



# SURVEY SUMMARY

# ENVIRONMENT

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# THE PERSPECTIVE

*"...we are surrounded by water, I like being around the water. It is peaceful and calming."*

When asked "What do you like most about your community?" 35% of survey participants identified the physical environment as what they loved best, noting the beauty around them and the ocean in particular.

People mentioned appreciating the opportunities for outdoor recreation that is available here. Others stated that they just loved living and working by and on the water.

People expressed concerns about climate change, pollution and littering; they were also worried about the potential impact on

the fishing industry as well as on the beauty and lifestyle they are able to enjoy in their community.

Several people noted that some of the positive things happening in the community included efforts towards developing green energy options, ecotourism and recycling.

*"...clearcutting - trees and fish stocks - resulting in loss of species - neither practice is sustainable."*

## CROSSING THEMES

*Environment is closely linked with the economy – tourism, ecotourism, fishing; as well as being attractive to people moving to the area.*

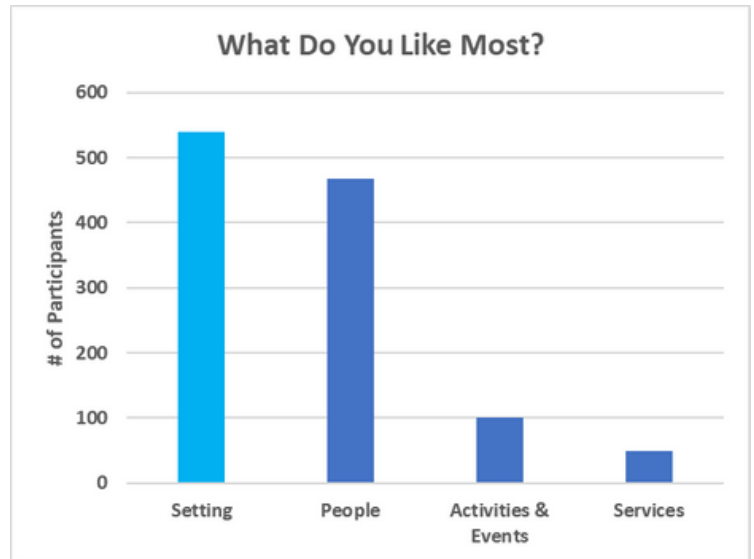
*Environment is linked with mental and physical health – respondents mentioned the importance of clean air and having space around them.*

*Environment is linked with activities and lifestyle – opportunities for outdoor recreation.*



# WHAT DO YOU LIKE MOST?

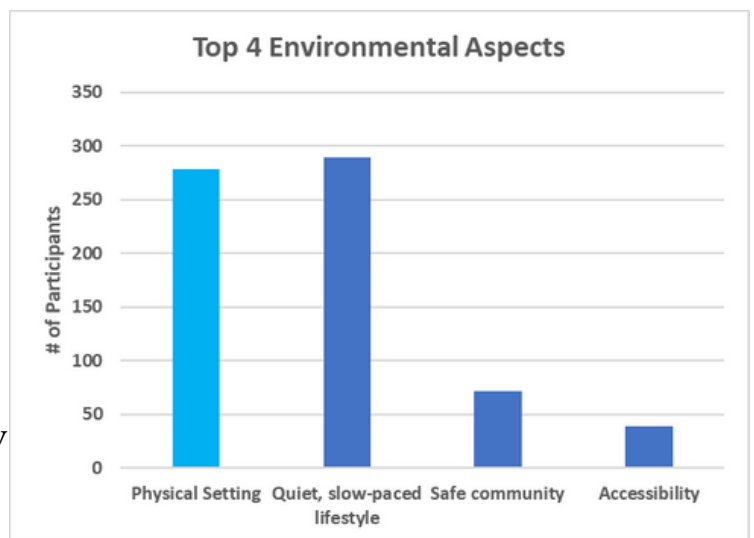
69% of survey participants said what they liked most about their community were aspects of the setting and lifestyle.



# 35%

OF PEOPLE APPRECIATED THE PHYSICAL SETTING SPECIFICALLY

Specific comments from participants included "beautiful nature", "being by the ocean" and "close to the woods"



# TOP 3

GREEN POSITIVES MENTIONED

1. Opportunities for outdoor recreation
2. Efforts that are environmentally friendly
3. Efforts that have been made to clean up the community (garbage/litter)