback. The dirt roads are getting paved rapidly

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and once they are, cars go too fast to ride a horse. An extensive natural trail network that would include horse back riding would be great. Thanks for the survey!

- I am an off road motorcycle user. Our family ride motorcycles just like other families ski or golf. We are very frustrated with all the closures
- to our sport.
- Greenspace is sparse throughout this town. Any neighborhoods West of North 7th are stuck with nothing with the exception of the High School. Otherwise, it requires a commute.
 - Parks and trails don't need to be paved and full of buildings. The whole point behind a park or trail is to get away from development.
 - I think the park service needs to keep in mind that there has not been a survey to see how happy people are with what they have. I have heard that people are having trouble sharing the trails. Unhappy people do make allot of noise, but please keep in mind that there are lots and lots of people out here that are not part of ANY group as well, as lots of people that can not afford organized sporting events, that are totally thrilled to be able to access the surrounding areas. For me to support a park policeman, I need to feel that I can go play anytime anywhere, more or less.
 - Please include equestrian access and facilities.
 - Public trails for non-motorized travel are an essential part of the community. Equestrian uses should be incorporated into the existing laws.
 - Please try to connect downtown with the Bozeman Creek trailhead.
 - I'm not in favor of paying for sports - that should be paid by the parents. But parks and trails for hiking, nature watching, skiing should be provided for all citizens by our taxes.
 - I'm part of a recreational population that is not served well by the county at this time: equestrians. It would be great to have a public open space (like a plain outdoor arena) dedicated to horse use where friends could gather for recreation and competition. Other than adequate parking, not much else would be needed. Thank you for doing a survey.
 - provide off-road bike/pedestrian paths along busy streets. Do not build bike lanes that abruptly end on roads that have no lanes. Prohibit biking along roads with no shoulders and heavy traffic.
 - Thanks for conducting this survey. We need more trails - away from streets - around town for cycling to work, school and shopping. We also need more trails for dogs to be off-leash. Our family would particularly enjoy more areas for cross-country skiing and sledding in same vicinity, so children can have fun while their parents get exercise. (The 'Snowfall' /Hedvig's Trail' area is terrific please expand to the existing landfill as it closes great location for trails, sledding hill and playground.
 - Next time, please get professional help in survey design. Questions were ambiguous, terms undefined (which trails? Bozeman's trail system? 'Use a road as a trail?' -- what's that mean!?)

Forcing people to answer the income question is

- I think the county should consider using the State Land parcel along Amsterdam Road for a county park that includes equestrian facilities for jumping-xc events, trails, frisbee park, etc.
- Question #20--Not sure if 0 means strongly support or oppose. I absolutely oppose paved trails. Sidewalks are paved--Why pave trails? Counter intuitive and wasteful. I will concede necessary in some cases. Thanks for your hard work!
- Bike trails linking Amsterdam/Churchill with Manhattan, Bozeman & Belgrade would be ideal.
- Trail connections need to be made to other transportation facilities such as sidewalks, bike lanes, low volume roads, bus stops to allow people to travel without needing to own a car.
- I am a huge fan and feel they are critical to quality of life. We desperately need a quality outdoor swimming pool that offers lap swimming any time for adults and a separate area for kids with grass and a nice atmosphere. It would also be great to have a nice indoor swim facility for kids like the Boulder, Colorado North Boulder Recreational Facility, which is outstanding. Thanks for expanding our parks and trails.
- Protection of motorized public land access is very important to me. Condensing motorized usage into smaller areas makes no sense.
- Parks and trails should be required for all new development and redevelopment. I support impact fees and think this is an appropriate source for some park and trail development and maintenance funding. Trails will help distribute and dilute road traffic and encourage more use of alternate transportation, if proper and effective trail linkages exist. Boulder, Colorado has this well dialed in -- a great example of how to do urban trails very well. We all love the work of the Gallatin Valley Land Trust, but we should not count on them to do it all.
- PLANNING & VISION of a better city and county than most of the rest of the nation has are critical as well as political support and dedication to sticking with the plans even when developers entice them with donations and tax revenues.
- Let us finish building trails connecting town with

Bridgers, Bozeman Creek and Hylites.

I strongly support Nordic skiing in town and town and county should do all possible to help Bridger Ski Foundation to groom and maintain trails.

I strongly support designated bike lines on maximum number of roads possible.

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- The city/county really needs a community rec center. A flexible, high-quality aquatic facility is critical. Either a 50 meter pool with movable bulkhead, or a T-style pool with both 50 meter and 25 yd lap swimming depending on the swim orientation is sorely needed. A separate warm pool for water aerobics would be nice.
- thanks for making this available! i'm passing it on.
- The Big Sky Community Corp, a 501c3 in Big Sky, has developed and impressive park and trail system that is used primarily by tax paying residents of Gallatin County. This is particularly true of the softball fields. These facilities need and deserve County financial support.

Monforton School Road needs an adjacent trail so that school kids can get off of what was once a rural road and onto a safe path.

The County needs to work to restore some of 16 Mile canyon to the public domain for hiking and fishing.

- Hey Mike - How about helping us out in Big Sky with the Community Park Improvements? We're ready to build with all engineering, design, and construction bidding complete - we just need \$!
- This survey is poorly worded and can generate misleading results due to user error when filling in the survey.
- A bicycle/pedestrian trail connecting Bozeman to Belgrade is desperately needed. Ravalli county and Lake county are doing it, we can too.
- Hyalite being closed off for snowmobiles has hurt the ice climbers coming from all parts of the country and the snowmobilers to be able to get to areas, no one else goes...
- you're missing the boat. recreational trails and opportunities do not need to be structured. simply do not interfere
- Many people use the trails for many reasons. When you start to shut them down because some people are complaining, your limiting the rest of us from enjoying the outdoors. I've lived here my entire life, and I'm in fact the 7th generation in Bozeman. I want my kids to grow up knowing they can enjoy the trails and mountains as much as I have growing up. Thanks
- Great need to continue and maintain the present trails.. Very well used in Gallatin county.. Need more facilities in Big Sky as the locals cannot afford to support them fully...
- You should call the Gallatin county regional park Bozeman city park. West yellowstone residents should not have to pay for your parks or your open spaces. It is of no value to people that live 90 miles away. But good job on taking our tax dollars and I hope your children enjoy your parks. It is along bike ride for my kids.
- Maintain the access for mountain bikes on Bozeman's surrounding trails! It is a great form of exercise, has limited impact on the environment, and encourages many people to get outside, exercise, and get more involved!
- The recreation/transportation I do on horseback doesn't require much in the way of special facilities except access to safe roadsides, public trails and open space. A public open space dedicated to equestrian uses, with acreage for cross-country recreation & competition, a simple outdoor arena and parking space would be a very popular destination. Currently this is a large recreational population that is not well served by the county.
- I live in Baxter Meadows and what I find is that trails are intermittent and don't go anywhere. It seems trails that go somewhere are in the higher end neighborhoods where people can afford to volunteer and pay for such amenities. I live in a driving neighborhood but would love to bike to work and to shopping but it's a dangerous ride.
- 1) The majority of trails should be unpaved.

2) Trails should be interconnecting

3) Roads are not substitutes for trails

4) Trails should be a part of every new development, as are roads, water, sewer etc.

5) Trails should connect with surrounding public lands

- I would like to see a \the trails in new subdivisions to be connected so they are more user friendly. Also a trail to Belgrade that is paved for biking
- i feel blessed and privileged to live in Montana - a state of great natural resources and beauty. The hiking, snowshoeing, cc skiing, biking trails are wonderful. However, living off Springhill Road makes it quite dangerous to bicycle on the road. I wish it was wider with a biking lane. Perhaps someday? My three granddaughters love the outdoors and this summer I hope to hike the trail to the M with oldest two. Hiking w/the BWAGs I have been far and wide on trails pristine and quiet. Let's keep them so.
- Your survey forgot to include the need for toilet facilities. I think there is a lack of portapotties or restrooms at trailheads and parks. I am not a fan of funding much more than trails, passive parks, and bathroom facilities. I think groups with special interests can put together some of the funds to pay for special mowing, grooming, equipment, etc.
- More education is needed for the public to understand the importance of outdoor recreation from hiking to organized activities.

Getting outside and away from machinery is necessary for our health and needs support

- I would like to see more hiking and back-country ski trails developed.
- there is no safe way for me to commute between belgrade(home) & bozeman(work) on my bike so i dont have to drive. in belgrade there is not many safe places(sidewalks/trails/ crosswalks or pedestrian signs to warn vehicles)

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for my children & I to ride our bikes in town and to commute to city parks/stores safely.

