

Report for Lake Boren Park Master Plan Concepts

1. Rank your top three favorite elements from Concept 'A'.

Overall Rank	Item	Rank Distribution	Score	Total Respondents
1	(17) Lakeside promenade		38	19
2	(5) Stage & amphitheater bowl w/outcrops		38	17
3	(11) Trestle boardwalk & natural beach		36	17
4	(4) Opportunity area (dog park, skate park)		26	12
5	(2) Mining play/learning area & level play lawn		24	10
6	(10) Rebuilt dock		19	11
7	(6) Accessible primary path network		18	7
8	(8) Park entrance w/parking		18	10
9	(13) Accessible secondary path network		17	10
10	(7) Fern, moss & rock garden		14	6
11	(15) Natural beach		14	8
12	(18) Rebuilt dock		14	7
13	(22) Native plant restoration area		11	7
14	(3) Newcastle plaza & festival tents (ephemeral)		11	5
15	(1) Accessible path connection		11	5



Overall Rank	Item	Rank Distribution	Score	Total Respondents
16	(16) Opportunity area (dog park, skate park)		10	6
17	(21) Improved shelter amenities		9	5
18	(14) Outcrop viewpoint		7	4
19	(19) Rebuilt dock platform		6	3
20	(12) Relocated structure and forest meadow		4	3
21	(23) Rain garden/swale		4	2
22	(20) Stair connection to existing concrete steps		3	2
23	(9) Maintenance facility screening		2	1



2. Rank your three least favorite elements from Concept 'A'. (select only 3)

Overall Rank	Item	Rank Distribution	Score	Total Respondents
1	(4) Opportunity area (dog park, skate park)		43	18
2	(2) Mining play/learning area & level play lawn		30	11
3	(9) Maintenance facility screening		27	13
4	(8) Park entrance w/ parking		21	10
5	(7) Fern, moss & rock garden		21	10
6	(3) Newcastle plaza & festival tents (ephemeral)		19	7
7	(16) Opportunity area (dog park, skate park)		19	9
8	(5) Stage & amphitheater bowl w/ outcrops		18	8
9	(14) Outcrop viewpoint		15	8
10	(20) Stair connection to existing concrete steps		13	9
11	(1) Accessible path connection		13	6
12	(15) Natural beach		8	5
13	(12) Relocated structure and forest meadow		8	5
14	(22) Native plant restoration area		7	4
15	(19) Rebuilt dock platform		7	4
16	(17) Lakeside promenade		7	3



Overall Rank	Item	Rank Distribution	Score	Total Respondents
17	(23) Rain garden/swale		6	4
18	(21) Improved shelter amenities		6	4
19	(11) Trestle boardwalk & natural beach		5	3
20	(10) Rebuilt dock		5	3
21	(13) Accessible secondary path network		4	2
22	(6) Accessible primary path network		4	2
23	(18) Rebuilt dock		2	1






3. Rank your top three favorite elements from Concept 'B'.

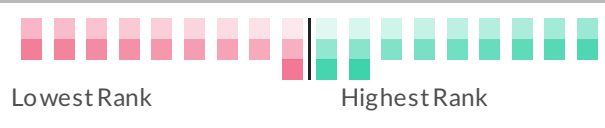
Overall Rank	Item	Rank Distribution	Score	Total Respondents
1	(29) Natural swim beach		33	15
2	(8) Expanded sports courts		24	9
3	(36) Lakeside promenade		23	12
4	(32) Trestle boardwalk		23	13
5	(15) Community center		20	9
6	(33) Opportunity area (dog park, skate park)		20	8
7	(11) Mining play/learning terraces		18	8
8	(19) Adventure path		16	9
9	(5) Expanded parking		16	8
10	(24) Amphitheater bowl w/outcrops		16	8
11	(12) Hillside slides		14	7
12	(23) Stage		13	6
13	(4) Accessible path connection		12	5
14	(9) Underground stormwater vault		9	5
15	(3) Accessible primary path network		8	3



