

**City of Berkeley Tuolumne Camp Permit (46690)**  
**A PARTNERSHIP OF THE STANISLAUS NATIONAL FOREST AND THE CITY OF BERKELEY**

## **INTERNET SURVEY SUMMARY**

### **INTRODUCTION**

A short survey about Berkeley Tuolumne Camp was available online between April 9, 2015 and May 15, 2015. Attached is a summary of the responses.

Of the internet survey:

- There were a total of 440 respondents.
- 234 of the respondents are currently Berkeley residents.
- Responses were from all over the United States including Maine, New York, Maryland, North Carolina, Wisconsin, Missouri, Texas, Colorado, Wyoming, Nevada, Oregon, and Hawaii.

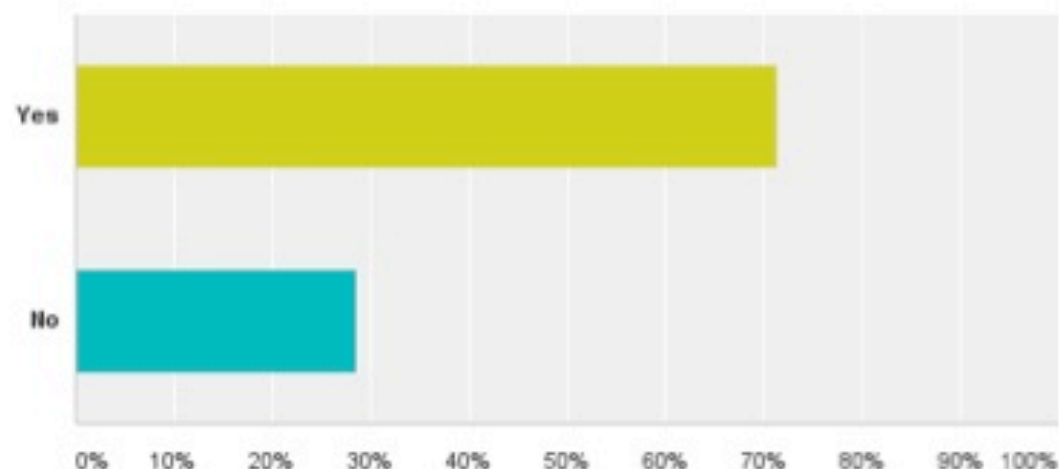
There were two opportunities for survey respondents to comment on why they thought something should be changed or provide any other comments they wished. The list of individual comments follow the survey results.

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## Berkeley Tuolumne Camp Master Development Plan

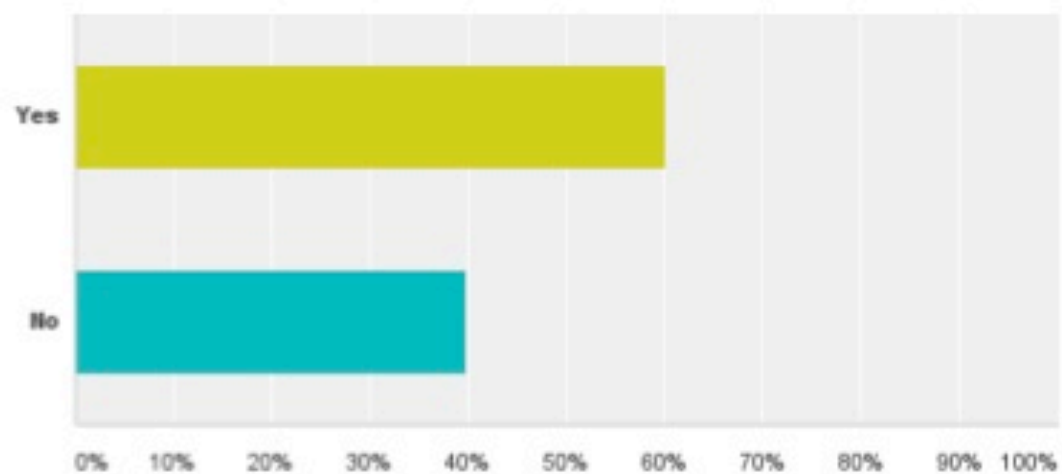
**Q2: Friends of Berkeley Tuolumne Camp (FOBTC) is a private non-profit dedicated to preserving and enhancing the Camp experience for present and future generations through education, volunteer efforts, and financial support. Would you like to be included in the Friends of Berkeley Tuolumne Camp (FOBTC) e-mail list?**