- Better biking opportunities along existing roads so it doesn't feel so dangerous.
- Good talk....keep on truckin...
- My most desired improvement would be a safe biking/running trail along 19th from Bozeman to Hyalite. We live along 19th and it's very difficult to go anywhere as a family on bikes or walking because 19th is too scary to allow kids to be on.
Question #15 was difficult to answer in the way it was worded. In some seasons, the answer would be never, while in others it would be once or twice a week. Perhaps an answer set with numbers would be more helpful - once a year/2-8 times a year/8-15 times/ weekly all year/weekly seasonally, etc.
- I am concerned with the Sypes Canyon trailhead. it is small and adjacent land owners are attempting to make it smaller by posting no parking signs within the county road easement.
- the facilities in the parks that I think are inadequate at the lack of restrooms. The greatest need of a trail is between Bozeman and Belgrade. There is a desperate need for a bike path between the two.
- For those of us living near Valley Center Road, we need alternatives to Valley Center Road walking/biking because it is very dangerous. It would be nice to have a bike/walking path to link subdivisions with each other and, ideally, to get to N. 19th.
- Get the bike trail connected throughout the valley please.
- I feel there needs to be more attention to green corridors in the western expansion of Bozeman to the Gallatin River. Urban sprawl has been rolling that direction for years with apparent disregard to adequate recreation areas for the number of residents. Better multi-use parks (disc golf courses are a great example) that can provide environmental benefits by preserving green space are a necessary way of breaking up residential and commercial communities.
- The quality of life around here is great, and needs no help from government to improve. The local governments need to quit diverting taxpayer money toward efforts like this and focus on health and safety. If the citizens want to have pretty little parks everywhere, they need to find ways to fund them themselves.
- I think have parks that are well maintained and that allow shade, sun and privacy are important
- Please keep dogs out of the parks with maintained lawns. The park I use for my noontime walk is a health hazard from all the dog poop. (west of the main mall). Set aside a few areas in Bozeman for people to exercise their dogs, but keep most parks off limit. The parks should be for people. Dog owners do not clean up their poop and let their dogs run at large. I shouldn't have to risk being chased or knocked down by other people's dogs, and walking through dog poop is disgusting. Dog owners in this town are irresponsible and deserve to be restricted to non-maintained parks. The Forest Service has to pay someone to remove all the dog poop from the M because it is such a health hazard. Parks should be for people not for dogs. When people are displaced from parks because of all the dogs and irresponsible owners, something is wrong.
- taxes are high enough and I feel if you increase taxes any more you are only hurting people on a fixed income. If people want trails all you have to do is head to the mountains and they can hike all they want. The government does not have an obligation to provide parks and trails for all. We live in Montana, home of the Big Sky, and there is lots of open space, state and federal lands to recreate on.
- No More Taxes!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
- We need dog parks! There are not enough dog friendly parks in Bozeman and that is absurd. The animal control should not be a government funded branch.
- There are over 1500 kids playing organized soccer, the field space is shrinking AND the fields are getting wrecked from over use.

Please help

- Love the trails for hiking and biking. Don't like the dog owners that aren't responsible for their cleanup.
- Use of public trails are considered a passive activity in this survey. The trail system suggests they should all be paved, where there should be a greater emphasis on gravel fines trails unless it is considered a major pedestrian/bicycle pathway.

Areas for active organized activities have not kept pace with growth in the valley, which is sad. Active activities and passive parkland should not be pitted against one another.

- I don't think we need more parks, we need to maintain the parks we already have. Our baseball fields are in terrible condition. Many parks need better playground equipment and also a fulltime person to pick up dog poop.
- need a trail system along the frontage road between Bozeman and Belgrade in the right of way of MRL. work with them it would be a good thing for the county and railroad to work together for the better of the community. MRL does nothing for the betterment of Gallatin County and Montana for that matter..
- Bozeman could really use a new Indoor Pool as well as a new Outdoor Pool.
- Equestrian needs to be considered highly! There are more small acre owners with horses, and I think they have been ignored too long. Education for trail riding is important, too.
- 1) funding and maintenance should be public private partnerships

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2) paved vs. natural trail base is very situational; question in survey was poorly presented

3) My family uses trails and sidewalks for transportation and recreation; question would not let me document that

4) cyclists need some safe access to Belgrade area; ie: lanes or trails.

5) work with USFS, BSF and SWMCC to keep Hyalite open during the winter, great resource!

- Keep up the great work!
- You have the manpower with all the people who are in jail or people who prefer not to pay their fines or have the ability to. Use the resources where they are giving back to the community. Especially the juvenile delinquents who continually do graffiti in the parks. Also, all the MSU civic organizations or frats/sororities that need to do community service for projects. One example is all the little league baseball fields. They are pathetic. They do not even compare to Helena, Butte, Billings, or Missoula. Just recently have they improved, but I believe it is from the parents, not the government. Outdoor swimming pool needs to be expanded.
- More bike and walking trails!
- Mountain biking single-track trails are needed. There are lots of people who would use them.
- Need more fenced off leash dog areas
- MORE MORE MORE!! That is why so many choose to live here. Quality of life here depends on open and park space. Trails around town and outside of town help to make Bozeman unique. It is so important to preserve these, improve them and create more. I would be willing to pay extra taxes if it would help to maintain what we already have and gain more!
- Thanks for doing this!
- What I would most like to see in Gallatin Co right now is a better swimming facility, both indoor and outdoor. The fact there is no toddler pool that is both warmer and less than 3 feet deep at the Swim Center is unfortunate, especially given the HUGE baby boom in Bozeman over the last few years. Also, the Bogart pool is FAR too small for the population base, it is somewhat dangerous to have so many people in such a small space. I realize putting money into a 3 month use facility may be silly, in which case, let's expand the Swim Center facility and worry about Bogart Park Pool later. I STRONGLY support funds and work to the ends of making better swimming facilities in Bozeman.
- STOP spending our money on OPEN SPACE we cannot use and START investing in viable parks and facilities like the City of Bozeman has.
- I live in Belgrade, and I find it very frustrating that I have to drive to Bozeman or Manhattan to find a nice place to walk my dog or hike. Bozeman, Manhattan and even Three Forks have great trail systems. Why not Belgrade?

Also, when you ask about the amount I would be willing to spend per year on parks, that would be on trails. It seems to me there are enough parks and recreational facilities for game-playing in the Bozeman area.

- More leash free areas like Peets Hill! I think it is a huge success.
- Thank you! :)
- child playground facilities with shade are important - the facility at Bogert needs to be replaced, and trees should be planted. Kids regularly burn themselves on the metal in summer. Also, we need another outside swimming pool, with toddler swim area. One is no longer sufficient with the growth in the valley.
- Very much enjoy and consider valuable the areas parks, trails, and recreation areas. Although I don't use the majority of city parks, especially the 'organized' parks like ballparks / skateparks / bmx-parks, I believe these facilities are very important for the regions communities.

I believe that the city and county management should not lose focus on the importance of bicycles for general transportation in our area. A paved trail is needed between Bozeman and Belgrade to provide safe bicycle / jogging along the frontage road (although I personally would only rarely use such a trail).

thank you.

- I support limited access by snowmobiles, motorized vehicles, and horses!!!
- More off leash dog areas please. Also paved trails to farther rec areas & between bozman & belgrade would be super!
- County parks and trails in combination with other public lands in Gallatin County are an integral if not the single most important thing that makes the quality of life in Bozeman so high. Continuing to make the maintenance of existing trails and parks, as well as the creation of new trails and parks, a high political and fiscal priority is critical to the the health of the city and residents of Bozeman.
- Our family prefers undeveloped trail areas where natural vegetation is present. We enjoy birding identifying flowers, trees, animal tracks, etc. We are not interested in organized sports.
- You should discount question 20 as I did not know if 1 was high or low or if 5 was high or low as the zero threw me off. Best of luck!
- THERE NEEDS TO BE A BIKE PATH/TRAIL BETWEEN BOZEMAN AND BELGRADE!!!!

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POSSIBLY MANHATTAN

THE COUNTY NEEDS TO FOCUS RESOURCES ON AREAS NOT ALREADY PROVIDED FOR BY CITY SERVICES I.E POOL AT THE FAIR GROUNDS

- Bicyclists are a hazard on the roads and trails. They disregard all rules.
- I want a trail between Belgrade and Bozeman.
- keep up the good work!
- and it is ok to tax me for the parks too.
- Let's focus on maintaining what we have, not spending more money on things we don't need. Government priorities should be health and safety, not recreation.
- MORE parks & trails!
- I think tax dollars should be spent on infrastructure and public safety first rather than parks and recreation.
- we need to plan for more and more recreational parks and trails - it's keeping our residents in Gallatin County healthier and our dogs healthier as well.
- I think they are important
- I feel that we would be better helped if the Story Mansion was not part of this system. I feel it is a waste of taxpayer money, which could be more useful elsewhere.
- A more direct connection across Willson is vital... proceeding south along the trail system is arduous. Also, why is there no Belgrade to Bozeman trail?
- make trails accessible for horses. On paved roads make shoulders wider and NOT so sloped VERY dangerous.
- Would love to see a trail system set up between Belgrade, Bozeman, Manhattan. as roadways are becoming too crowded and are very rarely swept and clear of debris.
- I am a real estate broker-cartographer-surveyor who can be reached at email: bw1_tony@yahoo.com. I feel the County needs to get stimulus money to build trails along the outer perimeter of the interstate corridor to: (1) Connect towns; (2) Provide safety for the trail use; and (3) Give greater incentive to people to walk or use bikes for transportation or recreation.

My answers to the above are skewed by the fact that my wife & I own 10 acres on the Upper Ruby River in Madison County, so much of our outdoor activities are enjoyed there from a cabin I built.