Overall Rank	Item	Rank Distribution	Score	Total Respondents
16	(2) Accessible secondary path network		8	5
17	(13) Mining rock scramble		7	4
18	(26) Turnaround park entrance w/parking		7	5
19	(31) Native plant restoration area		7	4
20	(21) Fern, moss & rock garden		6	3
21	(10) Improved shelter amenities		6	3
22	(28) Rebuilt dock		5	3
23	(37) Rebuilt dock		4	2
24	(17) Forest edge lawn / community garden		4	2
25	(6) Rain garden/swale		4	2
26	(34) Cabled boat crossing		3	3
27	(18) Canopy walk trestle		3	1
28	(39) Stair connection to concrete steps		3	2
29	(20) Outdoor living room structure		3	2
30	(16) Newcastle plaza & festival tents (ephemeral)		2	1
31	(25) Maintenance facility screening		2	1



Overall Rank	Item	Rank Distribution	Score	Total Respondents
32	(30) Gathering area		1	1
33	(14) Level play lawn		1	1
34	(38) Rebuilt dock platform		1	1



4. Rank your three least favorite elements from Concept 'B'.

Overall Rank	Item	Rank Distribution	Score	Total Respondents
1	(34) Cabled boat crossing		56	25
2	(15) Community center		38	18
3	(11) Mining play/learning terraces		32	12
4	(5) Expanded parking		18	7
5	(8) Expanded sports courts		16	7
6	(16) Newcastle plaza & festival tents (ephemeral)		13	6
7	(26) Turnaround park entrance w/parking		12	5
8	(33) Opportunity area (dog park, skate park)		11	7
9	(9) Underground stormwater vault		10	4
10	(25) Maintenance facility screening		9	5
11	(13) Mining rock scramble		8	5
12	(12) Hillside slides		8	5
13	(6) Rain garden/swale		8	3
14	(17) Forest edge lawn / community garden		8	5
15	(18) Canopy walk trestle		8	4



Overall Rank	Item	Rank Distribution	Score	Total Respondents
16	(10) Improved shelter amenities		7	3
17	(29) Natural swim beach		7	5
18	(22) Stone steps		5	2
19	(28) Rebuilt dock		5	3
20	(21) Fern, moss & rock garden		4	3
21	(20) Outdoor living room structure		4	3
22	(7) Accessible ramped pathway		4	3
23	(27) Forest room		4	2
24	(39) Stair connection to concrete steps		3	2
25	(32) Trestle boardwalk		3	2
26	(23) Stage		3	1
27	(35) Natural beach		2	2
28	(24) Amphitheater bowl w/outcrops		2	1
29	(14) Level play lawn		2	1
30	(31) Native plant restoration area		1	1
31	(37) Rebuilt dock		1	1
32	(1) Park entrance & crosswalk		1	1
33	(38) Rebuilt dock platform		1	1



5. List any elements which may be missing from the design(s).



Count	Response
2	JSB TEST
1	Area here or elsewhere in city for community garden.
1	Baseball Field
1	Benches/seating scattered around park; ensure varied ages play structures stay (most important) and tennis, basketball and volleyball. Love the potential to have trails and natural areas around more of the lake shore. If a skate park is included (not preferred) place it away from other more all-ages and serene elements of the park.
1	Bike Trails?
1	Expanded restrooms
1	Fuschia garden
1	Handicapped accessibility
1	Honestly, my major wish is for an off leash dog park!
1	I just would love to see the walking path repaved. Get rid of the roots cracking up the walk. I think that was on the plan B but not sure if it was on A. Very well thought out. I'd love you to come help us on our school playground and nature area!
1	In plan A, the underground storm water vault.
1	Just a comment - there are several neighborhood parks in Newcastle and they all have play areas for little kids. How about addressing the needs of older kids in Lake Boren Park.
1	More benches

Count Response

1 More plantings along Coal Creek Parkway to screen the lake from noise.

1 Move maintenance building off site.

1 One of the reasons parents like the stage near the playground is that we can listen to music and watch our kids play on the playground. By moving the stage closer to the lake, parents might feel a little more timid to let our kids play freely.

1 Open roof covered play area, open area for exercise

1 Perhaps a public open air shower so those utilizing the lake may summarily rinse themselves off before returning to their car or other method of transportation.

