



Lake Perris State Recreation Area

GENERAL PLAN

OPEN HOUSE WORKSHOP AND ONLINE OPPORTUNITIES SURVEY SUMMARY

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1.1 INTRODUCTION

California State Parks (State Parks) is preparing the Lake Perris State Recreation Area (SRA) General Plan and Environmental Impact Report (EIR) to guide the park's long-term management, operations, and future recreational development. The General Plan will establish a long-term vision for the park and serve as its primary management document, providing goals and guidance for future recreation opportunities, natural and cultural resource management, facility improvements, and park operations. Throughout the planning process, State Parks will provide multiple opportunities for the public, partner agencies, culturally-affiliated California Native American tribes, organizations, and other interested community members to learn about the General Plan, share feedback, and help shape its development.

As part of the planning and engagement process, State Parks hosted an in-person open house workshop at the Lakeside Pavilion building on June 1, 2026, from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m., to introduce the General Plan and gather public input on the vision and opportunities for the park's future. To provide additional opportunities for participation, State Parks also launched an Online Opportunities Survey on June 1, 2026, allowing community members to share feedback online. The survey remained open through July 3, 2026. Both of these engagement activities provided opportunities for participants to identify priorities, share perspectives, and help inform development of the Lake Perris SRA General Plan.

This summary provides an overview of the open house workshop, the Online Opportunities Survey, and the input received across both engagement activities. The feedback summarized in this report will help identify community priorities and perspectives to inform the development of the Lake Perris SRA General Plan.

The report is organized as follows:

- **Workshop and Survey Purpose and Format**– Describes the purpose and format of the open house workshop and Online Opportunities Survey.
- **Participation** – Summarizes the number of participants in the open house workshop and Online Opportunities Survey.
- **Workshop and Survey Noticing** – Summarizes the outreach conducted to promote the open house workshop and Online Opportunities Survey and encourage participation.
- **Key Themes** – Highlights the primary themes and takeaways identified across the open house workshop and Online Opportunities Survey.
- **Workshop and Survey Summary** – Summarizes responses from each workshop station and corresponding Online Opportunities Survey question using charts and narrative summaries, along with additional open-ended comments.

1.2 PURPOSE

The purpose of the open house workshop and Online Opportunities Survey was to:

- Provide an overview of the Lake Perris SRA General Plan and opportunities for continued public participation throughout the planning process.
- Gather feedback on opportunities, priorities, and improvements participants would like to see considered as part of the future management, recreation, facilities, and visitor experience at Lake Perris SRA.
- Better understand participants' vision for the future of Lake Perris SRA and the values, experiences, and resources they believe should be preserved, enhanced, or expanded.

1.3 FORMAT

Open House Workshop

Welcome and Introductions

Workshop attendees were greeted by State Parks staff and encouraged to sign in and join the project email distribution list at the welcome table. Participants received a comment card to submit additional feedback and were introduced to the General Plan, project timeline, and opportunities for continued public participation via a workshop board before beginning the open house activities.

Open House Workshop Stations

Nine stations and a coloring station for kids were located throughout the workshop venue. Participants had the opportunity to visit each station, learn about existing park conditions, provide feedback through interactive activities, ask questions, and discuss ideas with State Parks and consultant staff.

The stations addressed the following topics:

- **Station 1 – Welcome and Park Favorites:** Participants learned about the General Plan and identified the areas of Lake Perris SRA they most enjoy visiting.
- **Station 2 – Camping Facility Opportunities:** Participants shared priorities for improvements to existing camping facilities and opportunities for future camping experiences.
- **Station 3 – Day Use Facility Opportunities:** Participants identified priorities for enhancing day-use facilities, amenities, and recreational opportunities.
- **Station 4 – Lake Use Opportunities:** Participants provided input on opportunities to improve lake recreation, access, safety, and the overall visitor experience.
- **Station 5 – Special Event and Concession Opportunities:** Participants shared preferences regarding future special events, concession services, and related visitor amenities.
- **Station 6 – Programming and Interpretation Opportunities:** Participants suggested ideas for future educational programs, recreational activities, and interpretive experiences.
- **Station 7 – Visitor Management and Public Safety Opportunities:** Participants identified priorities for improving visitor services, public safety, circulation, wayfinding, and park operations.
- **Station 8 – Conservation Opportunities:** Participants shared priorities for protecting and enhancing the park's natural and cultural resources.
- **Station 9 – Vision for the Park:** Participants shared their long-term vision and priorities for the future of Lake Perris SRA.



Open House Workshop participants shared ideas to enhance park programming and



Online Opportunities Survey

The Online Opportunities Survey mirrored the in-person open house workshop and provided an additional opportunity for community members to share feedback remotely. The survey included 13 questions covering the same topics presented at the workshop, including park favorites, camping, day-use and lake-use opportunities, special events and concessions, programs and interpretation, visitor management and public safety, conservation, and the long-term vision for Lake Perris SRA. Minor modifications were made to adapt the activities for an online format while maintaining consistency with the in-person workshop engagement experience.

1.4 PARTICIPATION

A total of **55** individuals attended the in-person open house workshop, and **148** community members participated in the Online Opportunities Survey.

1.5 WORKSHOP AND SURVEY NOTICING

The following outreach strategies were used to promote the in-person open house workshop and Online Opportunities Survey.

Project Website

The project website (lakeperrisgp.com) provided information about the Lake Perris SRA General Plan, upcoming engagement opportunities, and ways for the public to participate. The website included information about the public workshop, project background, and an optional registration page. Following the open house workshop, the website featured the Online Opportunities Survey, providing an additional opportunity for community members to share feedback.



Workshop flyer used to promote the open house workshop.

E-blasts

A series of e-blasts were distributed to the project email distribution list to announce the public workshop and Online Opportunities Survey. Reminder e-blasts were also distributed throughout the engagement period to encourage participation and notify community members of upcoming deadlines.

Social Media

A series of social media posts were shared across California State Parks' social media channels to promote both the open house workshop and Online Opportunities Survey. Posts included announcements, reminders, and information on how community members could participate.

Press Release

A press release announcing the open house workshop and providing information about the General Plan was distributed by California State Parks to regional media outlets. The press release also informed the public that an Online Opportunities Survey would follow the workshop.

Park Signage

Yard signs, A-frame signs, and informational posters were posted throughout Lake Perris SRA to advertise the open house workshop and encourage participation. Posters were displayed at key visitor locations throughout the park leading up to the workshop and included a QR code to the registration page.

1.6 KEY THEMES

The following key themes emerged consistently across both the open house workshop and Online Opportunities Survey. Together, they reflect the priorities, opportunities, and long-term vision identified during this round of engagement for Lake Perris SRA.

- **Maintain and improve existing facilities**, with emphasis on campgrounds, restrooms, beaches, roads, trails, landscaping, and other visitor infrastructure.
- **Keep Lake Perris SRA clean, safe, and well maintained** through increased maintenance, stronger ranger and law enforcement presence, improved boating and swimming safety, better emergency communications, and expanded Wi-Fi and cell coverage.
- **Expand recreation opportunities** for a wide range of visitors, including camping, boating, fishing, swimming, trails, biking, horseback riding, day-use amenities, concessions, equipment rentals, and family-friendly activities.
- **Enhance lake recreation and water-based experiences** by improving water safety, swimming areas, fishing opportunities, boating access, and the balance between motorized and non-motorized recreation.
- **Protect and enhance natural resources** through habitat restoration, native vegetation, invasive species management, water quality improvements, fisheries management, and preservation of open space and scenic character.
- **Preserve and celebrate cultural resources and Tribal stewardship** through protection of cultural sites, expanded interpretation, museum enhancements, educational programming, and recognition of Indigenous history and traditions.
- **Expand park-led programs, interpretation, and community events**, including guided recreation, environmental education, cultural programming, and year-round activities for visitors of all ages.
- **Improve access and connectivity** through better wayfinding, parking and circulation, public transportation, bicycle and pedestrian connections, and accessible visitor amenities.
- **Strengthen stewardship and community partnerships** by expanding volunteer opportunities, environmental stewardship, and partnerships with schools, Tribes, local organizations, and community groups.
- **Balance recreation, conservation, and education** while preserving the park's natural beauty, scenic character, and welcoming atmosphere for future generations.



State Parks staff discussing campground opportunities with workshop attendees.



1.7 WORKSHOP AND SURVEY SUMMARY

The following sections summarize the feedback received for each workshop station and its corresponding Online Opportunities Survey question. The survey was designed to mirror the in-person workshop, allowing results from both engagement activities to be compared. Each section includes a brief overview of the topic and the type of feedback requested, followed by a summary of the results and charts presenting responses from both the open house workshop and the Online Opportunities Survey.

Percentages are presented to illustrate the distribution of feedback for each question. For questions allowing multiple responses, percentages represent each option's share of the total selections received across all response options. For single-response questions, percentages represent the percentage of participants selecting each response option.

For each topic, feedback from the open house workshop is presented first, followed by the corresponding Online Opportunities Survey results. Where applicable, responses to open-ended questions and "Other" comments have been summarized to highlight recurring themes, priorities, and suggestions shared by participants.