Answered: 440 Skipped: 0



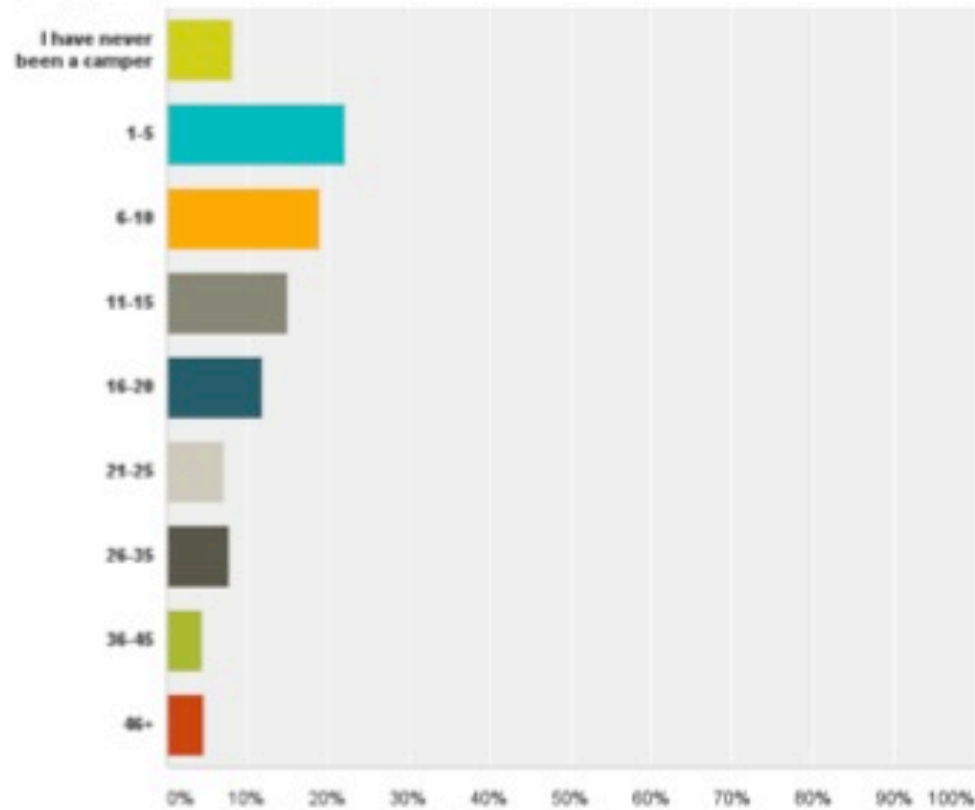
### Q3: Would you like to be included on the City of Berkeley Camps e-mail list?

Answered: 440 Skipped: 0



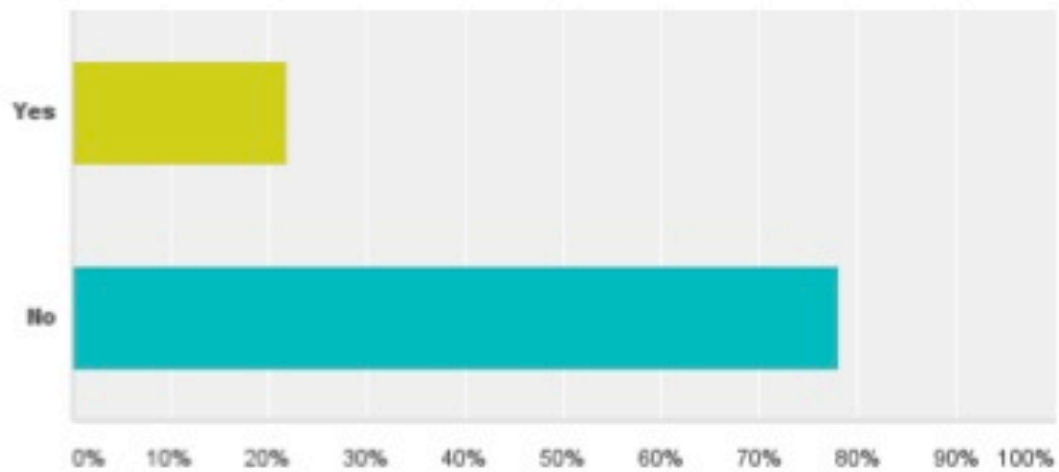
## Q5: Which of the following categories best represents your total years as a camper at Tuolumne Camp?

