TUBAC NATURE PRESERVE

SURVEY RESULTS REPORT February 23, 2023

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TUBAC NATURE CENTER



SURVEY RESULTS SUMMARY

...and want the following **BENEFITS** for the Tubac community



EDUCATIONAL MORE TOURISM OPPORTUNITIES

People want to **ENHANCE**

existing uses and features...



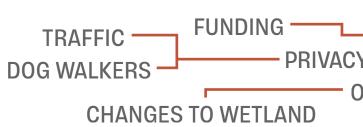








ECOSYSTEMS



BIRDING

"NATURAL FEEL"

HIKING / WALKING





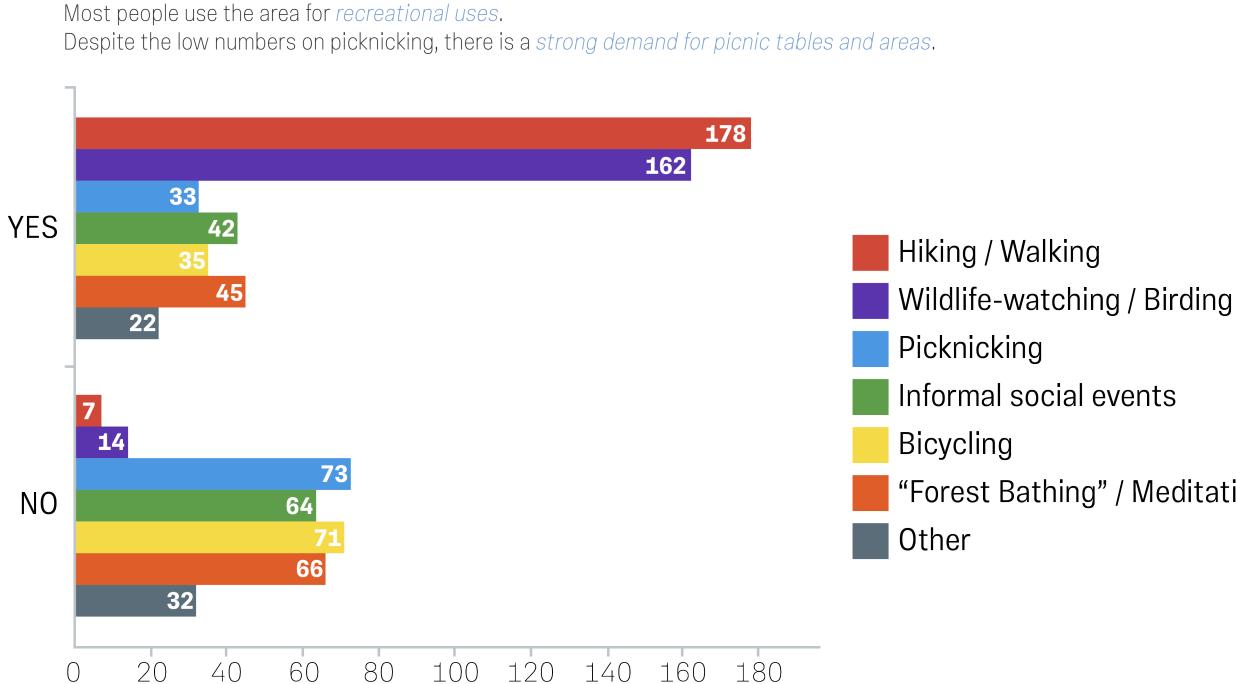


HEALTHY RIVER

MORE SOCIALIZING

TING SUPPORT **OVERDEVELOPMENT**

1) Have you participated in any of the following activities in the area within the black boundary line?



"Forest Bathing" / Meditation

1) Other - Fill in the blank

Amongst respondents that chose "YES" and filled in the blank, the following activities were the most popular.



- **1** Dog Walking **11** mentions
- **2** River/trash cleanup 5 mentions
- **3** Hawk Watch 3 mentions
- 4 Photography 2 mentions
- **5** Stargazing 2 mentions

2) What amenities and features would you like to see in these areas? (text entry)

Most people agree that seating, signage, and restored ecosystems are necessary in the area while minimizing intervention.

