

Mastic Beach Restoration Project

Community Feedback

September 2021

Community Engagement Efforts

Community Survey

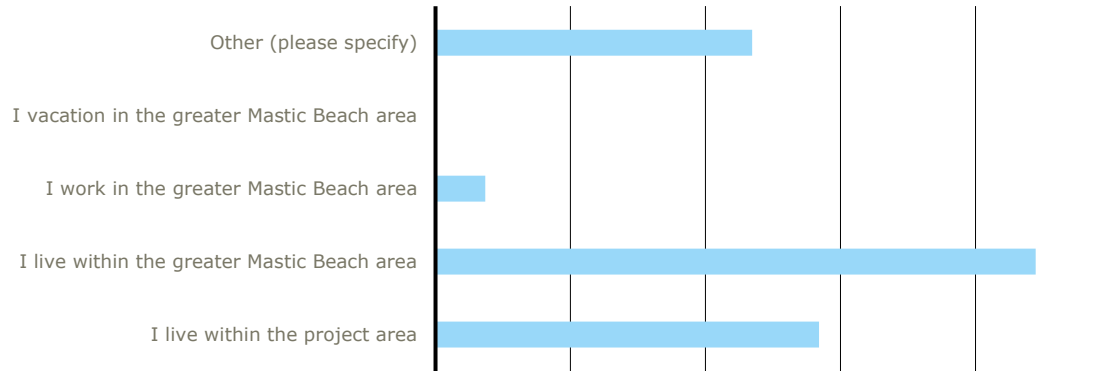
- 87 Respondents
- Sept 1st – Oct 3rd

Workshop

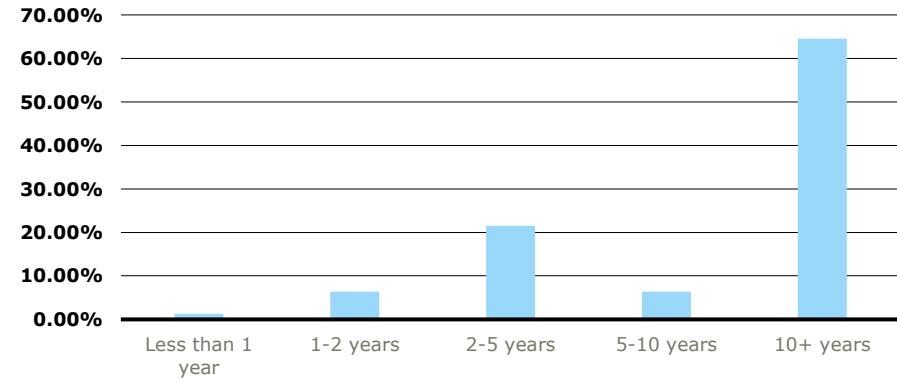
- ~60 attendees
- September 15th 6-8pm

Community Survey: Respondent Profile

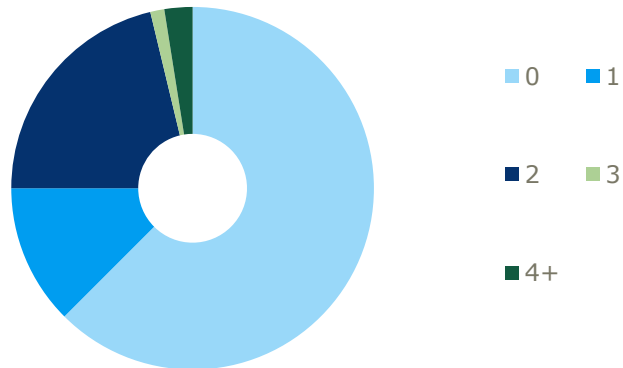
WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING BEST DESCRIBES YOU?



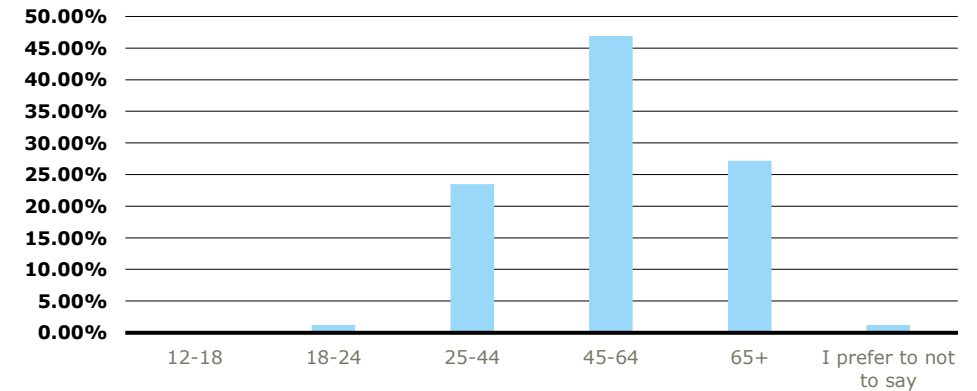
HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN A PART OF THE MASTIC BEACH COMMUNITY (EITHER LIVING OR VISITING)?