Answered: 432 Skipped: 8



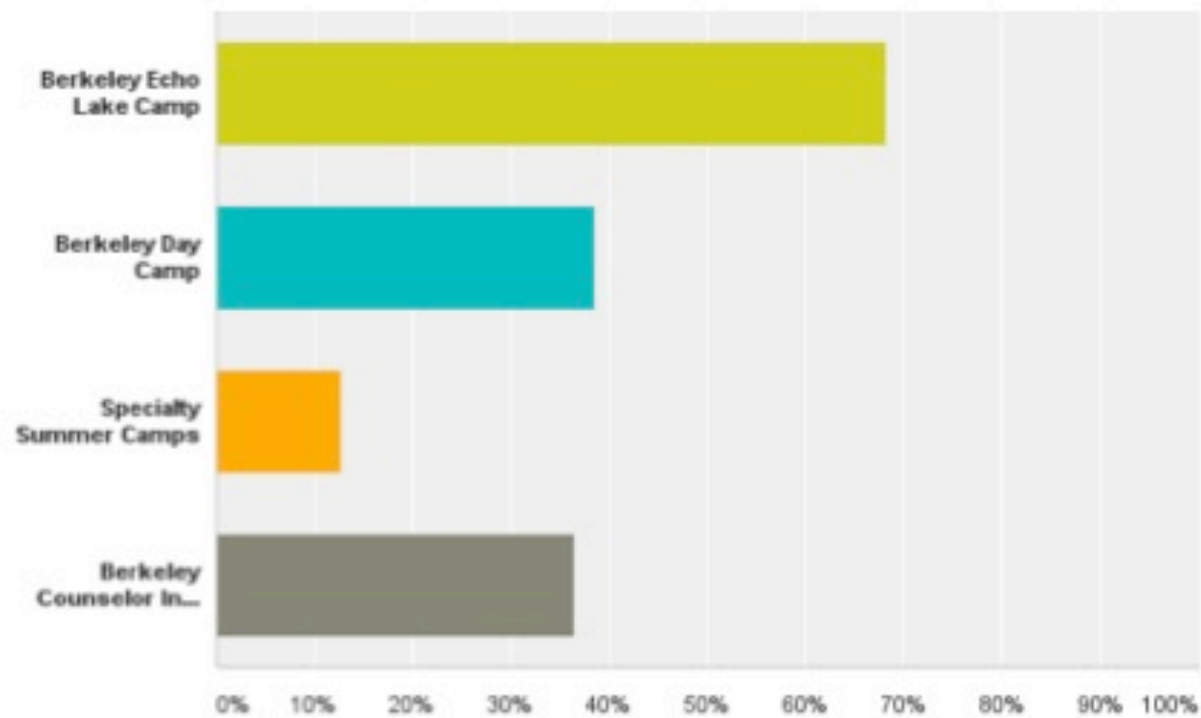
## Q6: Have you ever been a Tuolumne Camp Staff Member?

