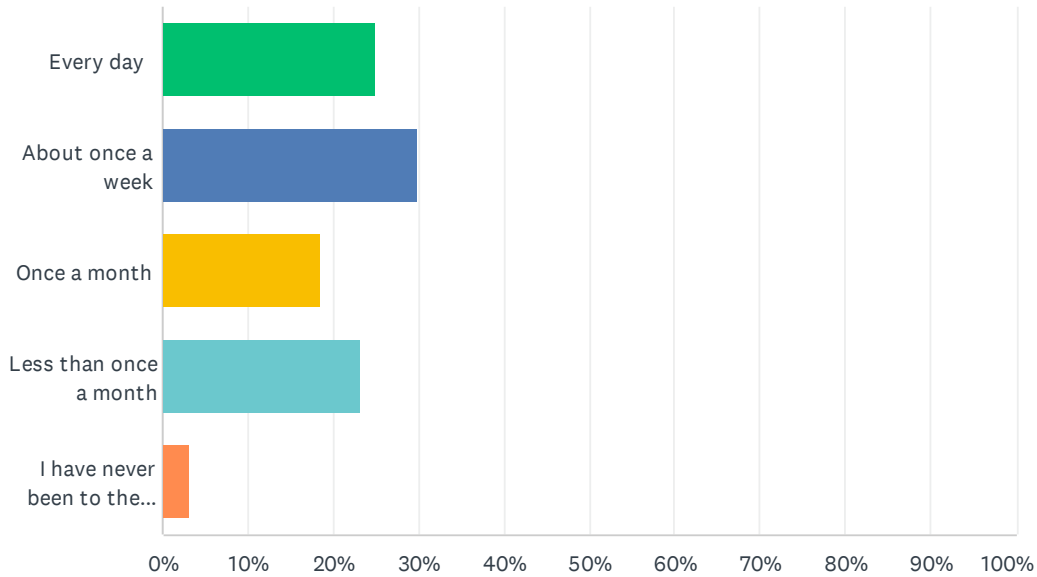


Q2 How often do you currently use the Elena Gallegos Open Space facilities, including Simms Park Road and foothills hiking/biking trails?

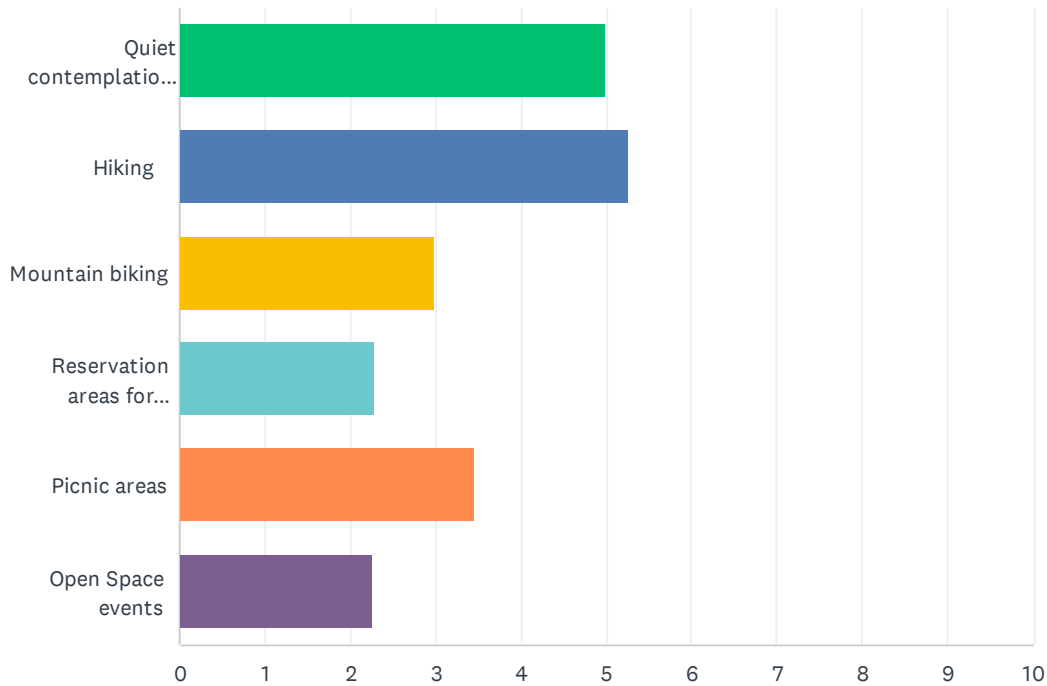
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Every day	24.93%	91
About once a week	29.86%	109
Once a month	18.63%	68
Less than once a month	23.29%	85
I have never been to the EGOS facilities or used Simms Park Road	3.29%	12
TOTAL		365

Q3 Please rank the following activities/amenities according to your highest valued use of the Elena Gallegos Open Space. (Rank from 1-6, with 1 being highest and 6 being lowest)

Answered: 365 Skipped: 3



	1	2	3	4	5	6	TOTAL	SCORE
Quiet contemplation/ Interacting with nature	37.31% 122	44.04% 144	9.17% 30	2.75% 9	4.28% 14	2.45% 8	327	5.00
Hiking	54.05% 187	33.82% 117	5.78% 20	0.58% 2	2.31% 8	3.47% 12	346	5.26
Mountain biking	8.74% 27	7.77% 24	26.21% 81	17.48% 54	9.71% 30	30.10% 93	309	2.98
Reservation areas for groups	2.03% 6	2.70% 8	5.74% 17	25.00% 74	39.86% 118	24.66% 73	296	2.28
Picnic areas	1.58% 5	9.46% 30	41.96% 133	30.28% 96	13.88% 44	2.84% 9	317	3.46
Open Space events	2.62% 8	3.28% 10	9.84% 30	21.97% 67	25.25% 77	37.05% 113	305	2.25

Q4 What other Elena Gallegos Open Space activities / amenities do you highly value?

Answered: 221 Skipped: 147

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	The ability to get out into nature.	6/10/2022 6:34 AM
2	None	6/9/2022 7:06 PM
3	The lack of people/crowds. The lack of many commercial structures. The ability to ponder and appreciate nature and a peaceful/calm view of a busy city.	6/8/2022 11:54 AM
4	I like the birdwatching blind at Cottonwood spring.	6/6/2022 10:02 PM
5	Being completely surrounded by nature.	6/6/2022 1:07 PM
6	Just the proximity to my house.	6/5/2022 1:20 PM
7	The opportunity to learn about nature in its pristine condition, away from buildings and traffic of any kind. It is a place to get away. The term "open space" says it all for me. The most valuable amenity is the Sandia foothills.	6/5/2022 12:59 PM
8	Bird watching	6/4/2022 11:56 AM
9	Preservation of space for nature	6/2/2022 8:42 PM
10	Hiking to the TWA crash site.	6/2/2022 5:28 PM
11	Peacefulness	6/2/2022 5:05 PM
12	The ability to be away from traffic and noise of the city. Access to the national forest. The wildlife.	6/2/2022 2:17 PM
13	Solitude	5/31/2022 8:28 PM
14	Birding	5/31/2022 8:21 PM
15	Being out in nature without crowds	5/31/2022 5:12 PM
16	Exactly what it is named. Open space. Quiet, close to nature, uncrowded, peaceful areas open to individuals and small family groups for walks, enjoyment of undeveloped land and scenery.	5/31/2022 4:04 PM
17	The openness and beauty of it. Such a lovely place for deer, quail, rabbits, etc	5/31/2022 2:36 PM
18	Wildlife viewing	5/31/2022 2:16 PM
19	wildlife viewing, photography	5/31/2022 2:16 PM
20	nature and birding walks	5/31/2022 11:51 AM
21	wildlife watching	5/31/2022 7:44 AM
22	Road biking/hiking	5/30/2022 9:31 PM
23	N/A	5/30/2022 9:15 PM
24	The wildlife	5/30/2022 6:31 PM
25	Toilets and water fountains	5/30/2022 5:43 PM
26	Being able to visit - no crowds, no school groups, etc. Just neighbors enjoying open "space."	5/30/2022 5:28 PM
27	Bird watching	5/30/2022 2:27 PM
28	Non overcrowding.	5/30/2022 2:17 PM
29	quiet hiking	5/29/2022 2:17 PM

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30	We enjoy the natural setting of the open space. We value communing with nature and attending nature talks or walks.	5/29/2022 1:45 PM
31	solitude	5/28/2022 6:40 PM
32	Seeing the wild life	5/28/2022 10:06 AM
33	Nature trail	5/28/2022 9:47 AM
34	I appreciate that it is easily accessible but tucked away from traffic and noise.	5/28/2022 7:44 AM
35	Bird Watching	5/27/2022 10:14 PM
36	I like the ability to be with nature free of lots of people, noise and structures.	5/27/2022 12:49 PM
37	The hiking-only trails	5/26/2022 8:25 PM
38	Would like to have the drinking fountain at the Pino Trailhead repaired or replaced with a water fountain. No single-use plastic bottles.	5/26/2022 4:38 PM
39	Access to wildlife and the opportunity to enjoy a rural environment without traffic/congestion in a quiet neighborhood.	5/26/2022 2:01 PM
40	The natural pristine setting of the foothills at the base of the Sandias free of any obstructions, buildings, lights, cars etc. There should be nothing that harms the natural views from Sandia Heights.	5/26/2022 12:06 PM
41	The solitude of this area is a great asset for the city and county. The fewer the buildings the better, in my view.	5/26/2022 12:06 PM
42	Just the proximity to us. Also it is already quite used and crowded at times. I fear the proposed expansion will take away from what we have.	5/26/2022 11:00 AM
43	Ability to enjoy nature in an undisturbed state. A man made education center with noise, garbage, vandalism, increased fire risk and much more traffic would be devastating to this pristine area.	5/25/2022 4:38 PM
44	Photography: Trees, plants, flowers, insects, birds, and open-space scenery.	5/25/2022 1:48 PM
45	Access to adjacent wilderness	5/25/2022 9:11 AM
46	Limited development, few cars	5/25/2022 8:32 AM
47	Wildlife and nature. Unimproved open space	5/25/2022 8:11 AM
48	I think "walking" should be an option. I like to hike a lot, often either in EGOS or through it to get to the Pino and Domingo Baca trails. But I often see many people simply walking.	5/24/2022 5:32 PM
49	I like that the area is not overrun with people. I can always find a quiet time to visit.	5/24/2022 3:52 PM
50	Lack of human development with habitat for native plants, insects, and animals. Opportunity to observe nature without buildings and artificial rock landscapes on trails that are not paved. Normally not too crowded so that there is a sense of escape from civilization. Relatively less human interference with the plants and animals. Some hiking only trails that do not have to be shared with mountain bikes. Clean and well-stocked vault toilets (kudos to the wonderful staff!)	5/24/2022 2:09 PM
51	Access to Sandia Wilderness.	5/24/2022 1:17 PM
52	Getting away from people and pavements	5/24/2022 10:42 AM
53	Proper Restrooms	5/24/2022 9:00 AM
54	observing the undisturbed flora and fauna and photography of same	5/24/2022 7:51 AM
55	The quiet, wildlife, openness	5/23/2022 10:26 PM
56	Running Walking	5/23/2022 9:52 PM
57	Birding, road biking Park Sims	5/23/2022 8:40 PM
58	Bird watching	5/23/2022 8:05 PM
59	Dog walking; observing wildlife	5/23/2022 7:35 PM

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60	none	5/23/2022 6:37 PM
61	PEACE AND QUIET. Do not want more traffic or visitors in the area.	5/23/2022 5:47 PM
62	Running, walking	5/23/2022 4:29 PM
63	observing nature, wildlife, views. a quiet place to go for contemplation and appreciation for our open space.	5/21/2022 3:12 PM
64	access to the open space and nature	5/17/2022 5:31 PM
65	Peacefulness	5/16/2022 7:47 PM
66	Birding treks and access to the Wilderness area.	5/16/2022 5:04 PM
67	I do not have any inputs.	5/14/2022 11:43 AM
68	inexpensive, natural & wild & undeveloped atmosphere	5/12/2022 7:38 AM
69	easy access	5/9/2022 7:52 PM
70	Wildlife viewing.	5/9/2022 2:01 PM
71	none	5/8/2022 12:43 PM
72	Walking with my dog	5/7/2022 9:12 PM
73	Views, access to open space from the neighborhood	5/7/2022 12:12 PM
74	Access to Sandia Mountain Wilderness, pet walking.	5/7/2022 9:52 AM
75	Ease of access, connecting to trails, group events	5/6/2022 3:02 PM
76	That is quite place that gives you solitude. Interaction with wild life.	5/6/2022 2:19 PM
77	Hiking the trails away from the developed area and wildlife at Cottonwood Springs	5/4/2022 9:19 PM
78	Pond and viewing area	5/4/2022 8:53 PM
79	Peace and quiet!	5/4/2022 4:12 PM
80	quiet and solitude, birds and all wildlife, trees and plants, running and walking trails, access to national forest and wilderness, bicycle-free trails, lack of lighting, low square footage and height profile of existing entrance booth, 30 MPH Simms Park Rd. speed limit.	5/4/2022 10:23 AM
81	Access to wilderness area. Wildlife. Minimal light pollution	5/4/2022 10:22 AM
82	I do not value #s 4-6 - events, groups, picnics	5/4/2022 8:31 AM
83	it is fine. Do not build anything	5/3/2022 6:54 AM
84	Observation of wildlife / animals	5/2/2022 5:37 PM
85	solitude is highest	5/2/2022 3:01 PM
86	Accessible trails bathrooms	5/2/2022 2:51 PM
87	Parking and an attendant at the gate	5/2/2022 2:33 PM
88	Natural beauty, wildlife , views.	5/2/2022 1:38 PM
89	Star watching	5/2/2022 12:51 PM
90	The serenity and undisturbed landscape	5/2/2022 12:41 PM
91	Minimal amount automobile traffic and access to citizens, and disruption of the area's natural element; prevent the abuse of the area by pollution from city expansion.	5/2/2022 11:40 AM
92	Dark skies, dark skies, dark skies, nature, nature and nature. This is one place where you can see the stars at night in the city.	5/1/2022 10:13 PM
93	Open nature and not busy traffic and animal life	5/1/2022 8:34 PM
94	Preservation of the open space.	5/1/2022 7:54 PM

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95	Trail Running	5/1/2022 5:46 PM
96	Do not interfere with the natural state of what we currently have and enjoy.	4/30/2022 7:31 PM
97	The quiet and affordability of park pass, ease of parking.	4/30/2022 5:14 PM
98	Close association with nature so close to home	4/30/2022 4:11 PM
99	None it does not need any more activity it needs to stay as a quiet place to hike and enjoy nature no more buildings no nothing else is needed	4/30/2022 1:44 PM
100	Space and views	4/30/2022 7:49 AM
101	Hiking	4/29/2022 8:47 PM
102	Open space for its own sake. Just being in nature and not lots of people around	4/29/2022 7:33 PM
103	Bicycling	4/29/2022 7:10 PM
104	wildlife viewing. archeological sites. flora and fauna.	4/29/2022 5:03 PM
105	The sense of peace and space that the undeveloped land and open sky provide and the absence of large groups except in specific areas.	4/29/2022 4:04 PM
106	Road cycling on Simms Park Road	4/29/2022 1:36 PM
107	N/A	4/29/2022 1:00 PM
108	Port a potty	4/29/2022 11:38 AM
109	No traffic, no noise, no more people than are there now	4/29/2022 10:57 AM
110	hiking, peace	4/29/2022 6:17 AM
111	photography, solitude, views of mountains and city from trails	4/28/2022 7:51 PM
112	Toilets	4/28/2022 5:38 PM
113	Hiking	4/28/2022 4:59 PM
114	No crowds.	4/28/2022 2:55 PM
115	Walking the dog	4/28/2022 2:54 PM
116	The views	4/28/2022 2:45 PM
117	Landscape painting with friends	4/28/2022 2:19 PM
118	The access from our home to beautiful, serene hiking and biking trails.	4/28/2022 1:34 PM
119	Mostly hiking and quiet enjoyment of nature	4/28/2022 1:15 PM
120	LOVE the Cottonwood walkway for access and education	4/28/2022 12:02 PM
121	The unspoiled views and lack of crowds are terrific. Well-marked and clear trails are helpful.	4/28/2022 10:23 AM
122	I don't use the open areas	4/28/2022 10:22 AM
123	That it's not commercialized	4/28/2022 10:22 AM
124	The wildlife	4/28/2022 10:13 AM
125	Trail running! When the city published the first survey, there was no mention of the site being used for trail running. Elena Gallegos has some of the best in-town trails for elevation gain. Elite runners will come to Abq to train and run up Pino. This is an amazing space and there are ways to educate people on the foothills without damaging the space and animal residents who live in the foothills.	4/28/2022 10:05 AM
126	The buffer it creates for our relatively small and fragile Sandia Mountain ecosystem. The increased traffic during covid has very negatively impacted the area, creating increase trampling of fragile soils, off trail degradation, increased trash, animal waste and risk of human started fires. Increasing traffic further is a mistaken and would only serve to further denude and destroy this area. This park is a gem in our community, and current use has created questions of sustainability. We should keep visitation numbers to a low level that supports this delicate	4/28/2022 9:35 AM

ecosystem, which already faces numerous challenges from drought, wildfires, wildlife stress and careless human misuse.

127	Its a great place to just take in the beautiful landscape, amazing mountains and watch wildlife.	4/28/2022 8:52 AM
128	Birding	4/28/2022 8:32 AM
129	Please for the sake of everyone, do not build this building. People do not pick up after their dogs (alot) and this will create more litter and noise!!!!	4/28/2022 7:55 AM
130	Wildlife watch	4/28/2022 7:33 AM
131	Serenity	4/28/2022 7:13 AM
132	The fact that it's open space - not enclosed buildings.	4/28/2022 2:13 AM
133	Hiking trail on Simms Park Road	4/28/2022 12:38 AM
134	The easy access to the various trails.	4/27/2022 10:10 PM
135	The privacy/lack of crowds.	4/27/2022 10:02 PM
136	Bird watching	4/27/2022 9:19 PM
137	Variety of hiking trails	4/27/2022 9:04 PM
138	Wildlife, natural vegetation	4/27/2022 8:44 PM
139	Solitude, not too much traffic (people, cars), little if any pollution, isolation	4/27/2022 8:37 PM
140	Isolation , limited congestion	4/27/2022 8:22 PM
141	The deer that are in the open space.	4/27/2022 8:17 PM
142	Cottonwood Springs	4/27/2022 7:18 PM
143	Tranquility- Minimum vehicle traffic- neighborhood feeling- Isolation	4/27/2022 7:16 PM
144	Taking photos at sundown	4/27/2022 6:52 PM
145	Access to the Sandia Mountain Wilderness trails in Cibola National Forest.	4/27/2022 6:40 PM
146	Interested in seeing the Open Space continue exactly as is... no development, no parking shuttle, no increased parking; want the Space to be quiet and free of additional people, bikes and traffic; need environmental impact studies	4/27/2022 6:27 PM
147	We don't want any other than quiet and Hiking We would not want more tourists and events just North of us in Sandia Heights. We have too much traffic already. A park and ride sounds awful.	4/27/2022 6:25 PM
148	Quiet space to commune with nature .	4/27/2022 5:26 PM
149	Bathrooms	4/27/2022 5:21 PM
150	not crowded; room for solitude; no people blaring music or cell phone playing loud music	4/27/2022 4:41 PM
151	Wilderness	4/27/2022 4:38 PM
152	That it's quiet and low-trafficked.	4/27/2022 4:36 PM
153	Jogging on Sim Parks Rd	4/27/2022 4:29 PM
154	Bathrooms, maps of the area/trails	4/27/2022 4:26 PM
155	isolation and peace	4/27/2022 4:24 PM
156	sharing walks with family and friends and admiring the scenery	4/27/2022 4:16 PM
157	Mostly hiking and quiet	4/27/2022 3:59 PM
158	Mountain biking	4/27/2022 3:56 PM
159	I have been to several memorials for hiking friends who have passed away. The amphitheater has been perfect for this and has been a quiet place to remember them.	4/27/2022 3:45 PM

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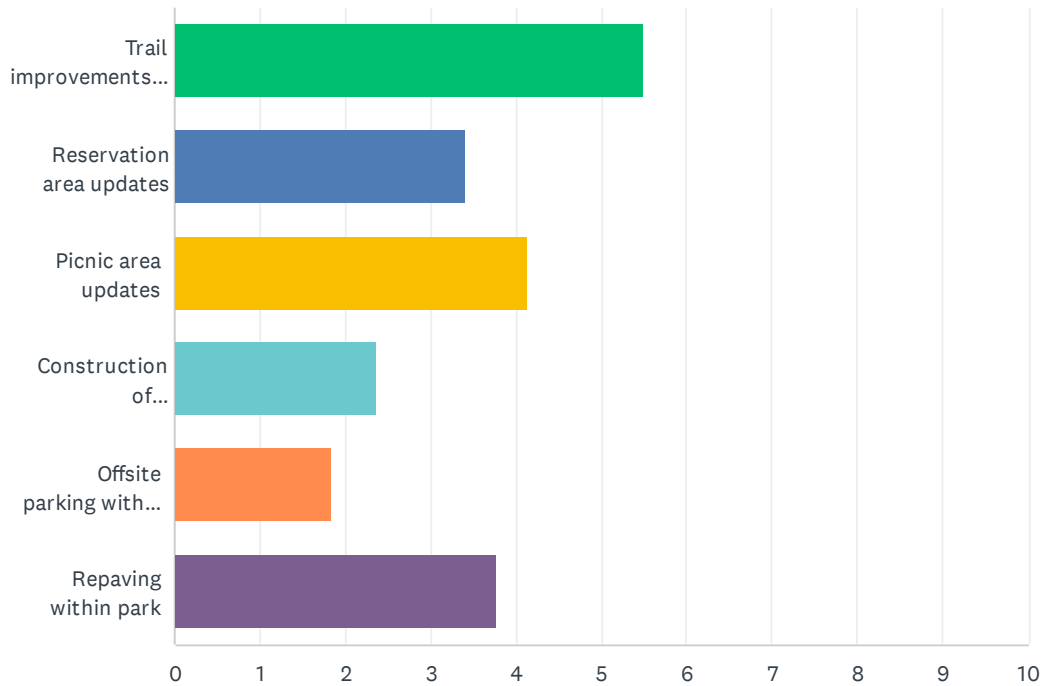
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160	Hiking trails, picnic shelter and restrooms	4/27/2022 3:45 PM
161	Views, water source	4/27/2022 3:40 PM
162	low crowds	4/27/2022 3:37 PM
163	Main value is to keep the East Mountains closer to open space and not a concrete jungle.	4/27/2022 3:37 PM
164	Interacting with Nature -- as a 90 year old individual, I enjoy my walks without the hustle and bustle of large groups and/or the city.	4/27/2022 3:33 PM
165	Current facilities and paths are sized appropriately for the nature experience of Elena Gallegos. Bigger size will detract from its original natural state that is the essence of the park area.	4/27/2022 3:31 PM
166	wildlife and natural habitat geology mountains	4/27/2022 3:28 PM
167	birding, cross country skiing, wild flower identification, geocaching, walking with friends	4/27/2022 3:25 PM
168	Residential character of access and setting.	4/27/2022 3:10 PM
169	Dog walking/hiking	4/27/2022 3:07 PM
170	Well maintained trails and lots of open space. Run a shuttle bus from Albertson's Grocery Store.	4/27/2022 3:06 PM
171	Lack of crowds	4/27/2022 3:00 PM
172	Quiet open spaces for contemplation	4/27/2022 2:58 PM
173	I am an artist and often do photography in this area, it's gorgeous and perfect for landscape plein air painting. I recently bought an electric tricycle and hope to use it there.	4/27/2022 2:56 PM
174	Enough parking during the week. Restrooms and trash cans.	4/27/2022 2:49 PM
175	Elena Gallegos is a lovely place to hike and look at the sun setting. The view of the mountain is also beautiful.	4/27/2022 2:46 PM
176	Bird and animal spotting	4/27/2022 2:45 PM
177	Open unspoiled space and quiet vistas	4/27/2022 2:43 PM
178	Star gazing.	4/27/2022 2:43 PM
179	Quietness and access to trails	4/27/2022 2:35 PM
180	open space	4/27/2022 2:25 PM
181	Quiet.	4/27/2022 1:57 PM
182	Wildlife quiet alone space	4/27/2022 1:56 PM
183	The wildlife habitat, dark sky and the LOCKED gate to restrict after hours access.	4/27/2022 1:54 PM
184	Restrooms. Wide swath of untouched nature.	4/27/2022 1:53 PM
185	I use the hiking trails as much as possible. I don't use any of the other resources.	4/27/2022 1:49 PM
186	seeing wildlife at the pond	4/27/2022 1:47 PM
187	Please leave it as is.	4/27/2022 1:45 PM
188	Covered picnic tables and restrooms are a big plus. The biggest use is quite and relaxation feel in that area. The views are spectacular and should stay that way. NO Buildings!	4/27/2022 1:41 PM
189	Scenic views without buildings and other obstructions	4/27/2022 1:40 PM
190	enjoy the peace and quiet nature surroundings	4/27/2022 1:37 PM
191	Nature preservation, miles of trails to hike/run/explore, a safe place to walk with my dogs, etc.	4/27/2022 1:36 PM
192	I love that it exists.	4/27/2022 1:35 PM
193	Dog walking	4/27/2022 1:34 PM
194	Its near emptiness, except on weekends, meaning the ability to hike without running into many	4/27/2022 1:30 PM

	people.	
195	Ability to get away from the hustle and bustle, and be in nature (with fewer cars)	4/27/2022 1:28 PM
196	peace and quiet	4/27/2022 1:23 PM
197	None	4/27/2022 1:22 PM
198	I love the natural environment and ways to use/learn about it.	4/27/2022 1:18 PM
199	lack of development and low traffic on simms road	4/27/2022 1:17 PM
200	Functioning toilets	4/27/2022 1:16 PM
201	Flora and fauna	4/27/2022 1:15 PM
202	Guided geological tour.	4/27/2022 1:04 PM
203	The fact that it is not developed	4/27/2022 12:55 PM
204	It's close to my home, it's wildlife, vegetation and boulders.	4/27/2022 12:53 PM
205	The quiet, animals in their environment and preservation of nature.	4/27/2022 12:52 PM
206	Trail running and walking the dog	4/27/2022 12:47 PM
207	Areas to play with kids (clean taken care of grassy open areas).	4/27/2022 12:45 PM
208	Trail running; biking on Simms Park Rd	4/27/2022 12:43 PM
209	Nature & wildlife	4/27/2022 12:43 PM
210	Provide easier access, parking,	4/27/2022 12:34 PM
211	Space. Quiet.	4/27/2022 12:29 PM
212	Mountain biking and hiking.	4/27/2022 12:25 PM
213	Natural beauty, animal habitat, quiet contemplation	4/27/2022 12:25 PM
214	quiet and available to hikers.	4/27/2022 12:24 PM
215	Lots of uncrowded trails	4/27/2022 12:24 PM
216	Access to Wilderness Area.	4/27/2022 12:23 PM
217	The animals and all forms of nature	4/27/2022 12:23 PM
218	Natural area	4/27/2022 12:16 PM
219	Peace and quiet and chance to see wildlife	4/27/2022 12:15 PM
220	Hiking	4/27/2022 12:13 PM
221	Really the nature is the main reason I go - so delightful, quiet, and clean.	4/27/2022 12:06 PM

Q5 Please rank the most important improvements needed for the Elena Gallegos Open Space? (Rank from 1-6, with 1 being highest and 6 being lowest)

Answered: 352 Skipped: 16



	1	2	3	4	5	6	TOTAL	SCORE
Trail improvements and repairs	76.47% 260	11.76% 40	4.41% 15	2.65% 9	1.76% 6	2.94% 10	340	5.50
Reservation area updates	1.48% 4	12.92% 35	32.10% 87	36.16% 98	13.28% 36	4.06% 11	271	3.41
Picnic area updates	4.81% 14	35.05% 102	36.43% 106	17.53% 51	5.15% 15	1.03% 3	291	4.14
Construction of Education/Event Center	9.09% 25	4.73% 13	6.55% 18	10.91% 30	31.64% 87	37.09% 102	275	2.37
Offsite parking with shuttle bus service	1.44% 4	5.04% 14	4.32% 12	4.32% 12	34.89% 97	50.00% 139	278	1.84
Repaving within park	8.42% 25	32.66% 97	16.50% 49	23.57% 70	9.09% 27	9.76% 29	297	3.78

Q6 What other Elena Gallegos Open Space improvements would you like to see?