1 Practicality. Both A and B try to do too many things to serve too many people.

1 Sand Volleyball court

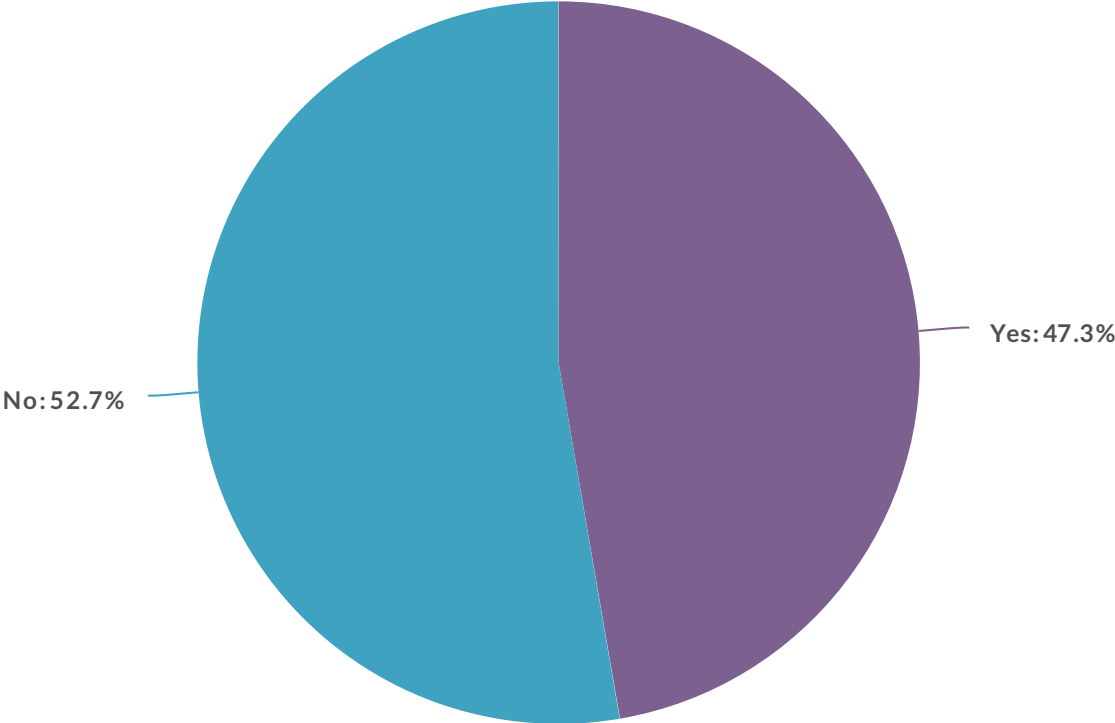
6. List activities you would like to see or participate in at the Park; this can include activities which already take place in the park which you would like to see continue. Following are a few examples for reference: Newcastle 5k, 4th of July, Earth Day, fishing, organized walks/jogs/runs/stroller walks, restoration/replanting of native areas, and Newcastle Days.



Count	Response
2	JSB TEST
1	4th of July
1	4th of July, restoration/replanting
1	4th of July/concerts in the park/fishing
1	A time early in the morning in which dogs can be off leash in the park. The park should be for everyone's use and there are not that many people in the park from 6 am to 9 am .
1	All current activities are wonderful Community events inspire the community.Suggestion: Expand the summer concert series, its really wonderful!!
1	All listed activities plus a farmer's market on Sundays
1	Bring your dog to the park day.
1	Community gathering in the outdoors, all of the above are wonderful and we participate regularly in most.
1	Concert in the park/ 4th of July--fireworks. We need a 4th of July parade/ kids parade/ small floats/ dog parade-- something all around park for people to watch in afternoon--

Count	Response
1	Concerts, plays, festivals, larping
1	Earth Day, more exercising activities, Concerts in the Park, Newcastle Days, 5K, BBQ's, and family days
1	Greater fishing access through the repair of docks on both sides of the lake and the introduction of a path or boardwalk akin to element 32 from concept B would serve to connect the new portions of the park and bring in many previously deterred fishermen and women.
1	I generally only go to the 4th of July fireworks and go for walks at the park. When my children are born, I may come more often for family events and play at the playground.
1	I like all of the events that are currently held at the park
1	I like the existing programs especially the concert series during the summer.
1	More benches, seating around trails
1	More concerts in the park! :)
1	More concerts, dog off leash area
1	More performances in the park, theatre, concerts, neighborhood festivals.