- the importance of acquiring land now is extremely important because once the opportunity is lost you may never have the chance again. Getting children involved in activities is one of the best ways to develop their social skills and keep them occupied in healthy activities instead of drugs and crime. The required answer to income level is not relevant to the survey. You will not get an accurate response by requiring that answer.
- It would be nice to have trails connecting outlying areas (Manhattan, Gateway, Belgrade, etc.) to trails/paths into and around Bozeman. For the most part, you are taking your life in your hands if you walk or bike along frontage roads or Hwy. 191.
- Please keep dog poop from accumulating on park grounds. Fine those dog owners heavily who do not pick up after their dogs.
- Some sort of trail system between around Belgrade, and between Belgrade and Bozeman would be a huge improvement in offering the option of not walking/riding on city streets and the highway.
- I love our trails in the City of Bozeman. Would like to see Main Street to the Mountains expanded. Would also like to see a paved trail to Four Corners, to Belgrade, to Bozeman.
- Very pleased with what Gallatin has to offer thus far. Good job. It is what I will miss most about leaving this place. The best feature overall is the in city trail system. It's nice to feel that you are out of the city but still be in it. The trails are also a great way to navigate through town on foot or bike without having to deal with vehicle traffic.
- Should be done early in anticipatory fashion.
- we need trails that people can bike commute on from Bozeman to Four Corners and Bozeman to Belgrade.
- We must have a paved bike trail to Belgrade and beyond. We need another paved east/west county road south of Bzn. A trail the length of the Gallatin River would be so cool. Ski grooming Sourdough is great.
- I would like to see a foot trail linking Bozeman to the M
- Thanks for the survey. Trails are great. Strongly prefer natural dirt trails and hope you keep many of them that way, though understand that some people may have needs for some paved trails. Linking parts of town and outskirts to be able to travel around by trail is great.
- I feel that a good trail system for access to the parks from other parks is very important. The safety aspect of the interconnection of the parks is the most important thing. This is not only for the safety of the bicyclist but also for the joggers and walkers.
- I have three dogs. They don't like to walk in town, so I take them to the dog park by the humane society. If there was some info on line about all the dog parks in the area, we could have a change of scene and would help build their confidence. Thanks
- Ice skating needed badly in Big Sky
- Question 20 has no explanation for the ratings - is '0' very important or not important at all?

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- We appreciate the facilities that are already provided but feel Bozeman has grown to the point where it needs to provide more community facilities e.g. indoor swimming pool, city recreation center
- I'd love to see more trails between Bozeman and Belgrade and more in Belgrade!
- I am very frustrated with the unleashed dogs on trails in & around Bozeman.

I would like to see a continuing paved bike path in the Bozeman area. Rapid City, SD has an excellent 26 mile bike path. Wenatchee, WA also has an eleven mile nice paved path.

Thank you, Chris Pummel

- I see a great need for passive recreation, i.e. parks or simply trails where people can bird-watch, relax, take quiet walks, etc. There seems to be a great desire (especially on the part recreation departments and GVLTA) to make all parks very active or at least very disruptive of the natural environment. GVLTA pushes way too hard to have lots of trails through riparian areas and other relatively intact natural areas.
- absolutely no additional taxes. use only open land funds that have already been stolen from the taxpayers. make those that use the trails and parks pay for them. hunters, fisherman and those using off road vehicles must pay through licenses why not others???
- Adequate restroom facilities are necessary for young and old alike.
- SAFE SAFE SAFE Trails around the new middle school. All of the driving and cars and gas consumption and traffic and congestion around that place in the morning and again after school is appalling. We want to ride bikes to school and WE CANNOT> THIS IS NOT OK We want our kids to be healthy and care for our environment and then our schools are in the middle of nowhere where the only option is to join the throng of drivers or put him on a school bus at 7 AM (which is a whole other issue) Trails for bikes near the schools is a HUGE issue to us.
- Some of my answers would depend on the use I was considering for a trail and its location. For example, for getting to and from work and to local shopping areas, I would like a paved trail so I could ride my bike and the trail wouldn't get muddy. In the mountains, a natural trail would be more appropriate, for hiking. Also, a BIG priority for me is to be able to recreate without stepping in dog sh*t or without worrying about someone's unleashed dog (usually the case) running up and jumping on me (as often happens.) Bozeman is on the verge of tipping from 'dog friendly' to 'dog hostile' as dog owners continually and flagrantly break the leash and 'pooper scooper' laws.
- I would love to have better trails for transportation - I marked recreation on this question b/c trails don't get me safely to daycare or work.
- The trail system with GVLTA is continually improving, but we're still lacking a place for the frisbee golfers. an outlet for youth to do something active in the parks.
- Rugby fields are essential in future planning - growing sport
- I do a lot of road cycling and, although we are blessed with a good community of cyclists and motorists that are fairly cautious of cyclists, there is still a huge need for improved road conditions for cycling in Gallatin Valley. There is no safe route to Belgrade or the roads west of 191, for instance. The frontage road is off limits completely and Huffine is downright spooky for a cyclist. Cycling lanes are wonderful but not entirely necessary. What's necessary is a decent shoulder to safely distance yourself from motorists. This is a serious concern in this valley! Better thought to increasing the width of roads in and out of Bozeman would open up the entire valley and allow for safer travel to the lighter used roads west of Bozeman and beyond.

Also, I'm an active swimmer, participating in the Bozeman Master's swim club several nights a week and once on the weekends. It's a blessing to have a 50 meter pool in our community. The outdoor pool at Boghart is a wonderful pool for the community but totally in

- Connectedness of parks & trails in the city is the most valuable thing for residents.

Strategic purchase of land now will be a great benefit for future generations. Trees should be planted now to make the parks nice for the future generations.

coordination between city, county, state and Federal agencies is important to provide the best experience for recreation.

- Bozeman needs WAY MORE PARKS FOR KIDS TO PLAY IN!!! Not one good park south of Kagy and east of South Third!
- has anyone thought about a huge reservoir somewhere? even if the county had to purchase some private land....might be a crazy idea...what about west and north of town...any chance of that and approaching private landowners for some sort of philanthropic effort like this? or maybe even an adjoining county to the west and work together? also we need some indoor tennis courts, the ones at MSU are 'maxed' all winter and we have some very good young tennis players who have nowhere to play most of time and adults too. I also think a bike path between bozeman and belgrade is a great idea
- The following comment isn't specifically about trails, but it is about recreation: it would nice to create a safer environment for runners such as sidewalks and maybe some street lights, especially along some widely used running areas such as 19th, college, main (even past the mall). Kagy and Highland are in good shape in my opinion. I like to run long distances, about 6 or 7 miles and its really difficult to find a route that is safe for the entire run and this will become more difficult as I increase my mileage. There's a lot of both recreational and competitive runners in this area, I think those improvement would be a good investment in our communities health and recreation. The other issue I run into is the dirt trails being really muddy after the snow has melted, I like dirt trails during the summer but during the winter they're a hassle, so if the paved trails could be increased that would be

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great. However, I wouldn't change all of the trails over the pavement, just the trails that are most used so th

- I think specific areas for dogs need to be established so dog owners have a place to go that won't adversely affect my trail experience.
- we live in river rock belgrade. we love the trails in bozeman but we have none in belgrade. we like to swim and would love to see an indoor pool in belgrade. we have to travel to ride our off highway motorcycles. we would love to see more trails along the river for our bicycles.
- Many of these questions can't be answered by the choices given. I think we need more paved bike trails, perhaps one connecting Livingston to Bozeman, And definately more soccerfields. It should be a priority to make it as easy and attractive as possible for residents to leave theri cars at home and walk or bike to work on a safe trail system. Hylite needs to be open and plowed all winter!!! It is such a great place for everyone to recreate then, and close.
- Would like to see a trail for hiking/biking which goes east-west across the city. Would also like to see some trails extending out of the city to the mountains
- If you can provide space and bathrooms and parking, clubs (e.g. soccer) could help maintain and improve the facilities.
- Let's get folks out of their vehicles and use their own man-power. PLEASE- find a way to get dog owner to RESPECT LEASH LAWS AND PICK UP AFTER THEIR DOG!!! Respect for the leash law is a joke. Durango, CO, has a patrolling officer who enforces this! Please!!
- Building and Maintenance for parks and trails needs to be a mix of private and public funds
- Please, please, please either fund Animal Control to find and fine people that do not clean up after their dogs OR fund a county job to clean up the mess that the dogs make. Dog mess is a terrible part of the Bozeman culture that is unhealthy and ruins the park system for many people. Check out the conversations about dog mess on Bozeman Talks and other online forums...there are many who feel the same way. SOMETHING needs to be done.
- utilize the fairgrounds and we really need more activities for families with young children for the long winters!
- Some way to walk or bike to Bozeman from Belgrade is greatly needed. It is ridiculous that the ONLY option I have is the very dangerous Frontage Rd. I consider this a huge failure on the parts of the two city governments.
- where are the off leash dog areas?
- 1) Drinking water and bathrooms would be nice for more parks and more of the year.
- 2) Sidewalks/paved paths for the full length of busy streets. Seems most have significant gaps.
- 3) Crossing lights where trails cross busy streets.
- 4) Do dog poop bags help? Seems like without them the poop naturally decays. Now people put the poop in bags and throw them on the ground. The bags last until somebody that cares picks them up.
- 5) I think we can afford to wait for costly improvements (including those I would like) until we can actually afford them.

Thank you!