Answered: 183 Skipped: 185

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	None	6/9/2022 7:06 PM
2	Perhaps a few more (not too many) picnic areas and/or small shade structures. Definitely a few more parking spots within the park itself.	6/8/2022 11:54 AM
3	New toilets.	6/6/2022 10:02 PM
4	More trash cans, and signage that can educate people, not buildings.	6/6/2022 1:07 PM
5	I believe the ADA trail to the springs needs some attention. Otherwise - NONE.	6/5/2022 12:59 PM
6	we need more picnic areas	6/2/2022 5:35 PM
7	Trail signs	6/2/2022 5:28 PM
8	None	6/2/2022 5:05 PM
9	Better handicap access	6/2/2022 2:17 PM
10	More shaded areas	5/31/2022 8:21 PM
11	None	5/31/2022 5:12 PM
12	No development or centers to be sure. Maintain trails, protect wildlife and ensure that it remains open space to be enjoyed.	5/31/2022 4:04 PM
13	Do not believe offsite parking or education/event center would add anything positive to this beautiful natural event, but would be destructive.	5/31/2022 2:36 PM
14	Better trail access for Sandia Heights Residents	5/31/2022 2:16 PM
15	Additional trailhead access for Sandia Heights residents.	5/31/2022 2:16 PM
16	Repair what currently exists. Increase parking on site marginally and upgrade toilets Sun shaded area large enough for school classes to gather under with water and toilets adjacent.	5/31/2022 7:44 AM
17	No event center. Would ruin the draw and enjoyment of the area/ increase litter.	5/30/2022 9:15 PM
18	Restroom updates, improvements	5/30/2022 6:31 PM
19	I really don't see that it needs improvements. But I would like to see strong enforcement of leash laws and picking up dog poop.	5/30/2022 5:43 PM
20	NO event center! NONE! No buses bringing anyone, especially groups of students - who belong in classrooms, not open space. No more parking lots.	5/30/2022 5:28 PM
21	Maintain that open space as is with minimal improvements to keep trails open for walkers, hikers, and bikers. No construction!	5/30/2022 5:00 PM
22	I like it just the way it is	5/30/2022 2:17 PM
23	We do not want to see further construction of buildings. Ranger talks at the picnic areas would be nice.	5/29/2022 1:45 PM
24	Admission should be limited to 66% of parking capacity. Permit applications should ask visitors to declare their activity and expected duration of the visit to measure usage and capacity.	5/28/2022 6:40 PM
25	Improved signage, maps	5/28/2022 10:21 AM
26	I believe they are proposing more than enough.	5/28/2022 7:44 AM

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27	None really. The area is about as developed as it should ever be	5/27/2022 10:14 PM
28	NONE	5/27/2022 1:37 PM
29	We do not need an education center, additional parking particularly in Pino arroyo and Simms Road should not be changed.	5/27/2022 12:49 PM
30	Some trails should be made "one-way" for safety for mt. bikers and runners/hikers.	5/27/2022 11:02 AM
31	No fires and no fireworks in the park or areas around the forest and foothills. Always, no fires and no fireworks year-round. I do not know what area updates are proposed for the picnic and reservation areas	5/26/2022 4:38 PM
32	Updated bathrooms	5/26/2022 2:55 PM
33	How is the park managing the risk of fires? How can the park have more active control of people in view of the extreme drought and risk of wildfires? Is there a way to control the number of people -- so as to limit exposure?	5/26/2022 2:01 PM
34	Improvements should minimally impact the open space and any views of the area. There should be NO construction of an education center or any other structure which would adversely affect the open space and view of this area.	5/26/2022 12:06 PM
35	Improvements to trails to allow access for hiking please.	5/26/2022 12:06 PM
36	Revitalization of the Cottonwood Springs viewing pond and the riparian areas around it. Repair of the wooden footbridge to the viewing pond. Increase the viewing area.	5/25/2022 1:48 PM
37	I'd like to see a marked trail system that distinguishes between trails for bikes and trails for hikers. Interacting with fast-moving mountain bikers on narrow trails is often uncomfortable and possibly unsafe for hikers in my experience.	5/25/2022 9:11 AM
38	Left alone the way it is!	5/25/2022 8:32 AM
39	Note that I think the trails are already in very nice shape, but I selected "trail improvements and repairs" as #1, because it's always good to keep the trails maintained. One of my main complaints is how so many dog walkers leave poop bags all up and down trails for others to pick up. I was astounded to see this when I moved here and first started going to EGOS about 3 years ago. I've never seen behavior before moving here. I don't know what you can do to prohibit this behavior. You certainly don't want to put poop receptacles all over the place. I see bags on trails all over the Sandia Wilderness, too, although not as shocking as in EGOS (and other OS's along Tramway). Another concern I have is the reckless way some trail bikers bike. Many are courteous, but some are not. I think all bikes should have a license plate on them, frankly, so dangerous bikers can be reported, but that will never happen. They are supposed to yield to pedestrians, yes, but as a mainly a hiker, I don't really mind stepping off the trail for bikers; however, sometimes I don't hear them because they come up fast from behind and do not use a bell. Maybe all bikes should be required to have a bell on them, especially the type that makes a continuous ringing - that ringing is not very obtrusive, but it is just loud enough that a pedestrian can get a fair warning, based on my observations.	5/24/2022 5:32 PM
40	I like it just the way it is now!	5/24/2022 3:52 PM
41	Routine maintenance such as repaving of the existing roads is assumed. However, new development with construction of an event center and offsite parking/shuttle bus service is not desirable or advantageous. Habitat loss is one of the greatest challenges faced by plants and animals and development destroys what precious space that remains. The appeal of this particular area is the habitat in which native bees and other insects nest, western bluebirds winter, and the occasional collared lizard can be seen. Destruction of habitat means that we lose that connection to nature which was the point of the open space program.	5/24/2022 2:09 PM
42	More parking is needed.	5/24/2022 1:17 PM
43	Leave the open space open to people to get away from the city.	5/24/2022 10:42 AM
44	NONE...every added structure detracts from the value of the area	5/24/2022 7:51 AM
45	None	5/23/2022 10:26 PM
46	Rather than put in additional parking with shuttle service, consider on line notification of parking, digital information at bottom of Park Sims, or consideration of parking reservations	5/23/2022 8:40 PM

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47	the observation site and pond	5/23/2022 8:37 PM
48	Only what is necessary. I do not want to see needless overdevelopment and told it is improvement	5/23/2022 7:35 PM
49	none	5/23/2022 6:37 PM
50	Litter control and more fire prevention measures. Would like to see the area patrolled regularly. Have NO INTEREST in anything being built or encouraging more traffic in the area.	5/23/2022 5:47 PM
51	No improvements, leave natural as much as possible.	5/23/2022 4:29 PM
52	Better protection of off trail areas and wildlife habitat. Enforcing leash laws and dog waste clean up.	5/21/2022 3:12 PM
53	kept natural and clean	5/17/2022 5:31 PM
54	Improving and maintaining the trails and bridges. Restoring the pond.	5/17/2022 3:09 PM
55	Better info on trails. Widened trails so bikers can go around hikers.	5/17/2022 11:12 AM
56	Security	5/16/2022 7:47 PM
57	Simms Park Road is not well maintained right now as the bushes are never cut back, so one can not drive along the edge of the road. So many mountain bikers use the road and not the trail for access. This is totally not safe and wishing for more people to access the area will only make things worse.	5/16/2022 5:04 PM
58	policing of off-leash dogs	5/15/2022 2:17 PM
59	I do not have any inputs	5/14/2022 11:43 AM
60	better signage to label the trails: 1 or 2 map boards at different spots, showing big-picture of the area and the different trails	5/12/2022 7:38 AM
61	more parking	5/9/2022 7:52 PM
62	NONE	5/9/2022 2:01 PM
63	None. It's fine as it is. Even with nearly 1,000,000 people living the ABQ area and plenty of existing parking and facilities, this area is not used much. When we mountain bike and hike we rarely see people even though current access is plentiful.	5/8/2022 12:43 PM
64	Trees	5/7/2022 9:12 PM
65	EEOS offers natural beauty and wildlife habitat. Improvements that distract from these qualities such as offsite parking or education building are not improvements in this context.	5/7/2022 12:12 PM
66	Signage with maps and Open Space use protocols, pet waste stations.	5/7/2022 9:52 AM
67	More parking	5/6/2022 3:57 PM
68	Strongly support educational center. Would love upgrades to nature trail, improved educational signage and increased educational usage.	5/6/2022 3:02 PM
69	N/a	5/6/2022 2:19 PM
70	I would like to see it retain its undeveloped quiet	5/4/2022 9:19 PM
71	A hiking trail or loop within the bike loops so that hikers and bikers can both be safe.	5/4/2022 4:44 PM
72	None!	5/4/2022 4:12 PM
73	staff on duty at the entrance daily to greet all cars and provide information on bicycling and pet leashes. instruction to all bicyclists upon entering the park about bicycling in control and slower speeds on winding trails to protect walkers instruction to all pet owners about leash rules and enforcement of dogs off leash "Your speed is..." radar signs on Simms Park Rd. weekly patrol and citations for speeding vehicles on Simms Park Road staff on the trails to inform and enforce City vehicles abiding by Simms Park Rd. 30 MPH speed limit. Regular mowing of shrubbery along Simms Park Rd. to allow bicyclists to stay closer to the road side.	5/4/2022 10:23 AM
74	Dogs on leash. Remediation of erosion on bicycle trails.	5/4/2022 10:22 AM

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75	I am against the event center and bus shuttle parking	5/4/2022 8:31 AM
76	none	5/3/2022 6:54 AM
77	The current open space has not been kept up. There is a middle ground between doing nothing and expanding to the extent of this feasibility study. The reservation area doesn't seem to be used much (I have never seen it being used), and the gate could be removed so as to have more parking without building anything new.	5/2/2022 9:49 PM
78	Creation of separate trails specifically for mountain bikers, so that bikers do not collide with hikers	5/2/2022 5:37 PM
79	fewer people	5/2/2022 3:01 PM
80	Basically just maintenance of what is existing and updating trailheads in Maps	5/2/2022 2:33 PM
81	Trail signage	5/2/2022 1:38 PM
82	Clean up of litter, trash and vandalism in area.	5/2/2022 11:40 AM
83	I am a dog owner. I pick up my dog's poop and dispose of it when at the Open Space. Other dog owners need to be more responsible and do the same! Clean up the dog poop and stop ruining the trails for all of us. And keep dogs on leash!	5/1/2022 10:13 PM
84	It is good at it is.	5/1/2022 8:34 PM
85	More parking and enforcement	5/1/2022 5:46 PM
86	just maintenance, it's great as is. It's already the busiest area near the trails and does not need to be busier.	5/1/2022 12:03 PM
87	NONE. leave it as it is! When we bought this property we were assured the open space would remain that way inasmuch it is considered to be a part of the flood zone.	4/30/2022 7:31 PM
88	I would like the park to be left alone.	4/30/2022 5:14 PM
89	Last time I was there, the gnats were so bad that the activity couldn't take place. I guess that's nothing that could be helped but it was a miserable gathering.	4/30/2022 4:11 PM
90	It does not need an offsite shuttle we do not want that many people coming it's crowded enough as it is	4/30/2022 1:44 PM
91	I don't want shuttle bus. I don't want crowds of people. There's enough now!	4/30/2022 9:05 AM
92	I am 100% in favor of the improvements.	4/30/2022 7:49 AM
93	Group led hikes	4/29/2022 8:47 PM
94	None	4/29/2022 7:33 PM
95	The proposed bike lanes to access the park on the sides of the existing road are NOT appropriate, bicycles and pedestrians should have a dedicated multi-purpose trail. Bike lanes on city streets are a poor compromise based on inadequate space. Please consider creating a dedicated multi-purpose trail instead of a wider road, hopefully there is enough space but there will be less space if the road is wider. Thank you for considering this as a safer and healthier way to access the park without adding additional motor vehicle traffic.	4/29/2022 7:10 PM
96	I think they need more enforcement of user created, illegal trails. They need more water catchments like trickle tanks for wildlife.	4/29/2022 5:03 PM
97	None. The value of this area is that it is NOT developed and provides a quiet natural refuge that is accessible to people who cannot climb La Luz or visit more demanding places.	4/29/2022 4:04 PM
98	extra benches and sitting areas along some of the trails	4/29/2022 1:36 PM
99	N/A	4/29/2022 1:00 PM
100	None	4/29/2022 10:57 AM
101	I think it is fine as is.	4/29/2022 6:17 AM
102	Additional interpretive nature trails, additional ADA accessible trails. Dedicated hiking trails separate from mountain biking trails	4/28/2022 7:51 PM

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103	none...it's just fine as it is	4/28/2022 7:08 PM
104	Leave alone and avoid overcrowding. No cars allowed in upper area.	4/28/2022 3:51 PM
105	Expansion of the trail system for more mountain biking and hiking. Maps displayed throughout the trail system. The numbered trails are confusing. Numbered destinations might be a better option. La Tierra trails in Santa Fe is an example.	4/28/2022 2:19 PM
106	N/A	4/28/2022 1:34 PM
107	bathroom facilities	4/28/2022 1:15 PM
108	A few more waste disposal areas.	4/28/2022 10:23 AM
109	I don't use the open areas.	4/28/2022 10:22 AM
110	None	4/28/2022 10:22 AM
111	A simple repaving of Simms road with maybe a small bike lane added, adding a few more parking spots within the footprint of the current parking footprint	4/28/2022 10:13 AM
112	I do support updating the facilities around Elena Gallegos to repair the wood rot and remove old/fallen buildings. Elena Gallegos has the nicest foothills facilities - I would rather see the city spend money to get running water and outhouses at other trail heads, instead of building more things at Elena Gallegos	4/28/2022 10:05 AM
113	Only what is necessary to maintain this unique and rustic experience. This should not allowed to become a nature	4/28/2022 9:35 AM
114	The proposed Event center would be a disaster. Don't let this happen.	4/28/2022 8:52 AM
115	None	4/28/2022 8:32 AM
116	Asking bikers to slow down and stop riding the trails like they own them	4/28/2022 7:55 AM
117	No other improvements	4/28/2022 7:13 AM
118	So far this survey hasn't talked about adding a safe bike lane up Simms Road. I see this as the most important improvement that could be done. Not just a painted line on the side of the road but a truly SAFE lane for bikes to ride on. There are a LOT of bicyclists that go up this road.	4/28/2022 2:13 AM
119	More parking spaces within the park	4/28/2022 12:38 AM
120	None	4/27/2022 10:16 PM
121	The plants along the side of Simms Park Road need to be dramatically cut down and preferably removed. They encroach on the road making it even narrower than it already is.	4/27/2022 10:10 PM
122	Leave it like it is. Don't change it.	4/27/2022 10:02 PM
123	Preservation of natural areas, wildfire prevention	4/27/2022 8:44 PM
124	Trail improvements; clearer signage for current trails and existing amenities	4/27/2022 8:37 PM
125	None please leave it alone so that it remains open space.	4/27/2022 8:17 PM
126	Repair cottonwood springs viewing area	4/27/2022 7:18 PM
127	NONE	4/27/2022 7:16 PM
128	None, perfect as it is now	4/27/2022 6:52 PM
129	Changing the name back to Simms Park.	4/27/2022 6:40 PM
130	Just the bike lanes; trail rehab; no gathering spots for groups; no shuttle buses, increased parking spaces or opportunities for group recreational use (increasing trash, noise and destruction of natural habitats)	4/27/2022 6:27 PM
131	Don't want any of them other than trail and picnic area.	4/27/2022 6:25 PM
132	Bird watching stations	4/27/2022 5:26 PM

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133	None! It is perfect!	4/27/2022 5:21 PM
134	Security at the parking lot	4/27/2022 4:46 PM
135	None	4/27/2022 4:41 PM
136	Access on Tramway	4/27/2022 4:38 PM
137	none; upkeep on current spaces	4/27/2022 4:36 PM
138	Widening Sim Parks Rd to make it safer for joggers and bikers. Not really wild about the new construction/parking lot	4/27/2022 4:29 PM
139	.	4/27/2022 4:26 PM
140	I would like it kept natural.	4/27/2022 4:16 PM
141	Please please don't build an education/event center. It is a beautiful area and does not need a large building that could go anywhere else in the city without disturbing nature	4/27/2022 4:15 PM
142	I would like to see the area left largely as is.	4/27/2022 3:59 PM
143	better restrooms that are consistently open	4/27/2022 3:45 PM
144	Dog signs for poop pickup	4/27/2022 3:40 PM
145	I would like to ensure that the improvements do not affect the safety of the Sandia Height residents. Assuming that the parking area will have high enough fencing to deter theft and vandalism. I would also like to ensure that increased traffic is managed appropriately with an additional traffic signal.	4/27/2022 3:37 PM
146	Access to a potable water source for refilling water bottles	4/27/2022 3:31 PM
147	Better delineated access lanes for both pedestrians and cyclists on Simms Park Road, to improve safety. Better wayfinding signage on trails.	4/27/2022 3:10 PM
148	None, doesn't need improvement. A new visitor center is not needed, will bring in the riff raff and drugs.	4/27/2022 3:06 PM
149	Bike lanes on the road up to Elena Gallegos would be welcome.	4/27/2022 3:00 PM
150	None	4/27/2022 2:58 PM
151	There could be more parking, it's very busy at peak times.	4/27/2022 2:56 PM
152	Small (50 seat), open amphitheater for presentations and classes.	4/27/2022 2:49 PM
153	None.	4/27/2022 2:43 PM
154	none	4/27/2022 2:35 PM
155	Convenient access direct from Sandia Heights (i.e. with parking).	4/27/2022 2:09 PM
156	Much Improved security for parking areas. Car break-ins are numerous and discourage visiting.	4/27/2022 1:57 PM
157	Terrible idea to build education center Manage and maintain what we have	4/27/2022 1:56 PM
158	"To those devoid of imagination a blank place on the map is a useless waste; to others, the most valuable part." - Aldo Leopold, Albuquerque's First Environmental Planner	4/27/2022 1:54 PM
159	I don't know if it's possible, but if there could be a space in which young children could roam free without the risk of falling into a cactus, that would be ideal. There are portions of the park that are more wooded and less cactus-dense, and if they could be made into a "home base" to set up a picnic with young kids in shade, I would visit weekly. Nice bathrooms would be icing on the cake.	4/27/2022 1:53 PM
160	Biased question	4/27/2022 1:50 PM
161	As I only use the hiking trails, and do drive to the trailheads, the only recommendation I could make is to maintain the often potholed roads. I don't need much trail maintenance. I like rougher trails. :)	4/27/2022 1:49 PM
162	some seating along the trails if at all possible.	4/27/2022 1:47 PM

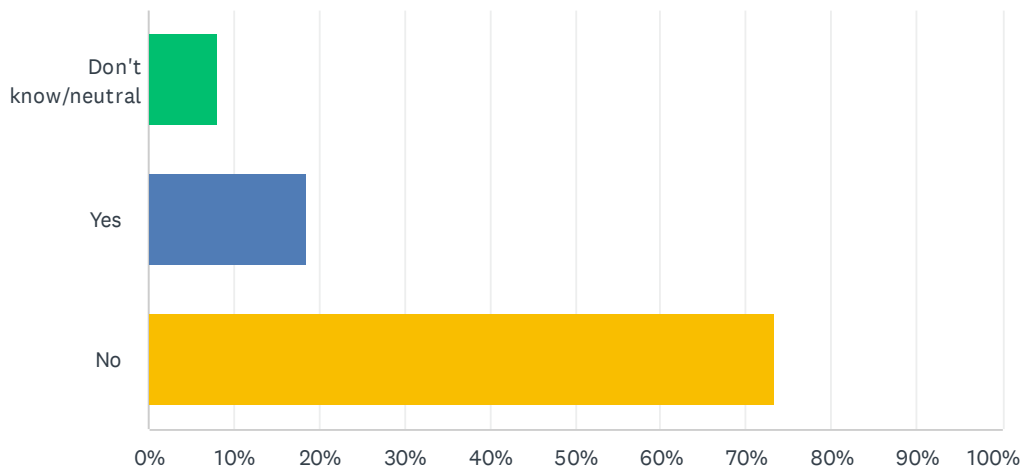
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163	Please leave it as is.	4/27/2022 1:45 PM
164	Nothing really, it is a beautiful place as it is now. Keep it natural!	4/27/2022 1:41 PM
165	on going daily repairs and updating of existing Open Space facilities and trails	4/27/2022 1:40 PM
166	Drain under road through arroyo so road doesn't flood during heavy rain. Road goes to Cottonwood parking.	4/27/2022 1:34 PM
167	Actually, except for trail improvements and repairs, I don't think anything else needs so-called "improvements".	4/27/2022 1:30 PM
168	More signs information about fauna, flora, animals, and historical things.	4/27/2022 1:22 PM
169	N/A	4/27/2022 1:19 PM
170	More parking near trailheads.	4/27/2022 1:16 PM
171	Widening and improvement of Simms Park Rd. to help keep bikers and walkers safe.	4/27/2022 1:04 PM
172	The bathrooms are disgusting.	4/27/2022 1:02 PM
173	I don't think money needs to be spent on an educational center or shuttle bus service.	4/27/2022 12:53 PM
174	Do not need noisy buses or more car congestion	4/27/2022 12:52 PM
175	None...no changes	4/27/2022 12:43 PM
176	keep the area as natural as possible	4/27/2022 12:34 PM
177	Better trail maintenance, better education about rules of trails so users follow them, less attempts by obnoxious neighbors to enforce rules (they misunderstand) themselves. Less possessive behavior by users, while also taking care not to hard trails (no motorcycles).	4/27/2022 12:25 PM
178	Restroom updates	4/27/2022 12:25 PM
179	close at night	4/27/2022 12:24 PM
180	Improvements to keep the Open Space quiet and uncrowded	4/27/2022 12:24 PM
181	I think it would be really helpful if there were hiking-only trails so people walking dogs could be separated from mountain bikers. I'm respectful of hikers and dog walkers when I'm biking, but some of these guys who think they are professionals speed down hills on narrow trails and create a safety hazard for hikers and dog walkers.	4/27/2022 12:23 PM
182	None	4/27/2022 12:23 PM
183	N/A	4/27/2022 12:06 PM

Q7 Do you favor the construction of an approximately 4800 – 6500 sq. ft. Education and Event Center in Elena Gallegos Open Space, which would include: a lobby, coffee bar, classroom space, interpretive room, staff offices and meeting room, restrooms, and storage; wrap around porch; and nature play area for young children?

Answered: 367 Skipped: 1



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Don't know/neutral	8.17%	30
Yes	18.53%	68
No	73.30%	269
TOTAL		367

Q8 Why or why not?

Answered: 302 Skipped: 66

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	It's important for the area to be accessible to everyone from the community. By having more education space it might welcome children who otherwise wouldn't get to experience open space. That being said, I don't think a coffee bar is a good idea.	6/10/2022 6:34 AM
2	Not needed and will have negative impact on more important activities	6/9/2022 7:06 PM
3	Elena Gallegos Open Space does NOT need entertainment venues. People needing/seeking entertainment should visit other facilities (such as the Albuquerque Open Space Visitor Center). Neighborhood parks do not have permanent education and event centers. This is a really bad idea.	6/8/2022 11:54 AM
4	Building a large indoor "enjoy the outdoors and help preserve the open space" education center is ridiculous -- its exactly they behavior they want to tell people want to avoid. If you want to preserve the open space don't build in it. If you want people to enjoy the outdoors, don't build an indoor facility that encourages people to "read" about the outdoors instead of experiencing it.	6/7/2022 7:56 AM
5	I assume that education center will increase Open Spaces's value for Albuquerqueños.	6/6/2022 10:02 PM
6	First, it is backwards to try and educate people about keeping our open spaces, open and free from buildings by building on the land and disturbing the nature surrounding it. Why take kids on a field trip where the goal is to get them out of the classrooms only to bring them to nature and put them back in a classroom? It isn't needed.	6/6/2022 1:07 PM
7	Too much commercial development with added car and "people" traffic.	6/6/2022 10:02 AM
8	Leave the Open Space OPEN...SPACE.	6/5/2022 1:20 PM
9	Open Space is valuable to me. It is very important that we preserve the beauty that exists now. Will more wildlife come if we "improve" the place? I don't think so. Are people able to learn about nature without a classroom? I think so. There are many buildings already on existence in town that we can go to; that is not why I go to open space. I remember fighting for this site in the '80's. We were not fighting for human-made amenities - quite the opposite.	6/5/2022 12:59 PM
10	getting people to appreciate the outdoors may make them aware of climate change and its impact	6/4/2022 10:32 AM
11	Likely would not be funded or managed properly long term.	6/3/2022 5:32 PM
12	Concern regarding human impact on nature/environment	6/2/2022 8:42 PM
13	Community is important	6/2/2022 5:35 PM
14	The Open space is designated as an Open space. We need to keep it that way.	6/2/2022 5:28 PM
15	We don't need a large facility in the open space! Leave the natural environment alone.	6/2/2022 5:28 PM
16	This is a residential area ! No commercial buildings !!!	6/2/2022 5:05 PM
17	I think it would be an excellent way to reach and educate the people of this community on our wildlife, the effects of a changing climate, and what we can do to protect and are for the area	6/2/2022 2:17 PM
18	Will attract more crowds, more trash, more destruction of the environment.	5/31/2022 8:28 PM
19	More car break ins in new parking lot, will invite overuse, please don't commercialize the area.	5/31/2022 8:21 PM
20	Way too many people. Will destroy this area	5/31/2022 5:12 PM
21	The last thing open space needs is some huge building, parking lot, large groups of people to change the wonderful character of the outdoors. Please do not build.	5/31/2022 4:04 PM

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22	For reasons given above. This one of the few natural areas left around Albuquerque. Why destroy it!	5/31/2022 2:36 PM
23	It would be a community gathering place.	5/31/2022 2:16 PM
24	Concerned with the impact to the surrounding areas, both the nature/animals and the neighborhoods'.	5/31/2022 8:33 AM
25	Not sure who would use it or if it would be worth the expense.	5/31/2022 8:03 AM
26	Stated education and equity goals of CoA can be accomplished by lower impact less expensive shaded area. Facility requiring lighting, security, fire risk, road expansion over sensitive wildlife and avian areas goes against land use agreements, and the very goals of CoA's past plans for the area. Don't "improve" it by ruining it.	5/31/2022 7:44 AM
27	I am generally very supportive of any efforts to engage a wider demographic with the outdoors. OTOH, the location must be suitable.	5/31/2022 7:38 AM
28	Not the best /appropriate use of this special land	5/30/2022 9:31 PM
29	Would increase litter, disturb the peace and ruin the serenity and natural beauty the area offers. Would also be another habitat disruption to the area.	5/30/2022 9:15 PM
30	Not needed to enjoy the open space	5/30/2022 6:31 PM
31	Too big. It turns EG into any ol' place America. So incredibly dull and ordinary and usual. The charm of EG is that is it is all nature with a couple of pit toilets and water fountains. Why do we need to pave it over, put in a big building that will need heating, A/C and maintenance and after a few years will be dirty and scrawled with graffiti on the bath stalls like everywhere else? Why not just a big shaded area with novel artist-developed seating? Why do we need a whole building? Why are we teaching our children that the on;y way to learn about nature is to go inside a building? It is just so unimaginative I can't stand it.	5/30/2022 5:43 PM
32	There is plenty of space for students to learn. This open "space" is NOT needed for so-called education. Teach the youngsters reading, writing and arithmetic - rather than take them on a day trip to an area which helps with none of this.	5/30/2022 5:28 PM
33	It totally ruins the area, which is why the residents have homes here and why other people come up to take advantage of the quiet, open space and nature.	5/30/2022 5:00 PM
34	The park is closed to many activities due to fire risk throughout to summer and a building with inside activities should allow for more full time use of the park.	5/30/2022 2:27 PM
35	I think it would ruin the natural beauty of the area. The fragile ecosystem is already struggling with drought, low humidity and increased fire potential. Combine that with climate change and a large event center would make it worse.	5/30/2022 2:17 PM
36	Bringing children to Elena Gallegos will improve their lives and help them grow up to be thoughtful stewards of nature.	5/30/2022 10:13 AM
37	The area peace and tranquillity will be adversely affected to the point of making such a project a detriment to the area	5/29/2022 2:17 PM
38	We moved up here for the views, and we paid a pretty penny for it. We do not want views of the huge building and parking, we do not want the crowds and increased traffic. We do not want parking in Pino Arroyo. Because we live outside the city boundaries, we do not think the city wanted our input on this project even though it will impact Sandia Heights the most, and they knew that!	5/29/2022 1:45 PM
39	The area is pristine as it is and it is untrue that the center in the Bosque is being utilized by many. I visit there frequently and there are rarely cars there.	5/29/2022 1:02 PM
40	The area is well attended and has become increasing busy during the pandemic. Increased visitor traffic since 2020 has widened foot trails and created rogue paths across the landscape. Traffic and visitation patterns must be measured and reported to understand the impact on trails and incursions into new space.	5/28/2022 6:40 PM
41	We need a quite large space in the nature to take a break from people, restore health, and workout. There are already too many noisy crowded places in the area, we do not need yet another one.	5/28/2022 1:20 PM

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42	I would support this but a better parking solution must be found than offsite parking.	5/28/2022 10:21 AM
43	Congestion and the overall effect of a quiet place to spend time.	5/28/2022 10:06 AM
44	Present facilities are adequate	5/28/2022 9:47 AM
45	The Open Space is just that - an Open Space. By building any new structures, the City is taking away one of the primary attractions to the site, in my opinion.	5/28/2022 9:21 AM
46	I can see why they want to. But I am averse to the significantly increased outside traffic and activity it would bring to my neighborhood. I don't believe that it would draw our family to use the space more than we already do. We prefer unstructured hikes.	5/28/2022 7:44 AM
47	1. Very nice infrastructure in place already 2. Staffing issues already now 3. Critically stressed environment due to drought - more human activity will be seriously disruptive. 4. Short-sighted: Albuquerque will be out of water and unable to support but a fraction of population inside 10 years 5. Too expensive, when other priorities, such as building up our police force and increasing retention as well as shoring up public safety, APS and mitigating homelessness should take top priority	5/27/2022 10:14 PM
48	Inviting large groups of people into this area will damage the natural beauty/quiet of this place	5/27/2022 6:39 PM
49	This will be an eyesore and negatively impact the view of the foothills and Sandias. It will also result in increased traffic, noise and light pollution.	5/27/2022 12:49 PM
50	Let's not ruin the area by over-running it with more people. Between the Michael Emory parking lot and Elena Gallegos parking there is enough spaces. Another parking lot and shuttle is a waste of tax payers money.	5/27/2022 11:02 AM
51	It will change the character of the Open Space, increase traffic, and reduce wild areas	5/26/2022 8:25 PM
52	The list above seems to be buildings with indoor activities. Looks like a great deal of Open Space must be removed in order for people to sit inside and enjoy the great Open Space through windows. Wildlife habitat should come first before buildings for people.	5/26/2022 4:38 PM
53	Wouldn't use, increased traffic on Simms Park Rd, would tend towards decreasing wildlife, may make trails busier than they are already.	5/26/2022 2:55 PM
54	As an educated Urban Planner, I am vehemently opposed to the commercial development of the open space with unnecessary attractions (i.e. coffee bar, lobby, event center) as presented in the Feasibility Study on file. This type of development only contributes additional STRESS to the already fragile high-desert / wildlife environment. Vehemently opposed to any construction in the area that will extremely impact the ecology due to the encroachment of needless "hardscape" (widening roads/streets & paths as planned) vice allowing the natural landscape to predominate. Furthermore, the current wildlife would be impacted by disruptive traffic and congestion by humans and vehicles. Leave open space -- OPEN. Stop trying to create amusements for people. If they appreciate the natural beauty -- they should be allowed to commune. NOT come for play areas. Allow people to commune with the natural environment. The only improvements should be any trail improvements needed for safety and natural conservation -- protect the fragile ecosystem. I waited 30 years to come home to Sandia Heights...I do not want my peace and property value diminished by senseless development.	5/26/2022 2:01 PM
55	Construction of the Ed and Event Center would adversely affect our views of foothills and Sandias. We selected our lot and build our home because of the great views of the city and Sandias. The construction of this center would result in not only great harm to natural setting but may also affect the value of our home. This center would result in not only a large structure but would also increase traffic and light pollution.	5/26/2022 12:06 PM
56	As noted above, adding a building, for any purpose, to this area seems antithetical to the "open space" concept.	5/26/2022 12:06 PM
57	As above it can already be quite crowded. I cannot imagine what a shuttle bus, coffee house and all that extra activity will do to what we know and appreciate.	5/26/2022 11:00 AM
58	too much noise and traffic	5/26/2022 9:24 AM
59	not needed. people can just GO OUTSIDE now.	5/25/2022 5:21 PM
60	It would have the undesired effect of bringing vandals, vagrants, and vermin to an otherwise	5/25/2022 4:38 PM

natural area. I doubt the city would hire enough security to prevent this especially after hours. It would increase noise and fire hazards, both of which are disturbing to the wildlife and area homeowners.

