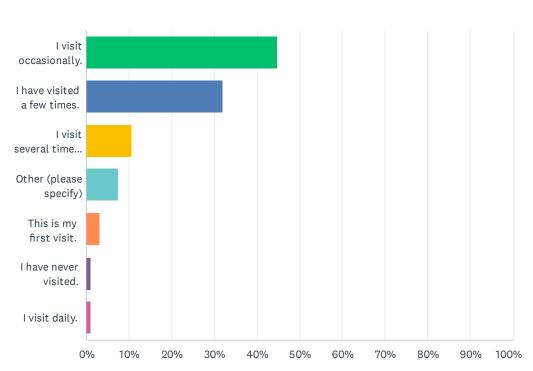
Q1 How often do you visit the Thomas Creek Wetlands?



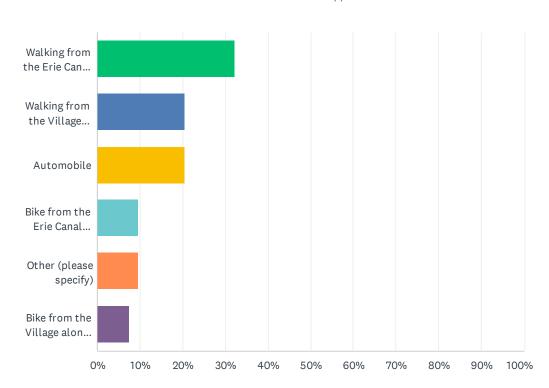


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I visit occasionally.	44.68%	42
I have visited a few times.	31.91%	30
I visit several times each week.	10.64%	10
Other (please specify)	7.45%	7
This is my first visit.	3.19%	3
I have never visited.	1.06%	1
I visit daily.	1.06%	1
TOTAL		94

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	1-3 times a week	3/9/2024 3:08 PM
2	Second visit ever	7/31/2023 8:03 PM
3	Never heard of it and have been here 20 years	7/30/2023 11:50 PM
4	I visit a couple times each month	7/26/2023 12:09 PM
5	1-2 X per month	7/26/2023 11:42 AM
6	Weekly	7/26/2023 8:01 AM
7	I visit daily with my Great Dane Brutus.	7/23/2023 8:15 PM

Q2 How do you typically arrive at the Thomas Creek Wetlands?





ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Walking from the Erie Canal path.	32.26%	30
Walking from the Village along Liftbridge Lane East.	20.43%	19
Automobile	20.43%	19
Bike from the Erie Canal path.	9.68%	9
Other (please specify)	9.68%	9
Bike from the Village along Liftbridge Lane East.	7.53%	7
TOTAL		93

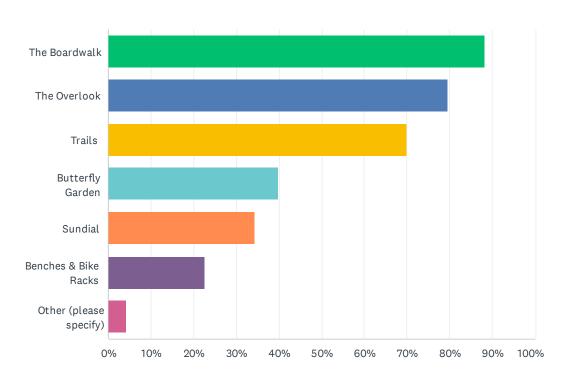
#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	All	1/19/2024 1:26 PM
2	All of the above	7/31/2023 9:49 PM
3	Combination of all these options - bike, walk and car	7/31/2023 8:39 PM
4	What's there and why would people go there? To see what?	7/30/2023 11:50 PM
5	Parachute	7/28/2023 2:30 PM
6	Walking from EITHER Liftbridge Ln or from Erie Canal path	7/26/2023 8:01 AM
7	Walk, bike and drive	7/24/2023 11:00 AM
8	My truck Brutus in tow.	7/23/2023 8:15 PM

9 Running from the Erie Canal Path, Turk Hill Side

7/22/2023 10:14 PM

Q3 What features of the Thomas Creek Wetlands do you use?