7. Do you support the idea of a community center in the park?



Value	Percent	Count
Yes	47.3%	26
No	52.7%	29
Total		55

8. Please list some activities you would like to see at the community center.

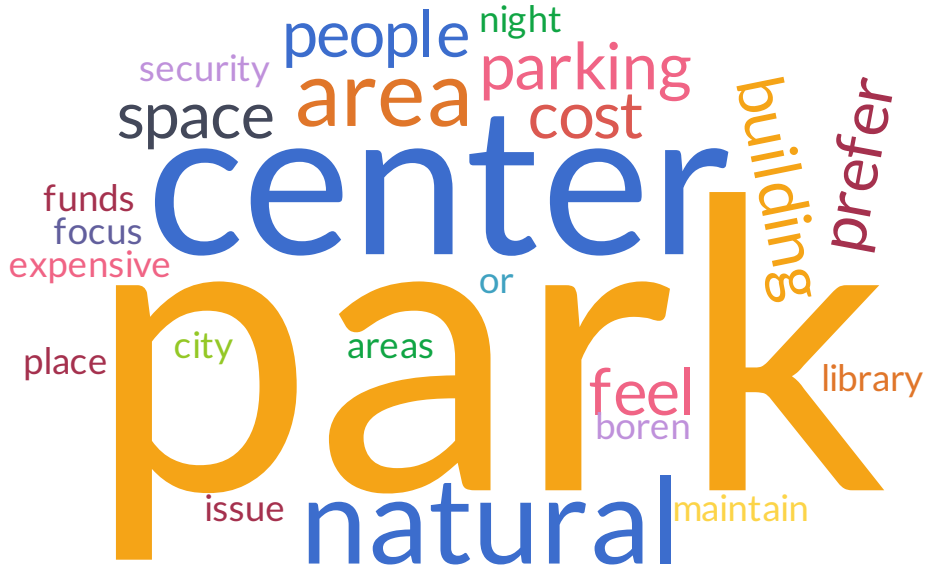


Count	Response
1	A community center is always a nice area to gather. I think a summer day camp program might be offered. I don't know if we have enough areas for community center activity with the library in our area, that is my only concern. I personally wouldn't use the center but I understand why they are good for the community.
1	Anything all-inclusive. Given the proximity to local schools and the Coal Creek YMCA, some youth activities may serve as an excellent community building opportunity.
1	Art, athletic, social activities for youth and seniors-
1	Children's organized activities, there are so many families moving to Newcastle.
1	Crafts for kids, movie nights, Read aloud to kids/adults (book club?), game nights (board games, video games, community bonding games)
1	Crafts, Kids activities, History of Newcastle, Hands on activities, games (bingo, foosball, etc.). community meetings,
1	Crafts, story time, Cub/Boy Scouts, card/board games
1	Daily yoga or exercise programs. HOA meeting site. Community education programs. Senior programs.
1	Dance classes for kids, soccer offered. Basically anything offered at the Renton Community Center so I don't have to drive there
1	Fitness and classes - varied, but particularly sports/dance/arts classes for kids. Yes please!!
1	Gardening workshops, volunteering opportunities, children's nature classes
1	JSB TEST

Count Response

1	Kids and Adult classes like soccer, gymnastics, dance, mom and baby classes, yoga, etc... Also family friendly evening and weekend activities and events/clubs.
1	Meeting place for various clubs (i.e. reading, running, fishing, cooking, pilates and other hobbies)
1	Possibly having rooms to reserve for girl/boy scout; PEPS
1	Senior activities/classes
1	Summer Camps
1	Theatre Concerts Classes (visual art, theatre, music, etc. for people of all ages)
1	There is a lack of lease friendly buildings in the area. My family and a few friends are interested in leasing such facilities for large events like Birthdays/weddings/reunions. So having a facility on the lake nearby would be a huge plus!
1	Yoga Art Music

9. Please indicate why you do not support the idea of a community center in the park.



Count	Response
1	Boren is a calm park and that's why it's so widely used. The implementation of a new community center could turn into a rowdy place and scare people away.
1	Cost to build and maintain.
1	Cost to the home owners property taxes
1	I don't believe the cost will support the lack of use it will get
1	I don't think Newcastle has the tax base to take on the costs of building and maintaining a community center.
1	I don't think it's necessary. The park already offers shelter areas for gatherings & this is not a very large park and I feel it would be too large for the area. I would like to keep it looking as natural as possible.
1	I doubt that would be something I would use, and I would rather see funds spent on the other aspects of the park.
1	I like the idea of a community center, but feel it (and its parking) should not displace green space.
1	I need to know more about it, it sounds expensive, and a security issue at night.
1	I think the park should be kept as natural as possible
1	If you enact adequate taxing to pay for staffing then I support.
1	It's a heavily used park and that needs to be the focus. Trying to cram a community center into the space doesn't make sense.
1	JSB TEST