61	Many of the animals and birds that can be seen, may be seen in an unincumbered openspace environ. Plus you have dumb people whom would venture out to attempt to pet a wild animal, feed a wild animal, etc. leading to a public safety issue as in some of the national parks - to some extent, this is already observed in the current situation.	5/25/2022 1:48 PM
62	I'd be curious how this construction would be funded, how the building would be maintained, etc. without major impacts to property taxes. This part of town doesn't seem to have many municipal park and rec-type services (e.g. libraries and parks) and possibly deserves more. I see value in creation of a place to host a birthday party and a destination for children closer to my home than the other existing destinations (like Cherry Hills Library). That said, in general I think the city should focus more on successfully maintaining their existing park facilities before adding more.	5/25/2022 9:11 AM
63	The appeal of the area is the natural undeveloped open space. Cars, high volume of people will ruin it.	5/25/2022 8:32 AM
64	Wilderness areas should be kept primitive. Attraction of huge numbers of visitors is not a plus. May increase crime and fire danger to residents	5/25/2022 8:11 AM
65	I'm sorry, but I just do not approve of this project. One of the attractions of ABQ that was a factor in moving here when I retired was the Open Space concept, which is a gem in the city. I could not believe how many trail access points there were up and down Tramway, together with parking lots to accommodate. But EGOS is extra special, the way it is farther away from Tramway and noise/traffic. A coffee bar? You have to be kidding. Why commercialize this place? Why lure more and more people there, especially bus loads? Now, that being said, I think it is important to educate young people and encourage use of the OS, but there must be other ways to do this. For example, why not install a couple more deck areas with roofing made of slats (to let some sun shine through, but not fully), with some benches, so people can just sit and view the scenery. The covered area at the "duck" blind (or whatever it is called, I don't recall just now), is very nice. You could build a nature trail with little signs and/or a brochure pointing out geology, plants, animals - but it has to be maintained. Regarding restrooms, I'm unaware of any in the EGOS whatsoever - are there some? That might be a worthy improvement, though, to have some decent restrooms in a small building near the entrance. I might be supportive of making a lobby area for people to actually go inside to ask questions or pick up some literature/brochures, and maybe that can be where the restrooms are.	5/24/2022 5:32 PM
66	It would require more upkeep, regular maintenance with restrooms, more trash, more people.	5/24/2022 3:52 PM
67	There are other similar venues in the community. Construction of another would not add any needed function. The point of open space is to get outdoors, not sit in a room or coffee bar. Kids learn a lot more from an encounter with a velvet ant on the trail than from a model in a classroom. The habitat destruction from this construction project would be significant so the natural experience that makes this area so special will be significantly degraded. The plant communities are adapted to drought but will be replaced by increased water usage to support coffee bar, restrooms, and the inevitable rock landscaping. There is an existing building used by the staff. There does not seem to be a need for a large expensive building in this location.	5/24/2022 2:09 PM
68	We already have community centers and multigenerational centers around town. Please leave Elena Gallegos reasonably pristine, i.e., less is more.	5/24/2022 1:17 PM
69	We need wild and wide open places to get away from city living and hot pavements. Not enough left to enjoy nature.	5/24/2022 10:42 AM
70	Increases vehicle traffic. This area should remain with heavy emphasis on foot traffic only, which encourages physical activity, Silent sports and reduces pollution .	5/24/2022 9:00 AM
71	Additional encroachments on the (almost) wild area detracts from the value of this open space. More 'civilization' helps destroy nature.	5/24/2022 7:51 AM
72	Traffic would increase, noise would increase, wildlife would be negatively affected, open space should be "open space". leave the are alone!	5/23/2022 10:26 PM
73	Too intrusive to natural areas	5/23/2022 9:52 PM

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74	More facilities equals more traffic on tramway....equals more cycling, automobile accidents.	5/23/2022 8:48 PM
75	Soft educational facilities such as lectures allowing public access to specific interest groups makes sense ie birders, hikers, wild life enthusiasts etc. A fixed facility would adversely affect the character of the facility and encourage only a destination to eat and sit.	5/23/2022 8:40 PM
76	too commercial!!	5/23/2022 8:37 PM
77	It will not enhance the 'magical experience' it presently affords the person who truly wants to get out of the city without having to drive an hour.	5/23/2022 8:05 PM
78	It is completely unnecessary and would not be used. Put your staff offices somewhere else. A coffee bar? Are you joking? It is Open Space so leave it that way. That is what we want. Development brings disruption, closures, and disturbs the wildlife. People use it for the open space not an indoor mini mall and place for your staff to hang out.	5/23/2022 7:35 PM
79	more pressing needs for the city to spend the money on	5/23/2022 6:37 PM
80	concerned about: fire danger, litter, noise, drawing in vagrants. do not want more traffic in the area. will lower property values in the area, increase crime, etc. Also increased lighting and parking will just encourage after hour visitors to hang out for illegal activities	5/23/2022 5:47 PM
81	Prefer as much natural space as possible.	5/23/2022 4:29 PM
82	We need to preserve natural habitat for wildlife. More people will bring a higher impact to the native plants and animals. More people will also pose a higher fire risk. Noise and fire are big consideration for both our homes/property and wildlife.	5/21/2022 3:12 PM
83	Traffic increase. More people to cause an increased congestion both for the picnic areas and hiking.	5/18/2022 7:02 PM
84	congestion and safety concerns of traffic on Tramway and Simms road due to late night activities such as racing on Tramway.	5/17/2022 5:31 PM
85	More traffic will be a negative on the wildlife and more risk of fire and trash. There is plenty of usage currently and more is not needed.	5/17/2022 3:09 PM
86	Will ruin the value of being out in nature. Many visitors are already starting to access private lands as if they are allowed to be there. This is much more of a problem since more people started accessing the area during Covid and more construction brought more people to the area.	5/17/2022 11:12 AM
87	It shares & welcomes	5/16/2022 7:47 PM
88	Traffic concerns as stated above as this has been an issue for years that hasn't ever been addressed.	5/16/2022 5:04 PM
89	too much traffic and congestion in a fragile open space, with resulting damage and fire risk	5/15/2022 2:17 PM
90	I am concerned about whether the current roads and other infrastructure can handle the increased traffic.	5/14/2022 11:43 AM
91	I don't personally want it or feel the need for it, but I could see the value for some. I would prefer no coffee bar. Minimize the environmental impact.	5/12/2022 7:38 AM
92	to help get more people interested in and valuing outdoor space	5/9/2022 7:52 PM
93	The area is supposed to be Open Space, not an event center. Additional traffic for non-open space activities will deteriorate the open space.	5/9/2022 2:01 PM
94	Too intrusive. It's good the way it is.	5/8/2022 5:25 PM
95	A visitor center in this location will be successful only if it has enough visitors that have immediately nearby parking. Remote parking with occasional shuttle bus service will never generate enough traffic. While the education goal is laudable, why don't we maximize the utility of what we have? Specifically, 1. Add more parking at the trailhead. Re-stripe the existing parking so it can accommodate more cars. 2. Build a real bathroom at the trailhead, with a place to fill water bottles, a big map of the open space and cautionary signs. 3. Improve the existing trails -Add another trail for small children near the trailhead. -Improve signage. Add 18" x 18" signs at each trail intersection that show the open space map and have a "you are here"	5/8/2022 4:47 PM

arrow. -Add interpretative signs explaining the geology of the Sandias, varieties of plant life, and wildlife to look for.

96	See my response in question #6.	5/8/2022 12:43 PM
97	This is a terrible idea. The area is not used much by people. I am in the area often (Not Elena Gallegos but close by) and rarely even see people. It would be an eyesore and no one would use it.	5/8/2022 11:42 AM
98	Sounds nice	5/7/2022 9:12 PM
99	Again, this area is a marvelous national treasure and these types of developmen not improvements.	5/7/2022 12:12 PM
100	I believe that an education/visitor center would be a good addition to EG. I am not certain of the size needed. I think the term "coffee bar" is a hot button for those opposed.	5/7/2022 9:52 AM
101	I like the open space center on the west side.	5/6/2022 3:57 PM
102	Limiting openness and authenticity of the space.	5/6/2022 3:55 PM
103	This is a beautiful place used by visitors from near and far. It should be a jewel of the city and an educational resource for students and visitors.	5/6/2022 3:02 PM
104	This is a quite place that has a lot of wild life. We do NOT need tons of people here that would harm wild life and take away a solitude from it. It will increase fire risk - we already had fires on these mountains just couple of years ago.	5/6/2022 2:19 PM
105	too much traffic. Already as crowded as I feel comfortable with (limited by current number of parking spots)	5/5/2022 10:57 AM
106	The beauty of the Elena Gallegos open space is that it is undeveloped and wildlife can be observed undisturbed. More people can mean more fireworks and cigarettes; the cause of a 55 acre fire in Elena Gallegos a few years ago. Further, construction with heavy equipment, torches and smoking workers during this critical wildfire time could lead to a fire that could destroy many homes. Construction was the cause of a wild fire in High Desert that damaged homes. Q	5/4/2022 9:19 PM
107	I don't think it is necessary at Elena Gallegos—better somewhere. else.	5/4/2022 8:53 PM
108	More accurately I don't oppose it...while it might negatively impact us with more people on the trails a Visitors Center would be a plus for the city.	5/4/2022 7:32 PM
109	People need to learn about nature by being in nature, not an education canter. It would be a gross waste of taxpayer dollars.	5/4/2022 4:44 PM
110	Unnecessary and expensive waste of tax payer dollars. Kids can learn about the forest and environment at the local library or in school or hiking with their families. The City should not be responsible for doing this at this location. Fire risk will be greatly increased. If this is built, a manned fire station should also be added to address fire and rescue needs created by this site development. Increase risk of crime and vandalism.	5/4/2022 4:12 PM
111	The center would bring additional noise, traffic, lighting and disturbance of dark night skies, and disruption of wildlife. The area already cannot handle the traffic and parking, there is no enforcement of current rules, and insufficient staff. The city has a great education center in the valley. The Elena Gallegos area is already very fragile and already suffering from current overuse. The carrying capacity of this space has already been exceeded. Why would the city encourage even greater use? How do we keep this beautiful space from being loved to death?	5/4/2022 10:23 AM
112	Encourages additional traffic and light pollution. Area is fragile.	5/4/2022 10:22 AM
113	It would be terrible and change the environment	5/4/2022 8:31 AM
114	too many people coming to this area too close to my house; will increase crime	5/3/2022 12:23 PM
115	Would like to see more study done on the impact on wildlife before this goes forward.	5/3/2022 11:43 AM
116	leave it natural	5/3/2022 6:54 AM
117	With Albuquerque having such nice weather, why is a building necessary? Looks like someone just wants a construction project and has not taken into account the environment. I can	5/2/2022 9:49 PM

imagine an improved "facility" with no walls that compliments the natural landscape instead of another development project.

118	The distinct and precious magic of the Open Space is that it offers city dwellers an escape into wilderness. No one goes to the Elena Gallegos Open Space to visit a museum! Kids on field trips are excited to be outdoors; they don't want to sit inside another classroom. When you place a large, government-operated building in the middle of the Open Space, then start hosting big community events at this building, you negatively impact the experience of every hiker and biker who is visiting the Open Space in order to commune with nature, even if they choose a remote trail. This project exists to serve the egos of the bureaucrats who are pushing for it, and not the community. An Education Center would be a disgraceful use of taxpayer dollars when the community has overwhelmingly made it clear that they would like that money to be spent repairing and updating the facilities that already exist, rather than building new ones. This project is widely unpopular across ALL of Albuquerque (not just amongst residents of Sandia Heights and High Desert). The City exists to serve the people -- so listen to them!	5/2/2022 5:37 PM
119	so called civilization will interfere with solitude	5/2/2022 3:01 PM
120	I think it would be great to have a center like that described close to our homes. What a great way to learn about the mountain.	5/2/2022 2:55 PM
121	It would benefit the young people but I'm aged out.	5/2/2022 2:51 PM
122	Traffic issues, parking issues, disruption of wildlife, disruption of open space, impact on neighboring homes and neighborhoods.	5/2/2022 2:33 PM
123	Open is open. Buildings don't fit the motif.	5/2/2022 1:38 PM
124	Open spaces should be accessible to ALL people NOT just in the neighborhood.	5/2/2022 12:51 PM
125	Will be a more organized center with restrooms and amenities	5/2/2022 12:41 PM
126	It's an opening for future development in the area; Wendy's McDonald's etc.	5/2/2022 11:40 AM
127	Size seems too big. And the designers/architects of such a structure don't seem as though they will make the center blend in with the environment. If built, footprint needs to be smaller and LEED design.	5/1/2022 10:13 PM
128	It won't make any sense. I like the way we can have open space and quietness inside the city area	5/1/2022 8:34 PM
129	We need to keep the open space as natural as possible.	5/1/2022 7:54 PM
130	Needs to have additional parking. Coffee Bar with Wifi that can be used similar to a coffee shop for working and meetings.	5/1/2022 5:46 PM
131	No one asked for it. If you want to build an event center, it should be more centrally (population) located and not on the edge of town. The facilities are way fully underfunded already, and to add to the usage would just make the problem worse. Just repair the parking lots, road and current facilities first before you start a project which no one requested.	5/1/2022 12:16 PM
132	That would only detract from it being a place to experience nature. It's already very accessible.	5/1/2022 12:03 PM
133	It isn't necessary and the money allocated for this project would be better utilized to help lower our crime rate and make the area safer for all.	4/30/2022 7:31 PM
134	Let's keep the area peaceful, quiet and allow the natural habitat and wildlife to be as is.	4/30/2022 5:14 PM
135	I'm familiar with the Open Space activity center on Coors. It's a very usable location and facility.	4/30/2022 4:11 PM
136	Elena Gallegos Open Space is a treasured spot for locals and is known for its serene atmosphere and ability to commune with nature. The proposed changes could easily result in more visitors to the park than there are services to accommodate them. A significant number of additional staff would be needed for everything from answering questions, picking up trash, control or policing of traffic, cleaning bathrooms, etc.	4/30/2022 2:34 PM
137	No more buildings are needed if you wanna do an outdoor classroom then make it outdoors and no facility is needed	4/30/2022 1:44 PM
138	Ruin the ambiance. Impact wildlife. Invite crime. Don't need it; don't want it! Noise and car	4/30/2022 9:05 AM

exhaust pollution. This area is unique mountain terrain! Don't ruin it. There are plenty of existing parks. It will lower property values! Bad impact on animal life. Increased crime. Albuquerque is already a mess. Leave us alone

139	It is a community asset, and the population of Albuquerque has grown. If we want to continue to preserve these open spaces, we need to increase their accessibility for others. The parking lot and roads are very dangerous for hikers, kids, and bikers. It's too narrow, there's not enough parking, and it always smells like a run over toilet. Updated infrastructure is completely necessary in the space.	4/30/2022 7:49 AM
140	Environmental damage, too invasive of a structure, let the peaceful place be as it is. Too much added traffic and negative impact on the precious little open space that there is.	4/29/2022 8:47 PM
141	This should truly be open space and not taken up with amenities.	4/29/2022 7:33 PM
142	The visitor center on the west side is fantastic and can accommodate many more visitors and has much more opportunity for expansion at a lower cost than building a new facility. I question the need for a new facility at Elena Gallegos and suggest that those funds could be better spent acquiring more open space lands, repairing and building trails, and updating current facilities at Elena Gallegos. Elena Gallegos has become excessively busy since COVID and the trails and facilities are getting "loved to death" already and a new visitor center would only increase the stress on the land and the wildlife.	4/29/2022 5:03 PM
143	This is the worst idea for this treasure that I have heard! I have visited the Open Space facility on the West side and once was enough. The fact that the use of Elena Gallegos is increasing should send the message to the Open Space managers that they don't need to spend a lot of money and scarce resources to bring in more people. If this abominable project succeeds, it will destroy the very purpose of having Open Space areas and turn the area into a heavily managed urban entertainment site.	4/29/2022 4:04 PM
144	I think educational opportunities for school children is THE NUMBER ONE WAY we preserve nature and the outdoors	4/29/2022 2:43 PM
145	I don't want overdevelopment in the park	4/29/2022 1:36 PM
146	Educational	4/29/2022 1:00 PM
147	It would totally change the atmosphere and ruin the reason I go over there	4/29/2022 11:38 AM
148	#1: This will bring more crime to our back door, more people = more crime. #2: do not widen Simms park road and do not shuttle people in. There are already wrecks on tramway w people turning onto the road, w/recent fatalities, this will make it worse!	4/29/2022 10:57 AM
149	The amenities will make it easier to enjoy the area with children.	4/29/2022 10:22 AM
150	No more!	4/29/2022 6:17 AM
151	Children already learn about nature in their school classrooms. When they come to Elena Gallegos currently on school field trips , they enjoy an immersive nature experience. Bringing children to the park and then placing them in a classroom building will destroy the unique experience that they currently get at Elena Gallegos. Similarly, a large event center will be detrimental to the experience of the over 250,000 people who come to the park to use the hiking / biking and picnic areas. There are many other very nice CABQ venues that can be used for community events.	4/28/2022 7:51 PM
152	Will destroy the pristynature of the area	4/28/2022 6:55 PM
153	The park is not heavily used, which is part of the charm. Large groups and a large facility will negatively impact the park and the surrounding housing.	4/28/2022 5:57 PM
154	Not appropriate for an area dedicated to enjoyment of outdoors/wilderness and will detract from what I go there for	4/28/2022 5:38 PM
155	A place for kids to learn about nature	4/28/2022 4:59 PM
156	Like the open space and it is already too crowded. New appts will greatly add to the overcrowding.	4/28/2022 3:51 PM
157	More traffic.	4/28/2022 2:55 PM
158	It defeats the purpose of the original concept of the "Open Space".	4/28/2022 2:45 PM

159	The trails are already crowded with hikers and mountain bikers, especially on weekends, making it somewhat more dangerous to enjoy the area. Motorized mountain bikes have added to this problem.	4/28/2022 2:19 PM
160	Too much noise, traffic, trash, cost. This is open space--leave it open and quiet.	4/28/2022 1:52 PM
161	I am mixed. I favor the construction provided it does not impact homes or wildlife in the surrounding area. I'm all for education within reasonable change to our environment which is already taxed with structures and parking lots that do not help with our environmental impact concerns.	4/28/2022 1:34 PM
162	Much too big ... Elena Gallegos will be overwhelmed ruining the essential nature of the park	4/28/2022 1:15 PM
163	I enjoy the primitive feel of the current park.	4/28/2022 12:33 PM
164	We need to expose people to the trails and nature, and there really is no other facility for that presently in the area	4/28/2022 12:02 PM
165	Very concerned how this would affect wildlife in the area most importantly and also the views for nearby residents..like me	4/28/2022 10:44 AM
166	It will increase the amount of trash, traffic, property crimes and noise. No. No. No. This sounds suspiciously like an effort to award/receive a contract for construction of a facility no one who lives here, wants.	4/28/2022 10:42 AM
167	It isn't necessary, and would fundamentally alter the nature of the area in ways that would spoil the current, very natural environment. It also would create more trash, disturb wildlife and greatly increase wildfire risk.	4/28/2022 10:23 AM
168	Increases traffic on a now quiet road. Increases noise in a very quiet area. Increases disturbance to the ecosystem. Animal habitat disturbed.	4/28/2022 10:22 AM
169	It doesn't need to be built	4/28/2022 10:22 AM
170	Because it would be further destruction of the habitat in the foothills. It would put more pressure on the wildlife and current trail system. If the goal is for kids to learn about the outdoors, then why would you bring them up there just to usher them into another building instead of actually being outside?	4/28/2022 10:13 AM
171	No need to commercialize an area that people use to get away from the city. Traffic already moves way to fast on Sims road. The Sims Road path on the south side is not wide enough forcing foot/bike traffic to use the road, with no shoulder. As more apartments are added to the area, the foot/bike/car traffic will naturally increase, with a tragic event not far behind.	4/28/2022 10:10 AM
172	I took my kids to the foothills to hike when they were young. There is beauty in the natural space at Elena Gallegos - why develop it to teach about preservation? Why would you want to have kids sit in a classroom and not be out exploring the foothills? If the need is for a structure to teach, find space in the city to teach and then bus people to the foothills to explore.	4/28/2022 10:05 AM
173	I can't even believe this is being considered. This area is not appropriate for this kind of venue, and the increased traffic and abuse that invariably come with crowds.	4/28/2022 9:35 AM
174	The open space is valuable on its own merits. Why is there a need to build on greenspace? Constructing an enormous (4,800 - 6,500 sq ft is absolutely capacious) building that needs to be heated and cooled and will use water for busloads of people seems to ignore climate change. The water issue is complex, too. We have existing neighborhoods reliant on SH water supply, so adding to the burden could be a threat to residential properties already reliant on the water.	4/28/2022 9:22 AM
175	Its a stupid, stupid, idea and it would ruin the intrinsic beauty of the existing open space area	4/28/2022 8:52 AM
176	too invasive let it be	4/28/2022 8:38 AM
177	Leave area as is. More people less birds.	4/28/2022 8:32 AM
178	Because this area is quiet!! This building will create more noise and trash!!!	4/28/2022 7:55 AM
179	Not needed	4/28/2022 7:33 AM
180	Do not want increased traffic, crime, light pollution, trash, wildlife harassment, danger to	4/28/2022 7:13 AM

cyclists and hikers!

181	Well ... it's kind of an oxymoron to talk about building a closed space in what is defined as "Open Space". I think an Open Space is best served by maintaining it as an Open Space. I'd hate to see Albuquerque do another Alvarado Hotel debacle.	4/28/2022 2:13 AM
182	I would prefer resources be used to improve outdoor access with better hiking trails and more parking within the park for visitors	4/28/2022 12:38 AM
183	Outdoor recreation and education are important and add value to city residents.	4/27/2022 11:24 PM
184	Will not be used enough to warrant the cost of construction.	4/27/2022 10:16 PM
185	That area is busy enough already. The "education and event center" would just make the traffic on the road and in Elena Gallegos Open Space even worse than it already is.	4/27/2022 10:10 PM
186	We moved into Sandia Heights to get away from crowded busy areas. This proposal will bring that aspect to an area we don't want it in.	4/27/2022 10:02 PM
187	A joke - will not be used	4/27/2022 9:56 PM
188	One such facility already exists. It's on the west side	4/27/2022 9:19 PM
189	Concerned about over use and impact to wildlife	4/27/2022 9:04 PM
190	Disruption to beautiful natural area. Afraid it will attract too many people who will leave trash, flick cigarette butts and start fires.	4/27/2022 8:44 PM
191	Increase traffic, less solitude, proper security, more trash or less care of surrounding, harm to ecosystem, more fires and security to residence bordering the forest lands. Weekend traffic already is pretty busy with walkers, runners, bikers on lower trails.	4/27/2022 8:37 PM
192	It will ruin the quiet peaceful environment and run off wildlife that we live. Plz don't destroy a wonderful place.	4/27/2022 8:25 PM
193	Over crowding	4/27/2022 8:22 PM
194	It doesn't make sense that we are giving up our open space and nature to teach people about nature.	4/27/2022 8:17 PM
195	It commercializes this sacred place. It seems like there are other areas that would serve the same purpose without invading the serene, protected land. We have very few places like this to go to.	4/27/2022 7:23 PM
196	Wd love to have a destination there for short rest and coffee	4/27/2022 7:18 PM
197	It will bring pollution, risk of fires, unknown people, people will park everywhere in my neighborhood because it is more convenient than parking far and taking a shuttle. Added crime. Added work for security that is actually paid by us	4/27/2022 7:16 PM
198	It's a nature area. Doesn't need more traffic.	4/27/2022 7:07 PM
199	No building permitted at this area. Why try to force building in a no building zone	4/27/2022 6:52 PM
200	Not compatible with open space experience. Not appropriate for a city park adjacent to National Forest Wilderness Area and surrounded by National Forest lands.	4/27/2022 6:40 PM
201	Absolutely not; this will increase traffic, pollution, environmental degradation; this will contribute to increased noise and overuse of this special space	4/27/2022 6:27 PM
202	We would not want more tourists and events nearby in Sandia Heights. We have too much traffic already. A park and ride sounds awful. The more traffic we have, the more people there are that would not look out of place casing the area for robberies. We are next to a wilderness area, let us preserve that as much as possible!	4/27/2022 6:25 PM
203	The Elena Gallegos Open Space is ALREADY overused and crowded to capacity on weekends. And weekday usage is approaching that maximum capacity as well. The concept of creating a further visitor magnet like a visitor center and then providing shuttle busses to further the over usage is beyond common sense.	4/27/2022 6:20 PM
204	The area is special because it is natural and unlike other venues.	4/27/2022 5:30 PM

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205	It would be intrusive to the natural environment.	4/27/2022 5:30 PM
206	It would add value	4/27/2022 5:26 PM
207	It will ruin the tranquility and nature.	4/27/2022 5:21 PM
208	An education and event center at Elena Gallegos will greatly enhance us of the area. Young children should learn more about this beautiful open space.	4/27/2022 5:20 PM
209	Elena Gallegos and the Simms Park belong to the people of the Albuquerque area. Its amenities and improvements such as the proposed Nature Visitor's Center should be open and available to all, not just to the residents of High Desert and Sandia Heights.	4/27/2022 4:56 PM
210	Leave it alone. Your inviting crime and homeless camps.	4/27/2022 4:50 PM
211	Takes away from the natural environment.	4/27/2022 4:49 PM
212	Not needed, not wanted, not necessary	4/27/2022 4:46 PM
213	Too close to residential living and would not be ran well. It would add "light" pollution, trash and probably impede any wildlife coming into the area.	4/27/2022 4:41 PM
214	Access to nature would be spoiled	4/27/2022 4:38 PM
215	The project will be a blight on the landscape and we certainly don't need anymore traffic.	4/27/2022 4:37 PM
216	I do not like the extra traffic/people it will bring.	4/27/2022 4:36 PM
217	Haven't used the existing facilities that much.	4/27/2022 4:29 PM
218	the attraction is the solitude	4/27/2022 4:24 PM
219	Sounds great but I wouldn't want something like that bringing in the ABQ masses.	4/27/2022 4:16 PM
220	This will ruin the character of the open space and bring in hordes of people.	4/27/2022 4:16 PM
221	It is such a beautiful natural area. There is absolutely no need for a large building of this type. It will infringe upon the natural beauty of the land. The open space is meant to preserve this natural beauty. You would be doing a disservice to the land, nature, and everyone who cares about it.	4/27/2022 4:15 PM
222	A lot of ABQ residents use the area for hiking, biking, picnics, quiet space, and have no need for more buildings, traffic, other services- I like the condition it is in now.	4/27/2022 3:59 PM
223	It would ruin the rustic space of the area. The big parking would be horrible with buses running back and forth.	4/27/2022 3:52 PM
224	Not needed. Completely takes away from the "Open Space" concept.	4/27/2022 3:50 PM
225	The area is already very popular and comfortably accommodates the people who visit. With even more people through an education center, Coffeys place, etc., it will get very crowded and hard to enjoy being in nature and hiking.	4/27/2022 3:45 PM
226	Traffic	4/27/2022 3:45 PM
227	Disrupt nature, views, noise impact.	4/27/2022 3:40 PM
228	cost money	4/27/2022 3:37 PM
229	The Open Spaces of the area belong to all residents of ABQ metro area. It seems an appropriate use of taxes to improve the site.	4/27/2022 3:37 PM
230	The area is an Open Space that allows communing with nature -- there is no need for coffee bars or other facilities. Let's not ruin a gem by creating a circus within the park.	4/27/2022 3:33 PM
231	great addition to our area	4/27/2022 3:31 PM
232	It detracts from the natural state of the area. Alternative existing such sites are available for social events at community centers, YMCA, libraries and SHHA community center.	4/27/2022 3:31 PM
233	I would prefer the wildlife and natural landscape left intact	4/27/2022 3:28 PM
234	Not just the cost of the building, etc, but the long term maintenance. The city should focus on	4/27/2022 3:25 PM

maintenance and improvements on existing structures and parks

235	I don't want Disneyland in the Sandias.	4/27/2022 3:21 PM
236	Will cause too much traffic and activity. My visitors always comment how quiet the trail are & "not like Colorado"	4/27/2022 3:14 PM
237	I think this is a waste of money. People who love the outdoors go to this area to spend a few hours, hiking, running, or mountain biking.	4/27/2022 3:11 PM
238	I'm very familiar with this proposal, the principals who are involved, and science education and outreach. Objectively, however, the logistics, crowds, widened road, and promotion would negatively alter the quiet residential access and character of this urban/wildland interface. The Open Space Center on the West Side is excellent and, with inclusion of the Foothills ecosystem in its exhibits and programming, sufficient for the City.	4/27/2022 3:10 PM
239	Keep nature as it is	4/27/2022 3:07 PM
240	It will bring in the riff raff, drugs, crime and the homeless. Keep them downtown in Albuquerque. Our parks are already collecting the undesirables.	4/27/2022 3:06 PM
241	I'm hesitant primarily because of the anticipated increase in traffic. The trails are heavily degraded b/c of increased use over the past few years (there is total lack of education with respect to not widening trails, etc.), and I don't see this getting any better. Bus traffic on the road is not welcome, either.	4/27/2022 3:00 PM
242	It would ruin the green space and cause environmental disarray.	4/27/2022 2:58 PM
243	Much too large and elaborate a complex. I'd prefer a smaller nature center with related trails.	4/27/2022 2:56 PM
244	Nature area for children to play—the purpose of the park is a nature area for kids to explore. Per the guidelines provided, "new thinking on education" involves absolutely no education whatsoever—just an open space. That is the very definition of the park. We don't need a building for that. Utilizing vital open space to build another building is an anathema to the purpose of the park. There are numerous other areas available throughout the city for this function.	4/27/2022 2:54 PM
245	I do not favor a new center as a large building due to the space requirements and the visual impact. I do not believe that the roads and parking can handle something like that, nor do I believe that sufficient funding would be allocated to do the building, parking, road improvements, etc. properly.	4/27/2022 2:49 PM
246	I believe that Elena Gallegos should be left in it's natural state which provides outdoor activities and amazing views. There are other parks where the amenities for children could be used. No large building (4500-6000 sq ft) should be constructed.	4/27/2022 2:46 PM
247	The proposed changes would be an opportunity for visitors but most likely a decline in quality of life for residents.	4/27/2022 2:45 PM
248	The area would change into a busy overused area devoid of animals.	4/27/2022 2:43 PM
249	The trails are already highly used, there has been a lot of random new trails made in the last few years, the high desert is a fragile ecosystem that can't recover. Increase crime, poop and trash.	4/27/2022 2:43 PM
250	In the long run it would add value to properties within area.	4/27/2022 2:40 PM
251	Traffic will destroy the area	4/27/2022 2:35 PM
252	Would ruin the natural, quiet environment. Not necessary.	4/27/2022 2:32 PM
253	I don't feel it would add to the beauty of the area	4/27/2022 2:29 PM
254	Concerned about maintaining the quiet space it now provides.	4/27/2022 1:58 PM
255	The community here would use it, and this type of develop will benefit everyone.	4/27/2022 1:57 PM
256	Would ruin the beautiful space Wildlife would disappear Noise and traffic Loss of designated purpose	4/27/2022 1:56 PM
257	I feel like the Open Space offers educational value as is! BRING the children but expose them to nature - in its natural state rather than plug them into a building and a fabricated "nature play	4/27/2022 1:54 PM

	area".	
258	I would use the nature play area for young children on a weekly basis. I would visit the park more often if there was a better "home base" to be with young kids. The picnic areas are good but a bit spartan, and there is a lot of cactus that makes it impossible for small children to roam free.	4/27/2022 1:53 PM
259	Would destroy natural settings	4/27/2022 1:51 PM
260	Too many people, too much trash, too much noise, too much traffic, too much crime.	4/27/2022 1:50 PM
261	Too many ABQ residents don't make good use of the natural resources of the foothills and mountains. This should promote exercise and spending more time outside being healthy.	4/27/2022 1:49 PM
262	It will disrupt the animals' natural habitat, create more traffic in Elena Gallegos and on Tramway Blvd. Increase noise. I moved into Sandia Heights to get away from the city and be closer to nature. I think this proposed education center could cause increase crime in the neighborhood. Fire risk could also increase from more smoking and BBQ happening in the area.	4/27/2022 1:47 PM
263	I do not want to see this area turned into a circus atmosphere with shuttle buses shuttling people back and forth. I love the trails as they are. A place to relax and enjoy one of the last areas that's not a tourist attraction where people can enjoy nature and not have to worry about large noisy parties, and more crime and traffic in the area!	4/27/2022 1:45 PM
264	Keep it as an open space! DO NOT build on the site!!! What is next, streetlights, concrete walking paths, roadside stands, etc.?? It makes zero sense not to keep it as natural as possible. What will be left if we start developing it? It is the perfect way to enjoy Albuquerque's beautiful views!	4/27/2022 1:41 PM
265	the added facility and construction would take away the calm nature and beauty of the current Open Space.	4/27/2022 1:40 PM
266	This sort of center fosters community pride and serves as a source of education.	4/27/2022 1:38 PM
267	keep it as close to nature as it is.	4/27/2022 1:37 PM
268	I strongly support opportunities for youth to interact with and learn about the natural world.	4/27/2022 1:36 PM
269	All of those features are wonderful features.	4/27/2022 1:35 PM
270	Depends on location of Center. Much prefer location inside the Pino loop to the Cottonwood Springs area.	4/27/2022 1:34 PM
271	There are many other places in Albuquerque where a building with a coffee bar, classroom space, offices, etc. could be built. The Open Space is NOT a space for a mixed-use building having virtually nothing to do with the outdoors.	4/27/2022 1:30 PM
272	This area should remain pristine and free of traffic and noise	4/27/2022 1:23 PM
273	Leave the natural environment.	4/27/2022 1:19 PM
274	We should do what we can to encourage understanding of the environment.	4/27/2022 1:18 PM
275	I don't want the area further developed	4/27/2022 1:17 PM
276	I do enjoy the west side center. Having such a center on the east side too would be nice. Coffee bar idea is lovely.	4/27/2022 1:16 PM
277	We need to share this beautiful area and teach children how to care for nature.	4/27/2022 1:15 PM
278	I think the area can be utilized without major educational needs.	4/27/2022 1:13 PM
279	Would like it left as open space	4/27/2022 1:09 PM
280	It would undermine the peace and natural setting of the park now. And, because of the parking situation. I don't care for the Tramway level parking lot/shuttle bus plan (see next question).	4/27/2022 1:04 PM
281	It should be a quiet nature place, not a bunch of buildings attracting indoor people. The construction would be noisy and disruptive. The building and people it attracts would disturb wildlife.	4/27/2022 1:02 PM