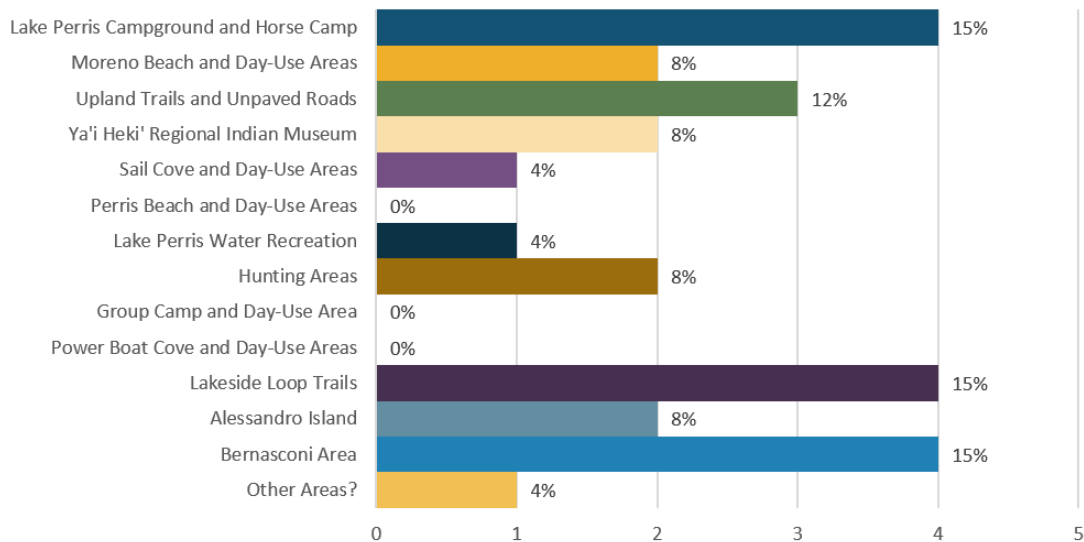
Workshop participants engaging with project displays and sharing feedback with State Parks staff.

Park Favorites

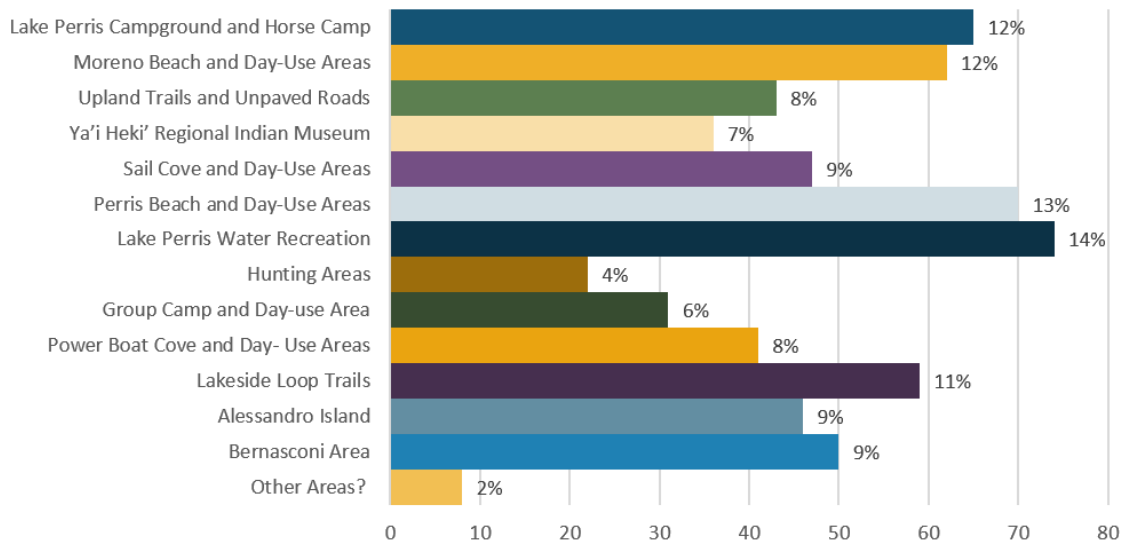
Participants were asked to identify where they like to go within Lake Perris SRA to better understand which locations and recreational opportunities are most valued by park visitors. Camping areas and the Lakeside Loop Trail emerged as some of the most frequently selected destinations in both engagement activities. Workshop participants also frequently selected the Bernasconi Area, while Online Opportunities Survey respondents showed more interest across a broader range of locations, with Lake Perris Water Recreation, Perris Beach, and Moreno Beach also ranking among the most frequently selected destinations.

Where do you like to go in the park? (select all that apply)

Open House Workshop Results:



Online Opportunities Survey Results:



Themes from "Other" Write-In Responses for Both the Workshop and Survey:

- Ferry access to Alessandro Island.
- The dam and eastern end of the lake, including opportunities for kayaking.
- Bike trails and equestrian trails, with support for maintaining and expanding trail opportunities.
- Cultural and historical destinations, including cultural sites.
- Restoring grassy day-use areas and landscaping.
- Improved cellular service throughout the park.
- Scenic driving and photography opportunities within the park.

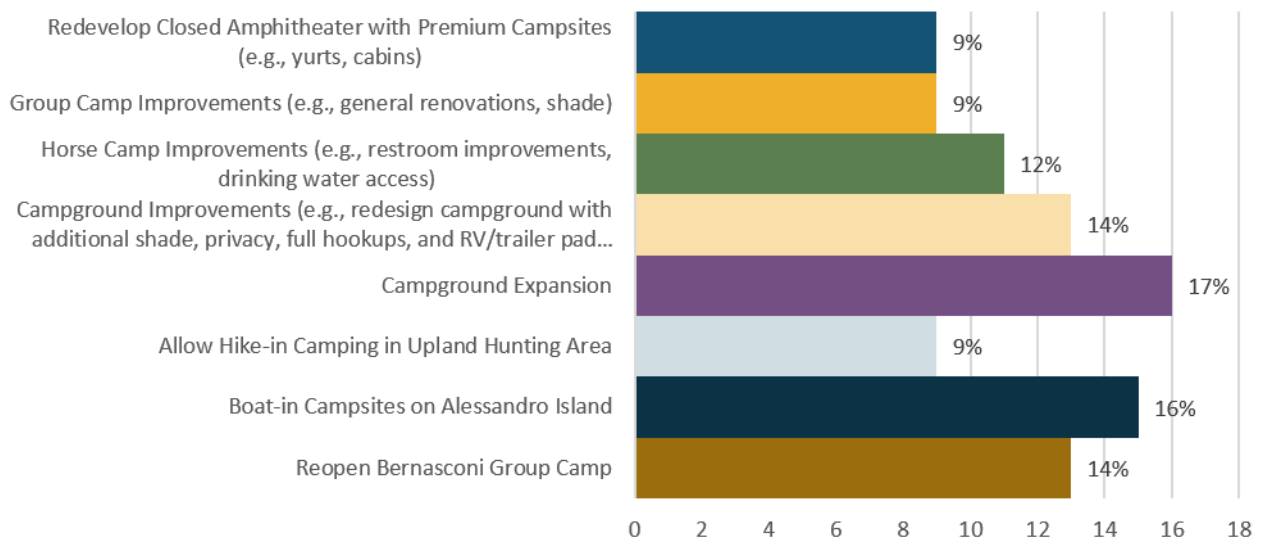


Camping Opportunities

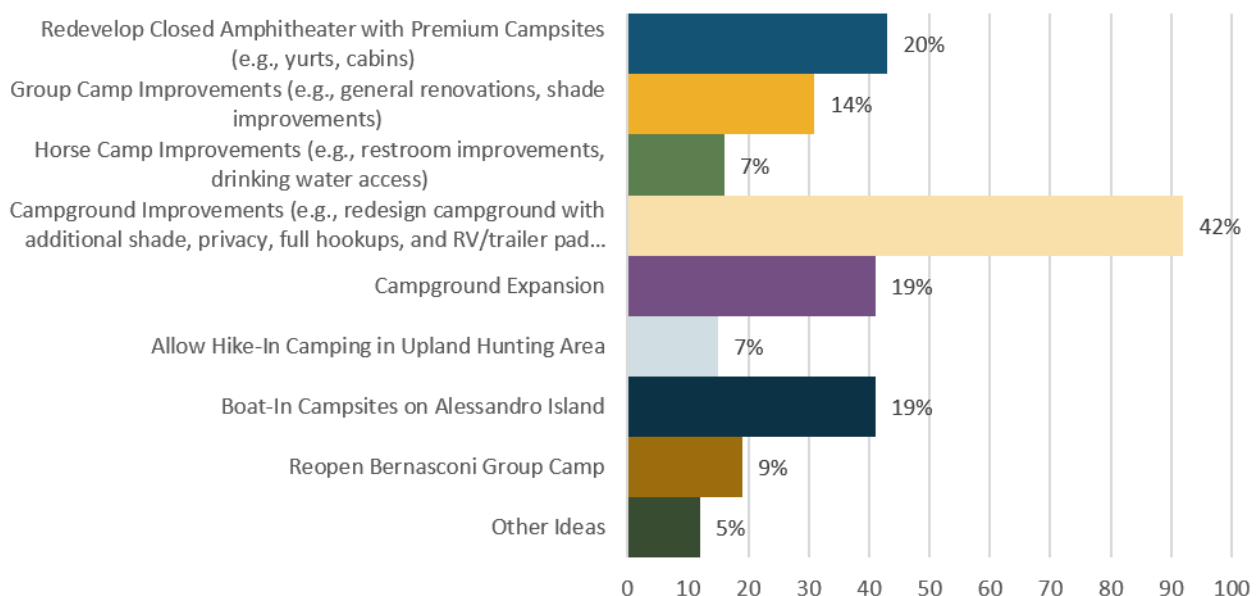
To help inform future camping investments, participants were asked to identify up to three camping facility opportunities they believe should be prioritized within Lake Perris SRA. Improvements to existing campgrounds emerged as the highest priority in both engagement activities. Campground expansion and boat-in campsites on Alessandro Island also ranked among the highest priorities in both the workshop and Online Opportunities Survey. Workshop participants placed greater emphasis on horse camp improvements and reopening the Bernasconi Group Camp, while Online Opportunities Survey respondents showed stronger support for redeveloping the closed amphitheater with premium campsites.