Answered: 93 Skipped: 1

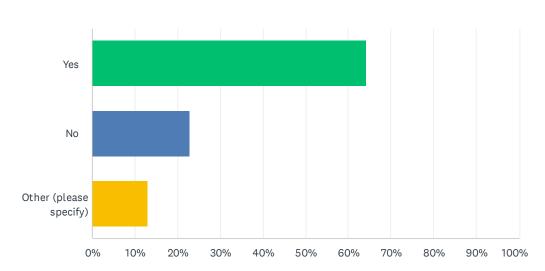


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
The Boardwalk	88.17%	82
The Overlook	79.57%	74
Trails	69.89%	65
Butterfly Garden	39.78%	37
Sundial	34.41%	32
Benches & Bike Racks	22.58%	21
Other (please specify)	4.30%	4
Total Respondents: 93		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Lawn	1/19/2024 1:26 PM
2	Never went there, and few people I know go there. Just use Canal path	7/30/2023 11:50 PM
3	All	7/24/2023 11:00 AM
4	The dog bags and waste receptacle.	7/23/2023 8:15 PM

Q4 Would you like to see Public Art incorporated into the entrance redesign





ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	64.13%	59
No	22.83%	21
Other (please specify)	13.04%	12
TOTAL		92

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Would be nice, but not high priority.Removal	9/16/2023 10:40 PM
2	Nature related art would be ok.	8/2/2023 7:16 AM
3	Depends on if it's relevant	7/26/2023 7:14 PM
4	If it's "natural" and fits the wildlife vibe	7/26/2023 11:42 AM
5	wildlife sign and history of creek	7/26/2023 6:53 AM
6	Not a priority, but fine as long as it compliments the natural surrounding	7/25/2023 9:11 PM
7	Only if it relates to the natural environment or history (the old trolley line will surprise many) of the area.	7/25/2023 7:24 PM
8	If art is nature oriented	7/25/2023 8:26 AM
9	Indifferent	7/24/2023 6:07 PM
10	Not important to me.	7/21/2023 7:12 PM
11	Only if it is properly themed and doesn't take away or block the natural beauty of the area.	7/21/2023 2:44 AM
12	Don't care either way	7/20/2023 7:51 PM

Q5 In the last few years we have upgraded both the Overlook and the Boardwalk. We are currently working on a project to improve the signage, and we have added security cameras. What additional amenities would you like incorporated into the Thomas Creek Wetlands?