Answered: 432 Skipped: 8



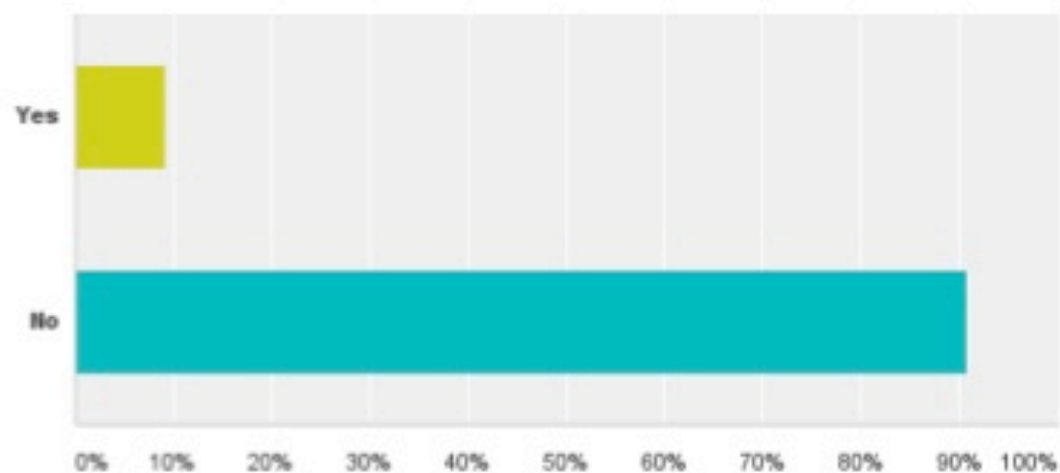
## Q7: Have you or members of your family attended any other City of Berkeley Camps Programs?