- Adding bike/trail access on the perimeter of the large wheat field that the hospital owns would be great. I'm referring to the field that is surrounded by Kagy-Bozeman Trail Road-Haggerty Lane. For example there is no shoulder on Kagy east of Highland Blvd. It is dangerous to ride a bike on that stretch of Kagy to the east because of no shoulder, hilly terrain, and steep drops on each side. Creating a gravel path all around that wheat field area would give many folks on the east side of town the ability to walk or bike into town without having to ride on the roads there.
- A trail between Bozeman and Belgrade would be nice so we could ride bikes to Belgrade where the kids go to school. The frontage road is dangerous because it is too narrow for pedestrians/bikers. Bozeman could partner with Belgrade on the expenses.
- I love walking. I'd like to see the trail from Manhattan to the gallatine river extended to Belgrade or into the county owned lands.
- I need a safe trail to ride my bike to Bozeman for work. Valley Center Road is awful!
- subdivisions outside of city limits should be connected to city- developers should be required to make improvements or at the very least contribute or work with other developers. Some bike pathes should be separated from roads.
- We have many nice parks and trails in Bozeman. I think the focus of our efforts should be on maintaining what we already have, and not on large expansion of the system. I think we can use volunteer clean up days, and private donations to help maintain these facilities. I think it is unnecessary to burden residents who do not use the facilities with the funding of projects and maintenance. Thank you for taking the time to do a public survey on this matter.
- Many people, including myself of course, would love to be able to ride our bikes from Bozeman to Belgrade and vice-versa. Frontage Road is way too dangerous to ride on. How about a gravel trail between the road and railroad tracks? I would be willing to donate time/labor to something like this.
- I think everything is just fine how it is
- There is a need for more walking and bicycle paths along county and state roads. Its is a safety issue on roads like springhill, 19th, etc. Volunteer organizations or individuals should assist the county and city with the maintenance

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of trails and parks, but with the government lead. Developers should be required to create and pay for trails, bicycle and walking paths in and adjacent to their subdivisions.

- Would love to see a paved bike trail between Bozeman and Belgrade. Even widening the frontage road would be a start. Connecting parks and trails in different areas of town would be great too. Love the bike lanes in areas where streets have been improved.
- I would love to see an inline skate accessible trail here. It would need to be maintained however to keep it free from dangerous rocks. Thanks.
- Very much need a paved sidepath from Bozeman to Belgrade, Bozeman to Three Forks preferred. This should follow the railroad tracks ROW or old Highway 10 Frontage Road, easement obtained any way possible. Don't take 'No' for an answer! There simply should be a paved, off-road, high-speed (20mph +), non-motorized, bicycle-pedestrian sidepath in Gallatin County that will allow a 70-100 mile roundtrip without dealing with auto traffic. Interesting/scenic environment preferred, as would be a loop.
- Too much development has diminished the beauty of our trails. I believe it is important that the city /county protect our lands from becoming another CA concrete city!
- Linked trails, especially bike/multiuse trails that are separated from roads, is my highest priority. It is too scary to ride a bike on county roads at my age. I'd love to be able to ride to town and leave the car at home, and recreate along the way.
- outdoor concert space!!

INDOOR soccer facility!!!!!!

- would be nice to see a trail or bike path between Bozeman and Belgrade
- I am a huge supporter of there being a trail system from Belgrade to Bozeman. I live in Belgrade although all of the parks that I use are in Bozeman. In the summer months I typically drive a lot less and use a bicycle to commute and run errands around Belgrade. If there were a safe way to ride to Bozeman in the summer I would begin commuting to work on a bicycle as well. I believe the trail connecting the two communities should be the highest priority.
- I feel a need for more relatively level trails bike and walking trails into the outlying areas. I.e: from central areas of Bozeman to Belgrad, Manhattan etc. well clear of highway traffic.
- i think we all need to realize that open space provides us with a necessary 'decompression zone' that helps keep our ever-growing town as relaxed and happy as possible. thanks!
- Would love to see a connectivity between urban trail system and county trails.

Thanks.

- Swimming facilities need to be improved and expanded. As the community grows, facilities become overcrowded.
- I believe it is critical to preserving the very nature of our western, agricultural community to include horse access to county and city trails. I'd also like to see more transportation trails from outlying areas of the county into town. Thanks!
- I would love to see a combined swimcenter where non-city residents don't have to pay more for utilizing the facilities. I think recreation facilities should be funded by local government as a 'free' resource for all community members to utilize.
- I have grown up in Bozeman -when Kagy was still a dirt road. I believe there is a felt need to have paved bike routes within / next to major streets that allow easy navigation. I believe it is also time for signs that say read 'Share the Road.' Locals and 'implants' have a global duty to become a community that is environmentally friendly. RECYCLING continues to remain an issue for 'Bozemanites' AND NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED with easier access and pick up services that are free.
- The more the better! It would be great to have various neighborhoods and subdivisions work together coordinate their trail systems ... i.e. valley west, flanders creek, laurel glen, west winds, oak springs, 100 acre park, baxter meadows all have great trails that are seemingly disjointed. It would be great to have a large connected network of trails around the west side of bozeman.
- More court space for indoor team sports!! Or give a discount to Bozeman High kids using their space for extracurricular activities...it's like making families pay twice!
- More tennis courts please. Lighted tennis courts would be very much appreciated!
- Safe bike paths are one area where Gallatin County seems to lag far behind other communities. I travel extensively and can almost always find good off-street bike paths through town and outside of town. But not here at home! Thanks!
- County Parks and Trails is Bozeman centric and offers virtually nothing for those of us in Big Sky or West Yellowstone. Would support taxes for COUNTY parks; strongly oppose taxes for more parks in Bozeman.
- intergration and understanding is key
- A trail system/triangle that somehow follows huffine to four corners (paved or not), jackrabbit from four corners to Belgrade, and Belgrade to Bozeman along either E Valley Center Rd or the frontage road would make walking, riding or jogging much easier.
- Would love to see a trail system from Three Forks to Bozeman. The one on Dry Creek Road is wonderful but it is out of the way to get to. Three Forks has a great trail but only goes so far.

The Frontage Road and Valley Center Road are very dangerous to drive much less bike on to get to Bozeman.

- The County must get an adequate parking lot for Bozeman Sourdough Creek Trailhead. Get the cars out of the trees, where they are now.

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- I want to be able to go from my house to the mountains or work without a car and be safe while doing it.
- A vision is important-right of way needs to be obtained whenever possible. For biking there needs to be more paved County roads that have wider shoulders would really help a lot. Funding for trail and shoulder maintenance is a key element. Use open space bond money to build trails. Pass a trail bond like the open space bond to raise funds to build new trails.
- paved paths are hard on runners, and so they end up not using those. Gravelled paths are much better.

Equestrian paths would be terrific; this is Montana! Missoula has a terrific equestrian park.

- You folks do a great job! Thanks for the survey!!
- We need a safe trail for bikes and pedestrians off the Frontage Road between Belgrade & Bozeman!!!!
- bikes should be able to go where ever horses are allowed
- a bike bath from Bozeman to Belgrade would be great
- A bicycle path along Springhill Road - from the Blue Basket to Reese Creek would be one of the most used improvements you could make!
- No more tax money. Have a voluntary annual rec fee.
- would like to see more off road trails
- I am big fan of unpaved trails. They are better for walking, jogging and biking. The work being done to connect the trail systems is fantastic and should continue. I would, however, like to see a larger push for people to clean up after their dogs.
- Biggest need is for bike paths so that driving can be reduced, and trail system for bikes/walking that is connected through county.
- I wish you'd stop closing them to biking and fullsize vehicle trail riding. Would have loved to taken the in-laws to Palisade Falls, but the roadway has been closed and they cannot walk to the trailhead, that's just too far.
- Thanks for doing this!
- build more trails, the roads are scary on a bicycle.
- You need some help with your survey. Some questions are ambiguous, and some are impossible to answer. Also, some actually have grammar or spelling errors. I'd be happy to help (for free)--this is one of my areas of expertise. You can contact me at cplumb@coe.montana.edu.

And. . .one of my specific concerns as a biker is Kagy beyond the city boundary going East. There is no shoulder in many areas--very dangerous.

Thanks for the opportunity to provide input.

- there has to be a way to make a continuous trail from the gallatins to the bridgers.

we need bike lanes or something in town. it is not safe to ride around on the street, and illegal to ride on the sidewalks.

it would be nice to have a safe access to the climbing rocks on the freeway on the north side.

marked trails to climbing accesses and/or footbridges to certain areas

we are really missing some flat land trails by the rivers here. the land is all privately owned. there should be more areas where we can picnic near the river.

- Bike paths outside of traffic lanes are my biggest need, with tennis courts being second
- Parks and trails create safe communities- they contribute to making our town healthy and 'liveable' for all age groups as a source of exercise, activities and access to nature
- Local parks should be primarily maintained the way local residents want them to be maintained.
- I have always felt the park systems have always been inadequate, every time you build a park there is only 3 things you consider.

1..... A pond

2..... BBQ grills

3.....Big field for soccer, baseball, hockey.....

How does Granddad or Auntie or disabled people (physical, mental) participate with the smaller ones?

I would like to see....

Horseshoes (free)

Shuffleboard (free)

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Archery Range (free)

Small (5 hole) Golf course. See Elliston MT, they have one its FUN. (They get \$3.00)

Or a miniature golf course.