Count Response

1 Let's keep the natural feeling of the park . WE don't need added infrastructure

1 Like the park the way it is. Would prefer to keep it as nature like as possible.

1 Maybe I need to learn more about it to understand the benefits. It sounds expensive and requires maintenance. Security might be an issue as an attractive space to break into at night.

1 Not enough room or parking

1 Not needed. Too hard to maintain and control vandalism.

1 Not the best use of limited funds. People need more exercise so I favor paths and activity additions

1 Park just cannot be everything to all. It will get too much wear and tear.

10. [OLD VERSION] The design concepts include a number of improvements along the shoreline including rebuilding of docks, a boat crossing, and natural beaches. A primary consideration of the design concept(s) is increased access to the lake.

	Yes	No
Have you been out on Lake Boren in a boat?	2 20.0%	8 80.0%
Have you participated in lakeside activities at Lake Boren?	7 70.0%	3 30.0%
Are you interested in seeing/participating in other activities on/around the lake?	4 50.0%	4 50.0%

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	Yes	No
Have you been out on Lake Boren in a boat?	11 20.4%	43 79.6%
Have you participated in lakeside activities at Lake Boren?	22 40.7%	32 59.3%
Are you interested in seeing/participating in other activities on/around the lake?	43 79.6%	11 20.4%

12. What activities would you like to see or participate in on and around the lake?



Count	Response
2	paddle boat, fishing
2	swim area, boat launch
1	4th of July
1	A beach area for dogs
1	Boating would be fun.
1	Boating, fishing, swimming
1	Boating, fishing, swimming, r/c boating
1	Boating, swimming, fishing
1	Canoeing, kayaking, swimming, etc...
1	Depends on water quality. I like to swim, but the water quality seems iffy. I enjoy non-motorized boating, too.
1	Dog park/swim, paddle board
1	Fishing, boating
1	Fishing, swimming, paddle board race course
1	Inflatable boat races
1	InnerTube floating, swimming, and fishing.