Answered: 236 Skipped: 204



## Q8: Would you like to receive additional information about other City of Berkeley Camps Programs?

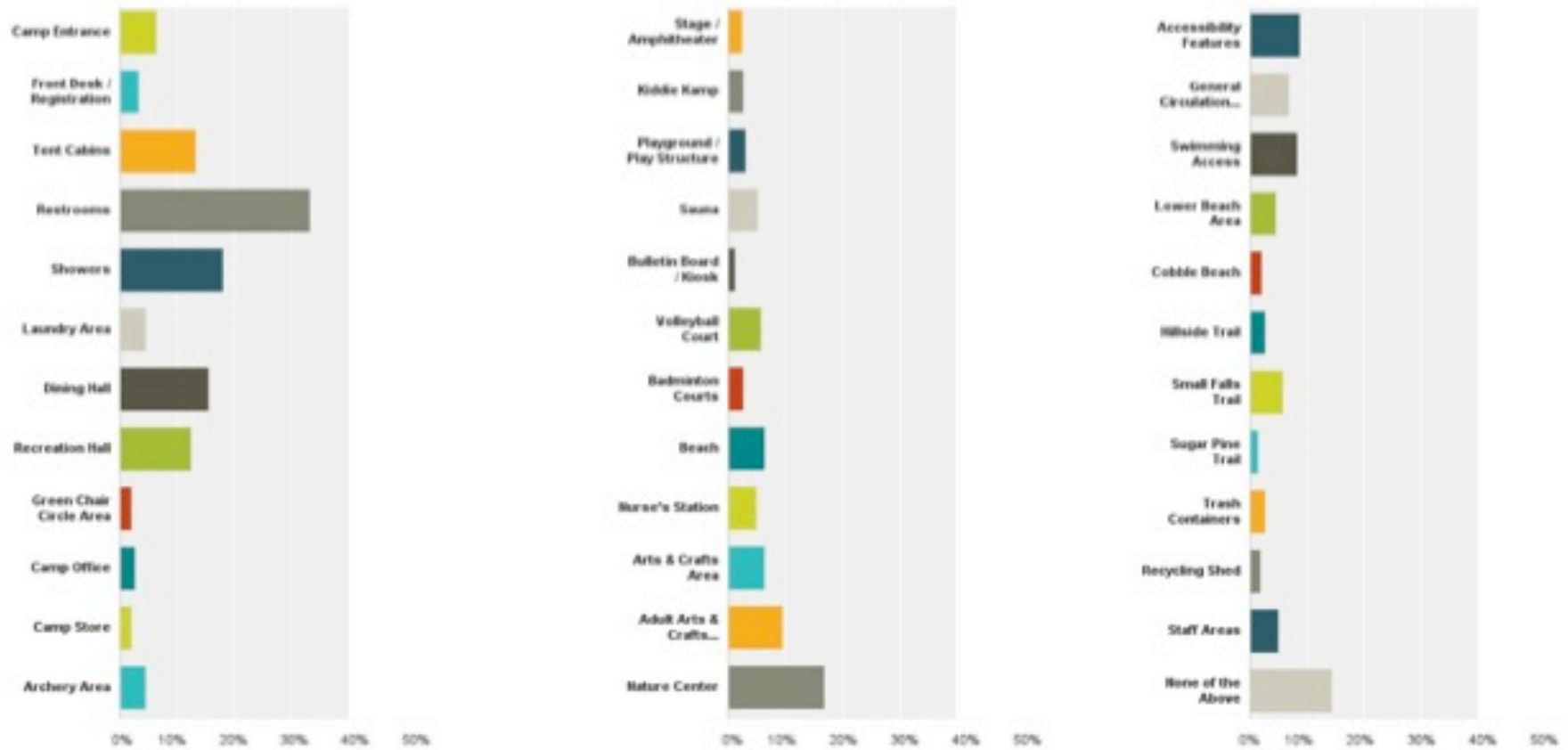
Answered: 420 Skipped: 20





## Q9: Please check up to three (3) of the Camp facilities or use areas where you think changes could be made that would improve the quality of your Camp experience.

Answered: 320 Skipped: 120



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## **INTERNET SURVEY – WRITTEN COMMENTS**

- Please help us understand why you selected the facility area(s) in the question.
- The dining hall was always a special area to congregate and meet other campers in a warm and welcoming setting. I hope retaining this character is a priority in the design of the new dining hall and green chair circle area.
- A wider trail would be safer
- A dedicated area for adult arts and crafts would be nice
- A new dishwasher!
- A slightly better-equipped Nurse's cabin would help avoid many trips to Sonoma for routine injuries.
- Access and signage to archery area could be improved but low priority
- Accessibility because everyone should be included in something this great.
- Accessibility features: improved accessibility makes intergenerational visits more manageable and opens the camp to families who might not be able to visit otherwise due to family members with limited mobility or other disabilities.
- accessibility for all
- Accessibility improvements will be very important so that people with disabilities or mobility limitations would be able to enjoy the camp experience.
- Accessibility is key for me as I now have a mobility impairment.
- Accessibility to more people is always a plus
- Accessibility: It would be great to have some accommodations for people with physical disabilities such as re-building some non-tent cabins like Eagle's nest, but closer to main camp.
- Adult Arts and crafts- small area that is cramped
- All buildings must be rustic and funky
- Although I love them, the restrooms were beginning to get a tad overused
- Although the dust is soft under foot and charming, it does make me wonder why I shower at all.
- Any of the listed facilities can be improved.
- archery could use a better setup
- Archery could use some more shade.
- archery: very hot and exposed, never comfortable to hang out there
- Arts and Crafts in general were cramped
- Arts and Crafts should have a larger facility, more open and functional
- arts and crafts: so important! maybe make it more of a gathering place. there is just that one table and it always feels a bit hectic and crowded. i love how it's by the water though.
- As an Occupational Therapist I am interested in having all public facilities accessible for all.
- baby boomer who still wants to go to camp with kids and grandkids
- Badminton courts need some sort of pad beneath them so that they don't settle and crack
- Badminton courts/Nets would sag at times
- Badminton is a perfect sport and exists almost nowhere else with no use costs. Great activity for all ages and abilities.
- Basketball & Volleyball conflict. It would be nice to have a volleyball ct and a separate half basketball court so games on each could be played simultaneously.