Answered: 46 Skipped: 48

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Use center parking lot for plants or parking, not more concrete, use lawn for picnic tables, install trash near overlook to prevent pollution in wetland, maintain but segregate feral cat community, protect native plants (elm, buttonbush, etc) and remove invasives, block off and remove new footpath to water east of overlook to protect habitat. Leave no trace and no foraging signage.	1/19/2024 1:26 PM
2	Signs pointing out wildlife or planting naturally occurring in the area	12/19/2023 1:11 PM
3	nature signage ie plants, birds etc	11/29/2023 4:30 PM
4	Removal of invasives, if any,band natural plantings. Keep the dog pot station, please!	9/16/2023 10:40 PM
5	Nature facts relevant to the area. Environmentally-friendly pest control (sometimes buggy in there)	8/21/2023 2:24 PM
6	So many improvements add concrete, which is not climate aware. Hope that is not the case here. It is hot and bad for dog feet.	8/2/2023 7:51 AM
7	Maybe a sign with the types of birds and wildlife that you might see while in the wetlands?	8/2/2023 7:16 AM
8	Clean up and maintenance of the invasive plants. It's a beautiful spot.	7/31/2023 8:59 PM
9	Informational signs for the various types of wild life typically seen there	7/31/2023 8:39 PM
10	Public restroom	7/31/2023 2:10 PM
11	Money should go to the struggling families and more security measures around town, like cameras and raise in salaries for our village Police Department employees!	7/30/2023 11:50 PM
12	Signage about how the wetlands benefit the community and what wildlife is native to that habitat.	7/29/2023 8:18 PM
13	Additional boardwalks	7/29/2023 6:06 PM
14	Native plantings	7/28/2023 6:00 PM
15	Better canal trail access at the 31f end of Thomas Creek. Needs to follow the flow of foot traffic. Just create a "Y" shaped trail so we don't have to walk on the grass headed back to the village.	7/28/2023 10:23 AM
16	Water fountain	7/28/2023 9:09 AM
17	Signage with pictures identifying plants or animals that we may see	7/26/2023 9:26 PM
18	I don't know that it needs more amenities, just publicity. Flower/plant identification might be a nice feature.	7/26/2023 7:14 PM
19	I liked the flora and fauna signs that used to be there. Something informative like that again would be nice.	7/26/2023 12:09 PM
20	Smoother parking loop. Not necessarily paved but holes filled in!	7/26/2023 11:42 AM
21	A place to pause and watch the and listen to the birds. Shaded seating. Remove all the invasive species growing at the path section nearest to Turk Hill Rd. An "art trail" along Thomas creek that connects or integrates with the Erie Canal trail would be ideal.	7/26/2023 8:01 AM

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22	plant ID sign for kidsI spy game	7/26/2023 6:53 AM
23	More benches and signage	7/26/2023 2:13 AM
24	Is there a map that shows the whole park and trails near the entrance area?	7/26/2023 1:19 AM
25	Bat houses, if appropriate as a natural habitat in that area	7/25/2023 9:11 PM
26	I have had to turn a full size school bus around in the loop. Could that be made any easier?	7/25/2023 7:24 PM
27	Something interactive for kids	7/25/2023 6:37 PM
28	Signage highlighting native plants and animals one might encounter there	7/25/2023 8:26 AM
29	Webcam	7/24/2023 6:07 PM
30	Signage from the canal path and other village spots to detail its location, amenities, history, etc. would be helpful	7/24/2023 12:50 PM
31	I would like to see signage regarding the bat boxes and why they are important. Perhaps replacing the ones that are damaged. Perhaps signage of the biodiversity the wetlands provide and the importance of it.	7/24/2023 8:59 AM
32	Native plants	7/23/2023 11:56 PM
33	Removal of the feral cats.	7/23/2023 8:15 PM
34	A resident beaver would be great!	7/23/2023 12:12 PM
35	Well designed covered/roofed benches that protect from the sun that allow a family of 4 to sit and relax. These benches are definitely needed across the Fairport parks in key locations with nice views. The coverings could be sun shades which would cover a larger area yet be colorful and more interesting to look at. But relief from the hot sun is the most important aspect. I always appreciate a water spigot at parks to get a drink of water or refill a water bottle.	7/23/2023 7:28 AM
36	The liftbridge lane side entrance to the boardwalk are underwhelming currently. I think the plans to improve that area are great.	7/22/2023 10:14 PM
37	I don't think it needs anymore amenities! I like it as a quieter more natural space.	7/22/2023 5:58 PM
38	More seating areas. Defined entrance signage.	7/21/2023 2:40 PM
39	Educational markers so we can help our children learn about the various plantings or possibly wildlife that needs them.	7/21/2023 12:18 PM
40	It would be great to possibly extend the board walk. Great place for birding. Possible partnership with Wild Wings.	7/21/2023 9:41 AM
41	None. It's supposed to be a simple and natural area. This plan overdevelops it. Sometimes less is more.	7/21/2023 7:13 AM
42	Trail extensions. I think some of my neighbors in wheelchairs/walkers might appreciate better accessibility, although it's not bad to start with. Maybe some additional accessibility features, such as braille signs would be nice.	7/20/2023 11:50 PM
43	None.	7/20/2023 10:16 PM
44	None	7/20/2023 7:51 PM
45	Bird sculptures like those created by artist James Seaman	7/20/2023 9:24 AM
46	Partnering with an area preservation non-profit (such as the Genesee Land Trust) to create a living interpretive program to teach about native species and the history the land pre-canal and post-canal.	7/19/2023 5:24 PM

