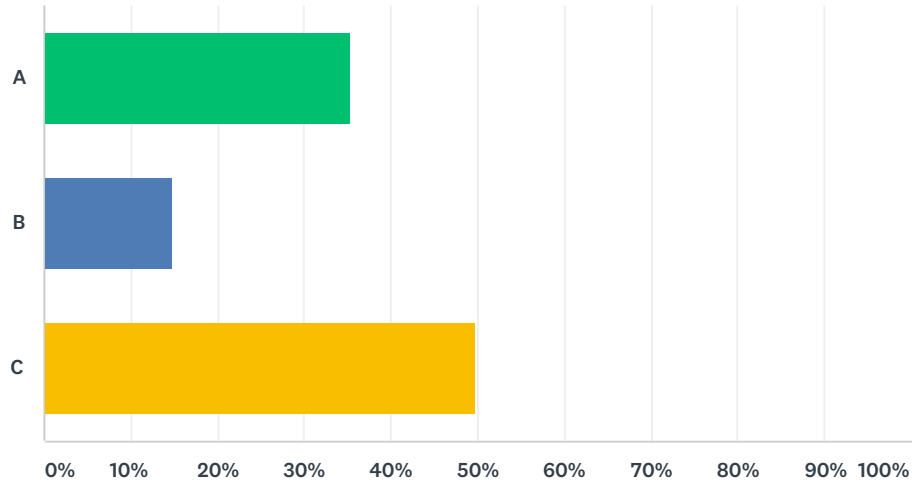


# Q1 Which concept do you prefer?

Answered: 209 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
A	35.41% 74
B	14.83% 31
C	49.76% 104
TOTAL	209

**Are there amenities that you would like to suggest? Please type them below:**

For the play ground, my kids LOVE the zip lines I've started seeing pop up at newer parks.

I like the native landscape, natural looking playground concept, open areas for play not specifically for a sport. Trees for shade, if shelters make them blend with the surroundings/natural colors. Education about the homestead and Oregon Trail. How about a splash pad?

more open space

A splash pad for summer use

Native landscaping including pollinator garden with interpretive signs. Water features.

Walking paths around newly developed areas that connect to current trail system (dirt to match existing trails). Consider adding in trees for future shade areas, especially near the playground equipment as playground equipment throughout the city become so hot in the direct sun and is unusable for large portion of the day. Public art (nature based?) incorporated into design. Perhaps a grassy area designed so that community members could host neighborhood walk to outdoor movies. Natural play/nature based areas throughout open/natural space. Book nook/story pods for outdoor reading areas and perhaps a public readings/sharing natural stage area.

fishing pond

tennis courts; bathrooms (maybe they are there, just can't see them on the plan)

I would really like to see a big playground area as well as some big rocks, logs, trees-nature type things

Dog friendly play area

water fountain that is dog friendly and poopy bags for doggies

Pool, bike racks

nice to have lots of trees in play area and parking lot. Please don't put up too many lights. It is nice to not have a lot of light pollution in east boise.

Plenty of walking areas along with recycling and waste bins. Also an area for dogs to play in

Splash Pad - we don't have any aside from the Grove fountains in Boise and there are a LOT of families in East Boise that would enjoy this.

disc golf course would be nice

none - dont build the park

benches, picnic area with shelter maybe, pathways, playground area

no team sports practice or games on Sunday due to parking and noise

Horseshoes, playground equipment for kids, shade trees, grass, \*zip lines\*, tennis courts, large open grass space for larger field games, outdoor racquetball courts, clay bocce ball courts, outdoor badminton courts, \*splash pads\*, covered gazebo picnic area for larger gatherings, disc golf course basketball courts

Maintain as much natural habitat as possible

Off leash dog park

None now

Dog Park and skate park or small bike park. East side does not have foothill trails like the rest of Boise but a lot of people ride bikes,skate,and scooter

Keep as much of nature as possible. Bike/walking trails.

Cyclocross/MTB course in the dirt area. No irrigation needed. Can be mostly native.

Picnic area with tables, shade Playground equipment Bathrooms

Splash pad!

Playground equipment

A dog park would be nice as there isn't one close by.

Walkig/biking paths that join up with the existing trail system. Rubber or tire material/mulch for playground flooring material (no more wood chips!) Perhaps interactive cultural/historical/educational signage and displays throughout.