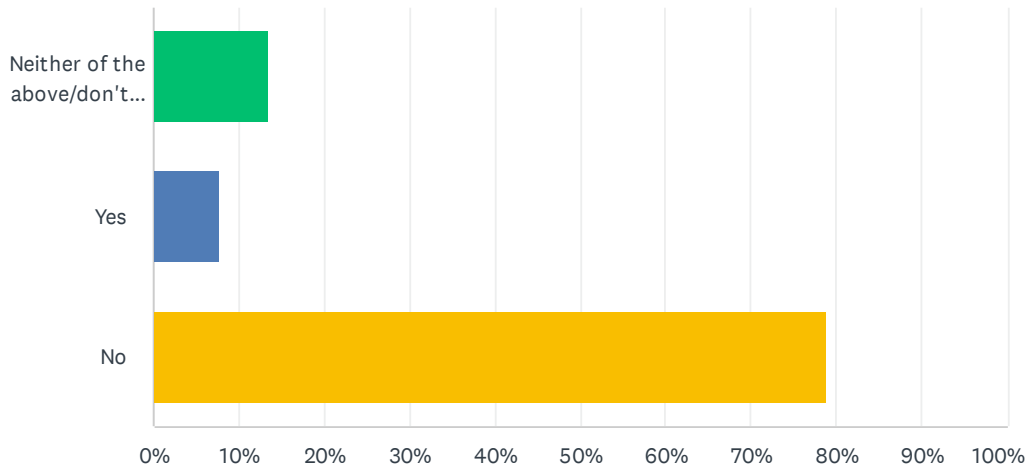
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282	For the love of God, there are very few open spaces left. The open space at the top of Paseo del Norte, however small, was developed. The tiny open space across from San Rafael shopping area it was recently developed, and open spaces left and right are being developed. We do not need this. What we need is open space to remain open.	4/27/2022 12:55 PM
283	It's peaceful now. Spend that money on more open space, park rangers. We need them. Don't spend the money on the construction and maintenance of an educational/event center. Give us more rangers.	4/27/2022 12:53 PM
284	While I do approve of this type of space being developed in a place like a National Park, where many visitors need to be accommodated and visitor education enhances a visit, many people in Albuquerque seek out the Elena Gallegos Open Space for solitude and for seeing wildlife. Both of those uses will be disturbed with increased visitation.	4/27/2022 12:52 PM
285	Disruption of natural habitat, increase noise, destruction of natural environment	4/27/2022 12:52 PM
286	Need more outdoor places to recreate.	4/27/2022 12:45 PM
287	Not needed and will result in more noise and wildlife disruption.	4/27/2022 12:43 PM
288	Brings too much traffic and crime to the area.	4/27/2022 12:35 PM
289	Leave it as is please!!!! The area should be left as undisturbed as possible. We do not need more traffic up here.	4/27/2022 12:34 PM
290	Want to keep the area as natural as possible, for outdoors activities, including hiking and bicycle exercise, on specific trails	4/27/2022 12:34 PM
291	Con:It might attract too many people and overwhelm the trails	4/27/2022 12:28 PM
292	I think it would help preserve the area for future generations and add value to the surrounding neighborhoods.	4/27/2022 12:25 PM
293	I feel it would disrupt the natural habitat of the area. Especially since there has been so much building in the Arroyo recently.	4/27/2022 12:25 PM
294	Elena Gallegos is one of the best open spaces in ABQ. People should be encourage to use the facilities and visit.	4/27/2022 12:24 PM
295	open space no buildings	4/27/2022 12:24 PM
296	It would attract too many people, make the space louder and more crowded. Surrounding streets would be busier and less safe.	4/27/2022 12:24 PM
297	I honestly don't think it's a good idea to increase car traffic to this isolated space. If they want to provide educational outreach they should put up a facility closer to the main thoroughfares and not in the middle of the high desert.	4/27/2022 12:23 PM
298	Disruptive and unnecessary	4/27/2022 12:23 PM
299	I don't want to disturb the peace and quiet and wildlife. Similar to Chaco Canyon. The easier the access, the more the visitors and the disruption to the environment, which is the very reason we want to go there in the first place.	4/27/2022 12:15 PM
300	Simply put It would be a nice addition.	4/27/2022 12:13 PM
301	This space would be a wonderful addition to the community.	4/27/2022 12:06 PM
302	It's supposed to be open space.	4/27/2022 11:55 AM

Q9 Do you favor construction of a parking lot at Tramway and Simms Park Road within the Pino Arroyo with planned shuttle bus service to the Elena Gallegos Open Space?

Answered: 366 Skipped: 2



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Neither of the above/don't know/neutral/not sure	13.39%	49
Yes	7.65%	28
No	78.96%	289
TOTAL		366

Q10 Why or why not?

Answered: 287 Skipped: 81

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Additional infrastructure is not needed	6/9/2022 7:06 PM
2	The shuttle would not be used too much, hence it would become a drain on the operating budget. The offsite parking lot would become a gathering spot for bored individuals, and it would also be a parking spot for non-park bicyclists, etc. Any additional parking should be within the park itself, and not too much of it. An offsite parking lot would increase nighttime general area lighting, thus hurting views of NM dark skies (and wasting funds for electricity and maintenance).	6/8/2022 11:54 AM
3	Building a parking lot in the floodplain - not smart.	6/7/2022 7:56 AM
4	Fewer cars driving up and down Simms Park rd would be beneficial for residents and non-motorized vehicle conductors, as well as wildlife.	6/6/2022 10:02 PM
5	It isn't needed and would destroy the arroyo.	6/6/2022 1:07 PM
6	I would prefer the area to remain in its natural state.	6/6/2022 10:02 AM
7	No more human footprint!! Just manage the space for the benefit of the natural habitat.	6/5/2022 1:20 PM
8	Please - we are not Zion or Yosemite, are we? Many of us mourn the fact that other places are so over-run with tourists that the experience is greatly diminished. My hope is that there will continue to be untrammelled places near where I live. Pave paradise? I will fight this idea. (And I literally mean it about the pavement - I walk my dog regularly in that little piece of Pino Arroyo near Simms and Tramway.)	6/5/2022 12:59 PM
9	Worst idea ever!!! Too much open space already under development, again, maintenance and upkeep?	6/3/2022 5:32 PM
10	I don't think people will actually use the shuttle bus very much, I'm concerned the space in general cannot accommodate much more traffic without impact nature/environment	6/2/2022 8:42 PM
11	Too many people and their impact	6/2/2022 5:35 PM
12	There are apartments being built right across the site where the parking lot would be.	6/2/2022 5:28 PM
13	We don't need it. It is a taxpayers waste of money.	6/2/2022 5:28 PM
14	More congestion	6/2/2022 5:05 PM
15	A parking lot will detract from the natural beauty of the area, attract more traffic & more undesirable visitors.	5/31/2022 8:28 PM
16	More opportunity for crime/break ins	5/31/2022 8:21 PM
17	Too many people	5/31/2022 5:12 PM
18	It is perfectly fine the way it is. Doing these things do not constitute "improvement."	5/31/2022 4:04 PM
19	Ridiculous idea	5/31/2022 2:36 PM
20	It does not seem necessary. The Education Center can be located at site 1B which is highly ranked and would not require offsite parking.	5/31/2022 2:16 PM
21	That should not be necessary if the visitor center is built on proposed Site 1B.	5/31/2022 2:16 PM
22	Same as above.	5/31/2022 8:33 AM
23	Traffic, noise, crime, trash, affecting wildlife.	5/31/2022 8:03 AM
24	A shuttle bus from off-site parking is a poor solution to the apparent access problem CoA seeks to solve. I applaud the CoA commitment to expanding equitable access to our stunning	5/31/2022 7:44 AM

foothills. Please consider spending the money to do it environmentally and aesthetically correctly at sites all along the foothills, not just at the one point furthest north east location with the poorest transit access. Establishing a shuttle and parking area along Tramway just does not make sense economically, environmentally, or ethically.

25	If the center is also built at that location then my opinion changes but the idea of splitting the center from its parking by over a mile is complete nonsense	5/31/2022 7:38 AM
26	See previous reasons.	5/30/2022 9:15 PM
27	Not needed, crowds will take away from the open space	5/30/2022 6:31 PM
28	The parking lot will likely be hot black asphalt adding to the heat island effect. At night it will be a haven for bad behavior: fireworks, street drag racing, drinking, drugs, homeless parking lot. AND, the shuttle will not serve people hiking with their dogs, so who is it going to serve? School kids are already on a bus. The best way to encourage people to car pool is to keep the parking as it is not expand. I would much faster approve a city bus stop at the EG entrance, which would require a roadway change for bus turn around most likely.	5/30/2022 5:43 PM
29	Nonsense! Those who enjoy the open "space" don't need a shuttle bus - or anything other than their personal vehicle (or their feet) to enjoy the area. This nonsense is just another waste of taxPAYERS' \$\$; we pay enough for the school builings -- use them.	5/30/2022 5:28 PM
30	You will ruin the natural beauty and the quiet open space area, just like what has happened in the Arroyo across the street with a construction project.	5/30/2022 5:00 PM
31	A large parking area close to the tramway would not fit with the natural landscape and add more congestion at the entrance to Simms park Road.	5/30/2022 2:27 PM
32	A parking lot at Pino Arroyo would be an eyesore, invite potential crime and would be subject to wash out from flooding. This natural area does not need another concrete diversion channel!	5/30/2022 2:17 PM
33	Keeping the traffic down lower, away from nature, is beneficial.	5/30/2022 10:13 AM
34	Don't want a view of the parking lot as we look at our city views; don't want the traffic. We are concerned with light pollution and possible increase in crime.	5/29/2022 1:45 PM
35	The area is open space that I treasure exactly as it is. Developing the area would be a mistake.	5/29/2022 1:02 PM
36	Why are you contemplating stuffing hordes into a fragile environment that should be restricted by limits and ultimately reservations?	5/28/2022 6:40 PM
37	There are already too many high crime, noisy, overcrowded places in the area, we do not need yet another one. Public transportation would bring additional crime to the area and an extra parking lot would make the place noisy and overcrowded.	5/28/2022 1:20 PM
38	No one is going to want to use that — too far from the park. Costs of operating a shuttle bus and having to use parking in line with a shuttle bus schedule seem very undesirable. I would not use it.	5/28/2022 10:21 AM
39	For me the park as it exists now is an outdoor haven	5/28/2022 10:06 AM
40	It's open space. Leave it that way	5/28/2022 9:47 AM
41	There is sufficient parking at the Open Space already. Building in the arroyo is just NOT a good idea.	5/28/2022 9:21 AM
42	I highly value the open spaces in my neighborhood. They are beautiful and essential to our community's well being, including the wildlife. I believe that a park in lot there would be an eyesore and invite criminal activity. I also do not believe that anyone visiting the open space would want to use that lot and the proposed shuttle service.	5/28/2022 7:44 AM
43	I do not see a reasonable cause for increased traffic to the Elena Gallegos Picnic area	5/27/2022 10:14 PM
44	We do not need to commercialize our foothills- it will destroy them	5/27/2022 6:39 PM
45	are you serious? With our clueless mayor and California cheerleader of a council president they will be bussing more homeless as they have everywhere else.	5/27/2022 1:37 PM
46	The Pino arroyo needs to remain undisturbed. A parking lot would not only be unsightly but	5/27/2022 12:49 PM

would result in increased traffic, lights and noise. Isn't it bad enough that we now have a apartments being build on the west side of Tramway which have resulted in blocking the views of people from SHHA and may also result in light pollution.

47	Another waste of money.	5/27/2022 11:02 AM
48	A parking lot will effectively mean concreting over wildlands, increasing traffic, changing the character of the area and reducing actual open space	5/26/2022 8:25 PM
49	How many more people do you want in EG Open Space each day? How many more people can be tolerated before disturbing wildlife habitat? We do not need more people and vehicles in an area that is in danger of fire. More people means fewer animals and destruction of more grasses. Make EG Park special, not bigger.	5/26/2022 4:38 PM
50	Busses going on Simms Park Rd would be noisy and a nuisance. Probably wouldn't be used very often and it'd be an eyesore in the arroyo.	5/26/2022 2:55 PM
51	Vehemently opposed to allowing additional disruptive traffic patterns and human encroachment around a residential community. Imposing a parking lot on the natural Pino Arroyo landscape will also impact drainage and just further add to the lack of thoughtful conservation of the surrounding ecosystem. If the open space has limitations due to location -- then respect the environment and not engineer ecological "over-use".	5/26/2022 2:01 PM
52	Again the construction of a parking lot in Pino Arroyo would adversely affect our views to the West down the arroyo. In addition to the parking area and most likely lighting, the increase in vehicle and bus traffic would be bad. The SHHA failed to look after it's members with regards to the unsightly apartments being constructed on the west side of Tramway in Pino Arroyo - do not allow any construction in the arroyo.	5/26/2022 12:06 PM
53	I think not, but understand there may be advantages to reducing automobile traffic to the more eastern area of the space.	5/26/2022 12:06 PM
54	Again, there is already much activity and think all the commercialization will ruin what we have now.	5/26/2022 11:00 AM
55	Not needed, buses are an especially bad idea! People will drive to the top first and then back if parking is full. This will double traffic! If more parking is needed, build it at the top of the road.	5/26/2022 9:24 AM
56	would look like a parking lot instead of open space	5/25/2022 5:21 PM
57	More traffic, more noise, and more air pollution is not wanted. Shouldn't the city be spending tax money on more needed services?????	5/25/2022 4:38 PM
58	Any such effort, would also require a major revamping of the Tramway Blvd, including adding traffic signals, to minimize traffic accidents for even the smallest of events.	5/25/2022 1:48 PM
59	Not needed!	5/25/2022 11:56 AM
60	A shuttle sounds unnecessary. If additional parking is needed, I support placing it where it will be least visible and closest to visitor destinations. A parking lot in the arroyo near Tramway sounds like it will be highly visible from neighboring residences and roads. Tucking it into the trees and hills within existing EGOS sounds more reasonable to me.	5/25/2022 9:11 AM
61	Goes against the purpose of an open space area.	5/25/2022 8:32 AM
62	No education center means no additional parking is needed	5/25/2022 8:11 AM
63	traffic congestion	5/24/2022 5:48 PM
64	In general, I'm concerned about the increase in traffic, noise and especially crime. I moved to Sandia Heights in part because it generally has lower crime than much of the rest of the city. Now, I don't live close to Simms Park, but the idea of busses shuttling people up and down to the park implies there are going to throngs of people there, and frankly I would not like it if there are lots of people. I don't tend to go to EGOS on weekends, note.	5/24/2022 5:32 PM
65	Again, more maintenance, more trash, more noise, people. It's not in keeping with the quiet neighborhood we moved here for.	5/24/2022 3:52 PM
66	Parking within the open space is generally adequate. There is no need for either the shuttle service or the parking lot. Open space should be left as open space, not covered in pavement. Affected property owners have been disregarded by the proponents of this proposed project.	5/24/2022 2:09 PM

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The plants and animals who live in the proposed zone of destruction have also been ignored. Trespassers are a constant issue on the properties which border the open space. The construction of a parking lot will only exacerbate that problem. Vagrancy, illegal camping, and light pollution are just a few of the expected outcomes. The costs of the shuttle bus service are not known. The benefit of this project is not apparent while many significant problems are.

67	Too many people. Have you been to Bear Lake in Rocky Mountain National Park? It's being loved to death; it has lost its charm. Let's not do that to Elena Gallegos.	5/24/2022 1:17 PM
68	Too much congestion already. Increased heat from pavement and light pollution. Increase in crime.	5/24/2022 10:42 AM
69	See Above	5/24/2022 9:00 AM
70	That be an eyesore for me. It will bring more opportunity for vagrancy, poor public behavior, light pollution, noise, disturbance of wildlife and encourage more people to abuse the Open Space.	5/24/2022 7:51 AM
71	Noise, pollution, unnecessary intrusion on open space and wildlife,litter, homeless campgrounds could appear. Flood plan disruption. More people, more fire danger.	5/23/2022 10:26 PM
72	too intrusive to natural area	5/23/2022 9:52 PM
73	This totally ruins the uniqueness of the Sandia Heights Neighborhood.	5/23/2022 8:48 PM
74	Absolutely not as per previous answers. It would adversely change the character and appeal to serious outdoor enthusiasts	5/23/2022 8:40 PM
75	What is the point? More traffic and hassle to no ones benefit	5/23/2022 8:37 PM
76	More noise, more people, more smog. Not exactly the feel I'm going for when i think of an open space.	5/23/2022 8:05 PM
77	Absolutely not! Why? For what purpose? I go every day and have never seen it full with no parking available. Why do you want to turn open space into mini city? A horrible idea.	5/23/2022 7:35 PM
78	same	5/23/2022 6:37 PM
79	same as above	5/23/2022 5:47 PM
80	Prefer as much natural space as possible. Do not want more cars and traffic in the area.	5/23/2022 4:29 PM
81	More people are using Elena Gallegos everyday. To construct an even bigger parking area will make this even more of a problem. The area is already too crowded with people and dogs running free. This will also impact neighborhood security and quiet and pose higher fire danger. Our treasured dark night skies will be impacted with the addition of lighting for both the parking lot and an event center.	5/21/2022 3:12 PM
82	Added congestion in that area. It would only be a benefit if vehicles weren't allowed up in the EG parking area.	5/18/2022 7:02 PM
83	It will become a gathering place for car racers and teen age drinking and drugs.	5/17/2022 5:31 PM
84	That is a terrible suggestion and will only exacerbate the problems of negative impact on wildlife , trash, and fire danger. Additionally , the parking lot will be an eyesore to the natural environment.	5/17/2022 3:09 PM
85	It seems like the location is an advantage for the city and not the county residents who live nearby on the edge of the city's property. If the city wants it there are other areas in the east mountains that are entirely in the city they can use. I will also point out that if the facility is for educating kids about nature APS has an east mountain nature center that they currently use for field trips and such. Do we really need another area?	5/17/2022 11:12 AM
86	Part of a plan	5/16/2022 7:47 PM
87	More congestion at that intersection when already the road is inadequate is not at all a wise move.	5/16/2022 5:04 PM
88	too much congestion and vandalism brought by easier access. Fire danger from careless smokers	5/15/2022 2:17 PM
89	I am concerned about whether the current roads and other infrastructure can handle the	5/14/2022 11:43 AM

	increased traffic.	
90	Don't think it's necessary.	5/12/2022 7:38 AM
91	i don't know what that would involve	5/9/2022 7:52 PM
92	More damage to open space, including the additional traffic on Simms road.	5/9/2022 2:01 PM
93	The shuttle bus service will never be economical. You'll never get enough people out of their cars riding a bus to do some hiking or have a picnic, especially families with small children. While a small parking lot at Tramway might be useful for cyclists who want to ride up to the park, the numbers of users will be very small.	5/8/2022 4:47 PM
94	Because it's not needed. Current parking is more than ample. Adding more parking will only mean more property crime.	5/8/2022 12:43 PM
95	There is no need. The Open Space is not used by many people. It would be an eyesore.	5/8/2022 11:42 AM
96	Maybe but why the shuttle bus? That seems unappealing.	5/7/2022 9:12 PM
97	The natural beauty of the area attracts hikers and bicyclists. Trails need to be maintained and bike paths/routes should be clear of obstructed to the extent possil. This could be helped by keeping the vegetation controlled in the area by trimming (no poison).	5/7/2022 12:12 PM
98	Depends on design, landscaping, security measures, and planned usage.	5/7/2022 9:52 AM
99	Potential high volume and traffic at peak times; disturbance to wildlife	5/6/2022 3:55 PM
100	I don't know details of the proposed plan but parking improvements are already needed for current levels of usage so something has to be done	5/6/2022 3:02 PM
101	Once again. The core of this place is that fact that is quite and serene. We do NOT need here more pollution. Otherwise it will be another city park not a nature area. Increased fire risk is huge concern as well with any construction.	5/6/2022 2:19 PM
102	I used to visit Bandelier when you could park right next to visitor center. Really don't like the current system they have with shuttle bus.	5/5/2022 10:57 AM
103	The proposal is to put parking lot in a floodplain and Pino Arroyo. Wildlife travels through the arroyo and a parking lot will disturb it. Further, shuttle buses on the road would be both hazardous to pedestrian and bicycle traffic as well as a noisy disturbance to the neighborhood, and leaving shuttle buses in the lot would be unsightly	5/4/2022 9:19 PM
104	I think it may increase crime in the area and increase the number of people who use the area. I don't want to see it get overused.	5/4/2022 8:53 PM
105	Who wants to ride a shuttle to an area to hike or bike ride? Would we board the shuttle with our bikes or dogs? It's absurd.	5/4/2022 4:44 PM
106	Hello; it's an ARROYO! There is no need for shuttle busses as Elena Gallegos was not designed for bus services. Get city busses available for all of those living East of Tramway before providing bus services to picnic areas. Without security at the parking lot, there will be an increase for crime. Light pollution will be greatly increase with a lighted parking lot and this is in violation fo the SHHA covenants.	5/4/2022 4:12 PM
107	Very simply, people will not use it. There will be additional traffic up and down Simms Rd., which is never monitored for speeders. Most of the 30 MPH signs are missing, and the existing signs are routinely ignored. If the parking lot is built, there will need to be active monitoring and signage to let cars turning onto Simms Park Rd. that the Open Space area is currently full and visitors must park and take the shuttle. It is a public road used by residents, so cars cannot be turned away and open space visitors will go up to the park and circle and try to find a spot. The whole idea is not workable without significant staff at the bottom of Simms Park Rd. and signage that notifies when parking lots are full. In any case, there needs to be a new traffic light at Simms Park Rd and Tramway. The City must immediately begin working with the State to get a stop light here. The State is reluctant because Tramway is a state highway and there are already numerous stop lights. Nevertheless, the intersection is already extremely hazardous for motorists, bicyclists, walkers, and joggers, and it is a matter of time before there is a serious injury or fatality.	5/4/2022 10:23 AM
108	Seems the only way to limit traffic. Would need to alert visitors when upper parking is full, to	5/4/2022 10:22 AM

avoid needless traffic.

109	Parking would invite more traffic and that would be terrible	5/4/2022 8:31 AM
110	Would like to see further study done on environmental impact, including wildlife impacts.	5/3/2022 11:43 AM
111	leave it natural	5/3/2022 6:54 AM
112	Crazy idea! How many times is this bus going to run up and down Simms Rd? There is not enough money today to manage the gate and maintain what's there. Where is the money coming for the bus driver? Also, destroying the natural landscape and animal habitats, in people's backyards - what an eyesore. The parking lot will mostly be used for people hanging out.	5/2/2022 9:49 PM
113	A satellite parking lot is an absolutely terrible idea. It will be an eyesore that detracts from the wild magic of the Arroyo, and a logistical nightmare to manage. The City said in their responses to last summer's survey (shared in the last pages of the Feasibility Study) that they don't have the funding to increase staffing at the Open Space. So where are they magically getting the funding to maintain and staff a shuttle bus? The Open Space is already at max capacity for the number of visitors it can support. We should repair the parking that already exists rather than create new parking.	5/2/2022 5:37 PM
114	because the shuttle will fail	5/2/2022 3:01 PM
115	If there are improvements then yes to parking /shuttle for events. If no improvements then no need.	5/2/2022 2:51 PM
116	Not necessary	5/2/2022 2:33 PM
117	More access but there should be some fee at least equal to the parking fee	5/2/2022 1:38 PM
118	dont have enough info on environmental impact.	5/2/2022 12:51 PM
119	You're opening a gate that will only promote disruption from noise, light and intrusion that deludes the beauty and peace of the neighborhood.	5/2/2022 11:40 AM
120	it will bring more pollutions, less bike friendly.	5/1/2022 8:34 PM
121	Absolutely opposed to this! This will mean development in the natural Arroyo of an impervious surface and this will only increase noise in the area.	5/1/2022 7:54 PM
122	Depends upon the frequency of shuttles. If they run frequently enough, this would be great but if they run too intermittently then I don't think anyone will use it.	5/1/2022 5:46 PM
123	Parking lot at Tramway and bus people up - someone should be fired for that idea as it would never work long term. If you don't have parking in the park, don't build the center.	5/1/2022 12:16 PM
124	Once the existing parking lot is full that is a reasonable number of visitors for the day. I don't think the open space area can support a much larger number of visitors without comprising the visitor experience and natural environment.	5/1/2022 12:03 PM
125	Same reason as above. Let's leave it alone.	4/30/2022 5:14 PM
126	Damage to the area and excessive traffic	4/30/2022 4:11 PM
127	A large new parking area could cause more light pollution and excess runoff from the parking lots. Also Tramway Blvd has a problem at night with drag racing that the police have not been able to control. I'd like to see how the park proposes to control this and prevent anyone from using the roads and parking lots during the night.	4/30/2022 2:34 PM
128	The area is crowded enough and doesn't need any more traffic on it	4/30/2022 1:44 PM
129	Leave the quiet beauty alone!!!! Wildlife will be impacted. More crime. Lower property values!	4/30/2022 9:05 AM
130	The bus service may or may not be necessary, but I am all in favor of increasing access to the open space through public services. There's very little public transportation to open spaces.	4/30/2022 7:49 AM
131	Just stop all the construction. Limit the amount of people who can go with a reservation system like the national parks. You are putting too much stress and permanent damage to the limited open space area if you were to build.	4/29/2022 8:47 PM
132	I would prefer that access to the park remain easy and quick, so that our family could use it	4/29/2022 7:10 PM

after work or school. The additional time and inconvenience of parking and waiting for a shuttle seems like it changes the nature of the experience and creates a barrier to it's use.