Which Camping facility opportunities do you think should be prioritized at Lake Perris SRA? (Select up to three options)

Open House Workshop Results:



Online Opportunities Survey Results:



Themes from "Other" Write-In Responses for Both the Workshop and Survey:

- Larger and more modern campgrounds, including larger RV campsites, additional space between campsites, more trees and shade, and restored grassy areas.
- Upgrades to horse camp facilities, including improved stalls, restroom and shower access, running water, and other amenities.
- Better-maintained horse trails, including updated signage, safer trail access, graded roads and parking areas, separation of e-bikes from horse trails, and support for horse endurance events.
- Improved campground maintenance, including cleaner restrooms, additional trash collection, better cellular service, and tools for reporting maintenance and safety concerns.
- Increased campground security and enforcement of quiet hours and music curfews.
- Better connections between campgrounds, beaches, and other areas, including a direct beach trail, ferry service to Alessandro Island, and showers and running water on the Bernasconi side.
- Improvements to Hunter's Lot, including grading, shade over picnic tables, additional trash cans, and general maintenance.
- Repaving the dam bike path to improve bicycle access and safety.
- Fish habitat restoration and renewed trout stocking.
- More native plants and trees, botanical gardens, prescribed burns, restored grassy areas, and educational information about native plants.
- Greater recognition of Indigenous history and culture through interpretive signage, native plant education, and spaces for cultural gathering and traditional practices.
- Additional recreation opportunities and visitor amenities, including live music, vendors, full-service boat docks, and an archery area.

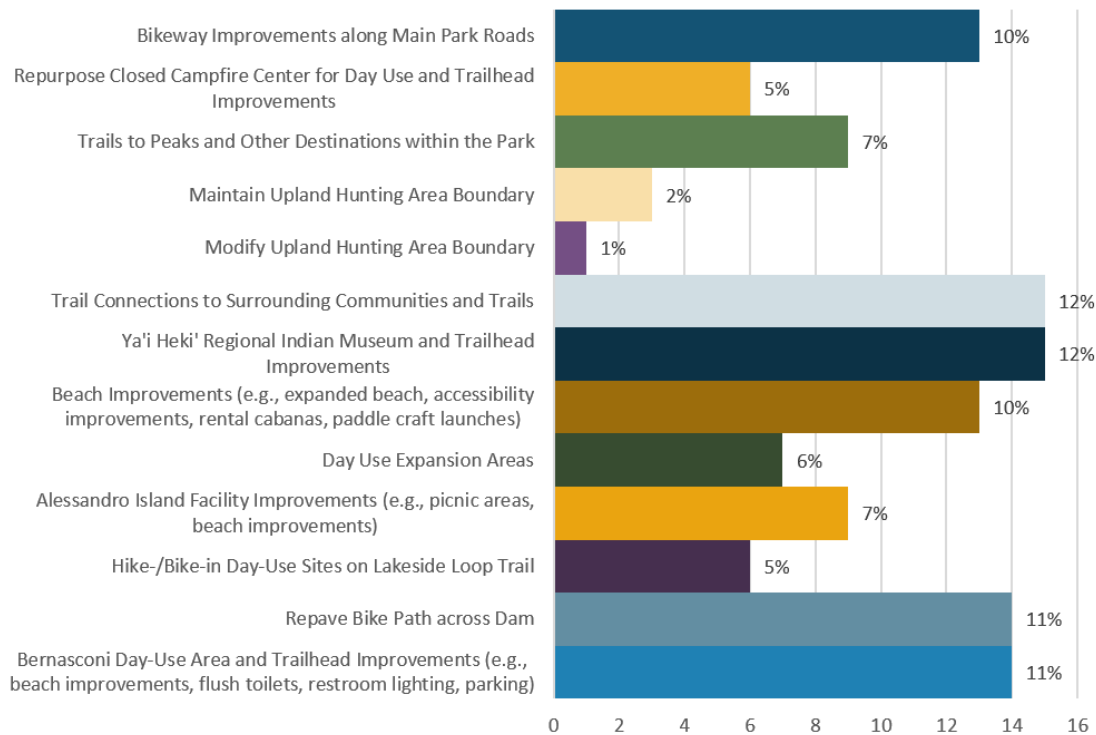
Day-use Facilities

Participants were asked to identify up to three day-use facility opportunities they believe should be prioritized within Lake Perris SRA. Both the workshop and Online Opportunities Survey identified improvements to existing day-use facilities as a high priority, with beach improvements receiving the strongest support overall. Repaving the bike path across the dam, improvements to the Bernasconi Day-Use Area and Trailhead, and enhancements to Alessandro Island facilities also ranked among the highest priorities. Workshop participants placed greater emphasis on trail connections, bikeway improvements, the Ya'i Heki' Regional Indian Museum and Trailhead, and repaving the dam bike path, while Online Opportunities Survey respondents showed stronger support for beach improvements, day-use expansion areas, and Alessandro Island facility improvements.

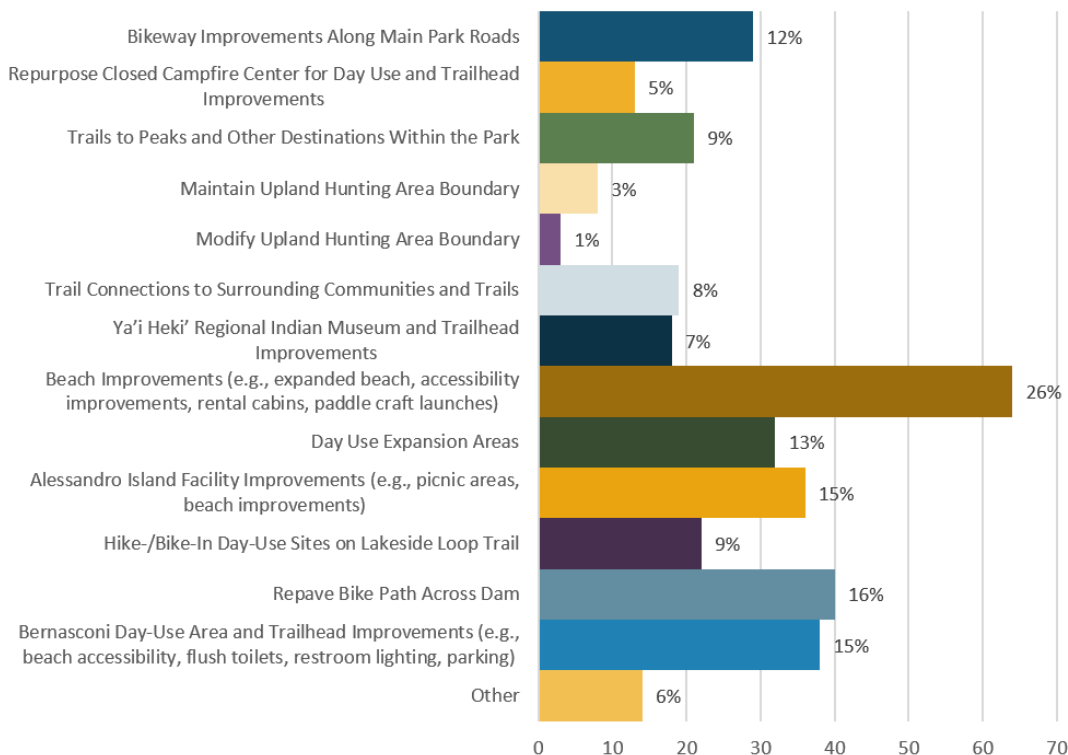


Which day-use facility opportunities do you think should be prioritized at Lake Perris SRA? (Select up to three options)

Open House Workshop Results:



Online Opportunities Survey Results:



Themes from "Other" Write-In Responses for Both the Workshop and Survey:

- More native plants, restored grassy areas, and protection of natural habitats.
- Protection and interpretation of Indigenous history and cultural resources, including expanded museum exhibits and hours, interpretive signage, and protection of cultural sites within the Upland Hunting Area.
- Better trail maintenance, safer trail access, bridge repairs, mileage markers, improved signage, and accommodations for hikers, cyclists, and equestrians.
- Expanded recreation opportunities, including fishing and boating competitions, horse endurance events, adventure sports, an archery area, and a dog park.
- More community events and gathering spaces, including city partnerships, large-scale events, community gardens, and outdoor learning spaces.
- Improved access to Alessandro Island through boat tours and additional picnic opportunities.
- Beach and waterfront improvements, including paved walkways, longer launching docks, expanded lifeguard coverage, and emergency signage.
- Better maintenance of park facilities, including roads, playgrounds, restrooms, trash collection, and Hunter's Lot.
- Improved visitor amenities, including better cellular service, expanded marina services, and additional bicycle facilities.
- Increased volunteer opportunities to support park maintenance and cleanup efforts.