- bathrooms and showers needed updating
- Bathrooms- better lighting inside, ample counter/mirror space
- Bathrooms needed upgrading
- bathrooms often had water leaking onto floors.
- Beach - keep visibility so parents can see kids. Keep shade on one side so shade worshippers can sit near water in shade. Keep some riparian high overhang next to fishingsit/stand areas for kids so they can fish in camp and above all maintain the seasonal
- beach could be expanded a little
- Better drinks
- better meals
- Better plumbing, cleaner/nicer bathroom facilities
- Better, more abundant parking
- Both the showers and bathrooms had not been upgraded since at least the 1950's
- buildings should look the same
- Bumpy pavement
- cabins would be nice a little less crowded together
- Camp entrance- parking near the arts center needs to be moved away from the kiddie and arts centers.
- Camp is not accessible to people with disabilities and/or special needs (power)
- camper egress flow needs lots of work, so no running of the carts
- Can you improve river access at Lower Beach?
- Canvas was old and didn't close well.
- Cars should not be parked on the highway
- Ceiling fans installed through the dining hall would be nice
- Ceramics area needs more storage space for pottery, no stairs from working space to kiln, more storage for clay, tools(more tools), glaze, brushes
- Chance to upgrade the kitchen, dishwashing, food delivery
- cleanliness
- cleanliness issue. Dirt and spiderwebs
- Cleanliness of all.
- Could be larger to better accommodate more campers
- Could be nicer, cleaner, more green
- cramped & old
- D-Hall: More cohesive area, less loud, bigger windows
- DH-Increase kitchen size to make it better for workers
- Dining area too loud and crowded
- dining hall - meals too loud (and too fast); make more sound absorption
- dining hall can get uncomfortably hot
- Dining hall comfort and noise abatement
- Dining hall in/out/circulation traffic flow got congested
- Dining hall is a heart of the camp. Make the kitchen fantastic, an awesome fireplace and a great coffee station.
- Dining hall is heart of camp and kitchen could use better equipment and consider compost/recycling possibilities to go green. Also provides opportunity for solar roof, etc.
- Dining hall needs more room to move around, and kitchen improvements
- Dining Hall should be rustic and charming
- Dining hall: it would be great to see some modern equipment. The salad bar, toast bar and coffee bar can be brought up to current health code. A green architect could do an amazing

job of increasing natural light and air flow. Modern kitchen might allow f

- Dining Hall entrances and access out dated and crowded at meal times. Staff eating outside. L shape of dinning hall could be U shape. Horrible blind corners by table 7 and kitchen window... Larger seating at fireplace... Wood stack window to outside. Od
- Easier acces, nicer area
- electrical power in most all tents
- entance has always been vague
- expansion-making it larger
- Finances
- Front desk: always felt it was a bit haphazard
- General Access and well-being for children, toddlers and elderly
- Having nicer and more organized and dedicated spaces for the nature area and arts and crafts would be great.
- Homeless can do their laundry
- hot and far from camp
- i am an AIR in ceramics
- I didn't like when it moved to the Rec Hall -- needs a dedicated space
- I do not think the Recreation Hall was used to its full potential. I always remember it as just a big empty room, no real equipment for activities (think darts, ping pong, etc.).
- I feel that the bathrooms near lower beach were too small. It got incredibly cramped with people trying to use the toilets and brush their teeth at the same time.
- I felt that the dining hall was okay but the food was sub-standard
- I know that local regulations make recycling difficult, but it would be great if the camp could do more....
- I liked the nature center up in the trees better because you felt like you were surrounded by nature.
- I liked the nature center when it was it own distinct location. Nice to have it away in the woods a bit
- I love camp
- I loved everything about camp except for the beds. Also, it may helped to have some cabins (only some) that have a more closed space for noise purposes. My dad snores very loud and it disrupted everyone around us.
- I loved the stone showers. I would love to see more of those.
- I miss the old nature center up the hill.
- I think it was difficult to get around camp in a wheelchair
- I think the office should be featured in a more pleasant manner that it has been. The entrance to camp is not attractive--going throughout the parking lot and by the maintenance shed. I think the office would be moved or the maintenance shed should be mov
- I understand that the camp has been closed sometimes to disinfect the kitchen and dining hall.
- I want it to be the same but smarter
- I was pleased with the way camp existed. Loved the stone showers open to the sky and hope they will be part of the new masterplan.
- I wish we could utilize the rec hall more.
- I would hope that while you have the opportunity to replace the original and less than adequate sewer, that you go ahead and do so.
- I would like to see a few more bathrooms that are better equipped and maintained to allow for high bar for sanitary conditions. I don't want to see the cruise ship virus happen again!
- I would like to see a more functional nature center like the one we had up on the hill. It

wasn't handicapped accessible. The Nature Center in the rec hall was always kind of interim.