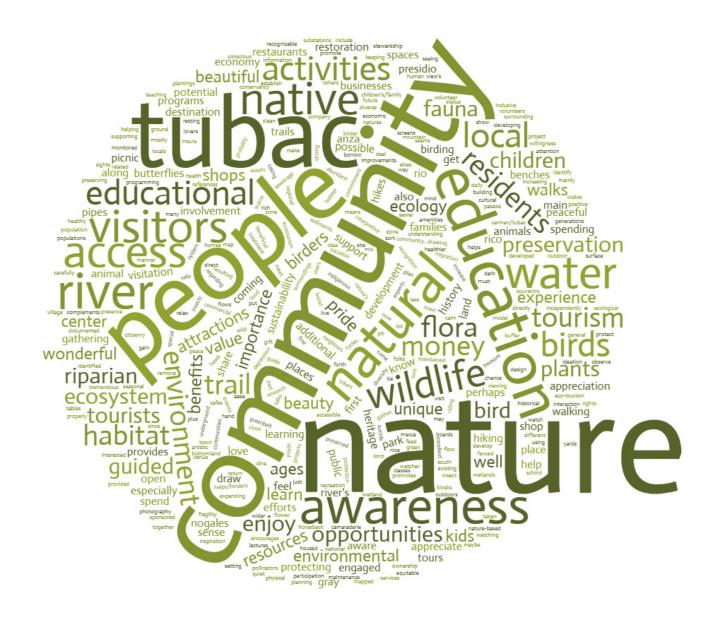
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- Trails 52 mentions
- 2 **Benches - 46 mentions**
- 3 Signage - 26 mentions
- 4 Wetland - 17 mentions
- 5 **Restrooms - 16 mentions**
- 6 Picnic - 14 mentions
- 7 Tables - 11 mentions
- 8 Parking - 10 mentions
- 9 Seating - 8 mentions
- 10 **Platform - 7 mentions**

3) What community benefits would you like to see from this project? (text entry)

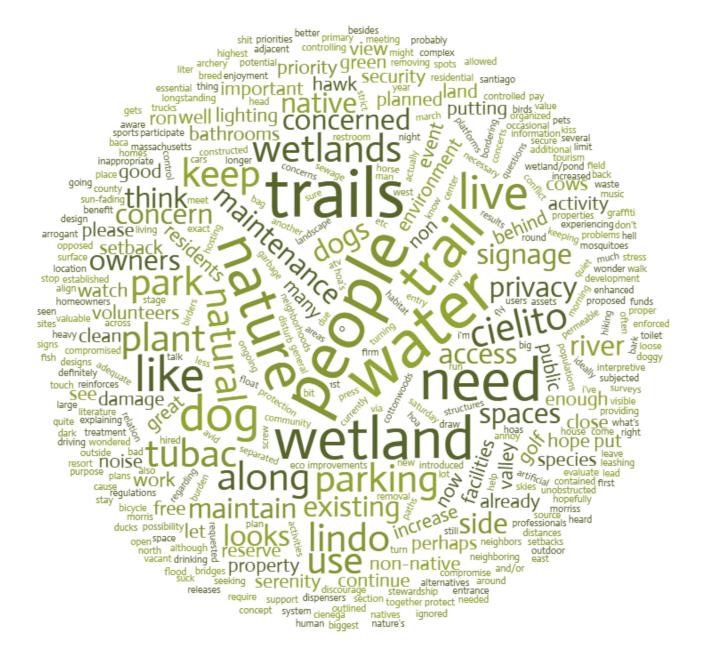
Preserving nature, new amenites and spaces, social and educational benefits, and economic benefits are listed.



- 1 Nature/natural - 35 mentions
- 2 **Educational/education - 28 mentions**
- 3 Community - 21 mentions
- Tubac 17 mentions 4
- 5 Tourism/visitors - 17 mentions
- 6 **River - 9 mentions**
- Awareness 9 mentions
- 8 Water - 8 mentions
- 9 Wildlife - 7 mentions
- 10 Money - 5 mentions

4) What concerns or comments do you have for this initial concept plan? (text entry)

Most concerns relate to access & parking, the wetland, funding and maintenance, and misuse of the preserve.



Trails - 20 mentions

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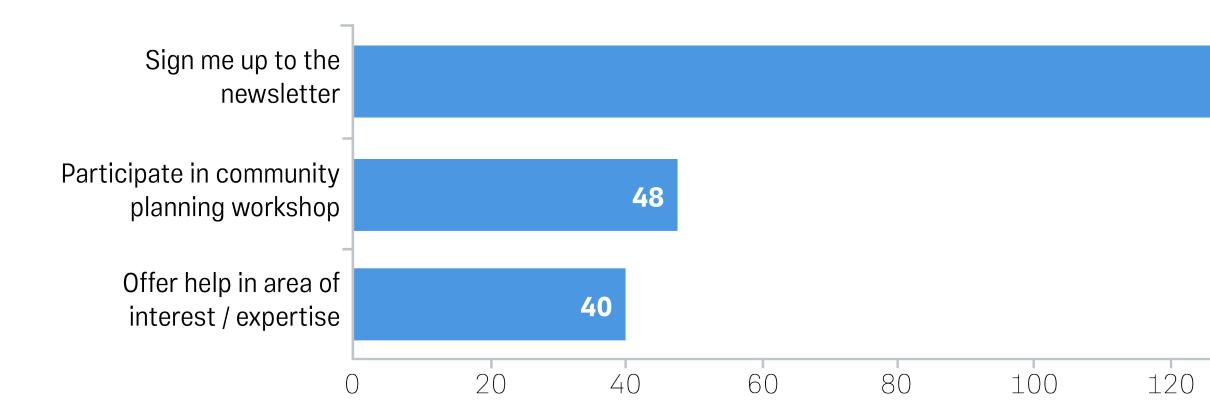
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- 2 Parking/traffic - 15 mentions
- 3 Wetland(s) - 13 mentions
- 4 Access - 11 mentions
- 5 Natural - 11 mentions
- 6 Dog(s) - 10 mentions
- 7 People - 8 mentions
 - Volunteers/support 8 mentions
- 9 **Cielito Lindo - 6 mentions**
- 10 Funding/money - 6 mentions