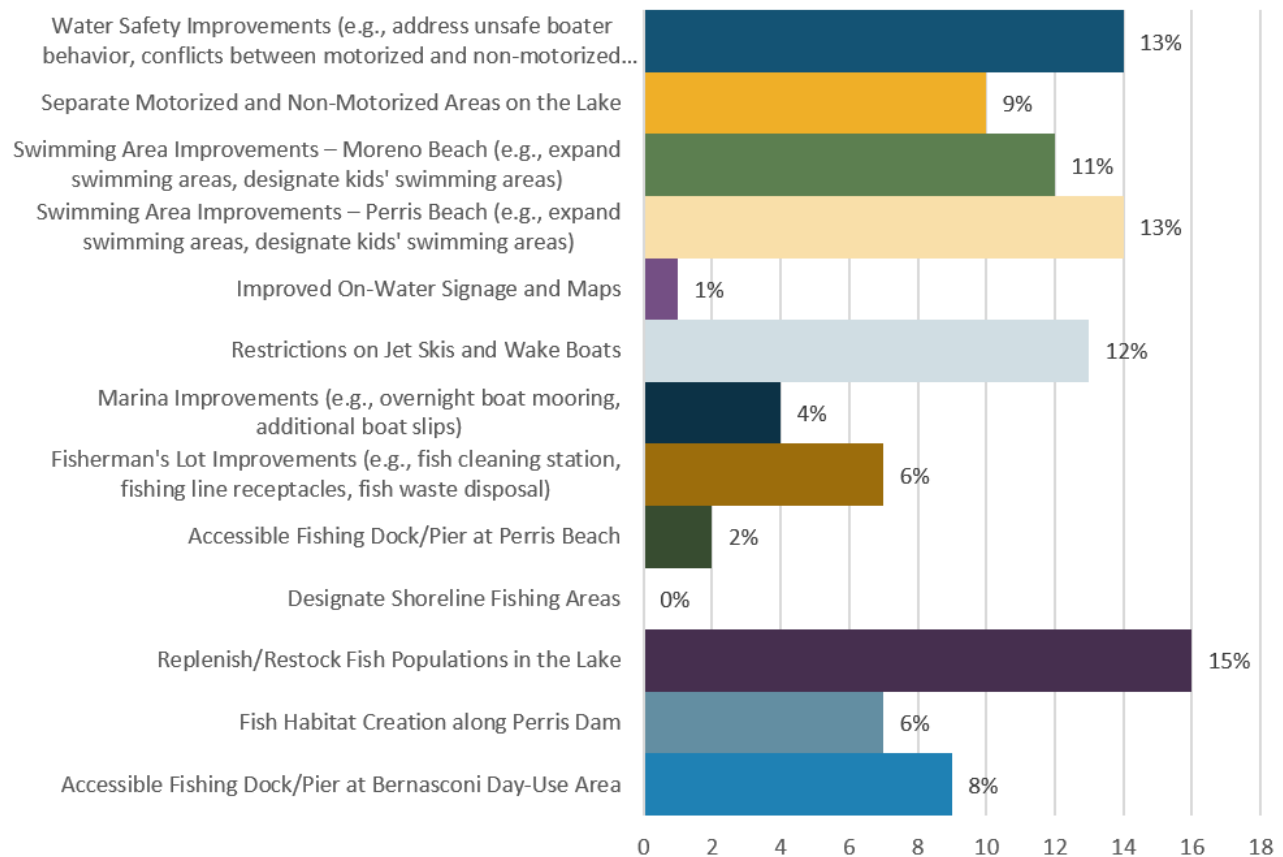
Lake-use Facilities

Participants were asked to identify up to three lake-use facility opportunities they believe should be prioritized within Lake Perris SRA. Both the workshop and Online Opportunities Survey identified water safety improvements, swimming area improvements, and replenishing fish populations as the highest priorities for lake use. Workshop participants also placed greater emphasis on improvements to Perris Beach, restrictions on jet skis and wake boats, and separating motorized and non-motorized areas on the lake. Online Opportunities Survey respondents similarly prioritized water safety and swimming improvements, while also showing stronger support for accessible fishing docks, replenishing fish populations, and fish habitat creation.

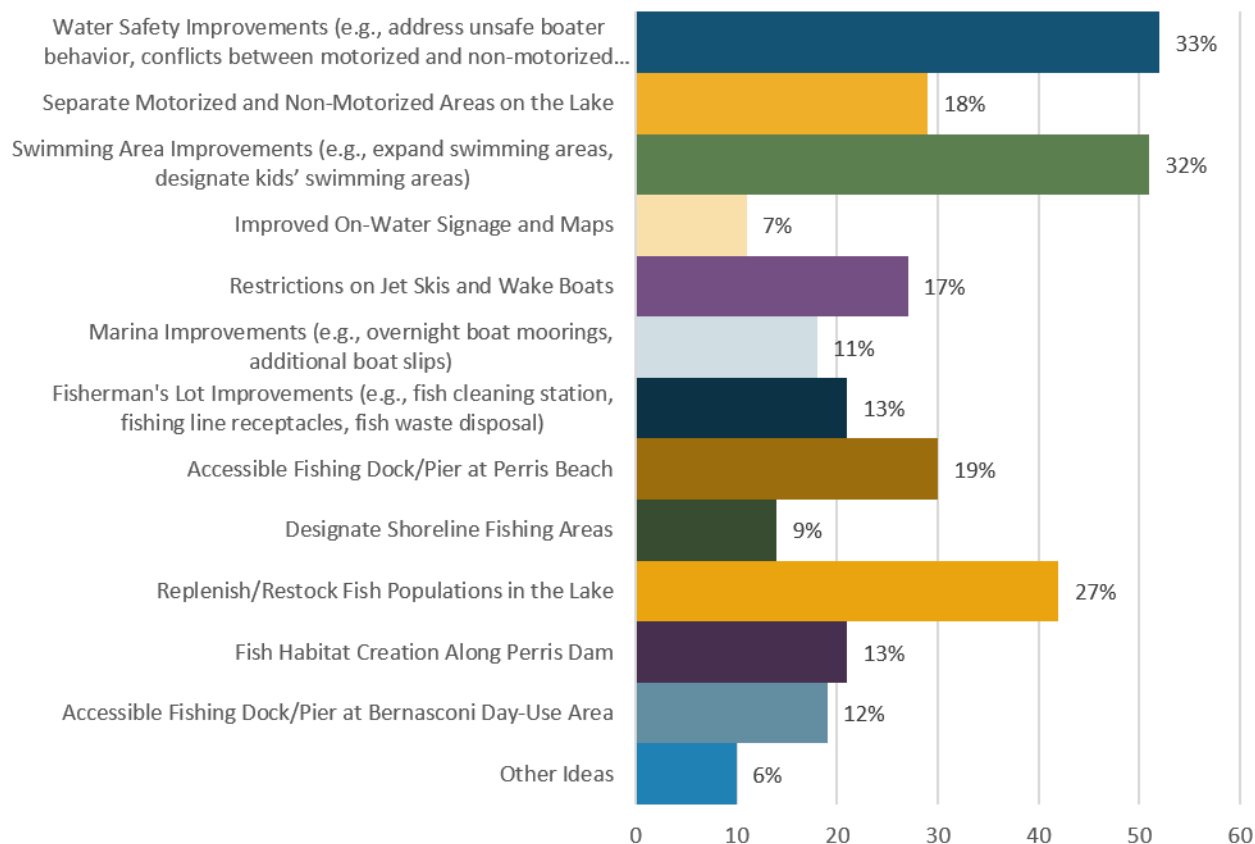


Which lake-use facility opportunities do you think should be prioritized at Lake Perris SRA? (Select up to three options)

Open House Workshop Results:



Online Opportunities Survey Results:



Themes from "Other" Write-In Responses for Both the Workshop and Survey:

- Stronger boating law enforcement, especially for reckless jet ski use, wake boats, no-wake areas, rental safety, and boating license checks.
- Restrictions on jet skis and wake boats due to safety concerns and conflicts with swimmers and smaller watercraft.
- More flexible swimming rules, larger swimming areas, separation between swimming and fishing areas, and allowance for smaller flotation devices.
- Fish habitat restoration, native fish stocking, native turtles and aquatic plants, and reduced reliance on repeated trout stocking.
- Bowfishing opportunities for carp and invasive species, with designated shoreline areas, nighttime events, and safety distance rules.
- Water park features, waterslides, kid zones, adventure sports, and date-night boat activities.
- Ferry service to Alessandro Island, education on the island, and improved access across the lake.
- Public transportation into and within the park, including better access from the entrance to internal parking areas.
- Lighting along the bike trail and across the dam.
- More trash pickup and "Keep Your Park Clean" signage.
- Dog-friendly beach access.