Q6 We want to make the Thomas Creek Wetlands a great destination for all. Are there any issues or concerns that we should be addressing? Are there things you definitely do not want?

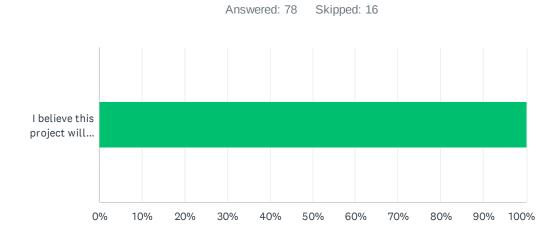
Answered: 45 Skipped: 49

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Dont want spread of swallowwort, knotweed whoch has depleted significant habitat, phragmites. Perform a habitat and wildlife survey and restore habitat to improve it. Stop introducing native species in park that were never there. Use natives consistent with natural community. Ask NYSParks for help if needed.	1/19/2024 1:26 PM
2	It would be good to get rid of the invasive plants along the main path.	1/12/2024 7:04 PM
3	If cameras are to be added, they need to be watched frequently by OCED staff.	12/19/2023 1:11 PM
4	The huge area of japanese knotweed threatens the entire area. It is growing and spreading. I know this is extremely challenging but this infestation threatens both the creek and the canal as water spread of seeds and tubers is very common. Without a major committment to obliteration, the whole wetland will be engulfed.	11/29/2023 4:30 PM
5	Environment protection for this valued wetland. Stop noise from restaurant speakers they are a nuisance.	9/17/2023 12:50 PM
6	Don't want a much bigger parking lot; let's not pave over paradise.	9/16/2023 10:40 PM
7	Less worry about the amenities and more habitat improvements! Work with the DEC to introduce beavers. It will bring more species of flora and fauna!	8/27/2023 9:54 AM
8	Off-leash pets	8/21/2023 2:24 PM
9	The Wetlands were originally set up as a nature area. I am concerned about efforts trying to turn it into a park (adding art, etc). The two are not the same. Keep the wetlands natural, the less man made things imposed on it, the better.	8/9/2023 5:58 PM
10	Always more trees, habitat, and no pesticides.	8/2/2023 7:51 AM
11	Keep it natural but remove invasive species and cut back overgrowth.	7/31/2023 8:59 PM
12	24 hour lights would disrupt the wild life	7/31/2023 8:39 PM
13	With economy as difficult as it is, we need more breaks for tax paying seniors and more help and subsidized services for senior citizens- transportation and food & physical help	7/30/2023 11:50 PM
14	Mosquitoes. Haha!	7/29/2023 8:18 PM
15	It to turn into a park setting. Would like to keep it like a nature trail	7/29/2023 6:06 PM
16	Not at this time	7/28/2023 6:00 PM
17	Please water fountain	7/28/2023 9:09 AM
18	Removal of invasive plant species and inclusion of native pollinator plants.	7/27/2023 5:23 PM
19	Definitely don't want snakes (lol)	7/26/2023 9:26 PM
20	I think there are a lot of people who have never heard of it. This survey is a good start.	7/26/2023 7:14 PM
21	At night it's extremely dark, a light down the path would be nice. I'm not sure how to solve this, but the path is icy in the winter and it would be nice if that could be cleared somehow.	7/26/2023 12:09 PM
22	Too many kids in the bushes smoking pot	7/26/2023 11:42 AM
23	The road leading to it is not inviting- no signage leading anyway to it. Also people in cars won't walk if there's no obvious parking nearby. Who are you trying to reach - walkers or bikers or	7/26/2023 8:01 AM

people arriving in cars. Also, for a "wow" art project - Paint a mural on the giant smokestack at the Cannery. Get Shawn Dunwoody do as a community project.