- I would love it if you could make it so all the tables could see the announcer.
- If feasible, paths should be properly built and maintained so toddlers don't have to climb over tree roots to get to lower beach (for example)
- if the ceramics area is under a 'deck', make the deck be solid so that things don't fall onto the work area in the ceramics room. also good to have two kilns, one for first fire, one for glazes.
- If the shade structure for Archery needs to be rebuilt, it would be nice to have a larger area that was protected from the sun and backs on the benches to lean back on.
- Important for art activities
- It is awkward to enter and leave camp with current entrance.
- It is difficult for disabled to access
- It is unknown how shaded the areas where the (proposed) various structures which make up the camp will be. We don't know where there will be shade, but I think it is important to attempt to locate the new tent cabins in portions of the camp where there s
- It makes sense to make the play structure more ADA accessible
- It was kind of dark and dingy down there -- huddled under the overhang. Would be great if the work area could be larger and lighter and if firing could be available more regularly.
- It was often baking hot at the archery area
- It would be cool to have more adult arts and crafts.
- It would be great if camp (or at least the main areas of camp) could be wheelchair accessible
- It would be nice to have an area built for arts & crafts - the old site, as I recall, from 1950's, was an afterthought under the dining hall.)
- it would be so lovely if the green chair circle had some other ground cover to make it less dusty.
- It's a great location over looking the swimming pool, bout it could be bigger and more dynamic.
- It's always a challenge to find empty, working laundry facilities.
- it's sort of a nightmare trying to check in to get the best tent cabin. Pretty chaotic
- I've helped in the kitchen, and it should be cleaner.
- Kiddie Kamp and the ability to ditch the kids for a bit is what makes Family camp a vacation.
- kiddy camp really needs to be expanded
- Larger and updated bathrooms would be nice to accommodate all the many campers
- Larger office to better accommodate busy check-in days
- Laundry could use more tables or shelves to put away others clean clothes
- loading and unloading
- Long family tradition nearly impossible to find elsewhere.
- Make camp easier for disabled and elderly campers to participate. This includes better and closer parking.
- Make easier accessibility for disabled and elderly campers
- More activities here - less wasted space
- More central would be nice
- More comfortable bathrooms and more private showering would be wonderful
- more comfortable seating and healthier food
- More disabled access
- more entrances/ greater accesibility to the Rec Hall
- More extensive Arts and Crafts center would be enjoyable for all

- more movable chairs at lower beach would be nice. I use that area a lot.
- More outdoor play structures dispersed around camp for kids would be nice
- More shade less dust At beach
- more space and availability if ceramics is continued
- More space to hang out
- More workspace in Adult A&C area
- Move the rec hall to the office location and the office up to the rec hall location along with the workshop. Put a kitchen in the rec hall and coffee in the morning to get people out of the dining hall.
- Nature Area: expand naturalist exhibits, keep generous porch area for basket weaving, leaf printing etc.
- Nature Center - Great resource for visitors to the area
- Nature Center - Was relegated to rec hall; needs to be more connected to outdoors, and a more permanent facility
- Nature center deserves its own place, closer to nature– the old (pre-Rec Hall) Nature Center was in the dogwood canopy on the hillside behind central bathrooms; the new one is rumored to be located beside the river, which sounds like a good idea.
- Nature Center has been "homeless" for a few years now. If there's an opportunity to finally find a home for it, that would be great.
- Nature Center has not had it's own building for many years.
- Nature center needs a bit more organized space and place to present information
- Nature Center- needs its own building
- Nature Center shouldn't be in Rec Hall. Should have its own area
- Nature Center: More hours and access
- Nature Center: not sure where it's been located recently, but it always seems to be tucked away. Would be nice to have it more centrally located. I didn't work nature center but think it could be better integrated into camp.
- Nature Center: stand alone structure & hiking center
- need a bathroom that is larger and accessible
- Need a great old fashioned camp entrance sign in twig letters
- Need additional, and cleaner, restrooms
- Need electricity
- Need more bathrooms and just updated
- Need updating.
- Needs more central location; upper rec hall inadequate
- Needs updating and better supplies
- No changes needed to improve. It was perfect. Restore as before...
- Nurses Station seems to be too small or unequipped
- Nurses station was far and hard to find at night in the dark
- older ones were in need of upgrade
- One or two more
- only have noted areas I would hope are in good condition
- Outdoor hot showers were wonderful addition
- overused
- Parking for loading/unloading/registration could be clearer and easier to access.
- Paths/steps (to tents further out) can be treacherous.
- please use wood, only old materials
- Provide easier accessibility for disabled and elderly people