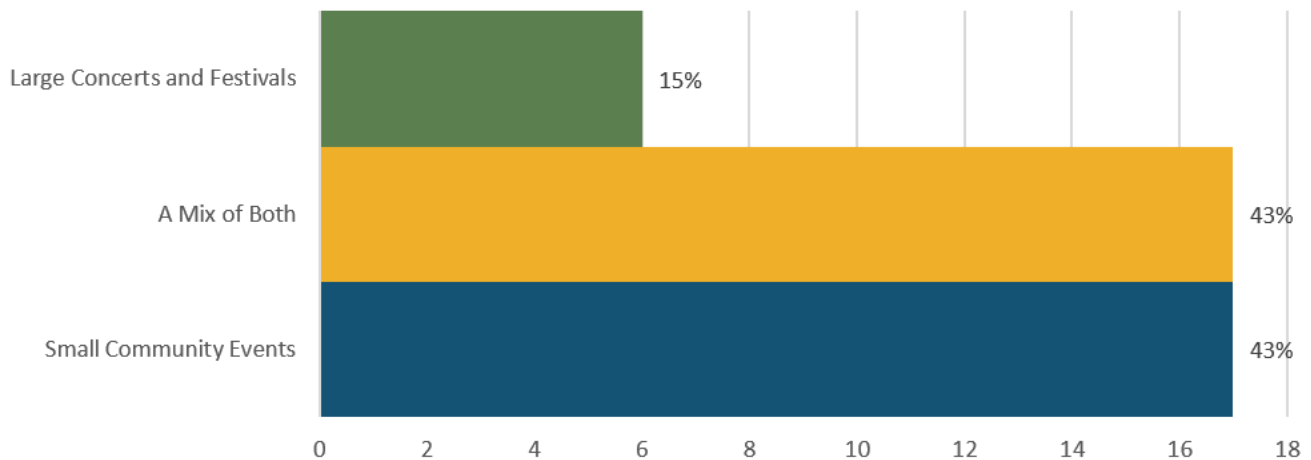
Special Events and Concessions

This section represents the greatest difference in how input was collected between the workshop and Online Opportunities Survey. During the workshop, participants indicated their preferences using a three-point scale (low, mixed, or high preference). In the Online Opportunities Survey, participants used a 0-10 scale, where 0 represented a low preference and 10 represented a high preference. Although the response scales differed, both engagement activities explored the same four topics: (1) type and scale of special events, (2) frequency and timing of special events, (3) level of public access during special events, and (4) level of concessions within the park.

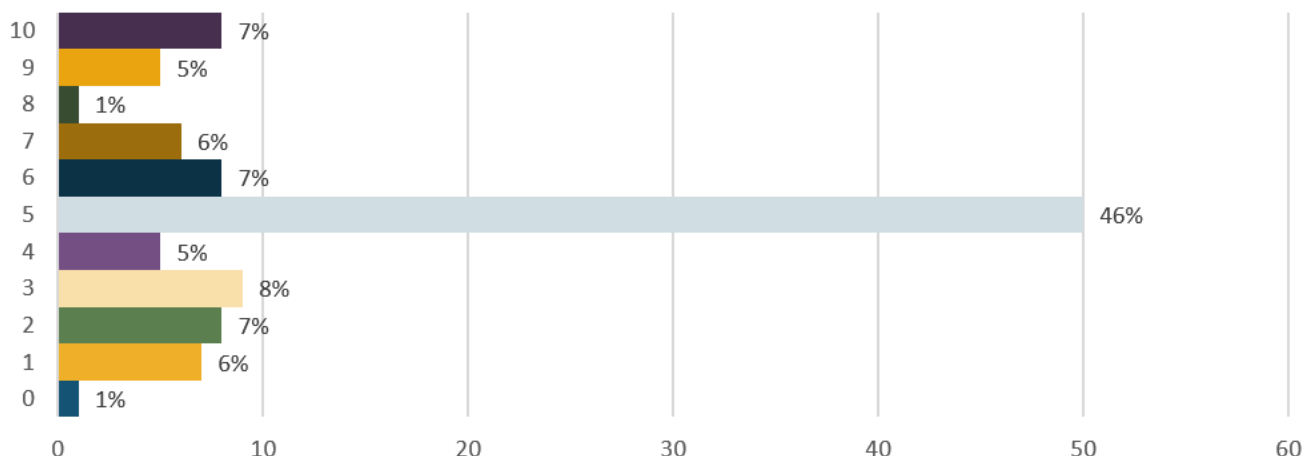
Type and Scale of Special Event: What is your preference for the type and scale of special events at Lake Perris SRA?

Despite the different response scales, both engagement activities indicated a preference for a balance between small community events and larger concerts and festivals. Workshop participants most frequently selected the "mixed" option, while survey responses were centered near the middle of the 0-10 scale.

Open House Workshop Results:



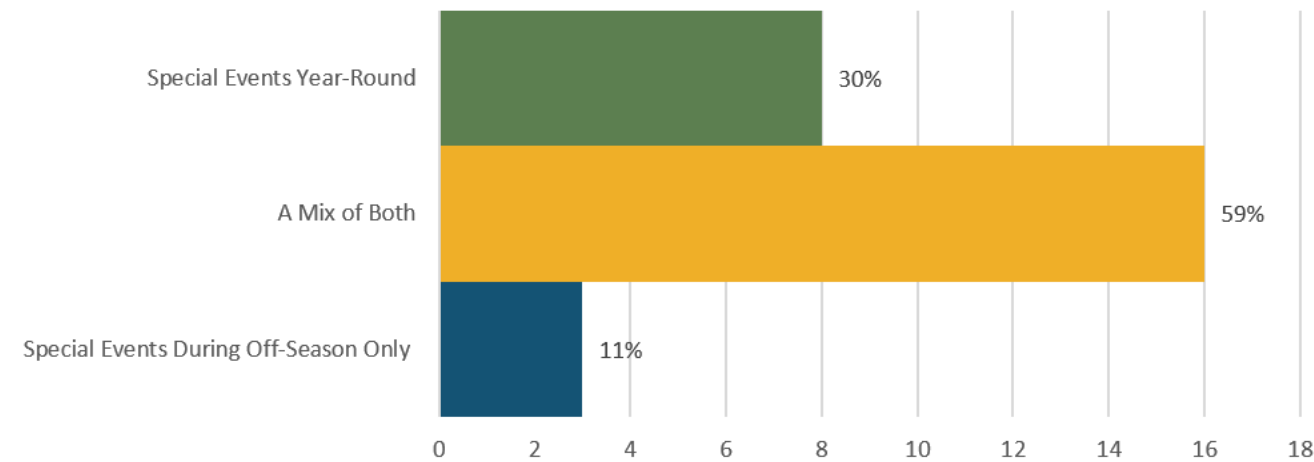
Online Opportunities Survey Results: Note: Responses range from 0 to 10, where 0 indicates a preference for small community events and 10 indicates a preference for large concerts and festivals.



Frequency and Timing of Special Event: What is your preference for the frequency and timing of special events at Lake Perris SRA?

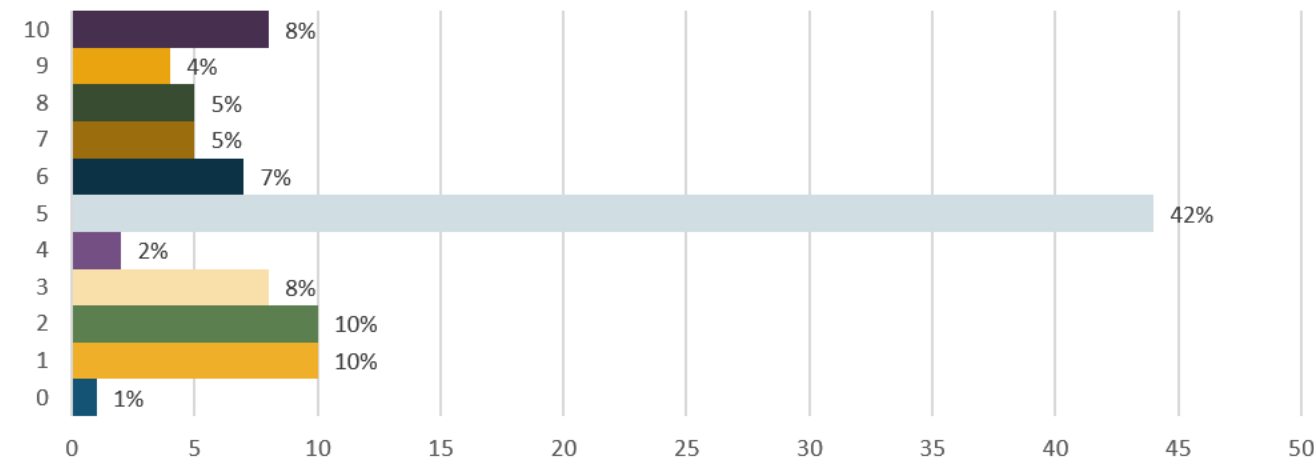
Both engagement activities indicated a preference for a balanced approach to the frequency and timing of special events. Workshop participants most frequently selected a mix of year-round and off-season events, while Online Opportunities Survey responses were centered near the middle of the 0-10 scale.

Open House Workshop Results:



Online Opportunities Survey Results:

Note: Responses range from 0 to 10, where 0 indicates a preference for special events during the off-season only and 10 indicates a preference for special events year-round.