Count Response

1 Paddleboarding and Canoeing Rentals

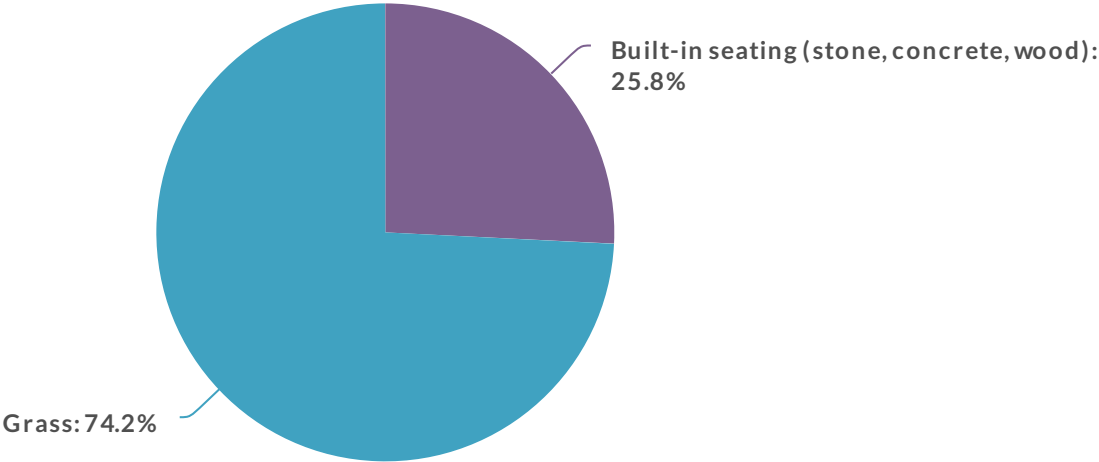
1 RC boat show/racing

1 Swimming, canoeing, kayaking

1 Wading/Swimming with or without a lifeguard - opportunity to enroll children in nature class

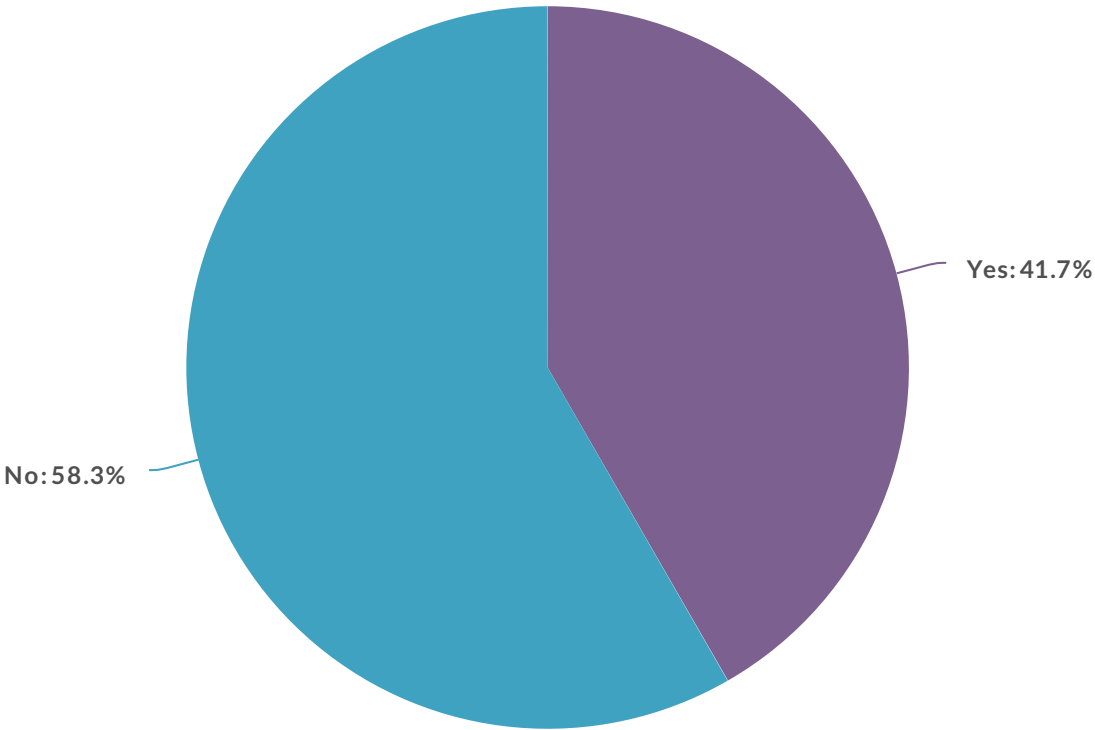
1 Water access for dogs

13. The design concepts include a new stage and amphitheater bowl. Would you like to see built-in seating (stone, concrete, wood) or grass in the amphitheater bowl?



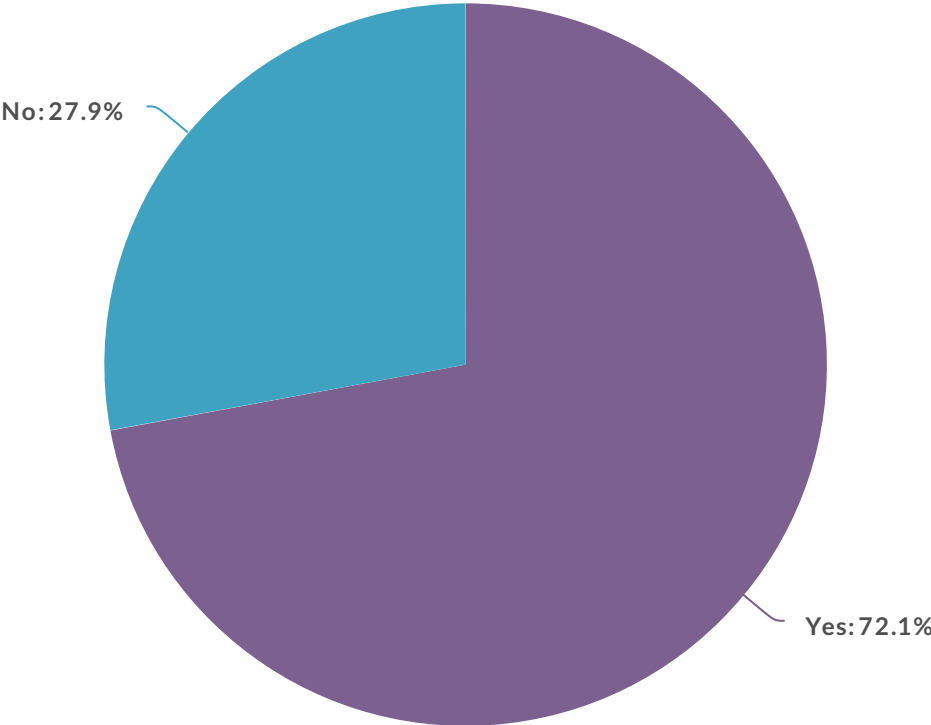
Value	Percent	Count
Built-in seating (stone, concrete, wood)	25.8%	17
Grass	74.2%	49
Total		66