All access playground equipment

I'd like to recommend an off leash dog park dawn to 10am and 4pm until dusk

A dog park/run would be great.

Fish pond please

Splash pad for kids

bigger sports fields and at least 1 basketball court with legal size rims

bottle fill water stations instead of traditional water bubblers would be cool. Also, thanks for putting this survey and outreach together!

Dog park would be good idea...

splash pad!

Picnic tables and BBQ areas for family/group gatherings. Lots of shade trees

Basketball court

Playground, water play

Pickle ball!!!

Basketball court

I see nothing labeled as biking trail on any concept. There is a concentration of mountain biking enthusiasts on the east end of town. How about incorporating a mtn bike trail in the park? Even around the perimeter would work.

Bocce Ball Court

Water feature and playground equipment for children. There is not enough in that area of town.

I am really conflicted - I chose C because it has the largest playground. But I am sad to perhaps lose the sports field with this choice. I am not sure what Native Landscape means. I'm also very interested in getting a dog park on the east side of Boise. The ones in Meridian and Nampa are so awesome but so far away!

Shaded playground w swings, picnic areas w shade

bocce ball, minimum 2 courts, prefer with shade trees; many poop stations for dogs

Children's playground and workout equipment similar to Camel's back.
A dog friendly area would be appreciated. With the proximity and linkage to nearby trails, I expect there will many users with dogs.
Dog Park
Mountain Bike Park would be nice for a lot of the local kids and adults in the area that enjoy riding.
a fenced dog park would be nice and an exercise course with stations for adults
Open play and an area for dog off leash would be very nice.
off leash area
Drinking fountains and restrooms, soccer fields or a suitable place for soccer practices.
Dog Park if "Open Play" is not for dogs. Big trees and lots of grass.
Big playground with the "squishy turf" instead of concrete or wood chips.
Off leash dog park, PLEASE!!!!
A great 2-5 playground!
Make sure there are jungle gyms. More is better...
Off leash area for dogs!
WTFO? We need schools in the area.
Dog park area

Off leash dog area

Having a place for kids to play ball and for the families to come and enjoy with their kids is great! I would make sure that there are plenty of restrooms and a facility to perhaps sell food etc during league games.

Kids playground, open area, area for sports.

Pickleball courts, turf field

Soccer field and basketball courts

splash pad, sand volleyball

dog park-- or fenced area-- nothing fancy.. maybe as part of one of open play areas in option c. I would point to open space to southeast of developed area

Would LOVE a basketball court!!!! (I can't tell if that's on there but titled something other?)

Volleyball, basketball, soccer areas

Off leash dog park, fencing around the park. Park divided in to small dog & large dog area.

dog park area

Splash pad, dog off leash

Off leash dog area

dog park

Shelter, lots of shelter.

I love the concepts and wouldn't want to give up any of the proposed amenities, but I wondered if there might be space for an off-leash dog area?

Soccer field and basketball courts

Dog park, possibly fenced so dogs can run around without time of the day restriction.

Prefer passive over active activities

Extra parking for the Sports fields. Possibly a dog park somewhere. Bike parking with a repair station.

Restrooms definitely needed, which I didn't see on plan B

Bathrooms, biking park area or skate park area, the kids in surprise are all ages, it would be terrific if this park could help even the older kids find a place to enjoy the outside.

As much natural landscape as possible

Shelters, water feature, possible off leash section, education bldgs, sports field

Drinking fountains, Zip-line like Terry Day Park, padded playground area.

Splash pad

Workout area like the one at Camels back park or some stations along a walking trail. Frisbee golf.

Small basketball court, sand volleyball, and soccer field.

Where's the dog park? Lot's of people have been using this area to run their dogs for years!

I thought in the original plan this was supposed to be a dog off leash park. What happened to that idea. I would prefer you keep the area as natural as possible. The loss of wildlife in the area has been tremendous in the 25 years I have lived in Surprise Valley.

Biking/walking paths throughout.