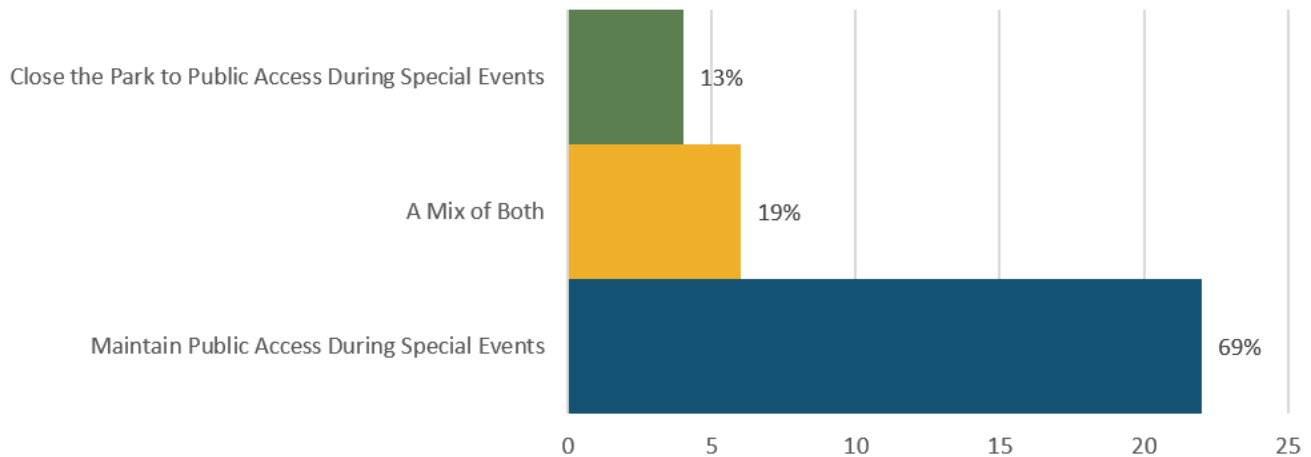




Level of Public Access During Special Events: What is your preference for public access during special events at Lake Perris SRA?

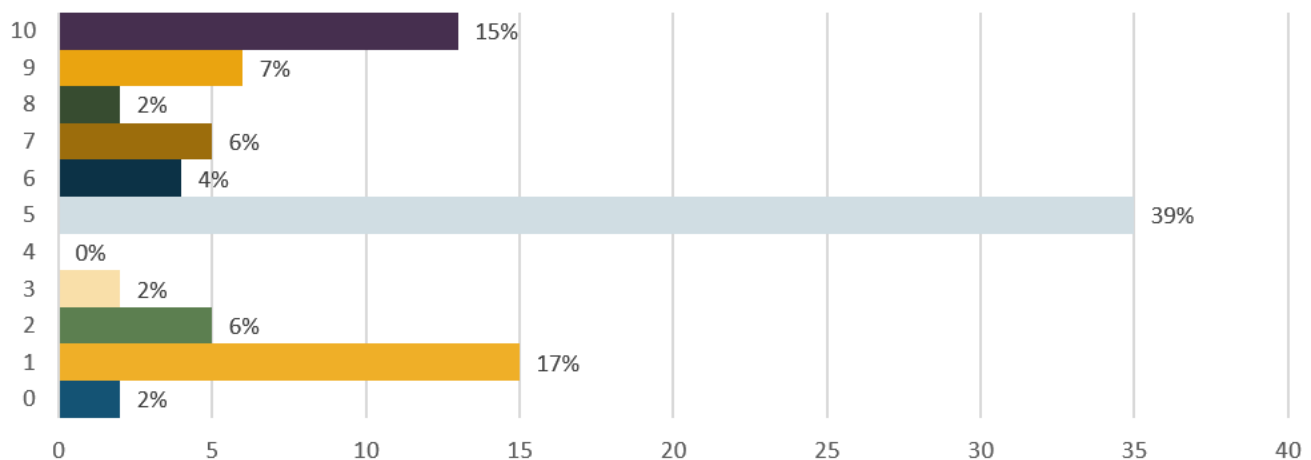
Both engagement activities indicated a preference for maintaining public access during special events. Workshop participants strongly preferred maintaining public access, while Online Opportunities Survey responses were centered near the middle of the 0-10 scale with a slight preference toward maintaining, rather than restricting, public access.

Open House Workshop Results:



Online Opportunities Survey Results:

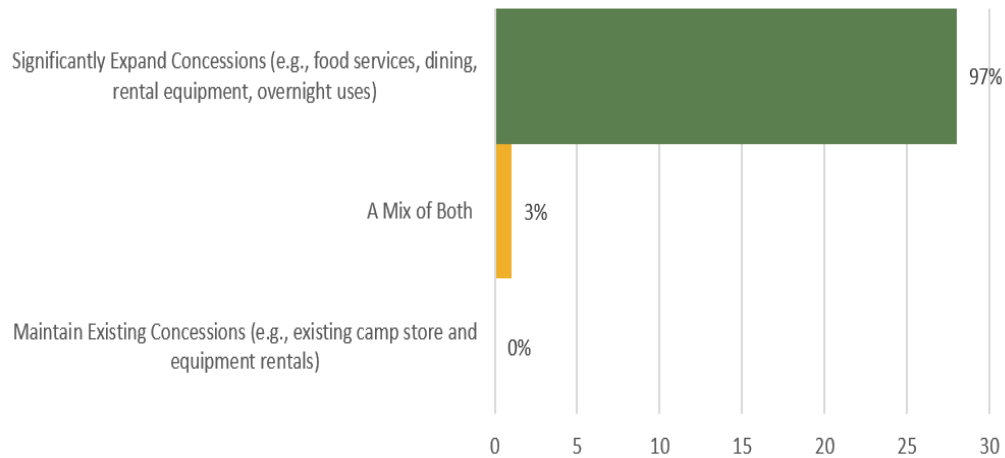
Note: Responses range from 0 to 10, where 0 indicates a preference to maintain public access during special events and 10 indicates a preference to close the park to public access during special events.



Level of Concessions: What is your preference for concessions at Lake Perris SRA?

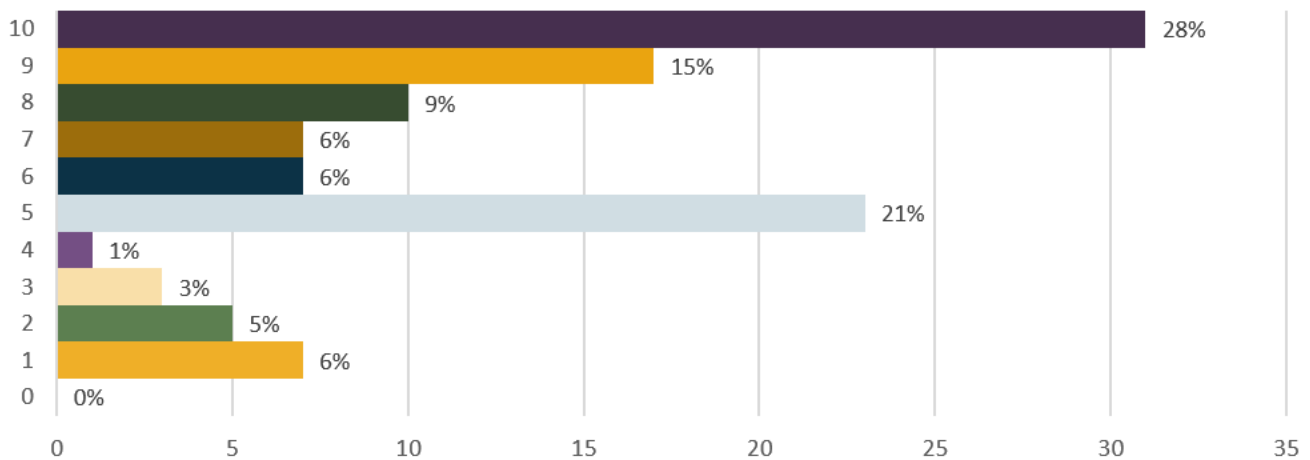
Engagement activities indicated strong support for expanding concessions at Lake Perris SRA. Workshop participants overwhelmingly preferred expanding concession opportunities, while Online Opportunities Survey responses were concentrated toward the upper end of the 0-10 scale, reflecting a similar preference.

Open House Workshop Results:



Online Opportunities Survey Results:

Note: Responses range from 0 to 10, where 0 indicates a preference to maintain existing concessions and 10 indicates a preference to significantly expand concessions.





Programming and Interpretation

The Programming and Interpretation station and Online Opportunities Survey asked participants what kinds of park-led activities, programs, and educational or interpretive opportunities they would like to see at Lake Perris SRA. Because the question was identical across both engagement activities, responses have been combined and summarized below.

Participants shared a wide range of ideas for expanding park-led programs and interpretive opportunities. Common themes included guided outdoor recreation, youth and family programming, cultural and environmental education, fishing and water safety, community events, and improved promotion of existing programs.

What kinds of park-led activities, programs, and educational/interpretive topics would you like to see at Lake Perris SRA?