133	That area is home to a lot of wildlife and is one of the few remaining areas along Tramway that is undeveloped. It is a wildlife corridor and should be kept undeveloped.	4/29/2022 5:03 PM
134	Apparently the people who thought up this dubious "improvement" do not travel on Tramway Blvd., or have not noticed the significant increase of traffic in the past couple of years. And either they don't talk to the Planning and Traffic depts. or are unaware that more than a hundred new apartments and townhouses are being built on Tramway just before Academy. And the occupants of those units will enter and exit from Tramway Blvd. (I could not see where access will be constructed but surely the county planning dept. must. So getting to this marvelous new use of taxpayer money will make getting to Elena Gallegos as enjoyable an experience as getting to the West Side Open Space facility from Coors Blvd.	4/29/2022 4:04 PM
135	Not sure where the best spots are for a parking lot.	4/29/2022 2:43 PM
136	It seems that there is plenty of parking at the top. Of course this may change with more people moving in and discovering Elena Gallegos.	4/29/2022 1:36 PM
137	Educational	4/29/2022 1:00 PM
138	Nothing should be built in the arroyos. Shuttle bus will increase pollution	4/29/2022 11:38 AM
139	There are already wrecks on tramway w people turning onto the road, w/recent fatalities, this will make it worse!	4/29/2022 10:57 AM
140	It would help keep traffic away from the nature area, but it would also make it hard for families with young children.	4/29/2022 10:22 AM
141	No More!	4/29/2022 6:17 AM
142	Not needed as there are plenty of other alternative for overflow parking if needed, destructive to wildlife and the arroyo environment, very disruptive to local residents, dangerous congestion at Simms Park Road	4/28/2022 7:51 PM
143	Eye sore that will add congestion to an area that already has sufficient parking at current Elena Gallegos site	4/28/2022 6:55 PM
144	Same as above. I doubt there is large demand for such a project and it changes the gem we currently have	4/28/2022 5:57 PM
145	Not appropriate for an area dedicated to enjoyment of outdoors/wilderness and will detract from what I go there for	4/28/2022 5:38 PM
146	Like to leave things natural. But yes if restrict parking in the park itself.	4/28/2022 3:51 PM
147	Who wants to get on a shuttle bus to go hiking.	4/28/2022 2:55 PM
148	It will attract more vehicle and foot traffic to the "Open Space" increasing litter and disturbing what tranquility that remains.	4/28/2022 2:45 PM
149	There appears to be parking areas within the Open Space area that are sometimes 'closed off' and often empty. Perhaps those could be used instead.	4/28/2022 2:19 PM
150	To accommodate ADA people, pick up people who find they can't get back to the starting point.	4/28/2022 1:52 PM
151	Our home will be located directly north from the proposed location. We bought this house with the understanding that the land behind our home would remain undisturbed. There is plentiful wildlife and this would be disrupted. Not to mention the increased noise, traffic, light pollution and potential for vandalism. If the parking needs cannot be met at the trailhead, do not build the education complex!!!	4/28/2022 1:34 PM
152	Absolutely not. There is adequate parking to accomodate an acceptable visitor crowd as is!	4/28/2022 1:15 PM
153	Parking has been an issue, but a shuttle bus service would need to be frequent to be viable.	4/28/2022 12:33 PM
154	I HAVE ONLY BEEN THERE 5 TIMES	4/28/2022 11:23 AM
155	Very concerned how this would affect wildlife in the area most importantly and also the views for nearby residents..like me	4/28/2022 10:44 AM

156	It will bring more noise, traffic, trash and property crimes.	4/28/2022 10:42 AM
157	Such a plan would increase pollution, trash (and potentially crime). If the shuttles run on a regular schedule, they would be empty or mostly empty much of the time. It would be very difficult to run only on demand.	4/28/2022 10:23 AM
158	Absolutely not. Just another example of Albuquerque trying to Californicate a delicate ecosystem.	4/28/2022 10:22 AM
159	Too much commercialization	4/28/2022 10:22 AM
160	It is an area frequented by deer and other species and would be a further destruction on their habitat. It would create an easy spot for criminals to rob vehicles. It is also in the FEMA flood plain	4/28/2022 10:13 AM
161	People come to the foothills to get away from the city. Adding parking lots and coffee shops only spreads the city out further encroaching on the beauty of the foothills, wildlife and habitats.	4/28/2022 10:10 AM
162	I have a few concerns around the city utilizing both sides of the flood zone for development. I'm concerned about light pollution from the lot and the additional traffic that will be going up and down Simms.	4/28/2022 10:05 AM
163	Another eyesore in an area that has already been impacted by increased traffic, noise, construction, wildlife and ecosystem degradation, and decreased quality of life for Sandia and Heights and High Desert.	4/28/2022 9:35 AM
164	Because paving greenspace is, on its own, degradation of the environment and natural habitat. What abatement plans are there for the runoff and the ambient heat from the pavement and cars? How will the light pollution be mitigated?	4/28/2022 9:22 AM
165	another stupid idea. a parking lot in the middle of an arroyo? huh?	4/28/2022 8:52 AM
166	Same as above	4/28/2022 8:32 AM
167	Again, more noise and trash	4/28/2022 7:55 AM
168	Not needed.... What an eyesore.	4/28/2022 7:33 AM
169	Against all improvements. Please refer to previous answer	4/28/2022 7:13 AM
170	I'm concerned this is not something that is needed and, if built, would become one more place where unwanted activities (meeting place for racing cars and motorcycles, ...) would take place. Given that these activities seem to be beyond what the city can control, it seems imprudent to add another place to facilitate them.	4/28/2022 2:13 AM
171	Destruction of wildlife habitat in the arroyo, unsightly appearance, increased noise, traffic and congestion	4/28/2022 12:38 AM
172	The proximity to Tramway increases the potential for crime, loitering, illegal activities and light pollution. It's a little hard to tell, because no details on size, control, etc. are in the plan. Additional parking on the open space itself might provide better access and improve usage as well as eliminate the need for shuttle busses.	4/27/2022 11:24 PM
173	That area at the corner of Simms and Tramway is used by hikers and bikers daily. Adding a parking lot will not only look terrible but will also interrupt the flow of those who want to engage with the outdoors. More and more of the open space areas between Academy and San Rafael are being developed. I have lost access to a big portion of the open space area west of Tramway due to the new apartment complex. Please don't take more space to build something that won't be used.	4/27/2022 10:16 PM
174	For the same reasons as in question #8.	4/27/2022 10:10 PM
175	Same as above.	4/27/2022 10:02 PM
176	Not needed - will not be used	4/27/2022 9:56 PM
177	Simms alarm is wide enough now. I	4/27/2022 9:19 PM
178	It just doesn't make sense! Congestion at Simms Park Road and Tramway. Magnet for people at night who should not be there. Increased traffic on Simms Park road and more potential for	4/27/2022 9:15 PM

	increased crime in the Sandia Heights and High Desert areas.	
179	Concerned about over use and impact to wildlife	4/27/2022 9:04 PM
180	Anticipate more traffic that would affect my commute and other errands.	4/27/2022 8:44 PM
181	For reasons above.	4/27/2022 8:37 PM
182	Limiting quantity of visitor access is important to maintaining the quiet nature friendly environment.	4/27/2022 8:25 PM
183	That will be disruptive to nature and the sound level. It will also ruin the view out of my windows!	4/27/2022 8:17 PM
184	The increased traffic will disrupt the wildlife and the many nature lovers who walk on the trail. It will be like moving the city of Albuquerque East.	4/27/2022 7:23 PM
185	It's huge! Takes up too much of the arroyo.	4/27/2022 7:18 PM
186	Read above	4/27/2022 7:16 PM
187	Would buses run all the time, or only during special events?	4/27/2022 6:57 PM
188	Problems with light abuse	4/27/2022 6:52 PM
189	Would destroy valuable plant/animal habitat and hiking/running/biking trails	4/27/2022 6:40 PM
190	Attraction of huge numbers of people so as to degrade the natural environment; traffic will be greatly increased; adding more traffic and congestion on Tramway (an already congested thruway with noise and accidents)	4/27/2022 6:27 PM
191	We don't want more tourists cruising our streets. We like the stillness of the open space. Something that is a rarity. We wouldn't have voted for the open space if we had known it would turn into a big tourist destination.	4/27/2022 6:25 PM
192	Again, creating more problems by pumping more people into an Open Space area that is at maximum usage for the purpose of its existence; that being: access to wilderness buffer zones to enjoy interaction and relaxation with nature AWAY from crowds and city life.	4/27/2022 6:20 PM
193	Buses bring pollution; keep things simple and unspoiled. And quiet.	4/27/2022 5:30 PM
194	I don't think we need more paved space in an arroyo that animals use.	4/27/2022 5:30 PM
195	It's needed	4/27/2022 5:26 PM
196	Leave it alone!	4/27/2022 5:21 PM
197	Construction of an offsite parking lot would reduce traffic on Simms Park Rd.	4/27/2022 4:56 PM
198	Stated above	4/27/2022 4:50 PM
199	too many people	4/27/2022 4:49 PM
200	Not needed	4/27/2022 4:46 PM
201	The Tramway view will be destroyed. The lot will add to the "light" pollution and more traffic. This could lead to more crime in the area. The parking lot to expand is the Michael Emery parking lot off of Spain.	4/27/2022 4:41 PM
202	Spoils the appearance of Sandia Heights neighborhood	4/27/2022 4:38 PM
203	I don't favor the project in it's entirety.	4/27/2022 4:37 PM
204	Unnecessary. I prefer to see nature vs a parking lot at the intersection.	4/27/2022 4:36 PM
205	If you're going to construct the new facilities, then a park space/bus shuttle might help cut down on traffic. Make sure the buses are not polluting.	4/27/2022 4:29 PM
206	I don't think another parking lot is needed, and, it will attract unnecessary traffic in the form of people loitering in the lot. It's also likely to increase garbage which will blow into the arroyo.	4/27/2022 4:26 PM
207	devalues property on both sides	4/27/2022 4:24 PM
208	The area will be ruined with too many visitors.	4/27/2022 4:16 PM

209	see above	4/27/2022 4:16 PM
210	Not necessary	4/27/2022 4:15 PM
211	too much extra traffic	4/27/2022 3:59 PM
212	It would ruin the rustic space of the area. The big parking would be horrible with buses running back and forth. This is a horrible idea.	4/27/2022 3:52 PM
213	Takes away from open space concept and the preservation of nature.	4/27/2022 3:50 PM
214	Traffic	4/27/2022 3:45 PM
215	Ugly, and would cause more break-ins of vehicles and garbage	4/27/2022 3:40 PM
216	Not sure that a shuttle would be utilized enough to warrant that kind of service. Want to ensure that the parking lot does not become a hang out area as drag racing is already a thing along Tramway.	4/27/2022 3:37 PM
217	Improving Simms road for bikers and walkers will enhance the area and improve visibility and safety. The need for a shuttle bus is unnecessary -- it simply adds to traffic in the area. People will continue to use their cars and Simms road is an important road for Sandia Heights residents.	4/27/2022 3:33 PM
218	better parking at the trail head	4/27/2022 3:31 PM
219	Sufficient parking exists...I've never experienced a lack of parking within the existing parking lots. The additional operating costs of a shuttle will detract from the low fee that makes the Park accessible to all income levels.	4/27/2022 3:31 PM
220	negative night sky lighting, increased trash, increased pavement, exhaust and noise negatively impacting wildlife	4/27/2022 3:25 PM
221	I like our isolation and quiet.	4/27/2022 3:21 PM
222	No, this will create more, noise, pollution, and potentially impact the wildlife living in our beautiful quiet neighborhoods.	4/27/2022 3:11 PM
223	Please see above comments. While in concept I believe in this mode of transit to a center, its visual presence and that of shuttles and people in a neighborhood setting, at the juncture with a National Forest, would be extremely unappealing.	4/27/2022 3:10 PM
224	Paving would kill all live beneath the pavement.	4/27/2022 3:07 PM
225	It will bring in the riff raff, drugs, crime, addicts and the homeless. Our parks are already bring in these undesirables.	4/27/2022 3:06 PM
226	See above.	4/27/2022 3:00 PM
227	Too much congestion in a green space.	4/27/2022 2:58 PM
228	Will be an eyesore on Tramway, might attract problems at night. I do think some additional parking would be good, just not a large lot as planned.	4/27/2022 2:56 PM
229	Absolutely not. There should be no construction in the Arroyo. Homeowners aren't allowed to build in the Arroyo. The city shouldn't be either. It impacts the wildlife. It impacts the beauty of the area. It would impact drainage of the year. It would cause suffocating congestion at the junction of Sims Park and Tramway.	4/27/2022 2:54 PM
230	I think this would be a good weekend service, with or without the event center, though I do not believe it would see use commiserate with the cost to build and operate it at any time.	4/27/2022 2:49 PM
231	Let the park be as it has remained for so many years. Shuttle bus service does not seem necessary.	4/27/2022 2:46 PM
232	If a visitor center is built, parking will be needed, but I'm not wholly in favor of building a center.	4/27/2022 2:45 PM
233	It would relive the small parking areas that exist now and encourage visitors to walk and see the area instead of a drive by.	4/27/2022 2:43 PM
234	I don't want buses in my backyard.	4/27/2022 2:43 PM

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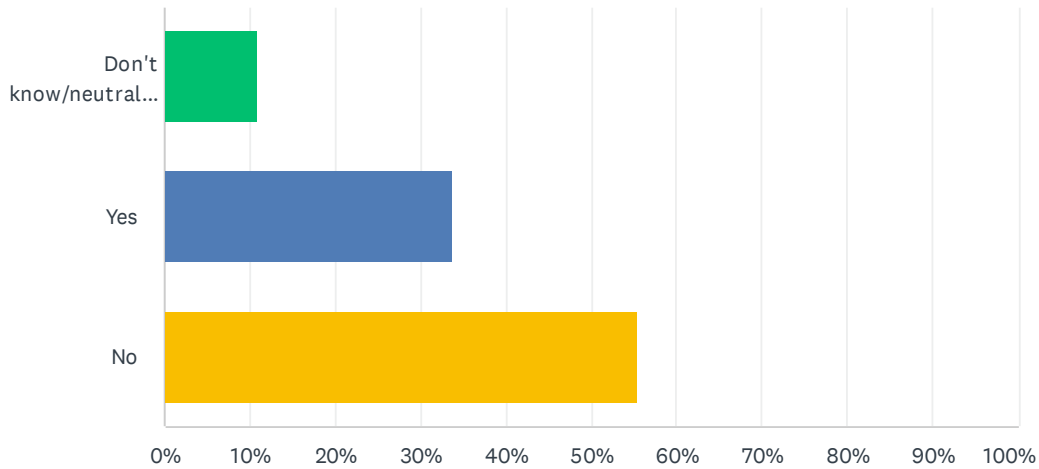
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235	I support the additional parking; however, I question the need for shuttle bus service. That appears it becoming an added city job and service needed VERY occasionally and seasonal.	4/27/2022 2:40 PM
236	Impact on the animals and nature to great.	4/27/2022 2:35 PM
237	Not needed.	4/27/2022 2:32 PM
238	Negative impact of increased traffic	4/27/2022 2:11 PM
239	Nobody would use a shuttle bus. Very annoying if it meant less parking.	4/27/2022 2:09 PM
240	Only if a nature center is constructed.	4/27/2022 1:58 PM
241	Not crazy about the shuttle bus. (What could go wrong?!🤔)	4/27/2022 1:57 PM
242	Why Who wants this?	4/27/2022 1:56 PM
243	A feasibility study is an assessment of the practicality of a proposed plan or project.....HOW can this satellite lot be included when there are NO answers to basic questions regarding this part of the plan!!! That seems irresponsible and inappropriate.	4/27/2022 1:54 PM
244	Is it really necessary? I'd hate to see a mostly-empty shuttle bus burning gas all day.	4/27/2022 1:53 PM
245	That open space gets used by walkers, dog walkers, hikers, runners, bikers. Paving it over would be an eyesore. Also pavement increases heat sink effects in area.	4/27/2022 1:51 PM
246	See above	4/27/2022 1:50 PM
247	I think the shuttle bus would be a waste of resources, both the bus and the fuel. I don't think many people would use the bus.	4/27/2022 1:49 PM
248	This would increase noise, congestion, disturb the animals natural habitat.	4/27/2022 1:47 PM
249	See above response of question 8	4/27/2022 1:45 PM
250	The last thing I want to hear are buses when trying to reach a quiet place to relax! Should we allow semitrucks on Tramway so we can hear those too? What if there are kids who get injured or just tired, do they have to wait for a bus to pick them up?	4/27/2022 1:41 PM
251	This is a totally unnecessary expense and if the Education and Event Center does happen to be built it should be built to accommodate parking for the visitors. The proposed Education and Event Center "should not" accommodate more visitors than associated on-site parking will allow.	4/27/2022 1:40 PM
252	This will decrease congestion surrounding the trailheads	4/27/2022 1:38 PM
253	to much traffic	4/27/2022 1:37 PM
254	It's good for people to be able to access the park.	4/27/2022 1:35 PM
255	Unless parking is quite small, it will interfere with the wildlife use and the drainage of the Pino Arroyo. Blocking the underpass for the apartment construction has already disturbed wildlife. Deer now have to cross Tramway rather than use the underpass. With parking and more cars & activity in the arroyo, there is further disturbance. A small lot running along Simms Rd might be acceptable.	4/27/2022 1:34 PM
256	The last thing that should be done is to invite more vehicular traffic and people into the Open Space. This is the worst idea. being proposed and everything should be done to stop it.	4/27/2022 1:30 PM
257	Don't need more cars / people on the trails	4/27/2022 1:28 PM
258	The area should remain pristine	4/27/2022 1:23 PM
259	More parking needed for weekends	4/27/2022 1:22 PM
260	it will only lead to more usage and conjection	4/27/2022 1:17 PM
261	I think use of remote parking with shuttle buses is impractical due to unpredictability of human activity in the park. Buses are expensive, polluting, and might not be financially viable.	4/27/2022 1:16 PM
262	It will be an eyesore in what is currently a beautiful area and scare away animals. Costs for a shuttle/driver to get people to the center. Security issues at night...will homeless camps turn up? Is parking free or will there be a paid attendant to collect fees?	4/27/2022 1:15 PM

263	dislike shuttle buses -- would prefer parking within easy walking distance	4/27/2022 1:11 PM
264	It would make Simms Park Rd. less safe for bikers and walkers and increase traffic onto and off Tramway. The air quality might decline from the bus exhaust. Crime and littering might increase, too.	4/27/2022 1:04 PM
265	The fewer cars at Elena Gallegos the better.	4/27/2022 1:02 PM
266	It's not needed	4/27/2022 12:55 PM
267	Waste of time and money. Just who do you think will use it? It's wishful thinking to believe you'll recoup any costs. Not enough folks would use it, unless you're thinking it would be used for elementary school field trips. If that's the case, improve Elena roads so a school bus can park in the existing community picnic area. And hire a ranger to handle those field trips. Have the kids take a nature hike. That's much better than being inside.	4/27/2022 12:53 PM
268	Again, what most people seem to want at Elena Gallegos is quite and proximity to nature. Not a highway.	4/27/2022 12:52 PM
269	Destruction of habitat and displacement of animals, increased mouse, increase congestion, increase trash and likely malfeasance by some by increasing in crime and car theft like we have seen in the small lot to go hike	4/27/2022 12:52 PM
270	I dont see any reason to open the space up for traffic and confusion	4/27/2022 12:50 PM
271	I have never had problems with parking but with upgraded facilities that could change	4/27/2022 12:47 PM
272	Dont think it is needed	4/27/2022 12:45 PM
273	Much prefer shuttle service to the top than multiple cars on the road	4/27/2022 12:43 PM
274	Not needed and will result in more noise and wildlife disruption.	4/27/2022 12:43 PM
275	Brings too much traffic and crime to the area. Disrupts our wildlife. More homes will be broken into. There are less populated areas to build such a structure.	4/27/2022 12:35 PM
276	Same reason as above	4/27/2022 12:34 PM
277	Seems completely unnecessary. The parking lot is never completely full and could be expanded, including with more handicapped parking. But there are currently parking lots that are almost never used.	4/27/2022 12:25 PM
278	No more construction please.	4/27/2022 12:25 PM
279	The less traffic in the park the better. Let's use shuttles or bicycles to get people there.	4/27/2022 12:24 PM
280	Too much traffic for area	4/27/2022 12:24 PM
281	It would attract too many people, make the space louder and more crowded. Surrounding streets would be busier and less safe.	4/27/2022 12:24 PM
282	I don't think it's a good idea to bring that level of human activity into a wild place. If people really want to get up to the trails, they can find a way. I also can't stand parking lots and how much trash they generate. People are always dumping garbage when the park, because they can't be bothered to find a trash can.	4/27/2022 12:23 PM
283	In arroyo? Ridiculous! Crime, pollution, noise.	4/27/2022 12:23 PM
284	Too many visitors disrupts the peace and quiet.	4/27/2022 12:15 PM
285	Not something I would use	4/27/2022 12:13 PM
286	The current parking keeps attendance minimal - which is key for preserving the main asset of EGOS - nature.	4/27/2022 12:06 PM
287	It's supposed to be open space. We don't need an ugly parking lot for hot rods to abuse.	4/27/2022 11:55 AM

Q11 Do you favor widening Simms Park Road from 22 ft to 34 ft to add 6 ft paved bike lanes and shoulders on each side to accommodate increased car, bus, and bike traffic.

Answered: 365 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Don't know/neutral/not sure	10.96%	40
Yes	33.70%	123
No	55.34%	202
TOTAL		365

Q12 Why or why not?

Answered: 279 Skipped: 89

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	To allow cyclists to be safer and accommodate school busses.	6/10/2022 6:34 AM
2	Bike lanes would improve safety but the widening might also increase traffic	6/9/2022 7:06 PM
3	Simms Park Road seems wide enough (I have used a bicycle without problem on it). Repaving the roads within the park to improve a little of the shoulder would be a far better/more effective use of funds.	6/8/2022 11:54 AM
4	Safety for the cyclists.	6/7/2022 7:56 AM
5	Wider road would be safer for all users, especially if traffic is likely to increase. Speed limit, however, should be dropped to 25 mph.	6/6/2022 10:02 PM
6	That road needs speed bumps and that will fix all the problems.	6/6/2022 1:07 PM
7	Too much added vehicle traffic with added number of visitors and accompanying litter and congestion. I am also concerned about the impact on wildlife and their habitat	6/6/2022 10:02 AM
8	Allow a slow down transition to the open space to appreciate what it offers.	6/5/2022 1:20 PM
9	I want to hear more about this from my bicyclist friends.	6/5/2022 12:59 PM
10	I was a biker	6/4/2022 10:32 AM
11	More traffic unneeded.	6/3/2022 5:32 PM
12	Not sure increased traffic would be a good thing in the first place. However, yes, if there is going to be increased traffic, improving safety of the road would be good.	6/2/2022 8:42 PM
13	I don't want increased traffic.	6/2/2022 5:35 PM
14	The environmental impact would suffer with the amount of cars and vehicles utilizing Simms Park Road.	6/2/2022 5:28 PM
15	Don't think it's necessary , most people going to Elana are respectful of cyclists .	6/2/2022 5:05 PM
16	Not sure of the impact on wildlife during construction, speeds will increase with a wider road, more trash in area	6/2/2022 2:17 PM
17	Increased traffic is not an improvement to the experience of Elena Gallegos.	5/31/2022 8:28 PM
18	It will invite more cars and speeding. More asphalt will add additional heat... ugly aesthetics	5/31/2022 8:21 PM
19	We do not want or need to encourage increased traffic.	5/31/2022 4:04 PM
20	Would be good for bicyclists, but would disturb traffic for so long. Prefer not, but understandable.	5/31/2022 2:36 PM
21	Car and bike traffic has increased and it will be safer if the road is expanded to accommodate it.	5/31/2022 2:16 PM
22	It will be necessary to handle increased traffic to the visitor center.	5/31/2022 2:16 PM
23	cyclists need more road space to avoid conflicts with vehicles	5/31/2022 11:51 AM
24	This improvement is beneficial if it is the only thing completed. It provides for increased safety of bikers/pedestrians and drivers on the road. It is a relatively low-impact project in the scheme of things and the road widening mitigates safety challenges.	5/31/2022 8:33 AM
25	Traffic, noise , wildlife, racing up and down it	5/31/2022 8:03 AM
26	Simms Road is very unsafe for bikers and pedestrians. That makes it unsafe for cars also.	5/31/2022 7:44 AM

	Suggest making the bike lanes safely separated from the road, then require bikers to use it.	
27	The park is already maxed out because of limited parking and there is no proposal to increase it, so: what increased traffic?	5/31/2022 7:38 AM
28	Just add the bike lanes	5/30/2022 6:31 PM
29	This is exactly the kind of thing that encourages bicycling! BUT, please put speed humps in the roadway so the cars don't speed up and speed down like they do now. Leave the bike lanes unhumped, weeee fun! Also please put speed trap cameras on the road tat will also ticket automatically if cars attempt to use the unhumped bike lanes.	5/30/2022 5:43 PM
30	We do NOT need traffic like this. Silliness.	5/30/2022 5:28 PM
31	Although I am in favor of an education center at the park, I do not think additional road improvements are needed in order to support the new facility.	5/30/2022 2:27 PM
32	This would just invite more speeding in this area. Increasing the chance of an motor vehicle accident with a pedestrian, equestrian, or bicyclist. The speed limit along Tramway and Simms Park road needs to be lowered dramatically.	5/30/2022 2:17 PM
33	Absolutely. The current sharing of the road is dangerous.	5/30/2022 10:13 AM
34	There is already a trail along the south side of the road for walkers and bikers to take. That could be improved/paved. I do not like making the area like a city street which would take away from the more natural feel of the area, and would increase traffic.	5/29/2022 1:45 PM
35	The Elena Gallegos Open Space needs no improvements. I believe there are other areas in Albuquerque that need money to be directed to improvements. Perhaps consider other areas in need of improvements.	5/29/2022 1:02 PM
36	The area is served adequately for the current volume of visitor use.	5/28/2022 6:40 PM
37	We need a quite large space in the nature to take a break from people, restore health, and workout. There are already too many noisy crowded places in the area, we do not need yet another one.	5/28/2022 1:20 PM
38	Is there really enough traffic to warrant widening the road? Most bikes heading to Elena Gallegos are mountain bikes and there is a bike trail running alongside the road — why not invest more in that, or widen it to allow more room for bikers and walkers?	5/28/2022 10:21 AM
39	A bike lane is needed, but do not need for increase traffic. People need to drive slow going to the park.	5/28/2022 10:06 AM
40	I ride it on my bike almost daily with no problem. Traffic needs to be slow	5/28/2022 9:47 AM
41	The road (Simms Park) is not busy enough to warrant widening, and widening the road only encourages people to drive their automobiles faster, which is anathema to any goal of making the space more visitor-friendly.	5/28/2022 9:21 AM
42	I believe that it would improve the safety of road users and invite better access to the open space without the crime concerns of the satellite parking lot/shuttle proposal.	5/28/2022 7:44 AM
43	Bus traffic? Why on earth would you assume that would happen? Sharing the road works so far, and I - again - contest the notion that traffic would increase	5/27/2022 10:14 PM
44	What is so difficult to understand open space?	5/27/2022 1:37 PM
45	There is a trail which is adequate for hikers and in some cases mountain bikers. Other bikers have managed to safely use the road as it is. Widening Simms Park road will only cause more destruction to the natural setting of the area.	5/27/2022 12:49 PM
46	Definitely repave the road and possibly add a 4 ft bike lane on each side.	5/27/2022 11:02 AM
47	The goal should not be to increase traffic along Simms Park Road. A narrower bike lane could be considered for safety of bicyclists.	5/26/2022 8:25 PM
48	Bigger road will reduce wildlife habitat food and corridors, speed up traffic and reduce safety at the intersection of Simms Park Road and Eagle Ridge Lane NE. There has got to be a better idea. Do not move the road closer to the county line of the road. Consider all the trees that will not get to live if the road is widened.	5/26/2022 4:38 PM

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49	What is now an adequate rural road would become an eyesore and have too much traffic. Going around an occasional bike is not a big deal.	5/26/2022 2:55 PM
50	No. How does the city expect to take the land (eminent domain) to accomplish this expansion since SIMMS Road is the only point of entry? The design imposes MORE problems than the site can accommodate. Furthermore, the proposal according to the FS is to use MY NEIGHBORHOOD to route traffic during the widening of SIMMS ROAD is unacceptable. I am vehemently opposed to allowing additional disruptive traffic patterns and human encroachment around a residential community and delicate ecosystem during an extreme drought. Planners cannot impose designs that disrupt the natural environment -- it is not a sustainable model in the age of climate change.	5/26/2022 2:01 PM
51	There currently exists a dirt pathway for hikers and bikers have been able to use Simms Park Rd safely. We do not need further destruction of the natural setting of Sandia Heights.	5/26/2022 12:06 PM
52	Please see note above. Maybe, but not convinced of the value of such an expansion in asphalt...	5/26/2022 12:06 PM
53	Do not need it now	5/26/2022 11:00 AM
54	No for buses, yes for bikes	5/26/2022 9:24 AM
55	would alter existing views / lower property values	5/25/2022 5:21 PM
56	Works well the way it is.	5/25/2022 4:38 PM
57	There exists a wide enough access space on the south side of Simms to accomodate a paved bike trail - which would really help traffic east of the current gate-way at the openspace boundary.	5/25/2022 1:48 PM
58	I strongly support this idea. I believe that many of the east-west roads in Sandia Heights (especially Live Oak) deserve a similar modification for bicyclist and pedestrian safety.	5/25/2022 9:11 AM
59	Increased traffic will be detrimental to the experience	5/25/2022 8:32 AM
60	See above	5/25/2022 8:11 AM
61	I don't favor the construction of the Education/etc. complex, so I would not favor this plan for Simms Park Rd. I don't know whether the bike lane that is there is sufficient for bikers, so I can't comment on whether that needs improvement. I've not seen that it gets a lot of use, but it certainly is used by some.	5/24/2022 5:32 PM
62	Too much traffic	5/24/2022 3:52 PM
63	Increased traffic on Simms Park Road is not likely unless there is another ban on outdoor activities during a pandemic. During Mayor Martin Chavez's tenure, a bike/hiking trail with adjacent landscaping was constructed along the south side of Simms Park Road. Currently there are fences along both sides of the road. Property owners have not been consulted. Cars, bikes, deer, and quail share the road now. Encouraging increased speeds by cars and bikes will certainly not help the deer and the quail.	5/24/2022 2:09 PM
64	I can see a need to widen the road but adding 12 feet is too much in my opinion. Adding one 6-foot, bidirectional bike lane makes sense to me, similar to what we have in the bosque.	5/24/2022 1:17 PM
65	I bike	5/24/2022 12:33 PM
66	Prefer less cars, buses.	5/24/2022 10:42 AM
67	See Above	5/24/2022 9:00 AM
68	Simms road works well as is and has a good parallel trail for bikers and hikers already. Further widening will hurt the watershed of the arroyo that it parallels.	5/24/2022 7:51 AM
69	Traffic low now. Wild places don't need pavement!	5/23/2022 10:26 PM
70	Bike lanes only Wider would be too intrusive and spoil area	5/23/2022 9:52 PM
71	I favor widening for bike lanes only, not for increased traffic. No buses please!!	5/23/2022 8:48 PM
72	Yes for safety reasons, particularly for bikers. The present situation is hazardous particularly on weekends	5/23/2022 8:40 PM

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73	extra expense and more traffic is not a benefit	5/23/2022 8:37 PM
74	Improving the roads will enhance safety and allow access for additional visitors	5/23/2022 8:05 PM
75	Yes but only to improve it for bike traffic.	5/23/2022 7:35 PM
76	same	5/23/2022 6:37 PM
77	same as above	5/23/2022 5:47 PM
78	Only need enough room for bikes.	5/23/2022 4:29 PM
79	Wider roads invite drag racing and speeding. Bikers would be safer to take the dirt trail along the south side of the road. Noise and pollution from vehicles and buses is not conducive to the tranquility of our neighborhood or protecting our wildlife.	5/21/2022 3:12 PM
80	It seems to work well as-is. It's easy to see someone on a bike, so a vehicle can give it some room to pass them.	5/18/2022 7:02 PM
81	Keep speed limit low thus allowing for safe bike traffic.	5/17/2022 5:31 PM
82	More safety for bike riders, but not necessary for promoting extra traffic.	5/17/2022 3:09 PM
83	I think it isn't safe for bikers right now and would like to see a safer bike area since many mountain bikers do use Elena Gallegos already.	5/17/2022 11:12 AM
84	Bicycles	5/16/2022 7:47 PM
85	Only if the road could be maintained, which it isn't at this point. I'm hitting the shrubs and cactus with my car trying to stay as far over in the correct lane to avoid bikers on the other side.	5/16/2022 5:04 PM
86	Simms Park Road is currently too narrow to accommodate vehicle, bicycle, and pedestrian traffic	5/14/2022 11:43 AM
87	bicycle safety	5/12/2022 7:38 AM
88	safety would be improved	5/9/2022 7:52 PM
89	I have never seen the road busy. Certainly never a line of traffic that would justify changes to the road other than maintenance.	5/9/2022 2:01 PM
90	The existing road is a bit dangerous. I accommodate riders by pulling completely into the opposite lane and driving slowly, but it's still risky. Yet widening the road would be very expensive, to accommodate a small number of people. So I'm torn.	5/8/2022 4:47 PM
91	Because it's not needed and will only detract for the beauty and solitude offered today.	5/8/2022 12:43 PM
92	All mtn bike riders I know drive to the trailhead and then ride. They do not ride up Simms park Road. There are not many people who even use the bike trails.	5/8/2022 11:42 AM
93	I would prefer a separate bike trail. Bike lanes are dangerous.	5/7/2022 9:12 PM
94	the bike traffic is considerable and a bike lane would help with attention and caution devoted to voiding redundant development and unintended consequences.	5/7/2022 12:12 PM
95	Current design is unsafe for road bikes. I believe it is important to retain the foot/MTB trail as well.	5/7/2022 9:52 AM
96	Safety for cyclists	5/6/2022 3:55 PM
97	Include traffic calming measures (speed bumps). Road conditions are currently not good at all - again, this should not be controversial as road improvements are truly needed even for current level of usage	5/6/2022 3:02 PM
98	Same. It will scare away animals, it will create more pollution. If I were like infrastructure that much then I would have lived in Tannoan or another places more south.	5/6/2022 2:19 PM
99	better access for bikes or people walking would be good. I hope buses are not going up there regularly however.	5/5/2022 10:57 AM
100	As above	5/4/2022 9:19 PM