Basketball Court

There should be 2 sports fields areas so kids can use this space all year long...this has been needed for a very long time! Have a skateboard paved park as well, small fenced area, permanent shade structures a must, water pad park like they have at the center of the grove to run through water
Dog off leash area, water feature
More native natural space
Is this for residents of Surprise Valley only? More park- less playground.
Playground important
Benches. Water fountain(s).
Playground(swings, slides, etc) and/or splash pad. Shade structure over playground.
Like to leave it as natural as possible, walking/bike trails would be nice.
There are many dogwalkers in adjoining neighborhoods and there is no off leash dog park on the East side of Boise. I think an off leash dog park would be a great addition to the park system on this side of town.
dog park
Please include a dog park. Either off-leash or fenced.
Less is more... Keep it as natural as possible...
Perhaps a dog off leash area - or designate off leash hours. Even though I don't own a dog, lots of folks in the area do and would love one.
A fenced in off leash dog area with accessible drinking water.
No off leash dogs. Pickle ball courts. City pool.
Include a dog off-leash area -- only if it's in the NE open play area. It cannot be right behind the homes on Oregon Trail Drive. Even if there's no off-leash area, dogs should be allowed. The Maryann Williams park is almost unused due to dog limitations. A bicycle skills park would be huge, and would get a ton of use, even if it's small like the one by the greenbelt in Willow Run park. Also, the more sports fields, the better, particularly if geared to younger, non-travel team, kids. Let's get them out and moving!
Anything dog friendly! There are a lot of dog owners around here that will use this.
Splash pad for children, outdoor gym, Zip line
Restrooms, reservable shelter/picnic areas, shade over playground
- Alt. B doesn't show restrooms. - Concern that the parking could just become overflow for Barber Park during floating season unless posted - Will shelters have picnic tables and bbq facilities? - Where will bike racks be located? How will this tie in with existing bike trail along Surprise Way (e.g., street crossing, safety, etc.)
splash pads!



<b>Any other comments regarding the development of the Bowler site?</b>
Careful locating anything beyond 'Open Space' next to the church. I'd be afraid casual visitors may assume the church owns some or all of the park options.
As a neighbor who can view this park from above in Columbia Village, I am very concerned with the appearance since this is going from totally undeveloped to a park. I am hoping that the aesthetics will be paid close attention to, keeping with a natural theme of colors and design that is native to this area. I am envisioning an uncluttered beautiful space that is quiet and relaxing. Also, I am not a fan of dog parks. I believe the dog owners should fund such a park, not the taxpayers. I see so many dog owners not using leashes, not picking up dog waste, it is a huge problem! Thank you for the opportunity to comment.
fence between the properties
put fence around the park to differentiate park vs. church property
Ensure there is adequate parking and ingress and egress that won't cause congestion and traffic for Surprise Valley residents.
Excited to see the project progress. The trails are already used extensively by people and our four legged community members. I am excited to see more of the space available to the community, without losing what this community already treasures.
Since there is a huge sports complex very close at Columbia Villlage, let's keep this just a park. Maybe some historical plaques about close by Oregon Trail.
Easy Access from the green belt would be great.
this is amazing thank you for making our community brighter!
Natural landscape looks rough
keep as many areas natural as you can
This park is a waste of money. You should reduces taxes rather than building this park.
I would like to make it sort of like Marianne Williams park. Very natural but able to walk around and spend time there
No soccer/baseball/sports fields that create parking problems as does soccer at Simplot for Columbia residents. No negative impact for people trying to attend church services.
I am concerned the existing church on the site will make it seem like some or all of the park's amenities belong to the church. Is there a plan that better separates the church from the park? Will churchgoers feel ownership over the park? Will park visitors feel they are encroaching on the church? There seems to be too much commingling of church and park lands, especially with one grass area south of the church away from the rest of the park and the invitation to share use of the church parking lot and road. Too much integration of the two, in my opinion.
access directly from Amity would be nice
I would like old growth sage brush maintained as much as possible. Off leash dog trails are also desirable.

Boise's growth is a bit overwhelming. I like the idea of native vegetation, but I'm not sold on turning this area into a park. Some "wild" should remain. Maybe converting back to native grasses and putting in a few trails would leave habitat and a darkish spot to look at the stars. Does it really have to become a full on park? In the meantime, could you please drop the chain at the end of the road? The road gets a lot of foot traffic and I run in the dark several times a week. It was nice when the chain wasn't across the road.

No more sports fields. Columbia Village has 20+ sports fields that are shut off from public use. Stop the madness with sports fields

Awesome. Thanks!

No off leash dogs!! I was bit 2 years ago and almost bit again last year.