Key Themes from Combined Workshop and Online Opportunities Survey Responses:

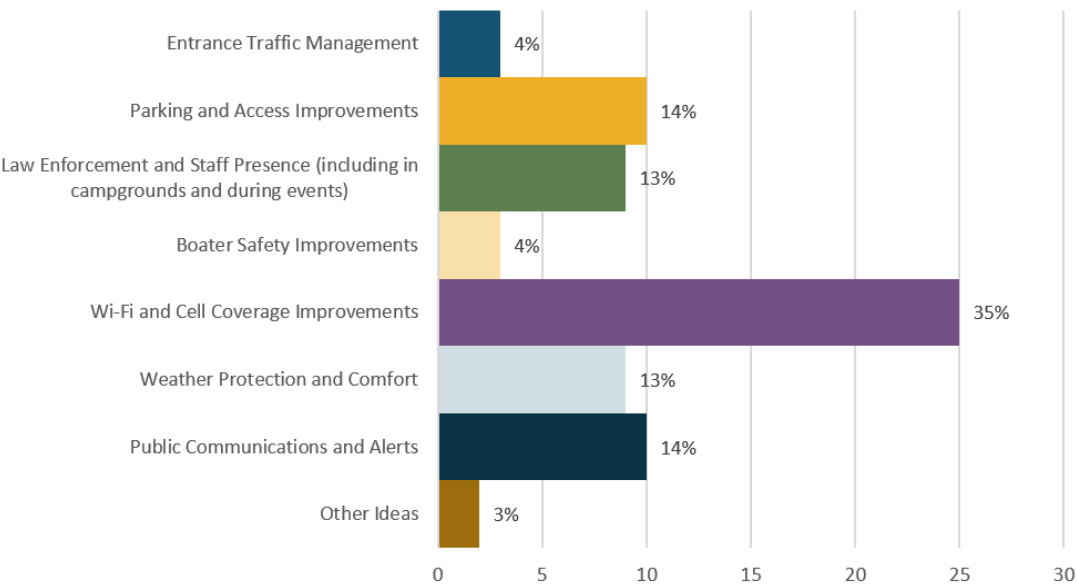
- Guided hikes, nature walks, bird walks, wildlife tours, boat tours, bike rides, kayaking, and other outdoor recreation programs.
- Photography walks, astronomy programs, aquatic biology, wildlife education, native plant education, interpretive tours, and environmental stewardship.
- Indigenous history and culture through cultural walks, traditional crafts, Native food and survival skills, Tribal presentations, interpretive signage, and protection of cultural resources.
- Expanded museum exhibits, programming, and hours highlighting local archaeology, history, wildlife, and Indigenous cultures.
- Junior Ranger programs, youth activities, summer camps, Scout partnerships, trail etiquette education, and programs for adults and older adults.
- Swimming, boating, kayaking, sailing, rowing, fishing, hunting, and water safety education, including children's fishing classes, hunting safety courses, and conservation education.
- Outdoor skills programs, including camping skills, fire building, outdoor cooking, tent setup, wilderness skills, and survival training.
- Campfire programs, evening programs, storytelling, outdoor theater, movies under the stars, and Shakespeare in the Park.
- Community events and seasonal programming, including boat parades, cultural festivals, concerts, open mic nights, silent discos, fireworks, and holiday celebrations.
- Recreation events and competitions, including archery, rock climbing, cycling, horseback riding, rowing events, marathons, Spartan-style events, soccer tournaments, and car shows.
- Better promotion of programs through social media, schools, the park website, the museum, and an up-to-date calendar of events.
- More opportunities to interact with park staff through ranger-led hikes, educational programs, Coffee with a Ranger, Reading with a Ranger, and other community events.
- Partnerships with schools, cities, Tribes, Scouts, public transit providers, and community organizations.
- More frequent programming throughout the year and additional staffing and resources to support expanded offerings.

Visitor Management and Public Safety

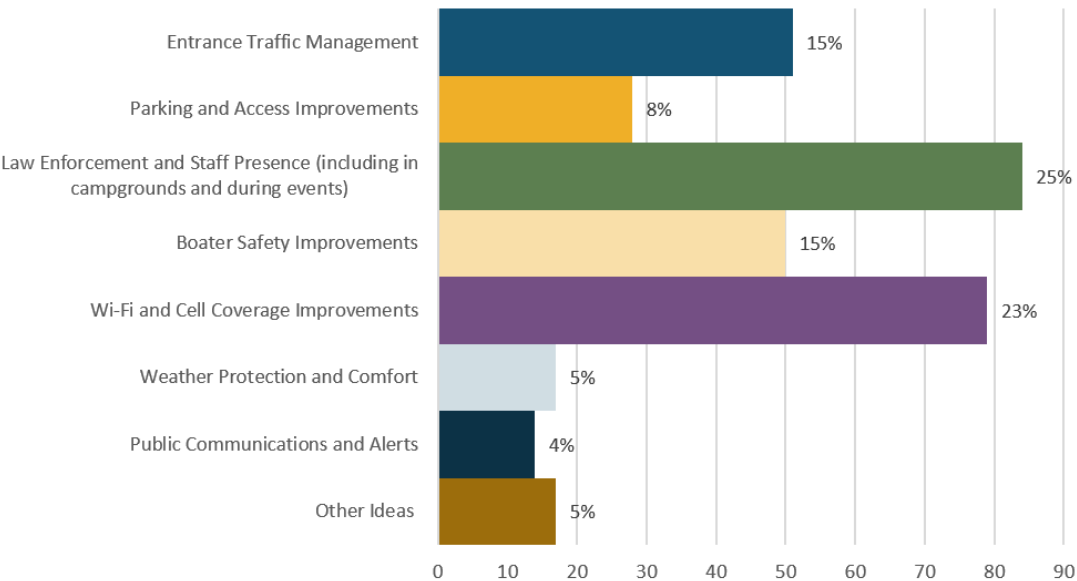
Participants were asked to identify up to three visitor management and public safety strategies they believe should be prioritized at Lake Perris SRA. Both the workshop and Online Opportunities Survey identified improved Wi-Fi and cell coverage and increased law enforcement and staff presence as the highest priorities. Workshop participants also placed greater emphasis on parking and access improvements, public communications and alerts, and weather protection and comfort, while Online Opportunities Survey respondents showed stronger support for entrance traffic management and boater safety improvements.

Which visitor management and public safety strategies do you think should be prioritized at Lake Perris SRA? (Select up to three options)

Open House Workshop Results:



Online Opportunities Survey Results:





Themes from "Other" Write-In Responses for Both the Workshop and Survey:

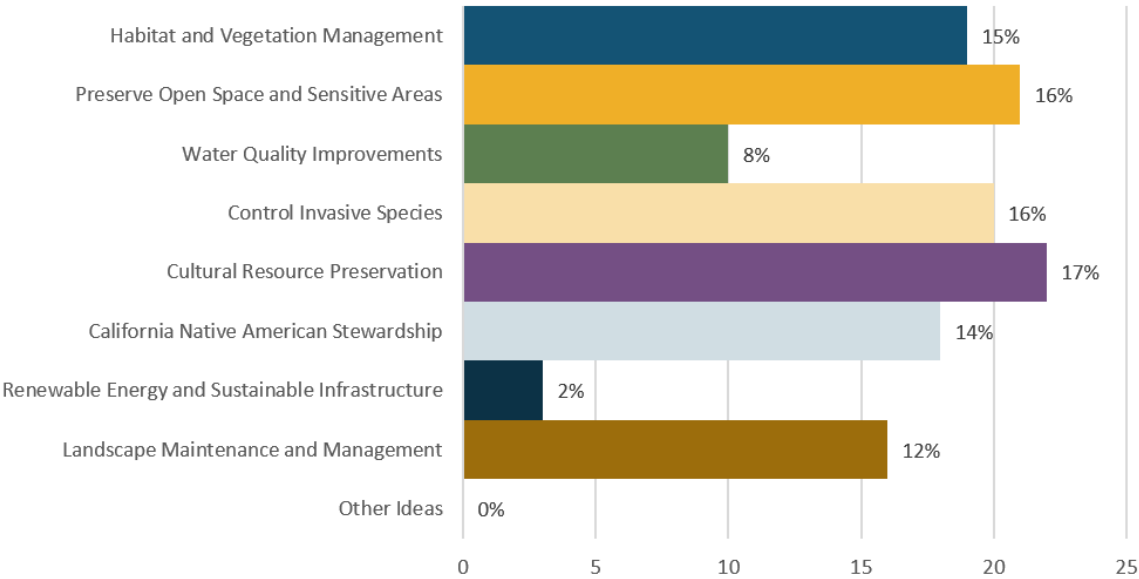
- Increased law enforcement throughout the park, including on the lake, at swimming beaches, in campgrounds, and during busy weekends, with greater enforcement of boating laws, quiet hours, alcohol restrictions, and noise ordinances.
- Improved boater safety through additional lifeguards, boater card verification, proper docking practices, and enforcement of designated use areas, including Sail Cove.
- E-bike and e-motorcycle restrictions, speed limits, improved trail signage, and enforcement.
- Improved entrance operations, including dedicated annual pass lanes, scannable passes, additional entrance staff, posted gate hours, and reduced traffic congestion.
- Improvements to Powerboat Cove, including road access, parking, trailer circulation, boat launch access, and kiosk facilities.
- More trash cans, increased trash collection, litter enforcement, volunteer cleanup events, and Leave No Trace education.
- Increased campground security, including after-hours patrols, restroom vandalism prevention, and campground rule enforcement.
- Better communication with visitors through social media, posted information, and improved access to park staff.
- Additional park staff to support visitor services, maintenance, and public safety.
- More water bottle refill stations, shade, and protection from the elements.
- Improved public transportation to the park and activity areas.