14. The park has been expanded to include the (mostly) natural space along Boren Creek. Are there activities you would like to see in this area?



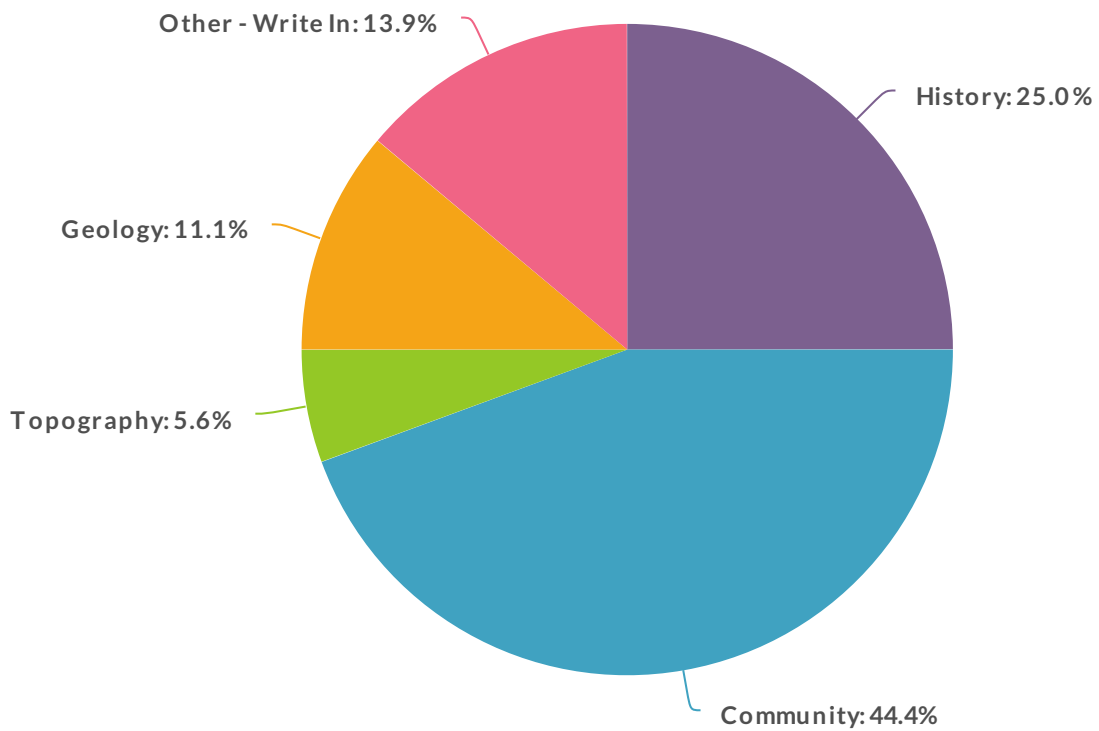
Value	Percent	Count
Yes	41.7%	25
No	58.3%	35
Total		60

15. Do you think it's important that the Newcastle Community be reflected or represented in the park?



Value	Percent	Count
Yes	72.1%	44
No	27.9%	17
Total		61

16. What are the defining characteristics of Newcastle?



Value	Percent		Count
History	25.0%		9
Community	44.4%		16
Topography	5.6%		2
Geology	11.1%		4
Other - Write In	13.9%		5
Total			36

Other - Write In	Count
All of the above	2
Forestry	1
flora and fauna - trees and shrubs	1
maintain small community feel	1
Total	5