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101	I am not sure it is necessary.	5/4/2022 8:53 PM
102	We visit Elena Gallegos open space at least 2 times a week and have never encountered a problem on Simms park road. Widening it might increase speeding.	5/4/2022 4:44 PM
103	Busses should not be allowed in Elena Gallegos as hot was not designed for busses. There is no need for a descending bike lane as road cyclists will continue to ride in the traffic lane for their own safety because of the slope of the road and the speed generated with the descent.	5/4/2022 4:12 PM
104	Bicycles do not use the current dirt bike path and force drivers across the dividing line on a curving road, creating danger for all. I have seen many drivers pull out on a blind curve around a bicyclist so that the driver can continue speeding up the road. The paved bike lanes would make the road safer. This should be done whether or not there are improvements to the park.	5/4/2022 10:23 AM
105	Bicyclists are heavy users and this is needed for safety.	5/4/2022 10:22 AM
106	Bike traffic accommodation would be fine though not to accommodate buses	5/4/2022 8:31 AM
107	See answers above.	5/3/2022 11:43 AM
108	leave it	5/3/2022 6:54 AM
109	There isn't enough room for a 34 ft wide street. Not necessary. This is starting to look like Paseo.	5/2/2022 9:49 PM
110	bike safety	5/2/2022 6:45 PM
111	The Sandia Heights community seems to be largely in agreement that Simms Park Road would be improved by adding a dedicated bike lane, to create safer conditions for bikers.	5/2/2022 5:37 PM
112	It needs wider walking paths.	5/2/2022 5:22 PM
113	Bikers are already rude and thoughtless, arrogant and snotty to those on foot	5/2/2022 3:01 PM
114	I like to bike up that road, it would make it much safer.	5/2/2022 2:55 PM
115	See above regarding improvement	5/2/2022 2:51 PM
116	The road is quite narrow currently and could use widening for more bike path safety	5/2/2022 2:33 PM
117	Safety	5/2/2022 1:38 PM
118	Open spaces should be accessible to ALL people NOT just in the neighborhood. Simms park road is very narrow and scary to walk or bike on.	5/2/2022 12:51 PM
119	It probably should have been done years ago	5/2/2022 12:41 PM
120	Improved bike infrastructure would actually be useful.	5/1/2022 10:13 PM
121	safer for biker, of course!	5/1/2022 8:34 PM
122	Roadway is fine as it currently is.	5/1/2022 7:54 PM
123	If you are adding the bus the certainly. Without the bus, I have no had a problem with the mixed-use and width.	5/1/2022 5:46 PM
124	Bike lanes on the edge of roads are very dangerous and should be avoided if at all possible. If you do build a bike lane, build it as a separate structure to avoid collisions and risky situations of two vehicles with different speeds on the same road.	5/1/2022 12:16 PM
125	Safety for bikers and walkers is a concern right now	5/1/2022 12:03 PM
126	Same reasoning as above.	4/30/2022 5:14 PM
127	Too close to neighboring areas of High Desert and Sandia Heights and a major apartment complex on the west side of Tramway.	4/30/2022 4:11 PM
128	Right now, there are many mountain bike trails in the park and surrounding areas. I am not against the use of mountain bikes but they do have some impact to the current park, this would significantly increase that problems such as erosion of the trails, breaking new trails into excluded areas, poor mixing of hikers and bikers, etc.	4/30/2022 2:34 PM
129	Again no need for more traffic	4/30/2022 1:44 PM

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130	Leave the rural ambiance alone!!! Too many people. Noise. Harm wildlife. More people =more crime. Albuquerque has too much crime already. Leave us alone. Our property values will go down.	4/30/2022 9:05 AM
131	It's horrendously dangerous to drive down that road, let alone bike it. It is shocking that nobody has gotten seriously hurt with his fastest bikes and cars come down.	4/30/2022 7:49 AM
132	Create an online reservation system. Stop the growth to preserve the open space as it is now.	4/29/2022 8:47 PM
133	See above. I am strongly in favor of improving bike and pedestrian access but believe that bike "lanes" are dangerous. Instead I suggest creating a dedicated multipurpose path for bikes and pedestrians.	4/29/2022 7:10 PM
134	As previously stated, I don't believe Elena Gallegos can accommodate ever increasing numbers of visitors. It is better to limit the numbers of visitors than to destroy wildlife habitat and encourage more peopl to utilize an already over-crowded trail system.	4/29/2022 5:03 PM
135	It is clear that bike lanes are needed but they should be no wider than those on city streets. And right now, the tightness of the road keeps cars from speeding. Widening the road will not just increase traffic, it will encourage some idiots to drive faster and thus make the road less safe, not more. Talk to traffic engineers to find out what happens when roads are made wider, with lots of room on the shoulder.	4/29/2022 4:04 PM
136	increased traffic would mean we should increase cyclist's safety. The other option would be to do a bidirectional bike lane off the road.	4/29/2022 2:43 PM
137	I am an avid road cyclist and Simms Park Road is one of my favorite places to ride.	4/29/2022 1:36 PM
138	Educational	4/29/2022 1:00 PM
139	A bike lane would be fine. I hate the idea of buses	4/29/2022 11:38 AM
140	Bike lanes fine, but DO NOT widen the road for cars or any traffic.	4/29/2022 10:57 AM
141	It's good for safety	4/29/2022 10:22 AM
142	need bike lanes even if expansion is not done	4/28/2022 8:11 PM
143	I favor bike trails but not with the purpose of increasing traffic	4/28/2022 6:55 PM
144	The road should be repaired and possibly. This proposal seems quite aggressive but a smaller approach would be welcomed	4/28/2022 5:57 PM
145	Currently dangerous for bicycles	4/28/2022 5:38 PM
146	Dangerous as is for bikes	4/28/2022 4:59 PM
147	It is fine as it is.	4/28/2022 3:51 PM
148	Don't want more traffic.	4/28/2022 2:55 PM
149	More safe with kids	4/28/2022 2:54 PM
150	It defeats the purpose of having a place to go to enjoy the peace and tranquillity of nature.	4/28/2022 2:45 PM
151	Only to accomodate non-motorized bikes. It can be pretty dangerous when there are bikes on the road now.	4/28/2022 2:19 PM
152	NO MORE TRAFFIC, air pollution, noise, intruding on residents adjacent to the space. Where are the studies on the traffic and visitor load?	4/28/2022 1:52 PM
153	Many of the same reasons outlined above.	4/28/2022 1:34 PM
154	You will invite speeding. Strategically place speed bumps . The vehicular access is just fine, don't invite dangerous behaviors.	4/28/2022 1:15 PM
155	Currently, the separation between bikers and cars is not safe.	4/28/2022 12:33 PM
156	There are already enough places to bike in and around ABQ. Bicycles are among the biggest traffic offenders as they ignore all rules of the road.	4/28/2022 10:42 AM
157	It will increase speeding on a very quiet and safe road. Why are we so concerned about bike riders?	4/28/2022 10:22 AM

158	It's fine as is	4/28/2022 10:22 AM
159	Simms needs to be repaved and vegetation along the road needs to be trimmed. Maybe a 2-3ft bike lane would be acceptable. Again the goal is to minimize habitat destruction. Our footprint in the foothills is already big enough.	4/28/2022 10:13 AM
160	Sims road as it is now is a dangerous place. As a walker, I always use the single lane path, because the road traffic moves way too fast with no shoulder for pedestrians. Also walkers unfamiliar with the area usually end up on the road, and trust me it is a scary situation. Many don't know the path exists.	4/28/2022 10:10 AM
161	The idea, I believe, is that this makes the road safer for cyclists. I am not opposed to the road being repaired but widening the road will have an environmental (run off, animal, loss of vegetation) that has not been taken into consideration.	4/28/2022 10:05 AM
162	As stated above, this is only a detriment to the surrounding neighborhoods, and to our fragile Sandia Mountain ecosystem.	4/28/2022 9:35 AM
163	More pavement requires destruction of greenspace and habitat. And what abatement measures are in place to compensate for the added noise, pollution (air, water, light), and litter that increased traffic will bring? The city's track record on keeping high-trafficked areas clean is abysmal, and up here litter attracts wildlife. Unfortunately, habituated wildlife, not the careless humans, bear the costs of this habituation in terms of injury and the possibility of "relocation" (which rarely "works" for the animal) or euthanasia (reference the bear situation of a few years back— Fish and Wildlife implemented bear traps in response to an incident of habituation here in Sandia Heights). If and until this urban/wild interface issue is addressed, this plan has some serious ethical issues.	4/28/2022 9:22 AM
164	the current roadway works just fine cars and cyclists coexist	4/28/2022 8:52 AM
165	More traffic.	4/28/2022 8:32 AM
166	Same as above	4/28/2022 7:55 AM
167	Not needed	4/28/2022 7:33 AM
168	Very repetitive questions. Again, please refer to previous answers	4/28/2022 7:13 AM
169	Lots of bikes travel this road. I believe adding safe bike paths is in Albuquerque's best interest. I think the kind of people Albuquerque wants to retain / attract look for these kind of amenities.	4/28/2022 2:13 AM
170	Increased noise, traffic, speeding, unsafe T intersection at Eagle Ridge Lane and Simms Park Rd with potential for collisions between cars and bikers	4/28/2022 12:38 AM
171	Safety and access.	4/27/2022 11:24 PM
172	The road is unsafe as it is, especially when there are bikers and/or runners sharing it with cars and trucks.	4/27/2022 10:10 PM
173	Same as above.	4/27/2022 10:02 PM
174	As a cyclist - it is not needed	4/27/2022 9:56 PM
175	See #11	4/27/2022 9:19 PM
176	Currently a hazard with cars and bikes sharing the road	4/27/2022 9:04 PM
177	Would rather preserve the vegetation, keep traffic moving more slowly, fewer cars at a time.	4/27/2022 8:44 PM
178	For reasons above particularly the increase of all kinds of traffic, accidents, cleanup, etc.	4/27/2022 8:37 PM
179	The road is adequate to the current visitor access level. This is a neighborhood not a thoroughfare.	4/27/2022 8:25 PM
180	Traffic congestion	4/27/2022 8:22 PM
181	It is fine for the traffic volumes we have on the road. I see that road all day every day and there is little traffic. The busses stage there in the mornings before school.	4/27/2022 8:17 PM
182	We are against it, because the increased traffic will be more dangerous than it is now for the bikes. The speed will make it a fast and dangerous road. There is a concern that accidents will	4/27/2022 7:23 PM

	increase substantially.	
183	Because as it is now, bikers take the whole road and it is dangerous.	4/27/2022 7:16 PM
184	Good safety improvement for bikes & pedestrians	4/27/2022 6:57 PM
185	I hiked, walked and biked there for years. Never felt like needed a road improvement	4/27/2022 6:52 PM
186	increased traffic is incompatible with open space experience	4/27/2022 6:40 PM
187	Only interested in adding bike lanes	4/27/2022 6:27 PM
188	The wider the street the faster the traffic.	4/27/2022 6:25 PM
189	Completely unnecessary, as are the shuttle busses and increased traffic that a visitor center will bring.	4/27/2022 6:20 PM
190	This is a unique part of the Alb; keep it unspoiled please.	4/27/2022 5:30 PM
191	Better bike access would be very appreciated	4/27/2022 5:30 PM
192	It's needed	4/27/2022 5:26 PM
193	Only widen it to add a bike path.	4/27/2022 5:21 PM
194	Road has long needed repaving and bike lanes.	4/27/2022 5:20 PM
195	Simms Park Road is too narrow at present for the safe use by bicyclists and motorists simultaneously. Please widen and add dedicated bike lanes in both direction.	4/27/2022 4:56 PM
196	Leave it alone. Nothing is wrong with current status.	4/27/2022 4:50 PM
197	Not needed	4/27/2022 4:46 PM
198	There are paved bike lanes along Tramway. This is sufficient.	4/27/2022 4:41 PM
199	Too many people driving an impossible route.	4/27/2022 4:38 PM
200	See #10	4/27/2022 4:37 PM
201	I do not want increased traffic in that area.	4/27/2022 4:36 PM
202	Riding your bike or jogging on the road is dangerous for the bikers/joggers and slows down the traffic.	4/27/2022 4:29 PM
203	Improving access to the open space is a good idea.	4/27/2022 4:26 PM
204	its not busy now, even on sundays	4/27/2022 4:24 PM
205	Walking and biking is difficult down Sims.	4/27/2022 4:16 PM
206	see above	4/27/2022 4:16 PM
207	bike lanes are fine, don't want to invite more traffic	4/27/2022 3:59 PM
208	Safer for biking	4/27/2022 3:56 PM
209	It's not fair to the people who live in that area to have huge buses going up and down. The paring lot should be next to the building to serve those who want to go IN the building and it shouldn't be built! The END.	4/27/2022 3:52 PM
210	Yes, the road is too narrow for bikes to safely ride on this road.	4/27/2022 3:45 PM
211	loss of trail heading up to EGOS	4/27/2022 3:45 PM
212	Dirt path too narrow for bikes and people	4/27/2022 3:40 PM
213	cost taxpayer money	4/27/2022 3:37 PM
214	I believe expansions that support the safety of foot traffic and cyclists is appropriate.	4/27/2022 3:37 PM
215	For safety reasons -- yes; For increased traffic -- definitely NO.	4/27/2022 3:33 PM
216	safer for bikes	4/27/2022 3:31 PM

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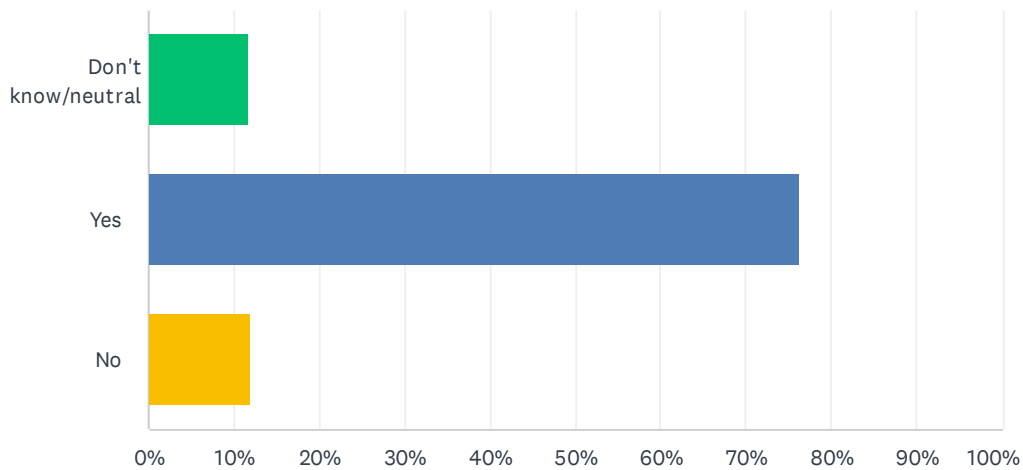
217	Low traffic volume and low speed limits are appropriate for 99% of vehicular traffic. More space will encourage risky driving /biking practices and more accidents.	4/27/2022 3:31 PM
218	drivers need to slow down, ditches and erosion need to be repaired	4/27/2022 3:25 PM
219	I don't want increased traffic	4/27/2022 3:21 PM
220	NO, we moved up to this location for the serenity of the space.	4/27/2022 3:11 PM
221	Please see above comments. I do support improved lane delineation on Simms Park Road--not only for vehicles, but also for cyclists and for those on foot. The first two currently pose constant hazards for the latter.	4/27/2022 3:10 PM
222	Only if it doesn't require demolishing more natural plant life or wildlife.	4/27/2022 3:07 PM
223	Open space will be decreased. Bike riders need to share the road with motorists and they need to obey traffic laws, they don't need a separate lane because the road has too many curves in it.	4/27/2022 3:06 PM
224	Probably, see above.	4/27/2022 3:00 PM
225	Too much traffic in a green space.	4/27/2022 2:58 PM
226	It's narrow and perhaps unsafe for walkers and bikers. But 12' is too much. How about a lane on one side?	4/27/2022 2:56 PM
227	Speeds on that road are supposed to be very slow. If speeds are here too, there is plenty of room for both bikers and drivers. Enforce the laws!	4/27/2022 2:54 PM
228	It is already too narrow for current traffic and dangerous for bicycles and pedestrians.	4/27/2022 2:49 PM
229	What makes Elena so nice is that traffic is minimal.	4/27/2022 2:46 PM
230	See above	4/27/2022 2:45 PM
231	Encourages edge park if and is a fire and pollution hazard.	4/27/2022 2:43 PM
232	This road is used by bikes a lot and they need space to make it safer for them.	4/27/2022 2:43 PM
233	Existing road is adequate if maintained appropriately. Do not need the obviously large expense that comes along with road building.	4/27/2022 2:40 PM
234	Impact on wildlife and nature to great and not needed	4/27/2022 2:35 PM
235	Not needed.	4/27/2022 2:32 PM
236	No bus traffic	4/27/2022 2:11 PM
237	Safety.	4/27/2022 2:09 PM
238	Will be made safer and reduce anticipated congestion.	4/27/2022 1:57 PM
239	No no no	4/27/2022 1:56 PM
240	I watch the bikers ride down SPR and agree that a bike lane could be safer for them - that is UNTIL you add a parking lot in the arroyo which is accessed by CROSSING THE DOWNHILL BIKE LANE! With the sun in your eyes that could spell disaster!	4/27/2022 1:54 PM
241	Hooray for bicycles. I try to bike everywhere, it's the ideal way to get around.	4/27/2022 1:53 PM
242	See above	4/27/2022 1:50 PM
243	It's not busy at present. Even increased traffic would be in the capacity of the current road.	4/27/2022 1:49 PM
244	This would increase noise, congestion, disturb the animals.	4/27/2022 1:47 PM
245	See response on question 8	4/27/2022 1:45 PM
246	Why are we trying to fix something that is not broken? Is the plan to increase car, bus and bike traffic? Again, what is the purpose of open space? Is it to pack as many people in that area as possible? Is there a problem with nature? Is the plan to develop it like everything around it?	4/27/2022 1:41 PM
247	Simms Park Road is perfect now. Other than ongoing repairs and maintenance keep it the way it is. I am on it daily and both cars and bikes live together in harmony. I see no issues with it	4/27/2022 1:40 PM

currently.

248	Bickers do not obey signs or lanes.	4/27/2022 1:37 PM
249	It will make it safer.	4/27/2022 1:35 PM
250	If there actually is increased traffic, the improvements to Simms Rd will be needed. With current traffic, widening is not needed. Should do this and the parking lot last in the upgrades to see first if there really is a need.	4/27/2022 1:34 PM
251	Nothing should be done to increase car and bus traffic. Expanded bike lanes and hiking lanes are fine; otherwise leave well enough alone.	4/27/2022 1:30 PM
252	Will ruin the beauty of the area	4/27/2022 1:23 PM
253	Not enough safe room for bikers	4/27/2022 1:22 PM
254	safety for bicyclists	4/27/2022 1:17 PM
255	Looks like there is room enough, and this would prevent competition between bicycles and cars.	4/27/2022 1:16 PM
256	Yes to encourage cycles not cars. The cars drive pretty fast on Simms, so it would help ensure biker safety.	4/27/2022 1:15 PM
257	If it was a stand alone fix, then yes.	4/27/2022 1:04 PM
258	Don't need more traffic.	4/27/2022 1:02 PM
259	It would be nice to allow for more bikes	4/27/2022 12:55 PM
260	Not needed.	4/27/2022 12:53 PM
261	Widening the road would make it safer for bike riders, but I don't like the idea of shuttle buses and bikes sharing the road.	4/27/2022 12:52 PM
262	Not needed if nature preserved	4/27/2022 12:52 PM
263	There is a trail too so this seems unnecessary.	4/27/2022 12:47 PM
264	Make it more friendly to outdoor activities	4/27/2022 12:45 PM
265	Bike safety	4/27/2022 12:43 PM
266	Not needed and will result in more noise and wildlife disruption.	4/27/2022 12:43 PM
267	Bicyclist have the entire length of Tramway plus other areas to get their exercise. More bikes will cause more accidents.	4/27/2022 12:35 PM
268	Same reason as above	4/27/2022 12:34 PM
269	I like it the way it is, with the dirt trail off to the South side (which we hike and ride on regularly).	4/27/2022 12:25 PM
270	No more construction.	4/27/2022 12:25 PM
271	Let's keep the traffic away from the nature area.	4/27/2022 12:24 PM
272	keep rural	4/27/2022 12:24 PM
273	It would encourage more traffic, more people and more crowding.	4/27/2022 12:24 PM
274	Biking on this road is unsafe.	4/27/2022 12:23 PM
275	Traffic	4/27/2022 12:23 PM
276	Same as above	4/27/2022 12:15 PM
277	Not sure of the need.	4/27/2022 12:13 PM
278	I favor widening for a bike path, but not for increased motor vehicle traffic.	4/27/2022 12:06 PM
279	Traffic is not that bad currently	4/27/2022 11:55 AM

Q13 Do you favor the repair and maintenance of existing trails and facilities in Elena Gallegos Open Space to include: repaving of the Loop Road; updates to reservation areas, picnic areas, and vault toilets; removal of the barn near the Cottonwood Springs Area; and repairs and improvements along the ADA accessible Cottonwood Springs Trail?

Answered: 366 Skipped: 2



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Don't know/neutral	11.75%	43
Yes	76.23%	279
No	12.02%	44
TOTAL		366

Q14 Why or why not?

Answered: 207 Skipped: 161

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Allowing more people to use the space	6/10/2022 6:34 AM
2	Updating existing facilities is needed periodically	6/9/2022 7:06 PM
3	These repairs/maintenance actions of existing facilities should be the primary focus of available ongoing funds. Capital improvements should be limited to a very few more picnic areas/shade structures and parking spaces within the park.	6/8/2022 11:54 AM
4	These updates will encourage people to use and enjoy the park.	6/7/2022 7:56 AM
5	Of course, keep track and take care of what already exists.	6/6/2022 10:02 PM
6	This is a park and those are the things the city should be focused on improving.	6/6/2022 1:07 PM
7	This will provide additional supportive amenities to the cohort that use the area as well as to the community surrounding the area.	6/6/2022 10:02 AM
8	Some repaving and improvement of the toilets are ok. The trails have been loved to death since the park opened in the 80's	6/5/2022 1:20 PM
9	There are areas that need maintenance (ADA trails). But I don't see a reason to remove the barn. For me it reminds me of the history of the area, like Domingo Baca's cabin on the FS land. I like the idea of being frugal with public funds.	6/5/2022 12:59 PM
10	I am now wheelchair dependent.	6/4/2022 10:32 AM
11	This is maintenance.	6/3/2022 5:32 PM
12	This sounds like a good way to help the ABQ populace enjoy Elena Gallegos without increasing foot traffic excessively.	6/2/2022 8:42 PM
13	We need an update	6/2/2022 5:35 PM
14	Needs updated.	6/2/2022 5:28 PM
15	We need to take care of our existing facilities and accommodate those with handicaps	6/2/2022 2:17 PM
16	Currently, parts of the loop road are in bad shape due to neglected maintenance. How will all these other "improvements" result in better maintenance when proper maintenance is apparently not affordable now?	5/31/2022 8:28 PM
17	Ale what is there more useable	5/31/2022 8:21 PM
18	If it ain't broke, don't fix it!	5/31/2022 4:04 PM
19	Trails need regular maintenance. The rest leave alone.	5/31/2022 2:36 PM
20	We use the area frequently and feel it should be well maintained	5/31/2022 2:16 PM
21	Open infrastructure should be well maintained for public use.	5/31/2022 2:16 PM
22	continued improvements of existing amenities is a positive amenity for the city	5/31/2022 11:51 AM
23	We should take care of what we have now and improve it.	5/31/2022 8:03 AM
24	CoA should upgrade these facilities. Use the available funds to repair the infrastructure already in existence. Specifically improve and expand one reservation area to an open air classroom size with water, toilets and bus parking so that ONE school class at a time can use it. Seek input from APS environmental educators to design what they need. Provide at least one picnic area that is truly ADA accessible.	5/31/2022 7:44 AM
25	maintenance is good	5/31/2022 7:38 AM

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26	The barn is a charming momento from history. Yes I support repair upgrade of vault toilets but more so I approve keeping them clean. Repaving the loop road is a tricky one. In NM because of the power of big oil we put too much oil in the asphalt so the roads don't last as long. So yes I would approve repaving the road if it was done in a more ecologically sound manner and using processes and materials that are proven to have a longer live than macadam. ADA improvements of course.	5/30/2022 5:43 PM
27	A-OK as the area is right now!!	5/30/2022 5:28 PM
28	In my opinion the hiking trails receive the most use and need regular maintenance to maintain them.	5/30/2022 2:27 PM
29	I favor maintenance and repair but not at the cost of further development.	5/30/2022 2:17 PM
30	Repairs and maintenance of existing facilities is good.	5/29/2022 1:45 PM
31	Yes, I am in favor of maintaining the existing facilities and trails in Elena Gallegos Open Space.	5/29/2022 1:02 PM
32	I support maintenance of existing facilities. Yes, the road needs potholes filled, vandalism to picnic tables should be corrected, the volleyball net should be maintained, the water supplied from spigots should be potable and available, and the ADA facilities need care. Those are the priorities we need to catch up with. Expansion of current facilities has no need.	5/28/2022 6:40 PM
33	Making the space nicer and more useful is a worthy investment.	5/28/2022 10:21 AM
34	Improvements to provide greater access to the Open Space and the trails that begin/run through are important. It is most important to provide all people, regardless of physical ability, the opportunity to enjoy Nature by being surrounded by it (as much as is practicable).	5/28/2022 9:21 AM
35	It will improve user experience and the useful life of the open space.	5/28/2022 7:44 AM
36	Within reason, maintaining current infrastructure is reasonable	5/27/2022 10:14 PM
37	The trails are fine	5/27/2022 6:39 PM
38	improvements to trails and existing facilities is good.	5/27/2022 12:49 PM
39	Yes to some repairs and maintenance of existing trails and facilities. Is the repave of the road needed now? What updates for picnic areas and reservation areas and vault toilets? Yes, update and care for the ADA Cottonwood Springs Trail. It's a good idea and well used. It is outside in Open Space.	5/26/2022 4:38 PM
40	It's in need of updating and general improvements, without an Education Center.	5/26/2022 2:55 PM
41	Yes, however, do not approve of additional "hardscape" paving as it impacts drainage. Trail repair is critical to public safety as well as habitat conservation. With a lack of ownership -- visitors are inclined to deface property. Has the city considered "alternate use" so as not to further stress the environment -- where "picnics" may not be the desired activity? There is already a ban on cooking on-site. Small is good.	5/26/2022 2:01 PM
42	Improvements of paths and roads, reservation and picnic areas is good. Removal of any structures is also a positive step.	5/26/2022 12:06 PM
43	That is improving what we have	5/26/2022 11:00 AM
44	This is a great area for hiking	5/25/2022 5:21 PM
45	Yes to all of the above, except, the barn has always been a part of the openspace area and only removal needed if it serves no purpose to store equipment, etc. -- perhaps replace with a more modern structure better suited??. It was there in the early 1980s when work by VFO volunteers put in the water line for the existing water fountain near the loop parking and helped build the existing trail system - worked on a number of those efforts in the past, including the water line installation.	5/25/2022 1:48 PM
46	I'm not familiar with these facilities.	5/25/2022 9:11 AM
47	Low impact. Improves existing facilities	5/25/2022 8:11 AM
48	I'll repeat that I think the trails are in pretty good shape, and I greatly appreciate that. I don't know where the vault toilets are, nor the barn. I've never used a picnic area, but they look very	5/24/2022 5:32 PM

nice, and certainly should be maintained. Yes, repaving is good to do as necessary. As I mentioned before, my pet peeve is the disgusting way dog walkers (some) leave their poop bags on the sides of trails.

49	This sounds like care and maintenance of what's already there.	5/24/2022 3:52 PM
50	This is a question with too many unrelated issues. Maintenance of the road, picnic areas, and toilets seem to be reasonable needs that should be assumed. Removal of a barn is not. Trail maintenance varies depending on the group served. The goals should be preservation of existing habitat and topography. Native bees and other insects nest along some of the unpaved trails so that "improvement" could significantly impact these species.	5/24/2022 2:09 PM
51	they need it	5/24/2022 12:33 PM
52	TOO MUCH IN ONE QUESTION! Repave the loop trail OK. Leave the barn - no harm. The toilettes are well maintained and clean already. ADA for the Cottonwood springs trail would be OK.	5/24/2022 7:51 AM
53	Does not change things much	5/23/2022 9:52 PM
54	I don't know when the last time these improvements were made. I mostly hike through a neighborhood trail and not through the park itself off of Simms Road	5/23/2022 8:48 PM
55	These improvements need to be integrated with on line or digital access to parking so as not to overwhelm the proposed changes. It makes sense to alert motorists that the parking lot is full before they drive up the road only to find that there is no parking available. Park access should be linked to available parking	5/23/2022 8:40 PM
56	Yes - all sounds good and a worthy investment. Stay true to the open space vision.	5/23/2022 7:35 PM
57	same	5/23/2022 6:37 PM
58	maintenance of the existing features is a logical use of public funds	5/23/2022 5:47 PM
59	Yes, if left as natural as possible.	5/23/2022 4:29 PM
60	existing trails need to be maintained and off trail areas need to be protected. I don't think the Cottonwood Springs barn should be removed. It should be maintained to a good safety standard. The area is a good source for wildlife to get water. It should be maintained so as not to become a fire hazard.	5/21/2022 3:12 PM
61	I think maintenance/repair is fine but I don't see a need for such a large project, from my experience on that road.	5/18/2022 7:02 PM
62	This is how we and many people use the park.	5/17/2022 5:31 PM
63	The current level of maintenance of the existing trails and bridges is poor. More should be done. The barn removal is unnecessary . It contributes to the ambiance. However, any trash and barbed wire should be removed.	5/17/2022 3:09 PM
64	If you are going to have these facilities here you have to maintain them.	5/17/2022 11:12 AM
65	Not sure that this would help much.	5/16/2022 5:04 PM
66	These repairs and maintenance are overdue.	5/14/2022 11:43 AM
67	Those facilities are run-down; they need repair & maintenance.	5/12/2022 7:38 AM
68	why not?	5/9/2022 7:52 PM
69	The ADA tail is in disrepair. The parking lots need repair. Rarely use the toilets, but having them in good repair is better for the environment. However, if the city is not going to maintain the area better than they have in the past, better to let it revert to a natural state.	5/9/2022 2:01 PM
70	This seems like a prudent use of funds to maximize what we have. To repeat my comments from above: 1. Add more parking at the trailhead. Re-stripe the existing parking so it can accommodate more cars. 2. Build a real bathroom at the trailhead, with a place to fill water bottles, a big map of the open space and cautionary signs. 3. Improve the existing trails -Add another trail for small children near the trailhead. -Improve signage. Add 18" x 18" signs at each trail intersection that show the open space map and have a "you are here" arrow. -Add	5/8/2022 4:47 PM

	interpretative signs explaining the geology of the Sandias, varieties of plant life, and wildlife to look for.	
71	Because today's infrastructure is just fine. Our tax dollars have better uses than this proposal.	5/8/2022 12:43 PM
72	It is beautiful just the way it is. UPgrades would make it ugly.	5/8/2022 11:42 AM
73	I like trees	5/7/2022 9:12 PM
74	I don't favor barn removal.	5/7/2022 12:12 PM
75	These measures are all needed to preserve existing facilities.	5/7/2022 9:52 AM
76	Space is used often by naturists	5/6/2022 3:55 PM
77	Very necessary repairs just to maintain a usable facility. Recent trail work is very much appreciated!!!	5/6/2022 3:02 PM
78	It is fine the way it is. I don't have particular issue with it. If someone thinks repair is needed I am ok with it.	5/6/2022 2:19 PM
79	good updates for current users	5/5/2022 10:57 AM
80	If the state has to spend money on open space, it should be for this. Nothing more.	5/4/2022 4:44 PM
81	Repair and maintenance of existing trails and facilities is necessary. I see no reason to remove the barn.	5/4/2022 4:12 PM
82	OK as long as "updates" does not mean expansion	5/4/2022 10:23 AM
83	This is such a fragile area. Trails need to be maintained to control erosion, and new trailblazers need to be held in check.	5/4/2022 10:22 AM
84	Improving the trails is a good idea	5/4/2022 8:31 AM
85	Maintenance of existing trails is needed. Not sure about new facilities or trails.	5/3/2022 11:43 AM
86	leave it natural	5/3/2022 6:54 AM
87	It's needed. I would also add: open the reservation gates and let these areas be used and only gate them prior to an event.	5/2/2022 9:49 PM
88	The trails and bathrooms are due for maintenance, and these repairs would be appreciated by the hikers and bikers who regularly visit the EGOS.	5/2/2022 5:37 PM
89	sorry but the more "improvements" the more people	5/2/2022 3:01 PM
90	Thinks are pretty dated.	5/2/2022 2:55 PM
91	Leave the barn. Artists need it. But ADA improvement necessary Do everything else.	5/2/2022 2:51 PM
92	Outdated	5/2/2022 1:38 PM
93	dont have enough info on environmental impact.	5/2/2022 12:51 PM
94	The are in much need of updating	5/2/2022 12:41 PM
95	Why does the barn need to be removed? Is it a hazard? What could done to improve the manmade pond on site?	5/1/2022 10:13 PM
96	it is dangerous as it is now	5/1/2022 8:34 PM
97	the park's facilities need updating and repairs. Again, can not believe they want to build a new facility when they currently can not keep up the current facilities in a state of good repair.	5/1/2022 12:16 PM
98	They are all useful existing facilities, keeping them in good repair makes sense as there is demand for their use.	5/1/2022 12:03 PM
99	um, what barn???	4/30/2022 5:14 PM
100	Updates to usable open space areas	4/30/2022 4:11 PM
101	Toilets are out of date and insufficient for the number of people that come up there. They are disgusting and a health hazard. Infrastructure improvement is desperately needed for the	4/30/2022 7:49 AM

safety of participants.