Canoe/ paddleboats (rentable)

Clubhouse that would serve burgers, popcorn, pop.....(charging appropriate fees for food), The clubhouse would also make available 1 Horseshoes

2 Pingpong table/ paddles

3 shuffleboard

4 golf clubs (optional)

Fishing (free)

Ducks/Geese

Playground- merry go round, slides

swimming

- More continuous biking trails would be wonderful. A safe way to get from Belgrade to Bozeman would also help.
- Gallatin County needs more trails to connect the existing trails, so that there are longer trail options available.
- I really think it would be great if there were bike trails that connected Belgrade and Bozeman. We live between them and there really isn't a safe way to travel by bike from our home. We usually take our bikes by car to where we want to ride. Over the last 10 years my husband has actually been hit twice by cars on his bicycle.
- Bike/Pedestrian trails from River Rock /Landmark/Cobblestone areas to Belgrade.

Secondarily a bike/pedestrian trail along the Gallatin from Erwin Bridge to Shed's Bridge. (Natural Surface).

- We seriously need to improve pool facilities - existing resources are very overcrowded. The fantasy would be similar to the swim pool in Gillette, WY - it is a 50 meter pool one direction and a 25 yard pool the other. That way it can be set up for either short course or long course swimming.
- I feel it is a priority to create more trails within town and leading outside of town. A combo of paved and unpaved trails would promote physical activity and benefit Bozeman's strong running community. Moreover, it is unsafe to run on many of the area roads that have such high speed limits. Thanks for listening!
- Trails in town are great, but would be much better if they went to useful places. Grocery store, etc.
- It's common for western U.S. towns that advertise themselves as recreation hubs or centers to have been indifferent if not hostile to creating basic activity/recreational infrastructure from early on, with the area's development. Bozeman/Gallatin County is stunning conformation of that practice. To wit, it is treacherous getting around on Main Street in Bozeman or many downtown area streets, as well as riding off to Belgrade. The rumble strips on Springhill Rd were unnecessary and, in effect, a hostile act toward cyclists, who had used that road for many years. There is no longer distance paved recreational trail across the county that cyclists, rollerskaters (and rollerskiers) can use. Even members of the Bozeman City Commission were apparently ignorant of, if not hostile to, the great contributions and private fundraising that the Bridger Ski Foundation has done to create and maintain local cross-country ski trails. It appears that the libertarian, anti-government attitude that pervades the leadership
- THERE IS A DIRE NEED FOR RECREATIONAL TRAILS (BIKE AND WALKING) BETWEEN BELGRADE AND BOZEMAN, ESPECIALLY ALONG THE FRONTAGE ROAD CORRIDOR.
- Existing trails are generally good, BUT more needs to be done to INTERCONNECT the trails via off-road corridors and easements. Please spend some of the open space money for corridors and easements, not just large acreages.
- Linked trails, linked trails, and more linked trails. Check out St. George Utah and what they are doing with city funds to attract cyclists
- Parks and trails are important for both recreation and transportation. Having connecting trails and open spaces within and around developments is a good thing and help Bozeman remain a very livable place.
- It would be great to have a paved path trails for cycling, jogging, walking and bicycle commuting. Many other similar communities have such trail systems which allow for people to use these for recreation in all seasons, while being safe from walking, jogging and cycling on the busy public roads. Thank you very much.
- I strongly support improvements to the Gallatin Valley Fair Grounds project to build a new rink, a pool, recreational center, etc, as a recreational center for the town. Developing that area into a wonderful multipurpose recreational center would STRONGLY benefit our community. I believe it would also be a major draw to our town, and eventually, revenue would support it --no problem.

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We need a place that will support the varied interest of all our youth, as well as a central recreational events center that encourages community..

- More Paved Bike Trails!! Get bikers out of traffic.

Off Leash Dog Parks

- connections between towns are number one in need.
- What Bozeman needs (and the rest of Montana) is a year around ice rink/sports facility. Valley Ice Gardens was rated as the nicest facility in the NW, and now it is gone. The GIF should be financially supported to create a top notch complex at the fairground, which would bring in lots of outside \$ as well as provide recreation opportunities for Gallatin County. National hockey and figure skating events as well as a multitude of programs promoting skating could be created. Right now there is always a conflict with scheduling and not enough ice and accessible times for the recreationalist in the area. We need another rink and it should be designed to super high efficiency standards to offset the energy/operating cost--the feds have grants/tax credits and well as funding assistance from NorthWestern Energy.
- please keep Hylite Heights park as natural as possible.
- Collaborate with GVLTL. This is a large part of what makes Bozeman great.
- I live just off of Cottonwood Road near Gateway. Many people enjoy using our rural roads for recreation - biking, walking, riding horses - and I love seeing people enjoying this use of our roads. But getting here from Bozeman, especially on a bicycle can be very hazardous due to the volume and speed of traffic on our rural roads. Gooch Hill Road seems to be the most popular route out to here, probably due to the views of the mountains, but there is very little berm and there have been serious collisions with cyclists. Adding a trail adjacent to Gooch Hill Road, or even just enlarging the berm would help. Once at Gateway, you can safely cross under Highway 191 at the underpass and enjoy many still quiet roads and access to the Gallatin River. Also at the underpass, you can access the trail on the east side of Highway 191 either north or south, although this trail does not connect with another trail on either end. If a trail ever is built to connect Bozeman and Four Corners, it would make sense to connect it with
- We need year round indoor ice rinks,

I broke my leg last summer and the conditions of the sidewalks and curbs are terrible I don't know how any handicapped people can get around. Some of the parks need more shade.

- The Fairgrounds are our oldest park. It has so much to offer but plans for improvement seem dead in the water. I think it is vital that we muster the funds to see year round ice and/or an additional ice sheet and then secondly, work on a water park. The heavy use of the facility currently for skaters - both hockey and figure skaters - indicates a great need to see more done for that sport. Also, skating and Montana go hand in hand and Bozeman is left without an adequate facility. Please do something for skaters.
- Need for year round ice skating and fairgrounds improvements to rink and parking lots.
- They add very greatly to the quality of life in the area.
- Our community fairgrounds really needs a year-round, indoor ice rink for figure skating and hockey. It is so important to have this sport for our youth and the rest of the community. It is healthy, a good focus, and provides recreation for all.
- I have testified before the County Commissioners about the need for indoor facilities for recreation, especially for youth-related activities. We have a severe shortage of facilities for soccer, basketball, baseball, volleyball and essentially all kids' sports. Adults would also benefit from a large recreation center to house multiple recreational activities. Other communities have built these facilities with a combination of public and private funding. Winter is a 5-6 month season in Bozeman and we need a facility for indoor activities and training because winter is so long. The new fairgrounds master plan is a great step forward for indoor and outdoor recreation in our community. A new indoor multi-use facility is critical for recreational opportunities.
- Year round ice is needed. There is never enough ice for all the people interested in Figure Skating and Hockey
- there are a lot of nice trails around, but we now need more recreational facilities like an ice skating rink, maybe another pool.
- We need a new ice rink!
- The fairgrounds is a wonderful asset in an urban area. That asset should be utilized to provide many active recreation opportunities for our youth.
- I fully support any and all efforts to make the Fairgrounds the recreational facility it should be... our community is completely lacking in facilities... waiting lists for uses of gym space and cramped playing fields... can't believe we can support a multi-million dollar jail for criminals, and not support the youth of our community
- Bozeman needs a year round ice skating and hockey rink. If it is attached to an indoor pool it would be used much more than it currently is. The skating was becoming a large part of the community before the Ice Gardens were sold, and it would be great to have a community facility that people can go and have fun.
- I use the city/county recreational facilities for passive use. My children use for active. We are significantly lacking in active use of our parks compared to the other cities in the state. I really believe our county commissioners (as well as most politicians these days) are very out of touch with the people who voted for them.
- more bike lanes on existing roads.

more dogless parks and trails.

- This is an amazing community...We need a giant indoor facility to allow multiple recreational pursuits during our

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LONG winters and ugly springs. I would like to see basketball added to your list... I know of several hundred people who would be interested in additional indoor space!!