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24	continued upkeep. The area gets forgotten	7/26/2023 6:53 AM
25	In the past it seemed like the outlooks were broken and closed. Really disappointing. Glad to hear they are fixed	7/26/2023 2:13 AM
26	No lights on 24/7 My biggest concern is people leaving garbage on boardwalk and overlook	7/25/2023 6:22 PM
27	Insure bikes stay on the canal path and do not use the walkway or boardwalk	7/24/2023 6:07 PM
28	Lights, LED or not, should not be left on 24/7/365.	7/24/2023 2:41 PM
29	I've seen bikers using it as "short cut" off the main canal pathis this allowed, sometimes they go at great speeds compared to walkers	7/24/2023 12:50 PM
30	Keep it natural	7/24/2023 11:00 AM
31	Vandalism prevention.	7/24/2023 10:04 AM
32	I'd like to see a stronger fight against the invasive species that are along the trails and wetlands (Japanese knotweed and phragmites).	7/24/2023 8:59 AM
33	No bikes on walking paths. Removal of cats from the bird sanctuary.	7/23/2023 8:15 PM
34	Management of invasive species like the Japanese knotweed. Info posted about what are native vs introduced species to the area.	7/23/2023 1:03 PM
35	Better invasive species management (Knotweed and phragmites)	7/23/2023 12:12 PM
36	We'll designed signage at different points that identify trees and plants, that show the types of animals, birds, and insects in the area, geologic history of what that area looked like 1,000 and 10,000 and 100,000 years ago, and Fairport history that includes old photos. Signs like this elevate the significance/importance of a an area and provide something interesting to read for everyone. And a sign with a simple map that indicates where the public restrooms are.	7/23/2023 7:28 AM
37	I cannot think of anything!	7/22/2023 5:58 PM
38	No lighted Village of Fairport signs. Keep entrance as natural as possible.	7/21/2023 2:40 PM
39	Keep it natural. No art. Nothing fancy. Maybe some additional signs and information would be beneficial.	7/21/2023 7:13 AM
40	People feeding the feral cats and opossums at the west entrance to the boardwalk. Although i have had no negative experiences, my gut tells me that this can lead to health issues, or encounters with dogs.	7/20/2023 10:16 PM
41	We need to careful of trash as visitors increase. I'm not sure this project will benefit the wetlands until more details are known.	7/20/2023 8:47 PM
42	None	7/20/2023 7:51 PM
43	Litter is a problem. Beer cans can't be retrieved and that is a real shame. Definitely do not want lighting as that would disrupt wildlife and destroy the "natural" aesthetic. It's mostly just right as is, but a sculpture or two would be nice.	7/20/2023 9:24 AM
44	I think that the wetlands feel unsafe for women and small children because of the remote location of the boardwalk and overlook. Cameras aren't enough, there needs to be a way to better connect the wetlands to the community to increase foot traffic, giving a sense of social safety.	7/19/2023 5:24 PM
45	Keep it simple non-commercial	7/19/2023 12:50 PM

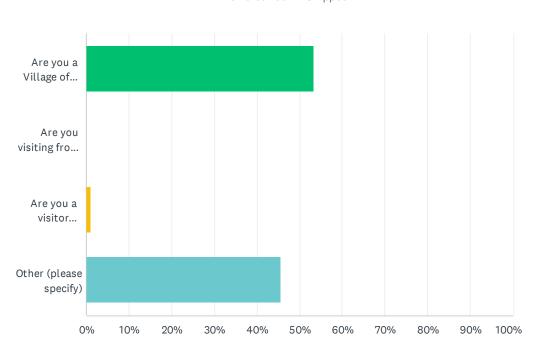
Q7 We are seeking NYS Canal Corporation matching grant funding for this project. Your support for this project would be appreciated. Please check below to endorse this project. Thank you!