I'm concerned about enforcement of leash laws. I was bitten by an off leash dog in this area two years ago. Dog owners more often than not have their dogs off leash on the adjoining trails that are clearly marked as on leash only. There needs to be a clear plan for how to address these issues in an area that is already experiencing problems. I hesitate to take my children on these trails now because of the lack of enforcement. I would hate for this proposed space to simply turn into an off leash dog park.

Large area is not flat and better to leave in more natural state.

Love to have a beautiful open natural space as part of the park!

Eliminate the shelter by Columbia Village

Less shelters. Don't destroy the landscape. It is beautiful without unnecessary construction

So excited to get a park on our side of town! Suggest passing on the developed sports fields - would bring unnecessary traffic and Simplot is right nearby.

It's a very active area for runners, mtn bikers and walkers so I would hope it would be improved without impeding the way we have been using it for years; Improve the area but leave it available for leisure activity also please

Make more of a park versus a sports field. The Simplot complex is just up the road for sports but unfortunately has no park space for the community.

Fishing pond

this will be much needed space in southeast boise for kids to get together and exercise, have in-line skating path around the park

Drought tolerant, native idaho trees...long lived species you'd see in the barber pool habitat . I know native trees often have big, obnoxious root systems, creatively landscape for this. For any grassy areas, something low maintenance for water

Too big = noise. Smaller is preferred. We already have Columbia village for sports center.

I love the natural playground concept with logs and rocks for kids to climb on. They are attractive looking as well.

and post construction. East side is infested with them!

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. We have been awaiting this park for many years.

Rush the development of this park. Unlike the Alta Harris park which seems to be delayed constantly, it will be nice for this area to have parks as promoted when most moved into this area.

I am SUPER impressed with the new Discovery Park in Meridian. I love pretty much everything about it and as much of that as possible that could be incorporated would be thrilling to me.

Thank you!

We need sports fields for organized sports.

Wanted to understand what kind of sports fields are planned?

Looking forward to the new park!

I hate to see so many areas of Boise developed. I miss the beautiful foothills. If it has to be done, at least it isn't houses

Please keep this area as natural as possible. It is why I choose to leave in the Homestead Rim area. I love hearing the coyotes at night. Seeing the Deer, rabbits and quail. Please keep that here.

Maximum level ground open field or play space is sorely needed in this part of town. Manage the drainage to keep it from getting swampy, the SV clubhouse lawn is too wet to play on most of the year.

How will surprise way accommodate cars entering and exiting park?

Due to the amount of children from both the Surprise Valley neighborhood and all the surrounding neighborhoods, a lighted crosswalk would be necessary for children to get to and from the park safely. Right now the crosswalk in front of the Farmhouse is dangerous and easily missed and the crosswalk entering Surprise Way from Amity is very dangerous as drivers from all directions do not look or stop when their are pedestrian there. This park will be accessed by foot and bike and we need to allow our children to get there safely.

Not excited about the impact on Surprise Valley with the volume of people coming to use it. More chance of increase in crime. Just more of the same going on in Boise right now. No neighborhood is scared, no privacy left.

WTFO? We need schools in the area. Build a school. Scrap the park

We need more accessible off leash areas in the valley. This would be a great place to have something given the growth in SE Boise

Better details on "active" sports vs "leisure" sports would be nice. Similarly, more details on the sports fields. Is this softball/baseball, soccer, other?

No lights. Dark area is a premium and Oregon Trail area is a dark space for Boise these days Road ingress from surprise w to water tank... it is unpaved one lane... are you paving and adding a whole lane? As a taxpayer, seems excessive and maybe think out of the box on that one. Put playground over near church open space w restroom. Put a few park spots out towards Surprise and let people walk from that entrance. handicapped and cars w kids can park at church? Does park own that open space over to southeast of church? I see it is part of proposal ..Used to be church owned Safety - there are no houses surrounding this space w line of sight or roads from which park area can be observed... who will patrol it or what about safety concerns. I do not know of such a "hidden" city park. Again, no lights. I think it is proven that lights are not a solution perhaps inviting trouble? Not sure of solution but be aware . What is to be done after hours entry control on the entry off Surprise?? Gated/chained.. Keep doing the right things

thank you- can't wait for this!

I think maintaining the native landscape is by far the most important consideration. Along with educating park visitors on why this is so important and what they can do as individuals to help preserve native Idaho plant & animal life.

Very excited for a playground over here!!!