- the county fairgrounds are wasted space. time to get into the 21st century catering to modern activities while maintaining the livestock and rodeo component. the county commissioners need to find a way to improve the grounds and/or support the groups who are offering to improve the facilities there. Including: swimming, hockey, field sports and more. the county needs a change of management there - a new director - who will cooperate with the existing entities who want to do so much there. someone with a vision for the future and the experience and ability to run a large business. this is long past due. its wasting on the vine. my fear is that while nothing happens in concert there, entities are heading off in all sorts of directions, when clearly it should all be in one place - the proposed plans there could be a real benefit for users and businesses in the county. something has to happen there before everyone splinters off into different locations.
- Horse riding opportunities along county roads, but no on them, would be very nice. Saves gas/carbon use to trailer longer distances, and I'd like to use my horses for transportation, not just recreation.
- You have forgotten Ultimate Frisbee in your questionnaire which has at least as many participants as Rugby or Lacrosse in Gallatin Valley. Thanks for your consideration and for conducting this survey!
- The county fair board is a very difficult organization to deal with.
- I would like to see trails that allow people to get around by bike. That does not mean that cyclists should be completely segregated from cars, but that whenever trails get built some thought should be given to where they lead, possibly allowing people to avoid riding on roads like 19th, 7th, and Huffine. I think it would be great to have a trail/path that connects Belgrade and Bozeman.
- I would love to see a bike path that connects from Bozeman, all the way to the paths that were created in the ThreeForks area! I know the amount of bike riding that occurs on the frontage road, and as an avid cyclist (ironman triathlons) I also know how unsafe they are. I've been in a few bike wrecks because of close contact with a car on roads without shoulders, and a bike path would avoid those accidents.
- we need to focus on funding the regional park! Skateboarding, soccer, etc.
- We need a bike path that connects Manhattan, Belgrade and Bozeman together. It would be a great way for getting out of the car and on my bike to commute.
- The County is showing a lack of leadership and relying too heavily on GVLT for trails.
- Soccer fields are what are needed most in this community!!
- An additional hockey rink adjacent to Haynes Pavilion would be a fantastic addition to the fairgrounds. I also feel strongly that the entrance and parking at the fairgrounds should be paved. It is especially difficult for families with young children (and strollers).
- Currently, Gallatin County does not have enough ice to satisfy the demand for hockey. Another sheet of ice would be a blessing, as it would allow avid hockey players to be on a quality sheet of ice more than once a week during games. Practice ice would improve the quality of games at Haynes. Ideally, another sheet of ice would be added that housed the Ice Dogs games.
- It would be great to get some more county support with the construction of the new ice rink and sports facility on the fairgrounds. Considering the fairgrounds is a public space I feel it is drastically under utilized. Also, thank you for finally grading the parking lot at the fairgrounds - my truck appreciates it.
- Trails around the Bear Canyon area have been closed to ATV and motorcycle use for well over a year. Why is this so? Promises have been broken about when these trails would be available for multi-use. Also, why is no public funding available for improvements to the ice skating arena at the fairgrounds? The current skating rink is overused, and additional ice would be a great benefit to the community.
- I think having trails and parks for people to exercise their dogs off leash is very important. I also support the hockey rinks/skating in the parks and at the fairgrounds, it keeps kids off the street and occupied in a supervised good way. It is getting harder and harder for soccer coaches to find places for the teams to practice we need more open space for that. We also use Bogart pool a lot in the summer, I think our town needs another pool like it on the west side of town.
- A new Ice Rink is very important! Hockey and Ice Skating are some of the most popular activities and seems to have very little support from the local government. The parking lot at the fairgrounds around Haynes Pavilion should be paved too. The condition of that lot is poor at best and is embarrassing and inconvenient for our community.
- We need a second sheet of ice at the fairgrounds. The current facility is well beyond its capacity.
- Put money into taking care of the fairgrounds near Haines Pavilion, the parking lot is terrible. I sprained my ankle walking into a pot hole that I didn't see..... It is dangerous; fix immediately before you have a lawsuit. I might just be tempted if you don't fix it.
- Please do a better job of keeping the Fairground parking lots graded, they are horrible.
- We greatly support the hockey facility at the fair grounds. There are hundreds of youth that benefit using this facility. Thank you for your support for the hockey/skating athletics.
- Pave the fairground parking lot!!!! Or at least a paved driving path. Better upkeep on Bogart skating rink!!! Trying to close it March 1st when the weather is cooperating is very poor judgement.
- I would like to see more support given to the Ice Skating and Hockey facilities. This is a growing area of interest within Gallatin County.
- We desperately need another hockey rink. The fact that some games don't even start until 11:00 or midnight is

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very hard to deal with when trying to get up for work in the morning.

- Lets get a second sheet of ice at the fairgrounds.
- Biking trails connecting Parts of town and the trails in the surrounding hills are priority #1 for me. Keep what we have and make the system better, add to it! Also the demand for ice time at the Haynes Pavillion should demonstrate on its own how much BZN needs another hockey rink. Buy the boards for Boghart! Let the city run that, and work towards another rink at the fairgrounds. Trails first though please.
- Please support adding additional hockey/ice skating facility at the fairgrounds. The current areana is very busy thus limits the types of skating programs.

Thank you

- Please update the parking lots at the fairgrounds. Large potholes and very muddy, I am at the hockey rink almost daily throughout the hockey season and the parking lot is almost impossible to get through leaving my vehicle covered in mud inside and out!
- More attention to the ice rink and the maintenance of it and the parking area. The county should be ashamed of the lack of maintenance considering its high use and the close proximity of the road department.
- I frequented the fairgrounds this winter to play hockey. The lack of maintenance on the parking lot is crazy. It was like a WWI battlefield. It should be paved or at a minimum graded a couple of times during the winter.
- POCKET PARKS AND BICYCLE LANES SHOULD BE INCORPORATED INTO THE PLAN. A BIKE LANE AND WALKING PATH DOWN 19TH TO HYALITE LAKE IS A NO BRAINER. WHAT ARE THE OFFICIALS THINKING NOT HAVING DONE THIS YET?
- Expanding ice hockey facilities would be a large benefit to a growing community. It's a positive, group activity that's a great physical activity. Please increase your budget allotment to this activity.
- The fairgrounds could be more hockey friendly and a second sheet of ice would be a huge asset.
- I would love to see another dog park where the dogs can be off-leash that has water for the dogs to swim. I would also love to see the horseback riding facilities improved (e.g. footing in the outdoor arena) and made more available (e.g. more open riding times) at the fairgrounds. Also, PLEASE grade the drives and parking areas at the fairgrounds. It is really hard on the horses and the truck/trailer to flounce through those potholes. I would (ideally) really love to see a larger indoor arena, but I suspect that is not in the cards. Thanks for hearing me out!
- I would really like to see more ice at the fairgrounds. Scheduling is very inconvenient trying to balance the late schedules and work. There are a lot of skaters in this county and we need more ice.
- Fix all your parking lots
- The county needs to improve the fairgrounds, clean it up, add some landscaping, add more ice, maybe a pool. We could use more trails that cross Bozeman, i.e. from the West side to the East side, make it easier to get downtown via walking or biking. It would also be nice to see Belgrade and Bozeman connected via a trail, the roads out of Bozeman (to Belgrade and beyond) are to dangerous to ride/walk on.
- Gallatin Valley has an extreme need for another sheet of Ice for figure skating and hockey. The children in the valley have little to occupy their time in active rather than passive activities.
- More funding for the hockey rink in the Fairgrounds would be awesome as well as maintenance on the existing outdoors ice rinks around town. Maybe more ice rinks could be implemented since it is relatively cheap to create outdoors rinks and keep them maintained. The fairgrounds also desperately needs to be paved. The trails and parks around town all seem to be in good condition.
- More soccer fields are needed. Bozeman is the worst community in the state in this area.
- I would love to see the addition of a second ice rink at the Fairgrounds. This would enable people to use the rink at hours that are more reasonable than the current schedule.
- I feel strongly that we need another sheet of ice at the fair grounds. There are so many people that the times that are left to play hockey are very late for anyone with a family and / or job.
- fairgrounds parking lots needs to be fixed or paved.
- we have lots of trails in this area, i think we have that covered pretty well, facilities like the fairgrounds and the hockey rink are great for lots of people to recreate in things that are difficult to do outside of these facilities. we have great parks in all the towns
- We live in Park County and and have a child who is an avid ice hockey player.
- Bozeman needs one park that has a designated Rugby pitch. Rugby is an actively growing sport across the country and in other parts of Montana. Currently your local team struggles each spring and fall to find a location that will allow us to play. I am a Gallatin County resident for over 16 years and have played rugby for nearly 15 years in Bozeman.
- We really need more soccer fields in the county -- the 4 at Bronken are insufficient for the 3000 plus players in youth and adult soccer. We can't rely on the school district to provide fields so the city and county needs to do something. Thank you.
- Parks, trails and all public use facilities are an amenity all cities need. They take the pressure off people, encourage active lifestyles and good health for communities. Bozeman seems to be working hard to add more parks by continuing to require parks in the new subdivisions. I would love to see restrooms at more of the parks. I know that there is a need for more fields for soccer and baseball. I am uninformed as to what the budgets are for Parks and Rec. so I can't comment much in those areas. Though they are probably being pushed to the max. More money is always needed whether it is schools, roads or trails. I think some of the parks should have a covered picnic area like Livingston has for reunions, weddings etc. They can be rented. The sidewalks are

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needed for safety and more park use. Walking on roads is unsafe for all as well as uneven for older adults and children. Best of luck!

- County support to expand hockey at fairgrounds is necessary!
- Another Sheet of Ice at the fairgrounds would help grow the sport in the Bozeman area.
- Would like to see better care for the fairgrounds and facilities there as well as have more time for ice hockey and the possibility for a second rink. There should be more paved parking at the fairgrounds or at least regular grading of the grounds.
- Trail maintenance seems to be pretty good. Girls softball fields are below par. Maintenance in parks is a constant issue.
- We need more soccer fields, we lost some when the new school was built.
- The upkeep of the trails and parks (especially the rest areas) need to be maintained better - what's the point of having a bathroom facility if you can't go in and use it. Plus the need for more parks and trails in general is overwhelming now due to the number of people that live in this area. The parks and trails are good clean fun for everyone and they benefit every family that lives here.
- The Gallatin valley is in SERIOUS need for a recreational facility such as a YMCA/Recreational center for groups of all ages - Take a look at the beautiful facility Dickinson ND has built for their community it is awesome and they are smaller in size than we are - Their facility offers something for everyone.
- We really need additional practice fields for our kids especially soccer

Thanks for doing this survey!!!