Conservation

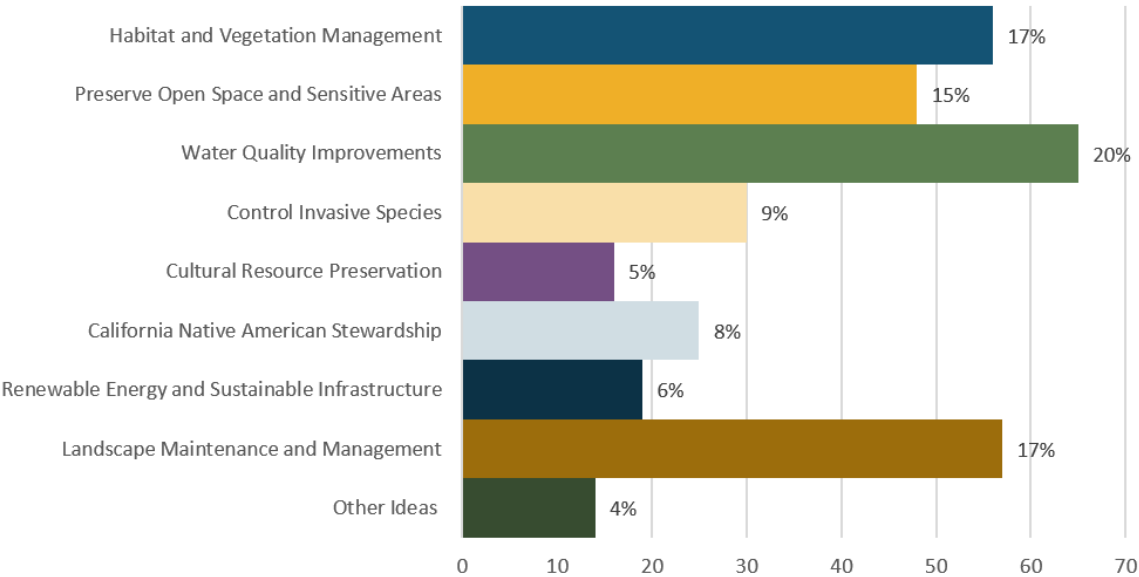
Participants were asked to identify the resource management activities they believe should be prioritized at Lake Perris SRA. Both the workshop and Online Opportunities Survey identified habitat and vegetation management, preserving open space and sensitive areas, and landscape maintenance as important priorities. Workshop participants placed greater emphasis on cultural resource preservation, California Native American stewardship, and controlling invasive species, while Online Opportunities Survey respondents showed stronger support for water quality improvements.

Which resource management activities do you think should be prioritized at Lake Perris SRA? (Select up to three options)

Open House Workshop Results:



Online Opportunities Survey Results:





Themes from "Other" Write-In Responses for Both the Workshop and Survey:

- Native habitat restoration, native plant replanting, water-wise landscaping, additional shade trees, protection of aquatic vegetation, and stronger connections between natural habitats.
- Protection of cultural resources, Native American cultural sites, and archaeological resources.
- Volunteer stewardship, community-led restoration, research opportunities, shoreline cleanup events, and opportunities for public involvement in conservation and cultural preservation.
- Invasive species management, including ground squirrel population control.
- Shoreline erosion prevention and restrictions on wake boats.
- Trail maintenance, including horse trails, mountain bike trails, overgrowth removal, and clearing paved trails after storms.
- Improved waste management through additional dumpsters, covered receptacles, more frequent trash collection, trash service on Alessandro Island, and better waste disposal signage.
- Trout stocking and fisheries management.
- Improved public transportation to the park.
- Repurposing underutilized parking areas for habitat restoration and park preservation.

Vision for the Park

Workshop and Online Opportunities Survey participants were asked to describe their vision for the park. Responses reflected a shared vision of Lake Perris SRA as a clean, safe, and well-maintained destination that balances recreation, conservation, and cultural resources. Participants envisioned a park that protects its natural beauty while expanding recreation opportunities, modernizing facilities, strengthening stewardship, and creating a welcoming place for residents, visitors, and future generations. The following summarizes the key themes identified across the workshop and Online Opportunities Survey.

How would you like Lake Perris SRA to look and feel in 20 years?

Clean, Safe, and Well-Maintained

- Clean water, beaches, campgrounds, and restrooms.
- Well-maintained roads, trails, landscaping, grassy areas, and common spaces.
- More park staff, ranger presence, law enforcement, and routine maintenance.
- More trash collection, built-in dumpster receptacles, and community stewardship to reduce litter.

Nature and Conservation

- More native vegetation, trees, shade, grassy areas, and landscaping.
- Removal of invasive species and restoration of native habitats.
- Improved water quality, wildlife habitat, fisheries, and wildfire resilience.
- Protection of open space, scenic views, and the park's natural character.
- A greener park that feels natural and supports biodiversity.

Recreation and Facilities

- Improved campgrounds with larger RV sites, additional shade, modernized restrooms, quieter camping areas, and better beach access.
- Expanded hiking, biking, horseback riding, fishing, boating, swimming, kayaking, paddleboarding, hunting, and wildlife viewing.
- Better trails, bike lanes, and equestrian facilities.
- Expanded marina services, recreation equipment rentals, concessions, dining, and gift shops.

- Cabins, glamping, bungalows, tiny houses, and additional overnight accommodations.
- More family-friendly recreation, playgrounds, splash areas, and year-round activities.
- Improved fishing access, habitat, and opportunities.

Events and Community

- More concerts, festivals, sporting events, seasonal celebrations, and community gatherings.
- Better outreach, social media, and partnerships with local communities, schools, and organizations.
- A destination that attracts residents and visitors while building community pride.

Environmental Stewardship and Traditional Knowledge

- Greater recognition of Tribal history, Indigenous stewardship, and cultural gathering spaces.
- Expanded museum exhibits and interpretation highlighting local history, archaeology, wildlife, and native plants.
- More volunteer opportunities, environmental education, and community stewardship.

Access and Amenities

- Public transportation, accessible facilities, inclusive signage, and improved cell service.
- Better parking, shade structures, picnic areas, playgrounds, dog-friendly amenities, and gathering spaces.

Preserve the Park's Character

- Preserve the park's peaceful atmosphere, open space, and natural beauty.
- Create a place where people can reconnect with nature while balancing recreation, conservation, and visitor amenities.
- Improve existing facilities without over-commercializing the park.
- Establish Lake Perris SRA as a premier regional destination that remains welcoming, sustainable, and connected to the community.

Additional Comments

The workshop and Online Opportunities Survey both provided opportunities for participants to share feedback beyond the structured activities and survey questions. Comment cards were available during the workshop, and the Online Opportunities Survey concluded with an open-ended question inviting participants to share additional comments, concerns, or ideas. The following summarizes the key themes identified across responses from both engagement activities.

Safety, Security, and Rule Enforcement

- Greater ranger, lifeguard, and law enforcement presence, particularly on weekends, evenings, and in campgrounds.
- Stronger enforcement of boating rules, boater card requirements, no-wake zones, jet ski operations, and designated swimming and boating areas to improve safety on the water.
- Consistent enforcement of quiet hours, campground rules, pet regulations, and measures to address vandalism, alcohol violations, and disruptive behavior.
- Better emergency response through improved cell coverage, emergency contact information, and clearly identified emergency locations.
- Emphasis on protecting families and maintaining a safe, welcoming environment throughout the park.



Park Maintenance and Cleanliness

- Cleaner restrooms, beaches, campgrounds, and common areas through more frequent maintenance and upkeep.
- More trash cans, regular trash collection, and stronger "Leave No Trace" practices to reduce litter throughout the park.
- Continued investment in roads, trails, bike paths, plumbing, utilities, landscaping, and other aging infrastructure.
- Better maintenance of grassy areas, trees, and landscaping to improve the park's overall appearance.
- Ongoing maintenance of bike paths, horse trails, and recreation areas to improve safety and accessibility.

Recreation, Facilities, and Visitor Amenities

- Expanded recreation opportunities, including fishing, boating, biking, camping, organized sports, playgrounds, and family activities.
- Additional visitor amenities such as food vendors, a fishing store, equipment rentals, showers, upgraded campgrounds, and improved marina services.
- Improved trail connectivity, safer bike and horse trails, and better access between campgrounds, beaches, and day-use areas.
- Continued improvements to Alessandro Island while preserving its natural character and day-use experience.
- Additional opportunities for anglers, including trout stocking, designated fishing areas, and safer conditions for non-motorized recreation.
- Designated areas for emerging recreation activities, such as EMOTO riding, while minimizing conflicts with other users.

Access and Visitor Experience

- Streamlined park entry through dedicated lanes for annual pass holders and consistent verification of boater card requirements at entrance stations.
- Better maps, wayfinding, updated park information, and communication about events, programs, and temporary closures.
- Improved accessibility through public transit connections, easier pedestrian access, and accommodations for seniors and visitors with limited mobility.

Conservation and Stewardship

- Protection of wildlife habitat, fisheries, cultural resources, and the park's natural character while improving water quality and managing invasive species.
- Volunteer opportunities for habitat restoration, litter cleanup, trail maintenance, and other stewardship activities that engage the local community.
- Continued preservation of quiet areas and environmentally sensitive locations while supporting responsible recreation.

Community, Events, and Programming

- More family-friendly activities, environmental education, cultural celebrations, and outdoor recreation programs throughout the year.
- Expanded outreach and promotion of park events, volunteer opportunities, and educational programs through social media and other communication channels.
- Support for special events that enhance the visitor experience while maintaining public access and minimizing disruptions for regular park users.

Long-Term Investment and Community Pride

- Appreciation for park staff and recognition of Lake Perris SRA as an important community asset with significant potential.
- Continued investment in facilities, staffing, maintenance, and visitor services to keep the park clean, safe, and well maintained.
- A shared desire for Lake Perris SRA to remain a peaceful destination that balances recreation, conservation, and public access for future generations.