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONS	SES
I believe this project will bring great benefit to the Village of Fairport and to the Erie Canalway/Empire State Trail, and offers a unique opportunity to enhance this important community asset.	100.00%	78
TOTAL		78

Q8 Please tell us about yourself.

Answered: 90 Skipped: 4



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Are you a Village of Fairport Resident?	53.33%	48
Are you visiting from outside the Rochester area?	0.00%	0
Are you a visitor travelling on the Erie Canal?	1.11%	1
Other (please specify)	45.56%	41
TOTAL		90

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	I live along the canal, but not in the village	1/12/2024 7:04 PM
2	perinton resident not in village	11/29/2023 4:30 PM
3	Live in perinton	10/20/2023 3:14 PM
4	Town of Perinton resident	9/16/2023 10:40 PM
5	Fairport resident outside Village	8/21/2023 2:24 PM
6	Penfield resident	8/12/2023 7:10 PM
7	Town of Perinton resident	8/9/2023 5:58 PM
8	Live in Perinton.	8/2/2023 7:51 AM
9	Perinton resident who walks the canal path a few times per week.	8/2/2023 7:16 AM
10	Town of Fairport (not specifically in village)	7/31/2023 9:49 PM
11	Town resident	7/31/2023 8:03 PM

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12	Town resident who always eats at restaurants and buys from local, family owned businesses.	7/30/2023 11:50 PM
13	Live just outside the Village	7/30/2023 8:54 AM
14	Town of Perinton resident	7/29/2023 8:18 PM
15	Perinton resident	7/29/2023 6:06 PM
16	Fairport resident	7/29/2023 2:59 PM
17	Live in Macedon, work in Fairport	7/28/2023 7:45 AM
18	Perinton resident	7/26/2023 9:40 PM
19	Town of Perinton resident in a neighborhood along the canala nd travel to Village	7/26/2023 6:53 AM
20	Although we live in Walworth, our buidness is on 441 in Penfield with a Fairport zipcode, we consider Fairport our village gor weekly restaurants, the market and enjoying the canal,	7/26/2023 4:02 AM
21	Perinton resident	7/26/2023 2:13 AM
22	Town of Perinton resident	7/26/2023 1:19 AM
23	Town of Perinton resident	7/25/2023 10:41 PM
24	Perinton resident and frequent Erie Canal visitor	7/25/2023 9:47 PM
25	Town of Perinton resident; frequent the Wetlands for walking our dogs	7/25/2023 9:11 PM
26	Perinton resident.	7/25/2023 1:26 PM
27	Perinton	7/25/2023 5:40 AM
28	Perinton resident	7/24/2023 6:07 PM
29	Perinton resident	7/24/2023 5:33 PM
30	I live just outside the village limits.	7/23/2023 8:15 PM
31	Perinton	7/23/2023 1:39 PM
32	Perinton resident	7/23/2023 11:14 AM
33	Resident of town of Perinton	7/22/2023 11:29 AM
34	Town of Perinton resident	7/21/2023 7:12 PM
35	Resident of neighboring town	7/21/2023 7:33 AM
36	3 decade citizen of the Village and Perinton	7/21/2023 7:13 AM
37	Town of Perinton resident; frequent trail user	7/20/2023 11:50 PM
38	I have lived in the Town of Perinton for 20 years and routinely utilize the trails in the area.	7/20/2023 10:16 PM
39	Town of Perinton resident	7/20/2023 3:23 PM
40	Perinton resident and daily visitor to the village.	7/20/2023 9:24 AM
41	Resident of Perinton and frequent user of bike trails	7/19/2023 12:38 PM