- An additional sheet of ice is really needed for the hockey/skating programs.
- Funding for the Fairgrounds needs to be significantly increased. We are a jewel of the state and the fairgrounds is embarrassing. We need vision and wisdom for the future. The county should also have a parks department so developments can dedicate parkland to the public.
- Bozeman needs another ice rink! With the Ice Garden closed, we have twice the people and not enough ice time. We have to play games at 11:00 PM.
- The Fairgrounds Facilities are extremely poor. With mud puddles for parking lots, poor restroom maintenance, and too small buildings to hold the kinds of events that would really pull people into the city of Bozeman and Gallatin County.
- I think the trails are great. I do think the fairgrounds need to be upgraded, especially the hockey & ice skating facilities. Another rink or year-round availability is needed
- We need another hockey rink!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
- For my family and the other families that we associate with, sport facilities are a major importance for us, especially soccer facilities. These sport facilities can be multi functional between all the different sports that occur here in the valley. The need for winter sports facilities, again soccer primary -- with multiple use in mind, are strongly needed. The need for more open space is great and I feel the community would at least try to help to 'pay to play'.
- I think it important that the city HELP to fund improvements to trails parks and facilities. This is far more important than the Story Mansion.
- The lack of funding for these types of things during the prosperous times was very poor. There aren't enough fields for kids sports programs. The upkeep at the fairgrounds is very sad. We have an incredible piece of land there within the town limits and it so overlooked it is a shame! Put some athletic fields and trails in the fairgrounds area. Fix up the appearance and maintain the structures. For three months the parking lot at Hanes was like driving on the moon. There are many people from other communities that visit that area for hockey, rodeo, concerts, etc... and the place looks like a pit. It is truly a shame as to how the fair grounds are not kept up. The potential for that property is incredible. Throw some money and time at it. Thank you.
- We need more court space for indoor activities than more things for the outside. There is plenty to do outside, but winter here is long and kids are cooped up inside, it would be nice to take them to play basketball or jump on things or be able to go kick a ball around. We NEED gyms more than more than more parks. Hell its winter here for more than 6 months and spring drags on and on. We would probably need less park space if the city lots were bigger than a postage stamp and people could use their yards to recreate in.
- Existing trails would be much better if they connected to each other in one continuous system. We love the trails. They are our number one priority!

Please add another pool. Bogert Pool is totally overwhelmed!

- I love the goal of making the trails connect to the mountains from town plus having a bike trail all the way to headwaters park. We need more soccer fields desperately and changing the tennis courts at Bogort into soccer courts could help. As a family we play way more soccer tennis there then tennis. Thanks for all your hard work!
- We could use a new outdoor swim facility. Bogart is great...but too crowded!!
- By having more soccer fields, Bozeman would be able to host tournaments, generating more business from travel.
- PLEASE PAVE THE TRAIL TO CONNECT SACA JAWEA MIDDLE SCHOOL UP INTO THE CITY PAST MUSEUM OF THE ROCKIES OTHERWISE PEOPLE ARE CONSTANTLY ON SOUTH THIRD AND IT IS VERY DANGEROUS. IF YOU PAVE OR COMPLETE THE TRAIL FROM SAC TO THE GRADE SCHOOL TO MUSEUM OF THE ROCKIES YOU CAN HOOK STUDENTS AND RESIDENTS INTO THE CITY TRAIL SYSTEM
- why was basketball not included on the list of recreation opportunities, there is a shortage of indoor courts around town, and very few outdoor courts!

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- question 20 i assumed 0 is low, 5 is high.

need some east - west trails.

- Some of these questions are difficult to answer; I would be willing to give the parks and recreation \$ out of pocket but I don't want my taxes to raise because of it.

Do you know how much revenue our city/county would have if there were decent SOCCER fields-check out how much money is brought into a city that has a soccer tournament! There are thousands of people who come to these events and then they shop, stay in hotels, and eat at restaurants. Soccer has a great potential to stimulate our local economy BUT we do not have any facilities that could accommodate such an occurrence--its quite sad!! When I travel Montana I am embarrassed of the lack of facilities we have here in Bozeman for our large and growing soccer community. Something needs to be done!

- The fairgrounds parking lot is a nightmare and hockey families are treated poorly.

A performing center is a huge priority in this town!

- Parks and trails are currently adequate. Facilities, playing fields and the necessary infrastructure for activities requiring these are grossly inadequate.
- It is nice to live in a place that is working to provide a trail system.
- We need soccer and baseball fields without all the fancy facilities..ie. paved parking, curbing and bathrooms. We need level fields on firm ground, hearty grass, back stops and nets where all kids can go play.
- I am concerned over the lack of soccer fields in town. I'd support expanding availability of those fields. Specifically, I'd support adding soccer amenities to the tennis courts at Bogert Park.
- There is a continually grow portion of the population that is enjoying soccer as a participant and spectator. Encourage this by supporting additional and improved facilities. The success of the BHS soccer program is a reflection of this. Children engaged in this activity are less likely to participate in less healthy, physically and socially, activities.
- Opening Hyalite for winter use has been a wonderful addition. Bike/walk trail to Belgrade, connect the trails, FINISH THE TRAIL TO THE M, and maintenance on some trails a must. Don't think this Dinosaur Playground is necessary. Subdivisions have built playgrounds or people have their own. In a city would be more appropriate. On the whole, parks and trails are great - just need to try and complete and maintain them.
- soccer complex please!
- I believe that a second hockey rink at the fairgrounds would be used year round. There are now enough players in BAHA , Ice Dogs, and youth leagues to fill a year round rink.

In the summer and fall I ride my bike to work and have to go down either 7th or 19th to get there. I believe that walking/bike path going out towards spring hill on at least one of these roads would see a lot of use. Perhaps build it on 7th so that people can access the fishing area as well.

- We have a huge need for more soccer fields integrated with the trail system and bus routes. Bozeman has a growing and active soccer community that produces outstanding soccer players and our facilities are marginal and limited in numbers relative to other Montana communities.
- A second sheet of ice at the fairgrounds would not only benefit the people who already use the facility but it could also be a way for the county to generate income to help with upkeep and improvements at the fairgrounds.
- Bogart Park is in serious need of an overhaul. It is an epicenter for the town of Bozeman, but needs renovation. The metal structure is a death trap for young children and a complete eyesore. It should be ripped down and replaced with something safer and more up to date. The pool at Bogart is also completely inadequate. Need another public pool or an outdoor water park similar to what Missoula has. Also would be fun to have water features at public parks, similar to the public parks in Missoula. Also, tennis courts need better maintenance!
- Please, please, a safe way to bicycle from Belgrade to Bozeman.
- Please create more soccer fields--the need is tremendous in this community!
- Organized fields for team sports will bring outside revenue base to our area by visiting teams. They eat, they shop, they sleep in hotels. We have NO sports complex to speak for such a seemingly affluent city.
- Fairgrounds needs to be paved and a second ice rink built.
- would like bike trails on S. Third from Sacajewa to Nash.
- we need soccer fields closer to Belgrade for Spring soccer. There are no permanent goals.
- The existing Haynes Pavillion is not adequate for the hockey or figure skating programs. There is not enough ice time for the amount of participants. WE NEED A SECOND SHEET OF ICE!
- Please, we dont have a dog poop free park where kids can play without getting poop on them and we don't have a dog free trail where small children can walk without intimidation. If a person confronted these kids like these dogs do they would be arrested. Please give us one dog free park and one dog free trail.
- With the population boom we are experiencing overcrowding on our trail systems and in our parks. More trail systems need to be built for the population growth.
- We have incredible access so close to where we live for passive and active nature activities. I would like to see more structured park services. Fields for sports. My bias runs towards soccer. I believe we have embarrassing

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facilities for our size of community and compared to other communities in our state and region.

- I think the fairgrounds needs some BIG boost! We need a new ice rink/arena the new rink would provide more then just a place for hockey and skating, it brings in hundreds of people every weekend who stay and eat etc. locally. bringing in much needed commerce. it would also be a place to have concerts and other events such as mabey Disney on Ice etc. A new Ice arena would be a very valuable community asset! the fairgrounds also need help with getting the grounds paved and new soccer and baseball fields built as well as pool facilities. In General The fairgrounds could be Bozemans shining gem that others throughout the state would admire, it has amazing potential for sports and all types of recreation but as it is now it is quite shamefull and embarrassing.
- Would like to see a 'Trail' that leads to the new Jr. High off Baxter so kids from the North (Hidden Valley Road), East (on Baxter) and South (Oak Street) can safely ride bikes or walk to school.

From hidden Valley, they have a dirt road and in bike-weather, there is a lot of traffic on that narrow, dirt road.

From Oak, there is a side-walk for part of the way, but not all the way down Davis.

On Baxter, the road is narrow and full of traffic, not safe for bikers.