102	Maintenance and upkeep is one thing, new construction is another. This is not Disney land.	4/29/2022 8:47 PM
103	1) un-necessary to remove the barn. 2) agree with repair of trails and roads but re-paving is not needed	4/29/2022 7:10 PM
104	Updating and maintaining existing infrastructure is a good idea.	4/29/2022 5:03 PM
105	These are the normal maintenance things that need to be done and will ensure that roads and structures don't deteriorate and encourage vandalism.	4/29/2022 4:04 PM
106	I love hiking the trails in Elena Gallegos.	4/29/2022 1:36 PM
107	Educational	4/29/2022 1:00 PM
108	These improvements would not change the atmosphere	4/29/2022 11:38 AM
109	Do not want parking expanded	4/29/2022 10:57 AM
110	These activities are the heart of the park	4/28/2022 5:57 PM
111	Does not detract from nature experience	4/28/2022 5:38 PM
112	Repairs of existing structures is fine but no expansion.	4/28/2022 3:51 PM
113	I favor the repair and maintenance of the existing facilities but not the expansion of those facilities.	4/28/2022 2:45 PM
114	Absolutely.	4/28/2022 2:19 PM
115	Improve restroom facilities.	4/28/2022 1:52 PM
116	I love ALL of these ideas and they make perfect sense!	4/28/2022 1:34 PM
117	Just the basic repairs and bathroom facilities. Don't pave paradise!	4/28/2022 1:15 PM
118	Elena Gallegos is great as it is! Just maintain the existing infrastructure!	4/28/2022 10:42 AM
119	Those are reasonable changes to make that could improve the safety and accessibility of the EGOS, without increasing trash, risk to wildlife, pollution, wildfire risk and congestion.	4/28/2022 10:23 AM
120	The current facilities are adequate. A refreshing to the current facilities would be a good idea. Adding more education signs, redoing the pond, adding some more car and a few bus parking spots for classrooms in the current parking footprint would achieve what the city is looking for according to their wishes to accomodate more people and have the ability for kids to come up and learn about the open space. This makes it more user friendly without the destruction of the ecosystem.	4/28/2022 10:13 AM
121	I do not use the picnic or reservation areas. All the time I spend in the foothills is running/walking/hiking. I do enjoy seeing families and groups enjoying the open space.	4/28/2022 10:05 AM
122	As long as these improvements do not change the unique character and experience we currently have.	4/28/2022 9:35 AM
123	Maintenance of existing facilities is appropriate. Existing facilities provide for a range of visitors. I especially like that the trail is ADA accessible.	4/28/2022 9:22 AM
124	More crowding	4/28/2022 8:32 AM
125	Leave the space alone!!! It is already beautiful	4/28/2022 7:55 AM
126	Not needed	4/28/2022 7:33 AM
127	Could use some updates to accommodate ADA need individuals	4/28/2022 7:13 AM
128	In my opinion, this is a really nice open space. And continued maintenance of this only helps.	4/28/2022 2:13 AM
129	This would enhance the outdoor experience for visitors	4/28/2022 12:38 AM
130	If you are going to have increased visitation, you need supporting infrastructure.	4/27/2022 11:24 PM
131	Those improvements are needed.	4/27/2022 10:10 PM

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132	I favor upgrading the existing facilities but not the proposed expansion.	4/27/2022 10:02 PM
133	Trails always require maintenance, but that happens yearly anyway by volunteer groups	4/27/2022 9:56 PM
134	Already adequate.	4/27/2022 9:19 PM
135	Not necessary	4/27/2022 9:04 PM
136	Repair and maintenance of existing trails is a good idea	4/27/2022 8:25 PM
137	Let's maintain the beautiful park we have.	4/27/2022 8:17 PM
138	It is always a benefit to all to improve open space conditions.	4/27/2022 7:23 PM
139	Leave it as it is now. Totally proficient	4/27/2022 6:52 PM
140	Repairs and upgrades to existing facilities is compatible with open space. If existing facilities cannot be maintained, it makes no sense to build more.	4/27/2022 6:40 PM
141	No, I think that the existing facilities are in good repair and don't want to encourage more group activities and increased number of people spoiling a cherished Open Space that is vulnerable already	4/27/2022 6:27 PM
142	We don't want all of the above listed & that's not a choice. After the Salt Lake City Olympics, Zion's Narrows became so crowded that a tourist in the river where everyone was walking pushed me out of their way. They were just there laughing and yelling and no one saw any wildlife.	4/27/2022 6:25 PM
143	The maintenance issues within the Open Space should be priorities, especially with the current usage. An expansion via a visitor/education center would push maintenance further behind.	4/27/2022 6:20 PM
144	Maintenance without changing beauty of area.	4/27/2022 5:30 PM
145	It's needed	4/27/2022 5:26 PM
146	It should be accessible to all.	4/27/2022 5:21 PM
147	More people can enjoy the space.	4/27/2022 5:20 PM
148	Roads are falling apart	4/27/2022 4:50 PM
149	These don't seem to be good improvements for the majority of the population that use the trails, hike and bike. People need to make an effort!	4/27/2022 4:41 PM
150	Keep it useful	4/27/2022 4:38 PM
151	Upkeep what is current; no need for extra facilities.	4/27/2022 4:36 PM
152	I'm not a hiker.	4/27/2022 4:29 PM
153	The facilities at the open space are well laid out and improving them will increase usage.	4/27/2022 4:26 PM
154	this will not change the character of the park	4/27/2022 4:16 PM
155	This is a good idea	4/27/2022 4:15 PM
156	some small level of repair-upgrade would be fine, but the area doesn't need to be 'world class'.	4/27/2022 3:59 PM
157	For safety maintenance is important	4/27/2022 3:45 PM
158	Would need to see plan on paper	4/27/2022 3:40 PM
159	cost money	4/27/2022 3:37 PM
160	See answer to #8	4/27/2022 3:37 PM
161	repairing and maintaining trails benefits all who visit Elena Gallegos. The same can be said for all other mentioned improvements, while safeguarding the the reason for this park's existence.	4/27/2022 3:33 PM
162	The only valid improvement would be to toilet facilities. The other proposed projects appear to be money chasing an objective that will detract from the natural setting that is the essence of Elena Gallegos.	4/27/2022 3:31 PM
163	am not in favor of removing the barn	4/27/2022 3:28 PM

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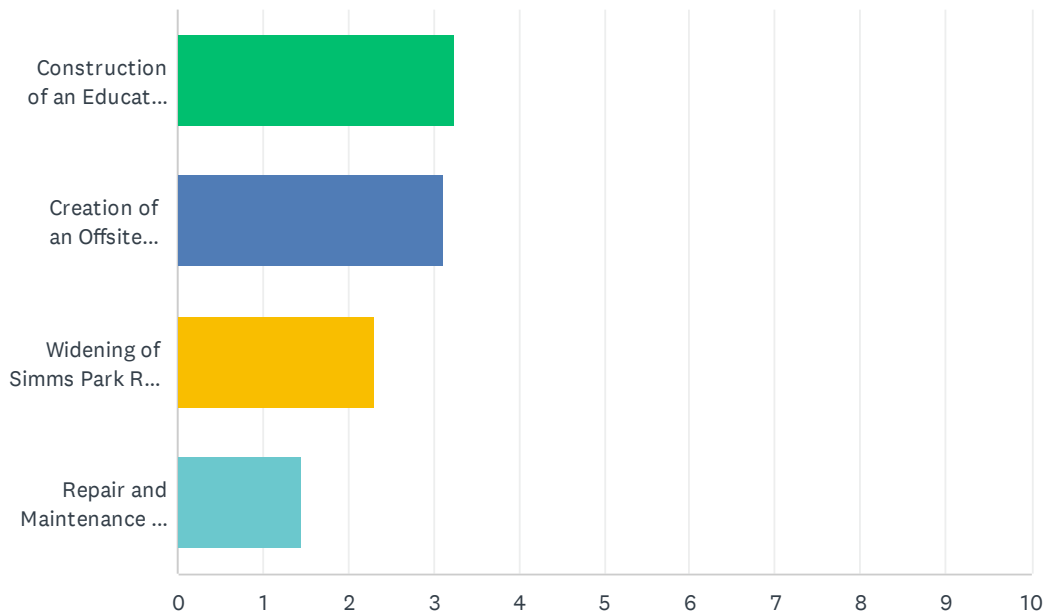
164	I want to know what the rangers and volunteers want and need without the pressure of politics and media.	4/27/2022 3:25 PM
165	Trail improvements will improve the hiking experience for everyone.	4/27/2022 3:21 PM
166	Leave it alone.	4/27/2022 3:11 PM
167	The only portion of this question I do not support is the repaving of the Loop Road. All other improvements are necessary and sufficient to promote use and enjoyment by the public. In particular, the ADA-accessible Cottonwood Spring Trail should be a high priority for infrastructure improvement.	4/27/2022 3:10 PM
168	Construction would scare wildlife and possibly damage plant life.	4/27/2022 3:07 PM
169	Don't add only maintain what is there.	4/27/2022 3:06 PM
170	Repair is better than construction.	4/27/2022 2:58 PM
171	The area is looking tired, in general. We picnic there on a regular basis and the shelters are pretty shabby.	4/27/2022 2:56 PM
172	Maintenance is necessary.	4/27/2022 2:46 PM
173	This ensures safety and has the least impact on the natural plants and animals	4/27/2022 2:43 PM
174	They are fine	4/27/2022 2:35 PM
175	Sounds good.	4/27/2022 2:09 PM
176	Maintenance is important.	4/27/2022 1:57 PM
177	Repairs ate long overdue Where is the mangement? They cant manage what is currently there?	4/27/2022 1:56 PM
178	This attention to Elena Gallegos Open Space is overdue! The park is used by people from all over the city seeking respite from development. Improvements are necessary. Buildings are not!	4/27/2022 1:54 PM
179	Repair and maintenance seems necessary.	4/27/2022 1:53 PM
180	See above	4/27/2022 1:50 PM
181	If there will be additional people, these improvements would be necessary.	4/27/2022 1:49 PM
182	it needs it! Updating and repairing what is already there is a good idea.	4/27/2022 1:47 PM
183	See response on question 8	4/27/2022 1:45 PM
184	I believe keeping up with maintenance is important because we would hate to see it rundown. While the natural beauty is what makes it so perfect, letting it get run down is no different than letting your house get run down. There will always be a need for maintenance which is different than commercializing it.	4/27/2022 1:41 PM
185	Repairs and maintenance are always important to keep what you already have up to date and in good working condition. Money well spent.	4/27/2022 1:40 PM
186	These measures improve quality and safety	4/27/2022 1:38 PM
187	Keeping the park up to date and accessible is crucial to long term utility and community value.	4/27/2022 1:36 PM
188	Keeps it up to date and safe and makes it more accessible.	4/27/2022 1:35 PM
189	This is just routine maintenance, which is needed.	4/27/2022 1:34 PM
190	maintenance	4/27/2022 1:17 PM
191	Again, as stand alone fixes. I oppose the education center building and parking lot at the bottom.	4/27/2022 1:04 PM
192	Repair of EXISTING is fine, but don't add anything new.	4/27/2022 1:02 PM
193	Those are just improvements, not adding a 6000 square-foot building	4/27/2022 12:55 PM
194	The barn is historic, leave it alone. Improve the roads. Make sure the vault toilets are kept	4/27/2022 12:53 PM

clean. The ADA trail could use improvement but it's still steep for wheelchairs.

195	I am noticing wear and tear to the road and existing structures.	4/27/2022 12:52 PM
196	That is the only job the city has to do and not done	4/27/2022 12:52 PM
197	Make it more friendly to outdoor activities	4/27/2022 12:45 PM
198	Maintenance of existing trails and facilities is needed	4/27/2022 12:43 PM
199	Maintenance and upkeep of existing facilities is important for esthetics and safety.	4/27/2022 12:35 PM
200	The cottonwood springs trail already seems quite nice.	4/27/2022 12:25 PM
201	If we have the moneys, let's improve it.	4/27/2022 12:24 PM
202	trails not safe	4/27/2022 12:24 PM
203	Elena Gallegos is a beautiful space and should be respected, with its trails and its facilities.	4/27/2022 12:24 PM
204	Let's maintain and improve what we have.	4/27/2022 12:15 PM
205	Not sure what all is involved	4/27/2022 12:13 PM
206	Upkeep of current trails is great for hikers.	4/27/2022 12:06 PM
207	If they can do it without worsening crime, trash, light pollution	4/27/2022 11:55 AM

Q15 Of the 4 aspects of this project listed below, which are you most concerned with in regards to potential negative impacts for yourself and local residents? (Please rank from 1- 4 with 1 being the HIGHEST concern)

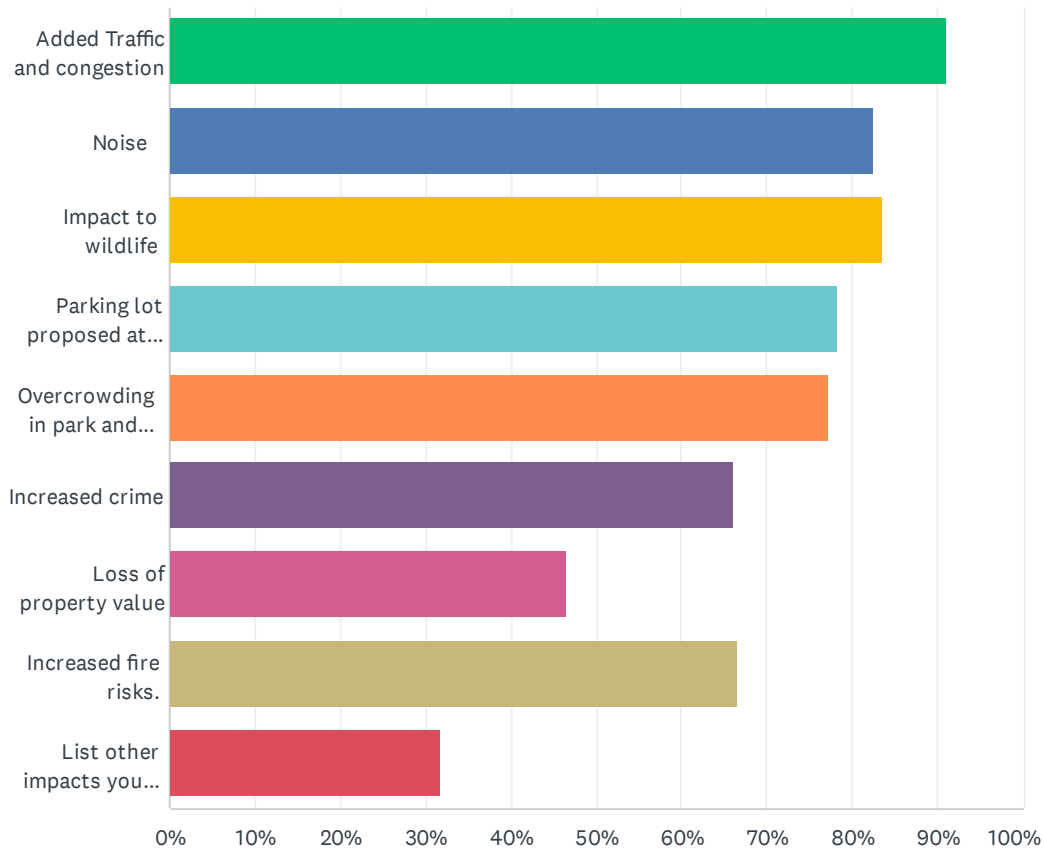
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	1	2	3	4	TOTAL	SCORE
Construction of an Education and Event Center	54.13% 177	24.77% 81	12.84% 42	8.26% 27	327	3.25
Creation of an Offsite Parking Lot at Tramway and Simms Park Road in the Pino Arroyo	33.64% 111	49.39% 163	11.82% 39	5.15% 17	330	3.12
Widening of Simms Park Road with the addition of 6 ft paved bike lanes / shoulder on both sides.	9.29% 29	20.19% 63	63.14% 197	7.37% 23	312	2.31
Repair and Maintenance of existing trails and facilities.	8.60% 27	3.82% 12	10.19% 32	77.39% 243	314	1.44

Q16 What are the biggest impacts to local residents that needs to be addressed if the city moves forward with this project as proposed? (Please check all that apply.)

Answered: 359 Skipped: 9



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Added Traffic and congestion	91.09%	327
Noise	82.45%	296
Impact to wildlife	83.57%	300
Parking lot proposed at Tramway and associated lighting	78.27%	281
Overcrowding in park and trails	77.16%	277
Increased crime	66.02%	237
Loss of property value	46.52%	167
Increased fire risks.	66.57%	239
List other impacts you feel are important to address.	31.75%	114
Total Respondents: 359		

#	LIST OTHER IMPACTS YOU FEEL ARE IMPORTANT TO ADDRESS.	DATE
1	A significant increase of trash, especially at the event center and offsite parking lot.	6/8/2022 11:54 AM
2	Impact on nature. Loss of native plants. There will be a ripple effect on the surrounding area. Construction will bring air pollution. Trees will be removed. "Temporary" roads will be made to get the equipment/supplies in.	6/5/2022 12:59 PM
3	lighting needs to be properly shielded for dark sky considerations.	6/4/2022 10:32 AM
4	Big Horn Ridge Court, NE	6/3/2022 5:32 PM
5	12621 COLONY PL NE	6/3/2022 11:32 AM
6	Potential dangers as increased bikers and increased hikers = increased chances for collisions	6/2/2022 8:42 PM
7	Added Traffic	6/2/2022 5:28 PM
8	Light pollution	5/31/2022 8:21 PM
9	Changing the character of what was created to preserve undeveloped open space.	5/31/2022 4:04 PM
10	additional littering and trash	5/31/2022 11:51 AM
11	If equitable access to wildlands is the CoA goal, please expand your view to disbursed parking and improvements all across the foothills. Please do not ruin this precious part of Albuquerque by "improving" it.	5/31/2022 7:44 AM
12	The proposal as currently defined will not work and the park will be left with an expensive boondoggle.	5/31/2022 7:38 AM
13	Increased vagrancy and homeless camps. Decrease in the charming nature of EG as it is small and unassuming.	5/30/2022 5:43 PM
14	The wildlife have already been majorly displaced due to the very large apartment complex construction project across the street. They need somewhere to be able to go. Don't displace them even further.	5/30/2022 5:00 PM
15	The parking lot could easily be washed out during a "100 year" flood. The ecosystem is very fragile and climate change is making this worse. Increased speeding along Simms Road.	5/30/2022 2:17 PM
16	negative impact on views of both mountains and city	5/29/2022 1:45 PM
17	See comments above: Ridiculous waste of money and resources in an environment increasingly less capable of supporting current level human occupancy	5/27/2022 10:14 PM
18	Making a new homeless campground	5/27/2022 1:37 PM
19	loss of views of the foothills/Sandias we want it to be free of structures	5/27/2022 12:49 PM
20	Construction at the expense of actual open space	5/26/2022 8:25 PM
21	We live in constant fire danhger here in the Sandia foothills and open space.. Bringing more people unaware of their surroundings and with their dogs into an area that is so very valuable and vulnerable to drought and fire in our city and the state is not a good idea or plan.	5/26/2022 4:38 PM
22	Once you build it...are you going to be able to sustain it? And at what COST? Trash, graffiti, human waste, crime/drugs, homeless, fire risk, security, etc.	5/26/2022 2:01 PM
23	loss of views of the foothills/Sandias free of structures	5/26/2022 12:06 PM
24	As noted earlier, any impact that adversely affects the solitude and quiet of this area is a questionable outcome.	5/26/2022 12:06 PM
25	Simply, the general quietude and simplicity of being able wander along the trail system - which already becomes encumbered at times. Two years ago, I found a batch of rarely seen Mexican brown lillies along one of the trails, and found the batch a second year, but more recently have not been able to find -- likely draught related.	5/25/2022 1:48 PM
26	Access to remote area has draw illegal transactions in the past.	5/25/2022 8:32 AM
27	Thank-you for the opportunity to express views on this subject.	5/24/2022 5:32 PM

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28	Trash, drinking, partying at all hours	5/24/2022 3:52 PM
29	Loss of native habitat. Loss of plant, insect, bird, and animal species. Costs of supporting event center, bus, and parking lot. Increased water useage. Lack of benefit of event center to community when other facilities already exist.	5/24/2022 2:09 PM
30	SHHA doesn't enforce current lighting restrictions in the covenants. Let's not add more light pollution.	5/24/2022 1:17 PM
31	The light polution will destroy the ability to view stars at night and disrupt wildlife.	5/24/2022 10:42 AM
32	Pollution	5/24/2022 9:00 AM
33	There is little good that can come of the proposed project and MUCH damage to the Open Space and neighbors is certain.	5/24/2022 7:51 AM
34	loss of natural areas	5/23/2022 9:52 PM
35	Added cycling and vehicle accidents. Air and light Pollution. Negatively changing the nature of the the foothills communities	5/23/2022 8:48 PM
36	Too much congestion	5/23/2022 8:37 PM
37	Overdevelopment that is not needed or wanted	5/23/2022 7:35 PM
38	Loss of natural nature of the area.	5/23/2022 4:29 PM
39	Group gatherings in area for drugs, alcohol and racing.	5/17/2022 5:31 PM
40	Other traffic on roads in the area will increase with people driving around looking for access to the mountain and parking in areas they shouldn't be and they hiking private lands. How do you stop the overflow? This is also county lands and roads and not City so how will the two entities interact in this project. County areas will be affected.	5/17/2022 11:12 AM
41	VANDALISM	5/15/2022 2:17 PM
42	Trash in the open space.	5/9/2022 2:01 PM
43	Danger to bike riders	5/7/2022 9:12 PM
44	Trespassing, pollution, expense, government waste. Dark skies are mitigated these days but must be preserved.	5/7/2022 12:12 PM
45	Many of these factors will improve with the changes. Having a crumbling facility and subpar experience will only decrease property values in the long run	5/6/2022 3:02 PM
46	...	5/6/2022 2:19 PM
47	The true beauty of Elena Gallegos is that it is undeveloped and on the edge of pristine wild lands. Dropping a large building into the middle of it—especially at Cottonwood Springs— ruins just exactly what the City wants to “share with the community”.	5/4/2022 9:19 PM
48	There are more important needs for the far NE Heights such as increased Sheriff presence.	5/4/2022 4:12 PM
49	light pollution within the park from new facilities and parking areas.	5/4/2022 10:23 AM
50	hiker safety with so many bikers	5/4/2022 10:22 AM
51	tax money could be better spent on othervthings	5/2/2022 3:01 PM
52	increased need for maintenance with increase in foot and vehicular traffic	5/2/2022 12:41 PM
53	Loss of dark skies	5/1/2022 10:13 PM
54	985 Lynx Loop NE	5/1/2022 12:16 PM
55	All of the above.	4/30/2022 7:31 PM
56	That about sums it up!	4/30/2022 5:14 PM
57	There are no issues with improving the facilities up there.	4/30/2022 7:49 AM
58	Litter and trash, street racing that is out of control and the use of precious limited water.	4/29/2022 8:47 PM

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59	9747 Village Green Drive NE	4/29/2022 7:33 PM
60	Destruction of the outdoor experience that access to Open Space is supposed to provide.	4/29/2022 4:04 PM
61	Crime is top!, we've had someone try to enter our house. This week the sheriff apprehended people at Cedar Hill and Tramway who reportedly were breaking into houses along tramway.Lighting is a violation in Sandia Heights.	4/29/2022 10:57 AM
62	883 Tramway Lane Court NE	4/29/2022 6:17 AM
63	Loss of privacy for local residents	4/28/2022 4:39 PM
64	1120 Marigold Drive Northeast	4/28/2022 3:51 PM
65	Less is more for a park such as Elena Gallegos...it is not a destination resort. Don't pave paradise!	4/28/2022 1:15 PM
66	I belive it will INCREASE property values	4/28/2022 12:02 PM
67	Whenever someone wants to build something that no one else wants - it means someone stands to make a lot of money. This sounds like one of those.	4/28/2022 10:42 AM
68	increase of accidents and injuries with more congestion on the trails and road	4/28/2022 10:13 AM
69	This is not a national park, trying to modify this space to resemble how national parks operate is wrong.	4/28/2022 10:05 AM
70	Polution, trash and ecosystem degradation.	4/28/2022 9:35 AM
71	Additionally, if part of the arroyo is paved for parking, it will affect the drainage. Has that been addressed to the satisfaction of the surrounding landowners?	4/28/2022 9:22 AM
72	Do not build it	4/28/2022 7:55 AM
73	Loss of property values	4/28/2022 7:13 AM
74	In medicine, one of the first mandates is "first do no harm". A parking lot at Tramway seems like a no brainer as a site for increased bad activities. Also, lighting in this area kinda goes against the whole notion of this area.	4/28/2022 2:13 AM
75	Interruption of natural trails the run along the East side of Tramway.	4/27/2022 10:16 PM
76	The degradation of a fragile ecosystem.	4/27/2022 10:10 PM
77	Sandia Heights residents don't even get to vote in city elections but the city can encroach on our peaceful neighborhood.	4/27/2022 10:02 PM
78	Lack of appropriate security.	4/27/2022 8:37 PM
79	Added people from apartments across from tramway	4/27/2022 8:22 PM
80	car racers might find the enlarged road perfect to race at nightstSo many more	4/27/2022 6:52 PM
81	The planned education center will be demonstrating to children, by example, that everything wild needs to be tamed and developed for profit. I think talking in the schools about allowing wildlife to have some room to roam. They were there first.	4/27/2022 6:25 PM
82	Homeless will destroy our neighborhood	4/27/2022 4:50 PM
83	Higher cost to Albuquerque residents through property tax	4/27/2022 4:41 PM
84	Noise, light pollution, trash	4/27/2022 4:38 PM
85	Trash/garbage in the parking lot. Loitering in the new parking lot.	4/27/2022 4:26 PM
86	this will ruin EG	4/27/2022 4:16 PM
87	Destruction of nature	4/27/2022 4:15 PM
88	overuse of trails	4/27/2022 3:59 PM
89	Your project would have all of the above an impact on the local residents.	4/27/2022 3:52 PM
90	Nighttime activity, noise and more speeding on Tramway!	4/27/2022 3:45 PM

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91	Not pleasant to look at	4/27/2022 3:40 PM
92	Add toilet facility upgrades ... don't try to improve on what mother nature has given us that is the essence of the park	4/27/2022 3:31 PM
93	destruction of the landscape and terrain, wildlife and plants	4/27/2022 3:28 PM
94	Litter	4/27/2022 3:21 PM
95	waste of money, how many people actually use the Nature center? I would like to see stats on this...	4/27/2022 3:11 PM
96	Visual disturbance for residents and siting on a wildlife corridor. There is already enough construction taking place on both sides of Tramway in this arroyo.	4/27/2022 3:10 PM
97	Homeless, drugs, trash, tagging and vandalism.	4/27/2022 3:06 PM
98	It is important to maintain the beauty of our wilderness.	4/27/2022 2:46 PM
99	Random trails being created, trash & poop, litter	4/27/2022 2:43 PM
100	Vandalism	4/27/2022 2:11 PM
101	Another useless shuttle bus that nobody wants!	4/27/2022 2:09 PM
102	Habitat loss, solitude lost	4/27/2022 1:56 PM
103	Loitering that is likely to happen if a parking lot is left unattended. Signage to that lot. Will a structure need to be built for individuals waiting in that satellite lot to protect them from the elements in the arroyo (hot sun, wicked wind, blowing dust, lightening, monsoon rains.	4/27/2022 1:54 PM
104	There is already a huge apartment complex going in on the west side of Tramway which will increase noise, etc. An education center to attract the public will be even worse!	4/27/2022 1:47 PM
105	Homeless people moving in.	4/27/2022 1:41 PM
106	Building and parking lots that obstruct scenic views	4/27/2022 1:40 PM
107	Homeless setting up camp in the parking lot	4/27/2022 1:15 PM
108	Littering	4/27/2022 1:04 PM
109	litter	4/27/2022 12:59 PM
110	Again, lots of open, undeveloped space	4/27/2022 12:55 PM
111	This is just a bad idea for their money grabbing tactics	4/27/2022 12:52 PM
112	It is important to preserve the off-road access from Tramway to the foothill trails for hikers and bikers; these are used all day everyday.	4/27/2022 12:25 PM
113	only allow hikers and bikers	4/27/2022 12:24 PM
114	Human waste and trash generated by more human activity.	4/27/2022 12:23 PM

Q17 Any other general comments regarding this project?

