

**Appendix B**

**INSTRUMENTS USED IN PUBLIC OPINION SURVEYS**

**Appendix B-1**

**Washington County Park System Telephone Survey**

Hello, my name is \_\_\_\_\_, and I am calling for Washington County in order to get citizen input about County-operated parks and other important natural resources. Your number was randomly selected for participation in a survey of 600 county residents. The survey is anonymous- we do not know your name or address- and will take less than 10 minutes.

Do you live in Washington County? (If yes, continue to question 1; if no, thank interviewee and terminate interview.)

- 1. In the past year did you or any family member of your household visit any of these County parks or any other parks in the County in the past year?

If yes, about how many times in the past year?

Lizard Mound	Yes	_____	No	_____	_____
Glacier Hills Park	Yes	_____	No	_____	_____
Homestead Hollow Park	Yes	_____	No	_____	_____
Ridge Run Park	Yes	_____	No	_____	_____
Goeden Park	Yes	_____	No	_____	_____
Heritage Trails Park	Yes	_____	No	_____	_____
Sandy Knoll Park	Yes	_____	No	_____	_____
Cedar Lake Wayside	Yes	_____	No	_____	_____
Ackerman's Grove	Yes	_____	No	_____	_____
Family Park	Yes	_____	No	_____	_____
Other Parks in the County	Yes	_____	No	_____	_____

- 2. Do you feel safe when you are in Washington County parks?

If no, where did you not feel safe?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_  
No \_\_\_\_\_ Please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

- 3. Do you feel you have personally benefited from Washington County parks in the past year?

If yes, how did you benefit?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ Please specify: \_\_\_\_\_  
No \_\_\_\_\_

- 4. On a scale from 1 to 10, with 1 being Very Poor and 10 being Excellent, how would you rate the overall quality of Washington County Parks?

- 5. Next, I will be asking you about a variety of outdoor activities. Please tell me if you or any family member of your household has interest in this activity.

If yes, how many times has someone in your household participated in this activity in the past year and where have they participated?

	<u>Interested</u>		<u>Participated</u>		<u>Where</u>
Ice Skating	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____
Cross-Country Skiing/ Ungroomed Trails	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____
Tobogganing or Sledding	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____
Beach Swimming	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____
Canoeing	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____
Fishing	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____
Jogging	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____
Hiking/Walking	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____
Softball	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____
Volleyball	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____
Basketball	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____
Children's Playgrounds	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____
Picnicking	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____
Disc Golf	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____
Soccer	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____
Recreational Boating	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____

6. Next, I will be asking you about your interest and participation in some other recreational activities. Please tell me if you or any family member of your household has interest in this activity.

If yes, how many times has someone in your household participated in this activity in the past year, where have they participated, and should Washington County provide facilities for these activities?

	<u>Interested</u>		<u>Participated</u>		<u>Where</u>	<u>Should the County Provide Facilities for Activities</u>
Golfing	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____	_____
Camping	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____	_____
Nature Education Programs	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____	_____
Mountain Biking	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____	_____
Off-road Trail Biking	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____	_____
On-road Biking	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____	_____
Cross-Country Skiing/Groomed Trails	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____	_____
Snowmobiling	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____	_____
Rollerblading/Skateboarding	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____	_____
Roller Hockey	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____	_____
Archery	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____	_____
Dog Training/Exercising off Leash	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____	_____
Driving through Parks	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____	_____
Water Slides/Water Parks	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____	_____
Swimming in Pools	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____	_____
Baseball	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____	_____
Tennis	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____	_____
Football	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____	_____
Other	Yes ___	No ___	Yes ___	No ___	_____	_____

7. Would you or anyone in your household have participated, or participated more often, in any of the recreational activities we just discussed if they were available closer to your home?

Yes \_\_\_ Please list activities: \_\_\_\_\_  
 No \_\_\_

8. Is there anything that would make it more likely for you or members of your household to use Washington County parks more often?

Yes \_\_\_ Please list what that would be: \_\_\_\_\_  
 No \_\_\_

9. Please tell me whether you strongly agree, agree, disagree, strongly disagree, or have no opinion about each of the following statements:

	<u>SA</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>SD</u>	<u>NO</u>
Conserving land for public parks, recreation, water quality, and wildlife habitat is a good use of public funds	___	___	___	___	___
The County should provide a system of recreational trails to connect County parks and other public recreational lands and trails	___	___	___	___	___
County government is doing enough to preserve natural resources and open space in your community	___	___	___	___	___
County government is doing enough to provide access to lakes and waterways	___	___	___	___	___

10. Next we have a few questions on possible activities of the County.

If the answer is yes, how should the County finance the land purchase (please explain some other way to finance):

	<u>No</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Don't Know</u>	<u>Increased Taxes</u>	<u>Issue Bonds</u>	<u>User Fees</u>	<u>Combo</u>	<u>Some Other Way</u>
Would you like to see Washington County buy lands such as woodlands and wetlands to protect wildlife and preserve natural habitats for public enjoyment?	___	___	___	___	___	___	___	___
Would you like to see Washington County improve or expand facilities in existing County parks?	___	___	___	___	___	___	___	___
Would you like to see Washington County acquire land to create new County parks?	___	___	___	___	___	___	___	___
Should Washington County parks provide a nature center for educational programming?	___	___	___	___	___	___	___	___
Should Washington County own and operate additional golf courses?	___	___	___	___	___	___	___	___

If you answered yes that the County should take action to expand facilities at existing parks, please list activities that these expanded facilities should be used for: \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, what activities not currently offered in County parks should the County provide facilities for: \_\_\_\_\_

What activities not currently offered in Washington County parks should the County provide: \_\_\_\_\_

11. What city, village, or town do you live in?

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|---------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| ___ City of Hartford      | ___ Town of Addison    | ___ Town of Kewaskum  |
| ___ City of West Bend     | ___ Town of Barton     | ___ Town of Polk      |
| ___ Village of Germantown | ___ Town of Erin       | ___ Town of Richfield |
| ___ Village of Jackson    | ___ Town of Farmington | ___ Town of Trenton   |
| ___ Village of Kewaskum   | ___ Town of Germantown | ___ Town of Wayne     |
| ___ Village of Newburg    | ___ Town of Hartford   | ___ Town of West Bend |
| ___ Village of Slinger    | ___ Town of Jackson    |                       |

12. How many adults 18 years or older, including yourself, live in your household?

\_\_\_\_\_

13. Do any children under the age of 18 live in your household?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_

No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please tell me how many children are:

\_\_\_\_\_ under the age of 5

\_\_\_\_\_ between the ages of 5 and 13

\_\_\_\_\_ between the ages of 14 and 17

14. Finally, I am going to read you some categories that describe total household income. Please stop me when I reach the category that best describes the total income of members in your household.

\_\_\_\_\_ Under \$25,000

\_\_\_\_\_ \$25,000-\$50,000

\_\_\_\_\_ \$50,000-\$75,000

\_\_\_\_\_ \$75,000-\$100,000

\_\_\_\_\_ More than \$100,000

\_\_\_\_\_ No Answer

Thank you for participating in this survey. Your answers will be very helpful to the future planning for Washington County.

Respondent's gender

\_\_\_\_\_ Female

\_\_\_\_\_ Male