HOW MANY CHILDREN ARE IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD?

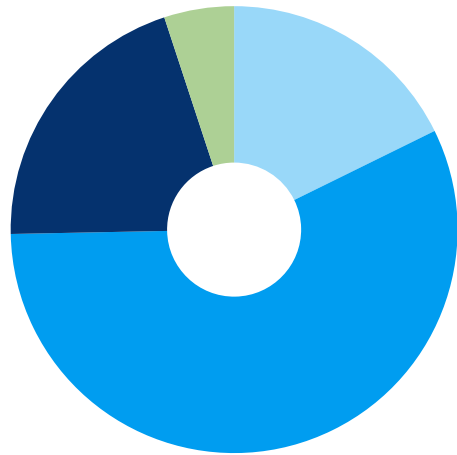


HOW OLD ARE YOU?



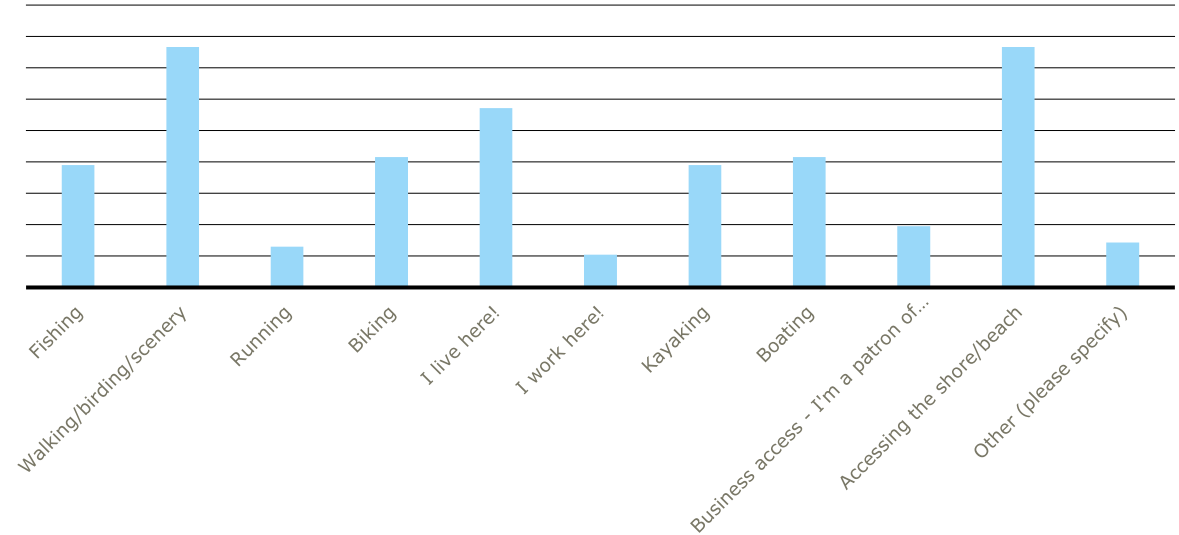
Community Survey: Project Attitudes

HOW FAMILIAR ARE YOU WITH THE TERM RESILIENCE OR RESILIENCE PROJECTS?



- No idea/unfamiliar
- I know a little bit/I'm somewhat familiar
- I've had experience with them/I'm pretty familiar
- I'm an expert!

HOW DO YOU CURRENTLY USE/INTERACT WITH THE PROJECT AREA?



POD 2

LEARN ABOUT THE MASTIC BEACH ECOLOGY

Existing Ecological Conditions

The project site currently has many different habitats.

Some of these are healthy and productive, while others are less.

In order to develop strategies to improve the health of the salt marsh habitat, we must first understand the existing ecology of the area.



POD 4

COMMUNITY INPUT

Recreation and Access

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Community Survey: Project Attitudes Summary

Ranked **priorities** for the Project Area:

1. Construct new trails and boardwalks for improved public access and shoreline aesthetics.
2. Build Flood Resiliency for inland properties
3. Restore ecological habitat and function (including protecting endangered species and removing invasive species).
4. Create interactive educational content such as interpretive signage and exhibits.

Ranked **concerns** for the Project Area:

1. Maintaining access to existing beaches/shorelines.
2. Being involved and heard in the planning process.
3. Possible impacts to private property within the project area.
4. Methods to remove invasive species.
5. Views of the shoreline/ocean possibly being obstructed by habitat improvements (e.g. maritime hammock).

Design Team Strategies

General support for Minor Grading for flow and habitat, Maritime Hammocks, Revegetation and Invasive Species Management, and Tidal Channels.