Answered: 187 Skipped: 181

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	The "education center" perceived "needs" should be addressed via distributed small signs and markers, with perhaps a guide map available upon paying the park entrance fee.	6/8/2022 11:54 AM
2	Please keep our open space open and not build on it.	6/6/2022 1:07 PM
3	The great irony reveal of proposed change of Simms Road from "unimproved" to " native landscaping". It's already native!! No ticky tacky selective plants and gravel, please. Leave it.	6/5/2022 1:20 PM
4	Very disappointed in the whole idea. I thought open space existed in order to preserve nature. I, for one, do not need a coffee bar in a place where I go to hike and observe nature.	6/5/2022 12:59 PM
5	Tramway already has too much traffic, this adds to it, plus ALL the negatives noted above, and in years like this, adding MORE fire dangers seems senseless.	6/3/2022 5:32 PM
6	Stop the proposed project.	6/2/2022 5:28 PM
7	No Commercial Buildings	6/2/2022 5:05 PM
8	Please don't do it. Will ruin the area	5/31/2022 5:12 PM
9	I am very much against the project. It does not enhance the neighborhood at all. It definitely smacks of someone in government offices across town deciding what is best for those of us who moved up here to be near to open space.	5/31/2022 4:04 PM
10	Is not a well thought out project.	5/31/2022 2:36 PM
11	We already contend with drag racing on Tramway. A parking lot would be a good place to congregate before drag racing and afterwards. The parking lot would have to have bright lighting. It should be locked at all times.	5/31/2022 8:03 AM
12	It is not fair to all to use potential available funds this way. By "improving" the site, this plan will likely drive away the very wildlife and birds and diminish the perfect outdoor experience the planners seek to preserve.	5/31/2022 7:44 AM
13	Many. This is a worthy project specified in the worst possible way. Locating the center over a mile away from its parking is simply moronic; the shuttle service will never materialise and the net effect will be to strand the center in an inaccessible location where it will never be used. One obvious outcome will be that parking in the park will be reserved for the center in an attempt to increase attendance, leaving the visitors who come for the park's intended use to slog the extra mile uphill, discouraging existing users. In addition, creating an unattended parking area right next to a main road is an invitation to crime whereas a building with staff on hand will not have that level of problem. The city should face the fact that if it can't create co-located parking, there is no good solution to placing a center in the park but if they want to go ahead then co-locating the center and parking at Tramway is the obvious best option.	5/31/2022 7:38 AM
14	The open space and adjacent National Forest are a tremendous asset to both the immediate and broader communities. They should remain as natural and unchanged from original natural state as possible while allowing visitors access to observe natural habitats and learn from the natural state. The classroom setting can and should be located away from the natural setting to minimize impact to the natural environment,	5/30/2022 9:31 PM
15	I would much rather spend the money on a public pool! Kids need to learn how to swim! Adults need to swim to be fit. Elderly people often have no choice but to swim.	5/30/2022 5:43 PM
16	Schools are for educating youngsters! Forget the nonsense of sending them off on buses to some kind of "event Center" to relieve teachers' of their jobs. (If a visit is worthwhile ... parents can make it with them at convenient times and let them enjoy the PEACE and QUIET.)	5/30/2022 5:28 PM
17	Have other locations at the base of the eastern open space been considered for the education center? (i.e. Menaul or Embudo Trail head)	5/30/2022 2:27 PM

18	SHHA should vigorously fight this project. Elena Gallegos Park should remain a "hidden gem in the foothills." Why not bring other Albuquerque open space areas up to the same quality of Elena Gallegos. For example, at the end of Indian School or Montgomery or Academy and Spain?	5/30/2022 2:17 PM
19	Four thoughts: 1) So ironic that homeowners who have already built and lived in this special area now decry building in this area. 2) ABQ children are poorly served by the community. This will improve things a bit. 3) Biking on the current road is dangerous. At the very least, some trimming of the chamisa is in order, but widening the lanes would be better. 4) ABQ is such a city of "no," compared to other towns our size. It would be nice to change this.	5/30/2022 10:13 AM
20	We are upset that the city made no effort to involve Sandia Heights in the process. We are the most affected. We pay property taxes that benefit the city and we support many city businesses with our patronage. We should have been included in the surveys and planning for this project.	5/29/2022 1:45 PM
21	Please reconsider this proposal and direct funds to areas that are in need of improvements.	5/29/2022 1:02 PM
22	Expanding this facility makes no sense to current users like myself. The imperative should be to improve what we have.	5/28/2022 6:40 PM
23	The park provides visitor with a sense of calm. Wild life is an important part of living in the NE Heights. I believe adding an Education Center and more traffic would not enhance the park & would be dangerous to the wild life.	5/28/2022 10:06 AM
24	While the Elena Gallegos Open Space in need of upkeep and repair, any additional structures should be approached with caution, because although such "improvements" are meant to improve accessibility, the resulting physical environment is being degraded in the name of "development."	5/28/2022 9:21 AM
25	I will be very disappointed if the parking lot/shuttle service is included.	5/28/2022 7:44 AM
26	This very much looks like some administrators pet project, utterly misplaced in terms of cost, benefit and future relevance. It would be more efficient to replace the administrator driving this project	5/27/2022 10:14 PM
27	Vote out every idiot that comes up with this crap	5/27/2022 1:37 PM
28	The construction of the ed center and also the proposed parking area in Pino arroyo would significantly damage the views we have to the east (foothills, Sandias) and west. Open Space should be just that - open and free of any structures which would take away from the natural setting.	5/27/2022 12:49 PM
29	I've lived in Sandia Heights since 1987. If these proposals come to fruition Elena Gallegos will be ruined!! The current trail system will be overrun with people which the area cannot accommodate. Improve the trails but don't get carried away with educational building and shuttles. Who the hell thinks of these ideas anyways...likely someone that never visits the park!!!	5/27/2022 11:02 AM
30	Making an education center in open space similar to the Making of the Sandia Mountains Exhibit in High Dessert that shows the geology of the area would be a better idea. Please do not take away what the Elena Gallegos Open Space already teaches us. The present park offers places to explore for many adventures. Adding more dogs and people will not improve the open space that is already used. Remember, people already live here.	5/26/2022 4:38 PM
31	Why are you starting something new? Expansion of a current facility that could benefit from classrooms, educational spaces, and an event center ELSEWHERE seems much more prudent fiscally and more environmentally intelligent than trying to impose a NEW facility in an area constrained by limited site access, wildlife impacts, residential proximity, and lack of infrastructure. Not to mention all the security, fire, crime, human traffic that it will bring to the community.	5/26/2022 2:01 PM
32	I found this survey only because I went on the SHHA web site to see if the minutes of the last executive board were posted. SHHA need to get the word out to its members via email, flyers, Grit and let them know what is going on and get their feedback. This survey is a good idea but generally I have been disappointed in the SHHA and believe we need to let the City of Albuquerque know that just because we are just outside the city limits that does not mean we do not count.	5/26/2022 12:06 PM

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33	Thanks for asking. I hope this opinion is valued.	5/26/2022 12:06 PM
34	Not sure how this goes forward and ultimately whose decision it is.	5/26/2022 11:00 AM
35	Completely opposed to the lower parking lot and bus service!	5/26/2022 9:24 AM
36	the outdoors is the outdoors for a reason. Just go outdoors.	5/25/2022 5:21 PM
37	The money for this project could be better spent elsewhere. Choose a park closer to the population center. That would make more sense and it would be more accessible.	5/25/2022 4:38 PM
38	I appreciate the uniqueness of this openspace as a foothills ecoregion (shrub- and treeland biom), and an interesting accommodation of its wild character with the less dense, corraled development along its periphery, as is. The more developed areas along the Bosque (east and west sides of the Rio Grande) are more amenable to such developments, and have a different, exisiting, accommodation to the greater urban demand, but which fits such development quite well.	5/25/2022 1:48 PM
39	This seems like an incredibly bad idea!	5/25/2022 8:32 AM
40	I would not want to see throngs of school buses coming to the EGOS. Yes, children need to be educated, but these days they are loud and often unruly and ruin the peace and quiet of a place. If they come, maybe they could come in one of those relatively small buses, one bus at a time.	5/24/2022 5:32 PM
41	This is NOT what people want. It is just fine the way it is.	5/24/2022 3:52 PM
42	Question 15 needs to allow a response of 1 (highest concern) for more than one choice. Choices 1,2, and 3 are all of highest concern. The open spaces are places to connect with the natural world. Development destroys those native habitats. The world does not need another event center or coffee bar. We need to protect the remaining natural spaces so that the next generation has the opportunity to discover and learn about the world in which they live. In this case, the developer benefits from the destruction while the rest of us are poorer for the loss. Interestingly, information about this project has been obtained through the grapevine. Affected property owners have not been contacted or involved in the proposal. There seem to be a myriad of ills which could be better addressed with tax-payer dollars. The Elena Gallegos Open Space is not broken and does not need to be "fixed."	5/24/2022 2:09 PM
43	Sandia Heights neighborhood was planned to be close to the nature with trails to enjoy and less paved areas and light pollution. Large conference centers and parking lots with busses don't belong here. There are very little natural open spaces left for people to enjoy in Albuquerque that is what draws people to the trails.	5/24/2022 10:42 AM
44	Like any good computer survey this did not do a good job of asking the questions. I find it insulting to be forced to choose which of 4 evils is the worst. The charm of the Open Space is that it is NOT exploited by mobs, covered with asphalt, zero-scaped, and used for noisy parties and events. It works well AS IS. The proposed project will clearly degrade the open space experience. And, the City certainly has lots of other problems to address.	5/24/2022 7:51 AM
45	DO NOT BUILD THIS THING! It will be ugly, expensive(don't use my tax dollars for this), intrusive, hurt wildlife, grasses, views, and quiet of the area. Please listen to the community!!	5/23/2022 10:26 PM
46	Only minor improvements are desirable.	5/23/2022 9:52 PM
47	Tramway is becoming a congested nightmare. New construction of apartments and townhomes already adds traffic, noise and pollution. There are continued cycling and vehicle accidents on Tramway and weekend drag racing that is never addressed. Government officials now want to add events, busses and even more traffic up and down Simms Road? Horrible!	5/23/2022 8:48 PM
48	Keeping the traffic down instead of increasing it would be better for both the wildlife as well as the quiet enjoyment of the park.	5/23/2022 8:37 PM
49	More building is not the answer. Just ask the wildlife. If education is the emphasis, that can be done at school, the library or online. This place is for those who desire to get off the couch and move! Heck, 2/3 of Americans are fat or obese.	5/23/2022 8:05 PM
50	Do not turn our open space into an overdeveloped mini city that nobody wants and try to tell us it is progress. Stick to the vision of untouched, natural open space.	5/23/2022 7:35 PM
51	The only "improvements" I would like to see would be general maintenance to the existing	5/23/2022 5:47 PM

trails, toilets, parking. There are other areas on the east side of town that could be developed and used for this purpose that would better serve to improve the area as opposed to bring it down. East Central Avenue would be one possibility. There are lots of already existing buildings that could be used for the educational center. Tijeras would also be another very good location. The east side of the Sandias would also be another great possible location. The open space at the east end of Lomas (or is it Indian School?) that already has an open space with trails where lots of people hike and bike, is another viable option. Plus, there are so many other ways the city could use the money to benefit of its citizens. What about using the Manzano Mesa multigenerational center as the educational site, or even the Bear Canyon center.

52	Those apartments under construction across Tramway have already caused a loss of natural area. we can't lose more.	5/23/2022 4:29 PM
53	Sandia Heights residents pay a significant amount in property taxes every year yet we have almost no Sheriff/police patrols. Racing on Tramway is already a problem that we can not get addressed because of limited police coverage. Building the event center and parking lot will bring about added crime, noise and racing. Will it come with added police protection to our neighborhood????	5/21/2022 3:12 PM
54	I think it was unfair/unethical to not ask the residents about this project, until it was already in action. Querying 10-12 residents seems like a scam to me. We have 2100 families, not 12!	5/18/2022 7:02 PM
55	This is not a good project. In addition, Albuquerque has many existing environmental and natural areas with facilities, which are accessible with educational programs and facilities for school students and the public already.	5/17/2022 5:31 PM
56	A truly bad idea in its major features. This is a good park and is well appreciated by many.	5/17/2022 3:09 PM
57	Is this progress or is this growth spilling over into nature once again. In the last four years there has been a marked decline in the natural element in the area and a visible increase in the number of humans. There have also been two fires in the vicinity. Is the City willing to take on the liability of very expensive homes being lost to wild fire due to their opening of the flood gates of humans in the area which usually start fires?	5/17/2022 11:12 AM
58	The open space center on the west side is lovely. We don't need two such facilities.	5/16/2022 5:04 PM
59	IMPROVE AND MAINTAIN THE TRAILS AND ACCESS THAT ALREADY EXIST. ROVING RANGERS	5/15/2022 2:17 PM
60	If this project is implemented, then the right and left turn lanes on Tramway and Simms Park Road need to be lengthened to accommodate the increased traffic.	5/14/2022 11:43 AM
61	I think this should go ahead	5/9/2022 7:52 PM
62	It is a great project that will add to and enhance what Albuquerque has to offer.	5/9/2022 5:32 PM
63	Keep the open space wild. Traffic/Buildings/Events negatively impact it's purpose. The city has plenty of other event spaces/centers - no need for another one in EGOS. The city is unable to maintain the current facilities, why would adding even more infrastructure that will fall into disrepair in the future be a good idea? Better to let it revert to a natural state. I feel this is just another foolish project politicians are looking to attach their name to and tax revenue could be spent in many other better places - such as maintaining existing infrastructure.	5/9/2022 2:01 PM
64	This site is quite different from the location of the Rio Grand Open Space Preserve Visitor Center. I hope we don't let our desire to replicate that center cause us to spend a huge amount of money on something that will get very little use. Why not make the best of what's here?	5/8/2022 4:47 PM
65	It's an idea without any positive merit.	5/8/2022 12:43 PM
66	We can expect high expect negative consequences from an education building and remote parking lot with shuttle, so called improvements. Think of ART.	5/7/2022 12:12 PM
67	I believe that the communication/notification from the Open Space Division to the surrounding residents from the start of the project has been woefully inadequate and has led to significant backlash from High Desert and Sandia Heights communities. Even though I am a daily user and an Open Space Trail Watch Volunteer for several years, I knew nothing of this project until the feasibility study was released. This survey and other recent efforts at public relations have been an improvement. If people had been encouraged to become involved from the initial	5/7/2022 9:52 AM

concept development, perhaps with project meetings held at the exemplary OSVC, there might have been more acceptance. Open Space throughout Albuquerque is a priceless resource which should be available to, and shared with, residents throughout the community as well as visitors to area. A well-planned visitor/educational center supported by the community will help foster appreciation for the environment, more awareness of the appropriate use and care of our open spaces and promote the health and well-being of users. Take your time, get the word out, and get people involved.

68	So many folks against these changes do not use the roads, trails and facilities. We have the opportunity to do really good things for the community and city with these proposed changes. I am a very regular trail user and have seen new folks come out over the last two years. We need educational facilities. We need better roads and parking. Neglect of infrastructure just makes everything worse in the long run	5/6/2022 3:02 PM
69	The residents need to be asked first what they think about it. We were not given an opportunity to voice our opinion. From all the conversations that we had with Sandia Heights and High Dessert resident - overwhelming majority of people are against this expansion and new facility and shuttle bus system. This is not the city and this is exactly why we live here and not on the west side of the Tramway. Thanks.	5/6/2022 2:19 PM
70	Thank you for offering this survey to Sandia Heights residents.	5/5/2022 10:57 AM
71	Yes the impacts of this project on SH need to be recognized and mitigated to the extent possible. Is the starting point of this survey "not in my backyard?" ...and the answer regarding use of the Open Space: not every day or once a week but 4-5 days a week	5/4/2022 7:32 PM
72	It's a boondoggle. "Classic Build it and they will come."	5/4/2022 4:12 PM
73	Top priority: A stoplight at Simms Park Rd. and Tramway. The County Commissioner and County Commission should be actively involved, as well as state legislators. So far all of these representatives have not taken responsibility, saying that it is a City project.	5/4/2022 10:23 AM
74	Stop light at Simms and Tramway is probably already overdue. I view the open space as an area for hiking (and biking) in quiet and beautiful surroundings. Adding structures for additional functions (education, office space, performance, large gatherings) will take away from this.	5/4/2022 10:22 AM
75	I am against the proposed building of an event center and increasing the parking lot size to promote more traffic, noise, and the negative impact on the terrain and wildlife	5/4/2022 8:31 AM
76	Minimal input from the impacted neighborhoods. Confused by the numbers quoted in regards to number of people using this facility. Why does education have to be inside a building? The feasibility study is more focused on getting into the open space than what this will do to the environment, the natural habitat, etc.	5/2/2022 9:49 PM
77	Don't do it - you'll be sorry!	5/2/2022 3:01 PM
78	I am for the improvement of this area and augmentation not make the park more accessible to others outside of the immediate neighborhood. Its public land, not private land.	5/2/2022 12:51 PM
79	I would rather work with the city and express the community concerns than against them to stop any significant changes. This may actually decrease some of the foot traffic in the local arroyos and loose dogs that those individuals tend to have with them. The arroyo foot traffic is definitely more bothersome and concerning than the construction of a open space welcome center.	5/2/2022 12:41 PM
80	Let's keep our native areas as natural as possible!	5/1/2022 7:54 PM
81	Does the city already own the land for the parking lot?	5/1/2022 12:03 PM
82	How can this survey reach more of the population? Is it being handed out at the EG entrance?	4/30/2022 5:14 PM
83	Potential problems that come to mind with increased visitor use include: The park allows easy access to the Sandia Mountains and could allow more unprepared visitors into these areas which could result in more rescues from the mountains. Also, the higher use of the trails could mean more impact to the wildlife. Currently the fire danger is very high and this is likely to continue into the future. Bringing many more people into the park will increase the problem for fire in the park, the Sandia, High Desert and Glenwood Hills residents and the nearby mountains.	4/30/2022 2:34 PM
84	It's a terrible idea! Overcrowding! Pollution! Fire danger! Animal impact! Absolutely horrible!!	4/30/2022 9:05 AM

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Look at the stupidity that occurred with the electric buses! Central Avenue is a mess because of ART. AND THIS IS JUST ANOTHER TRAVESTY IN THE MAKING! Stop the nonsense! Our property taxes go up every year. Fine. We are willing to pay. But don't try to drown us in stupid ideas. People will move. Property values go down. Think less tax \$\$\$!

85	Less is more. Somethings are left better as is with maintenance and updates. We have already lost too much open space to residential construction along Tramway. The focus should be on controlling drag racing on Tramway, not adding more traffic to a huge problem for residents.	4/29/2022 8:47 PM
86	Please consider a multi-purpose trail that would extend east from the existing Tramway trail to access the park	4/29/2022 7:10 PM
87	As I indicated, this is a really bad idea that will destroy the very things that make Elena Gallegos special. There are so few places in the foothills that offer easily accessible trails and enough space for multiple users (even the obnoxious mountain bikers). Tarding it up to attract more users is unlikely to attract the sort of user who will continue to visit the area on a regular basis. If you need coffee bars and play areas to increase visitor numbers, you are not going to get the long-term results you are anticipating.	4/29/2022 4:04 PM
88	Parking lot and lighting should be a minimal issue--park closes at sundown. Just make sure that traffic is handled safely and I'm happy.	4/29/2022 2:43 PM
89	I think the user fees should be increased. Even if they were doubled it would still be a bargain.	4/29/2022 1:36 PM
90	Just fix. Use the money to add a park in what little open space there is below Tramway	4/29/2022 11:38 AM
91	This is a very stupid idea, plus it is being pushed by the city and much of the area they would be causing problems for is in the county,	4/29/2022 10:57 AM
92	I think this will be a nice addition to the Open Space. I expect that as Covid dies down, less people will come and it will remain an improvement that locals will enjoy.	4/29/2022 10:22 AM
93	Remove hunting. Wildlife are already too scarce.	4/28/2022 3:51 PM
94	Expand the trail system before considering bringing more people into the area. It's already crowded, especially on weekends.	4/28/2022 2:19 PM
95	We are so disturbed by the potential of the satellite parking lot. We all live in Sandia Heights for reasons which include the serenity it provides and well as the respect for the land and wildlife.	4/28/2022 1:34 PM
96	Listen to Joni Mitchel sing Yellow Taxi ... "...they paved paradise and put up a parking lot" :-(4/28/2022 1:15 PM
97	This survey is highly negative. The question seems intentionally designed to oppose this project.	4/28/2022 12:02 PM
98	If it ain't broke, don't fix it.	4/28/2022 10:42 AM
99	No need for this project. So disruptive. must be stopped!	4/28/2022 10:22 AM
100	I feel the city has been secretly working on this and is far along in their development plans without every talking to the local residents and frequent users of the open space. It makes us feel like the citizens, whom they all work for, are undervalued and opinions are not being taken into consideration.	4/28/2022 10:13 AM
101	Will we be able to vote on this project? As we're not in the city limits??	4/28/2022 10:05 AM
102	This is a short sighted and greedy proposal that will only serve to ruin a very special area we are charged with maintaining.	4/28/2022 9:35 AM
103	Just a note for context—I'm a wildlife biologist, and my comments are rooted in experience. I'm all for teaching people about the environment, but I don't think you have to pave greenspace, build on the urban/wildlife interface, and build an enormous building that needs to be heated, cooled, and maintained in an area with limited water to do environmental outreach and education. And really, coffee bar? Do we really need an on-site coffee bar of all things to do environmental outreach and education?	4/28/2022 9:22 AM
104	This is the worst idea ever proposed by Parks and Recreation. The person who created this proposal has obviously never used the facility and cannot appreciate its beauty	4/28/2022 8:52 AM
105	fire danger hould stop this now	4/28/2022 8:38 AM

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106	Totally not needed.	4/28/2022 8:32 AM
107	Don't build it	4/28/2022 7:55 AM
108	Bad use of taxpayer money.	4/28/2022 7:33 AM
109	We feel this is very detrimental to the local homeowners including Sandi Hights, High Desert, Glenwood Hills. We do not see any upside of these ideas. The reasons we moved here will be eliminated!	4/28/2022 7:13 AM
110	As with most things in life, it made up of parts. I've lived here my entire life. And I've watched Albuquerque do many things. Some have been really nice enhancements (Natural History Museum, Albuquerque Museum, Explore to mention just a few) while others have been nationally recognized tragedies (the demolition of the Alvarado Hotel is ranked in the top 10 of Preservation tragedies across the nation). I think the comments I made above address my feelings about the "parts" of this project.	4/28/2022 2:13 AM
111	This was developed without community engagement. The concerns of the local community must be addressed	4/28/2022 12:38 AM
112	In general, I support increased use of open space and associated education. The improvements should minimize the impacts to the surrounding community, especially crime, traffic, noise, and light. If a parking lot is developed at Tramway and Simms Park, consider having it closed at night and on days when the shuttles are not running.	4/27/2022 11:24 PM
113	Please describe why this is needed. Seems like an unnecessary use of tax dollars.	4/27/2022 10:16 PM
114	This is another example of government bureaucrats making a situation worse in the name of making improvements.	4/27/2022 10:10 PM
115	If we are not part of the City, then why does the city get to change our neighborhood?	4/27/2022 10:02 PM
116	Waste of money	4/27/2022 9:56 PM
117	Thank you for asking our opinion.	4/27/2022 8:44 PM
118	Foresee increased traffic already to this area already with the 281 Allaso high desert apartments being built in Pino Arroyo. Think I have this info right.	4/27/2022 8:37 PM
119	Don't do this! It will ruin a beautiful habitat for wildlife and the residents.	4/27/2022 8:25 PM
120	PLEASE DO NOT DO THIS PROJECT!!	4/27/2022 8:17 PM
121	Please think of nature instead of commercialization. The entire city can enjoy this beautiful area without this happening.	4/27/2022 7:23 PM
122	Make the parking lot much smaller, doesn't need that much area	4/27/2022 7:18 PM
123	Money could be used for so many more important projects in the the N. Heights.	4/27/2022 6:52 PM
124	When did the open space park at the east end of Simms Park Road cease to be named Simms Park?	4/27/2022 6:40 PM
125	Too bad the wildlife doesn't get to participate in the survey. Big picnic grounds and lots of people will change the original Open Space concept. Who is going to vote for open space in the future if it becomes like an amusement park. Thanks for doing a survey. I hope it makes a difference.	4/27/2022 6:25 PM
126	The impacts of overcrowding that would be created by the shuttle bus system and a visitor/education center cannot be overstated enough.	4/27/2022 6:20 PM
127	Use input from all city residents before deciding how such a natural special area should be dealt with.	4/27/2022 5:30 PM
128	It's needed	4/27/2022 5:26 PM
129	Don't build the education center!	4/27/2022 5:21 PM
130	Worthy project.	4/27/2022 5:20 PM
131	Let's let the City/County do it.	4/27/2022 4:56 PM

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132	Use the money repairing roads in Sandia Heights.	4/27/2022 4:50 PM
133	This idea is almost too dumb for words	4/27/2022 4:46 PM
134	There seems to be no reason to do this project. Many of the people that need to be transported aren't going to get out and hike the "uphill" trails. There's too much sun exposure and/or they won't have the stamina that it takes to do so. What is the city's purpose for doing it?	4/27/2022 4:41 PM
135	This is a terrible idea and I am fully against this proposed project. The reason we pay to live in the most expensive zip code in the city is to have the distance from "city life": the traffic, parking lots, trash, etc. If the city wants to have a center like this on the east side of town, build it in the foothills somewhere south on Montgomery. It does not belong in Sandia Heights or High Desert.	4/27/2022 4:36 PM
136	Do widen Sim Parks Rd. The rest should be dropped and the money saved used for more worthwhile projects.	4/27/2022 4:29 PM
137	I think improving the existing park trails and facilities would be great, but adding a community center and a parking lot near Tramway would be unwelcome, regardless of the increased traffic it brings to the open space.	4/27/2022 4:26 PM
138	simms road should not be the area of entry. it could occur through high desert if it absolutely has to happen	4/27/2022 4:24 PM
139	no	4/27/2022 4:16 PM
140	Please don't build the building. No one wants it.	4/27/2022 4:15 PM
141	I think the area needs very little in terms of improvements.	4/27/2022 3:59 PM
142	Please don't ruin the beautiful area that we have.	4/27/2022 3:52 PM
143	I DO NOT SUPPORT THIS PROPOSAL!!	4/27/2022 3:50 PM
144	The amount of noise and traffic on Tramway is already unacceptable.	4/27/2022 3:45 PM
145	With the enormous amount of apartments being built on Tramway the impact on the wear and tear of trails will be huge	4/27/2022 3:40 PM
146	BCSO can't control crime and tents now.	4/27/2022 3:37 PM
147	May need to close the park at night to avoid crime, drug use, etc. This is common in other parts of the country.	4/27/2022 3:37 PM
148	This recreation area is a beautiful spot in our city; residents and guests currently have full access to enjoy nature within the park; let's not ruin it.	4/27/2022 3:33 PM
149	The park usage is economic to lower level income families. Vehicular demand does not require 90% of the proposed "improvements". Leave well enough alone and DON'T WASTE MY TAX DOLLARS on this ...many more important community needs exist !	4/27/2022 3:31 PM
150	The city needs to fund an outdoor education program in the schools similar to the music and art programs. these specialized educators could work with school groups rather than the rangers.	4/27/2022 3:25 PM
151	The mountains won't support limitless numbers of visitors. I'd suggest charging for parking, or reserving a parking slot/time as ways to limit footfall on the trails.	4/27/2022 3:21 PM
152	I appreciate the chance for SHHA to weigh in. As someone whose profession involves architecture, public consensus-building, science education, and community development, I have assessed the pros and cons as knowledgeably but objectively as possible and hope that the Board will do its due diligence in representing the expressed collective will of its members and Sandia Heights residents.	4/27/2022 3:10 PM
153	You will need more security, police presence just like the increased crime reported in the Glenwood Hills area.	4/27/2022 3:06 PM
154	I hate to admit it, but this is a definite case of NIMBY for me. I'd be just as happy to see this placed over at say, the Menaul or Indian School trailheads.	4/27/2022 3:00 PM
155	Keep green space green.	4/27/2022 2:58 PM

156	I might feel differently about a scaled-down project, perhaps a nature center with a few easy paths and a moderate amount of additional parking. This undeveloped area is a unique and wonderful resource for the residents and wildlife of ABQ, it would be a shame to ruin its special qualities with a very large and intrusive installation.	4/27/2022 2:56 PM
157	Please do not proceed with this project. This park is one of the last positive aspects of this city. We ask ourselves every day why we still stay here. It's decisions like this in the face of the innumerable problems this city faces which make me think there is no hope for this town or it's problems. We also deserve visibility—who is proposing this? They should step forward. Why? They should have to defend their idea.	4/27/2022 2:54 PM
158	We don't even get to vote for city mayor and other positions.... very frustrating to not have the public opinion solicited prior to planning a major project.	4/27/2022 2:43 PM
159	Overall, would be a benefit to our community, but the shuttle to parking is a hinderance.	4/27/2022 1:57 PM
160	Who needs this project? Who gets payday Why do we need it?	4/27/2022 1:56 PM
161	I am concerned that CABQ ignored the residents of Sandia Heights when gathering initial feedback. I understand SH is out of the city limits but most in this neighborhood live, work, shop and even own businesses IN Albuquerque.	4/27/2022 1:54 PM
162	I think this is a positive improvement - we have great trails right near us and this will make them more accessible.	4/27/2022 1:53 PM
163	Stop the not-needed improvements	4/27/2022 1:50 PM
164	Curious to see what happens. :)	4/27/2022 1:49 PM
165	Please fight this! There is so little water available for the animals and their habitat is shrinking!	4/27/2022 1:47 PM
166	Please leave outdoor enthusiasts our space to enjoy nature with out large crowds, parties and shuttle buses busing in crowds of people. On a recent trip to Colorado I realized how much I treasure the fact that Albuquerque has kept our open space and trails for those who truly want a peaceful recreational place. Don't let Albuquerque become another Colorado where the trails are no longer enjoyable due to over crowding!	4/27/2022 1:45 PM
167	Please keep it as natural as possible! We are losing land every day for development so why at Elena? Keep it as natual as possible for as long as possible!	4/27/2022 1:41 PM
168	Current residents move to this area to have the beautiful views, without obstructions of building and parking lots. Current and future residents live in this area because it offers something that the rest of Albuquerque cannot offer. Please stop the plans for the parking facility and if absolutely necessary, only build the Education Center on a smaller scale allowing for limited parking on-site. Busing people up and down Sims Park would not be anything I would want to participate in if I was visiting the Open Space area.	4/27/2022 1:40 PM
169	If a parking lot is built I guarantee vehicles will be broken into within a week.	4/27/2022 1:37 PM
170	As long as the intent is to make the park more accessible while still protecting the open space and surrounding nature, I'm supportive of the proposed plans.	4/27/2022 1:36 PM
171	I find it disturbing and selfish that people act like it's theirs want to keep others out. Also it was there when people near it built/bought their houses. They should haves chosen another lot or house if its presence was a problem for them rather than trying to change it and keep others out.	4/27/2022 1:35 PM
172	SH should push for the Education Center to be located inside the Pino loop road. The Cottonwood Springs location would create too much disturbance to wildlife using the wetlands and adversely impact our neighbors' views on the east side of SH.	4/27/2022 1:34 PM
173	Why is increased usage of the Open Space being encouraged with things -- more vehicles, event space building -- that is antithetical to "open space". Keep the space OPENED not CROWDED.	4/27/2022 1:30 PM
174	more access will result in more abuse, crime and erode the the quality of life we now enjoy as residents on Sandia Heights, which is the main reason I moved here	4/27/2022 1:17 PM
175	The westside center isn't too close to residents, but this one would be -- right in peoples' back yards. This is the biggest problem with this proposed project, I feel.	4/27/2022 1:16 PM

176	There are better things to spend money on. We don't need new construction, just repair.	4/27/2022 1:02 PM
177	I like the idea of an east side area like the west side area	4/27/2022 12:59 PM
178	It's not necessary. Use the money to buy another area that is poorly developed, tear it down, and create more open space.	4/27/2022 12:55 PM
179	Limit the improvements.	4/27/2022 12:53 PM
180	All efforts to stop the city please!	4/27/2022 12:52 PM
181	Stop this project!	4/27/2022 12:43 PM
182	This project will only work if there is an increase in police presence in the area. This will also help with drag racing on Tramway and increase rate of burglaries in the heights.	4/27/2022 12:24 PM
183	best way to get to mountain trails	4/27/2022 12:24 PM
184	There's a lot of room in EG to open up more trails. Bikers and hikers/dog walkers should have dedicated trails in areas with steep inclines.	4/27/2022 12:23 PM
185	By keeping it remote we preserve the nature qualities we love in the area.	4/27/2022 12:15 PM
186	Thank you for including us!	4/27/2022 12:06 PM
187	It is not needed and is another example of cabq not listening like ART and homeless shelters. Seems they just want to spend money on political projects done by donors.	4/27/2022 11:55 AM