5) Let us know how you would like to be involved, and what skills or expertise you would like to offer.

Most respondents showed interest in the project in one way or another. Multiple people are willing to help with *educational programs, site construction, publicity, and much more.*

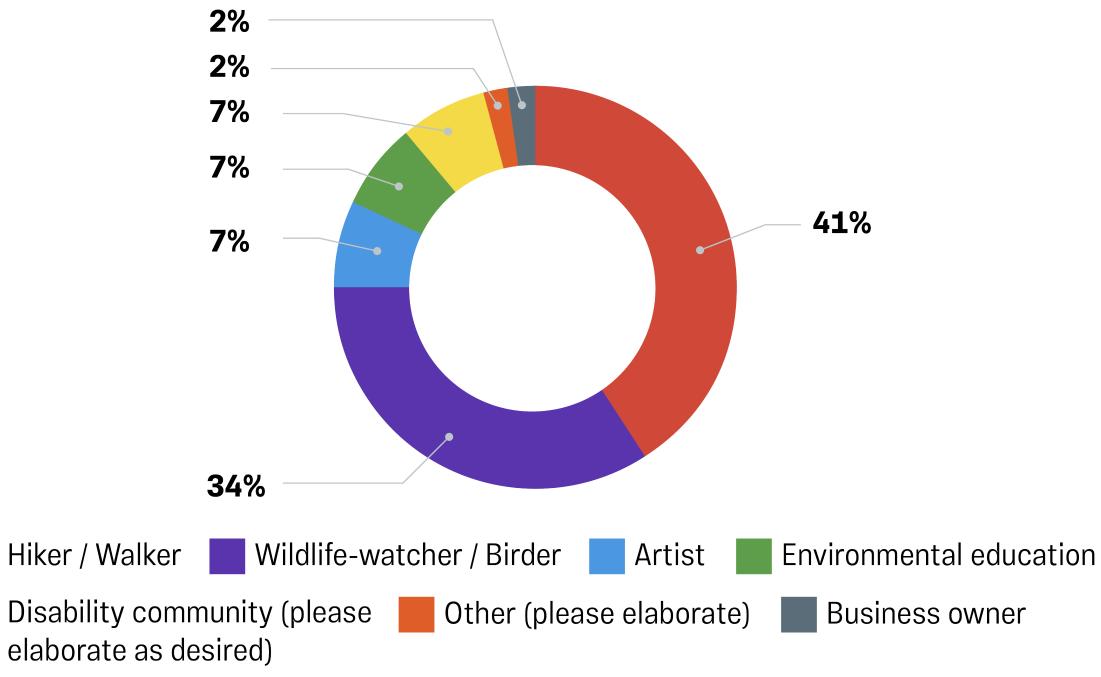
This information is conveyed in great detail on the Excel table associated with this presentation, along with the results of Q6) Contact information and proximity to project, in order to facilitate communication with people willing to engage more closely with the Nature Preserve.







7) Do you identify yourself or anyone in your household as any of the following?



7) Disability community

Only six respondents specified a disability. These are all the responses for this question.

"Family members with dementia and extreme medical issues"

"Mobility constraints"

"Walk with a cane"

"Use walker and scooter"

"I have three girlfriends in wheelchairs that I hope will be able to finally access this area"

"Mobility challenges"

7) Other - Fill in the blank

- **1** Nature lover / Outdoor enthusiast 4 mentions
- **2** Photographer 4 mentions
- **3** Volunteer 2 mentions

Dark sky advocate Publisher Pima County master naturalist Butterfly enthusiast Gadfly Anza Trail maintenance Board member - Community Garden of Tubac President, Friends of Sonoita Creek Dog walker Horseback rider Biker Botanist, mycologist Daughter and grandsons of Tubac resident Visitor Heritage advocate Gardener Master naturalist in Michigan *Docents at AZ-Sonora Desert Museum*

8) What age groups are present in your household? (check all that apply)

Only 11% of respondents have members in their household younger than 55 years of age. However, many respondents still called for greater attention to kids and educational programs.