- The reason I don't ride my bicycle or walk on trails to work, or have my kids do that to school, is because none are available. If there were bicycle trails that connected to each other to get to work and school, we would us them.
- Haynes Pavillion nees to have another sheet of ice available in the winter. Two rinks (since close of the Ice Garden) worth of programs and continued city/county growth do not fit well on one sheet.
- maintenance, fencing and weed control need to be taken care of on any trail or rec area. This is not being done
- There are not nearly enough soccer fields in town. Our soccer facilities are an embarrassment when compared with Billings, Helena, Great Falls, and other cities.
- this survey is very badly constructed - painful to take
- I feel the ice rink needs to be available year round. The farmers market could easily be done in several other venues.
- I think that the most vital need in Gallatin County is paved, lane-demarcated biking, rollerblading, walking paths to all corners of town, and also to outlying communities; Something similar to the path system in Ft. Collins, or Boulder in Colorado, or even Rawlings, Wy.
- keep improving the trail system

need more soccer fields

need another outdoor swimming pool

- trails build communities!
- Desperately need better cycling trails both for transportation and for recreation.
- More soccer fields!!!!
- There is a very intense need for a second ice sheet in Gallatin County. The Fairgrounds does a terrible job of working with BAHA
- The Bogert Park playground is an embarrassment and is very unsafe for children. The grafitti on the equipment is pretty ghetto. Plus the old hot (in the summer) metal playground equipment is outdated and has burned my kids when they have played on it. The bandstand is an eyesore and also ready to fall down. The other playgrounds around the city are also in disrepair and not very inspiring to visit. It is like the city/county don't care about the very large population old and young who visit and use the playground equipment. Not enough benches for parents to sit and watch their kids. If there is restroom facilities they are also disgusting or missing doors or sketchy overall. I've visited other cities who take pride in their parks and park programs...Bozeman is seriously lacking in this area. The pools, inside and outside, in the city are also outdated and not uplifting or nice to visit either. Old and bad lighting (the inside pool on Main St.) are how I would describe the pool facilities in the city
- I truly feel this county's parks and trails are one of it's greatest assets. We have 2 kids who play soccer and I wish our county had fields like Helena, Billings and other communities had. They are a real attraction for tournaments and the related visitors they bring.
- We desperately need more access to soccer fields!!
- I do not appreciate all the dogs and dog poop when it is clearly labeled 'No dogs.' or 'Clean up after your dog.' It ruins it for us with no dogs or young kids.
- What you are working on is so important. Yet difficult to trim down. I just know the need for recreation space is critical. And a variety is the best way to meet this for the community. From soccer fields to hiking trails. Thank you for your hard work and for making the quality of life and health of our community important.
- reinforced the law to keep the dog on their leash
- The parking lot at the Fairgrounds is in terrible shape most of the winter. The potholes are terrible. Recently a section of the area was grated and is much better. This should be done more regularly through the winter or the parking lot should be paved. Also, an additional ice rink would be a great addition. It is really sad that the Ice Garden was not able to be saved. Hockey is very popular in Bozeman, in fact a number of us come all the way from Gardiner and Big Sky to play. It is very difficult when some of the time slots are at 6:30am or 10:30pm.

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Thanks!

- the linear trail system in AWESOME... however the lack of bike trails especially on/near Willson is DANGEROUS. We really need a bike lane on the main streets or connecting them. The linear trail is too muddy/icy/snowy 1/2 the year which forces bikers to the streets where they have to weave in and out of all the parked cars. Also with the parked cars on the street it is IMPOSSIBLE to see around when you are pulling out onto Willson, and a car could VERY easily smack right into a biker (seeing as neither could see the other,) and same with car-car collisions. I know we totalled our car because neither person could see around the long line of parked cars, if that were a biker they would be dead. My Husband rides his back daily from willson to kagy and I wish there were bike lanes on both. Even if it were removed slightly from the road itself that would be fine, but necessary!
- Need more funding to build a second sheet of ice at the fair grounds.
- It would be great to have more access to soccer fields.
- please improve the hockey rinks at the fairgrounds
- Please, please, please help control unleashed dogs... It is literally ruin our trail experience... We run the trails often---our kids are on the trails often and they have been approached by loose dogs on dozens of occasions... It has literally forced us to consider moving. Our kids are often imprisoned in our own yard because there are so many loose dogs on the trail... We live near the retirement home on Graf... Something has to be done before a child is hurt or there is a serious confrontation... Please take it serious.... We can love our dogs but still be respectful and civilized..

thank you

- I feel that one of the most important things missing in our usage and planning guidelines for recreation are provisions for horseback riding in the more rural areas of our county. It used to be that we could ride on the roads or open land, but we are losing that ability as the subdivisions increase and also part of the heritage and western lifestyle that I grew up with. This is something that really needs to be addressed.
- It is essential to keep as many trails available for mountain biking as possible. we tend to get over shouted by more active groups who demand restrictions and their arguments are in large part inaccurate. i strongly disagree with ANY group who petitions for the exclusion of any other. these resources must be shared by all.
- Our baseball fields, soccer facilities and outdoor swimming pool don't compare well with other Montana cities. I think we can do better!
- There is a glaring need for more bike paths to local subdivisions particularly narrow roads like Bozeman Trail which I drive daily.

The community could also use another hockey rink and better soccer facilities.

- Need more access to the Bridger Mtns. Also the need to keep the ice at the fairgrounds open year round. Get the Farmers Market outside/inside, in there own facility.
- youth soccer,through AYSO or the local Blitz soccer club are the largest single youth recreation ingallitin county and there are no fields except for adam bronken. If the city and county would invest in some good multi use fields not only would it help the youth in this area but they could also become a source of income for the local economy by being able to host large scale events/ tournaments. A great example is the soccer complex in helena that host 1000+ kids for a statewide tourney in june each year.
- There needs to be more athletic fields. These feilds would help bring revenue to the local economy by allowing tournaments to be held here, bringing people from out of town to stay in the hotels, eat in reastruants, and shop at retail stores.
- Parking lot and roads at County Fairgrounds are horrible and sadly in need of improvement. Thanks
- unless land for trails is set aside , the trails are harder to develop later. Separate motorized trails from non motorized trails, very few public equine trails
- would like to see some improvements to hyaite heights park and a trail from nash park to goldenstein trail
- I manage a Bozeman Blitz soccer team and finding practice space is always a problem. Indoor space is at a premium and until Parks & Rec allow onto the one park set aside for soccer, we often have to practice in parking lots or neighborhood parks without goals. This puts us at a disadvantage in state competition.

I also used to have runners, and I was always ashamed that in this town of runners there was no good place to host a competition.

- indoor soccer facility would be ideal improvement
- another sheet of ice at the fairgrounds and a better outdoor swimming pool.
- bicycle lanes or bike-friendly trails going from belgrade to bozeman would be a HUGE improvement for the valley!
- more clean public restrooms would be helpful, esp with us having young children
- I would like to see a bike/walking trail from Belgrade to Bozeman along Frontage Road. This would make commuting to work on bikes very feasible and safe for the bikers. I had to stop biking to work 10 years ago due to the safety issues on Frontage with no shoulder and increased traffic.
- The ice rink needs another sheet of ice and the parking lot needs to be paved
- I think the county fairground is a mess. I used to live in a nearby state that passed a levy to improve the fairgrounds and they did a wonderful plan and it brought events from around the country and brought in money for

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the area. Its about time Bozeman, spent more money on parks and recreation.

- More Hockey rinks at fairgrounds
- Trails are important (I use them almost daily)...but we also need viable bike lanes on such highly traveled routes such as Sourdough Rd./Church Street...and other roads that lead to and from Bozeman's central business district.

Additionally, as more folks take to the trails the issue of unleashed dogs presents a safety hazard that can be mitigated by observing (and enforcing) local leash laws.

Thank you!

- Link Belgrade and Bozeman in a trail system. I also think there need to be more public basketball courts, even though there are quite a few already (they are regularly full on a nice evening).
- WE DESPERATELY NEED A BETTER SOCCER FACILITY THAT IS SEPERATE FROM A PUBLIC SCHOOL OR UNIVERSITY.
- PLEASE.....more bicycle lanes in town and more bicycle trails between communities: Bozeman to Belgrade, Bozeman to Four Corners, Four Corners to Belgrade
- I think that all irrigation ditches should be maintained and upgraded for use as trail cooridors as rural areas are developed. For instance, the ditches along Flander's Mill and Fowler would make excellent trail cooridors leading from town (ie Baxter Ave and north) to the Hyalites.
- Would like to see a paved bike way between Bozeman and Four Corners and Bozeman and Belgrade. Not some winding worm of a path but a 2 lane strait wide bike way that gets plowed like what we have on Highland blvd. Thanks.
- We really need to invest more resources in our baseball and soccer fields.
- I would love to see a trail connect the 'M' and the Drinking Horse trail with the other trails in town. More soccer fields and better funded hockey facilities.
- It would be good to have more fields for soccer.
- We a need a second hockey rink at the fairgrounds. We also need the parking lot at the fairgrounds paved.
- Need more parks and trails in the 4 Corners area. No place to walk/jog in most areas, other than the side of the road.
- Please finish paving McIlhattan Rd from the golf course to Manley Rd!!! This is a great bike road.
- Instead of using the tennis courts for hockey rinks, there could be built low maintenance outdoor ice hockey rinks. which can be used for broomball, youth practices and games, soccer, etc.
- I live off South 3rd Avenue, south of the Museum of the Rockies, and often ride my bicycle to town. South 3rd (south of Kagy Blvd) needs better bike trails-it feels unsafe when I am pulling a child carrier behind me. More soccer fields please. Thanks.
- I think the horses should be aloud on EVERY trail, especially on the weekend, and for riding.
- trails rule
- The county fairgrounds are recreational and indoor skating, be it hockey, figure or publi skating definitely NEEDS a year round ice facility.

I do not know of any other place in this country that has a Farmer's Market indoors!

Our skating community has many memebtrs travleing throughout the year, especially in the summer to continue the sport they are so passionate about.

The closing of the VIG was criminal, rearranging many peoples lives who moved here for such a wonderul skating program and facility.

Keep the kids off the streets and on the ice, ALL YEAR ROUND!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

- Trails Trails Trails ... Great for all ages. We would do more shopping with bicycles. Need trail access to stores, and bike racks.
- We need more trails!! Thanks for survey.
- We need an indoor pool with the right lengths for short course and long course swimming. Butte has a beautiful and versatile swim facility.