- put the nature center in with the arts/crafts/rec hall
- Recreation hall always seemed under-used
- Recreation Hall: I would like to see it built in a location that is more centralized. Maybe down where the manager's cabin was or over where the office was. When it was up on the hill above the dining hall it was very under-utilized, primarily due to i
- restrooms are often overcrowded and dirty
- Restrooms have always been terrible
- Restrooms- larger- addition of at least one toilet/ urinal/ sink in all restrooms.
- Restrooms need to flush reliably and be cleaned properly.
- restrooms needed functional updating
- Restrooms the only thing we're not sad to see burned
- Restrooms too far from many tent cabins
- Restrooms were a bit run down and could use updating
- Restrooms were often dirty. For volume of campers, restrooms need cleaning more frequently.
- restrooms: more stalls in main camp
- Roomier please
- Rustic, not like a community center or library!
- Sauna is really small
- sauna often not working and i would love to use it!
- sauna seems like a facility that requires significant maintenance to keep sanitary and healthy. Also it requires energy to run. I say do not re-create it in the new plans.
- separate volleyball, basketball and badminton courts.
- Should be easier to access swimming
- Showers - more would be great!
- Since we are in a drought and a lot of the items can be composted, we should try to recycle as much as possible.
- Slightly larger area with better ingress/egress
- some of the bathrooms were run down
- some paths were too steep
- Staff housing has historically been too slum-like. Dorm-style accommodations would help.
- Stone showers were great. I would hope that character can be retained
- Tent Cabins: Larger decks (we have 4 ppl that like sleep outside), keeping cabins as close to the core of camp as possible is important to us
- The Arts and Crafts area is small and hard to accommodate large amounts of people, especially when it's tie-dye.
- The bathroom are often crowded and could be more water efficient
- The bathrooms could be made in a manner more conducive to people brushing teeth/getting ready for bed while others use toilets
- the camp was pretty inaccessible before, this is a chance to use universal design principals o make the camp accessible to everybody
- The ceramics area needs to be better designed. More space to work outside, safer kiln positioning, better/wider storage shelves for artwork
- The dusty paths are awful.
- The nature center could be a really cool place to study up on the area - we haven't had a good one for years
- The Nature Center has not had an accessible and self-contained location since the original site was no longer useable.
- The Nature Center is a vital part of camp programming and promoting/teaching forest

ecology, camp history, outdoor recreation, and tradition. Before it was relocated to the Rec Hall, it was a very strong program with expert staff and popular activities. I

- The Nature Center is important for education, nature-related activities, and for understanding the habitat around Camp, it deserves special treatment.
- the new restrooms should be easier to clean, and adding more facilities would be helpful
- The process of unloading and loading of cars can be improved
- The rec hall was under-utilized and not a nice space to be in. I suggest it become the center for arts & crafts and access to it made more inviting.
- the trail was hard to find to get to archery
- The volley ball court is a high traffic area for the camp maybe now that u get a redo they should add another court down at lower beach or something
- There could be some healthier snack options in the store
- There often seems to be a traffic jam at the entrance when we arrive and when it's time to leave
- There was not much for parents to do in the way of arts and crafts
- This needs careful planning/consideration for ADA & elderly(with the least visual impact).
- To far away from some cabins
- to meet ADA requirements
- too tight before
- Trail is very dangerous.
- under utilized
- Unorganized
- updated laundry would be awesome
- Very hard for people in wheelchairs to use camp.
- want to preserve rustic quality, perhaps increase number of tents
- We like to hike and it didn't seem like the trails were very long in general.
- went one year with handicapped friend and she had challenges getting around