Dog off leash would be great

No shelter at the top of the trail near the homes on the cliff

How is the land be acquired?

I'm so excited to see this moving forward. It will be a great amenity for our neighborhood.

The sooner the better!

Keep active sports and parking toward center of the area rather than in "backyards" of surrounding residences.

As I mentioned above, there are a lot of teenagers in the area this park is going it. It would be fantastic if some of the park were geared towards them- like a skate park or bike park area. Thank you.

No off leash dog park or sports field please

I think having sports fields is a BAD idea as it would bring too much traffic to our neighborhood.

Will this park be an Dog Off Leash Area? If so, I would like to register my opposition to making Bowler Park a Dog Off Leash Area. I live in the Surprise Valley Subdivision and I am constantly having to deal with dogs running around without any supervision whatsoever. I have to put up with cleaning up after dogs ROUTINELY. I have a neighbor that lets their dog roam the neighborhood EVERY morning without cleaning up after it. I guess that it is more convenient for them to let their dog defecate in someone else's lawn than their own. I also have to put up with dogs howling and barking ROUTINELY. Rules/ordinances currently in place to prevent the above problems are routinely and willfully disregarded. I am concerned that any rules/ordinances that will pertain to the Dog Off Leash Area in Bowler Park will be disregarded as well, and make conditions worse. I am concerned that the addition of a Dog Off Leash Area in Bowler Park will detract from the overall quality of life in the Surprise Valley Subdivision.

The implement of sports fields will overwhelm the main surprise way for residents of the subdivision. I love the idea of a park and open space for Boise residents but we have a sports complex within a five-minute drive from this location at Simplot. I do not feel there is a necessity for more sports fields especially in a subdivision that cannot deal with the traffic that brings.

This is an area with a lot of wildlife. Sports fields will be much more disruptive to the natural habitat than no sports fields. Additionally, Surprise Way and the east end of Amity, Eckert & E Boise Ave are not equipped to handle the surges of traffic of several dozen cars going to and from the sports fields at the same time. The traffic is already a nightmare with the explosive growth of Harris Ranch and surrounding area.

I oppose sport fields in this location due to the increase in traffic they will generate on a road that is not equipped to handle it (Surprise Way) and the extra traffic it will put on this end of Amity, Eckert & E Boise Ave, which is already hella problematic due to absolutely no measures to manage or mitigate the significant increase in traffic due to the rapid growth of Harris Ranch and new developments along Amity.

Oregon trail is close by if you could tie some hiking and mt biking paths into this it would be awesome - part of ridge to rivers plan.

I will be out of town on September 24. Where can I find the minutes of the meeting? My email address is mnfeldman@cableone.net. Please include me on any future correspondence. Nancy Feldman

No restroom is needed

With a large sports complex extremely close by in Simplot, it would be great to see this developed as more of a neighborhood park with a large playground for children and generous open play space and the ability to preserve the native landscape. The additional traffic that would be generated with sports fields would be a lot for the surprise way infrastructure to handle.

Paved bike path around it to jog on and ride your bike or rollerblade around the area. Reserveable picnic area for large groups with many picnic tables; little kids water park sprinklers up from the ground, more than 1 water fountain; full size basketball paved basketball court

I appreciate conserving the native landscape

As little disruption as possible. There is a lot of wildlife that many people are able to view and enjoy.

How about leaving it as is.

I want to see as little impact to traffic as possible along Surprise Way, especially against an increase in non resident activity and noise pollution within the proposed zone. We moved out here to be away from over development.

I'd prefer no park there at all. It's fine as is. Wild and peaceful for walking.

Less is more; leave it mostly undeveloped

No sports complex next to houses. Separate area for dogs.

Our home backs up to the proposed park land area and we are very concerned about evening lights and vehicular access at night that could be used to gain access back yards of homes (security risk). Several of the options show some sort of development in areas that are listed as common area (Block 1) in the Homestead Rim plat (~132 feet east of perimeter fence). Is this city land or part of the Homestead rim subdivision? While I welcome the idea of a park, I would like to leave the area in as natural a condition as possible.

as little lighting as possible, keep natural plants as much as possible, little hard surface installation, non-reservable shelter, gravel walking paths

I live in southeast Boise and I feel that maintaining as much native landscape on this end of town is very important as sooo much of it is disappearing with all the crazy development... I feel very strongly about the option C on the master plan.

