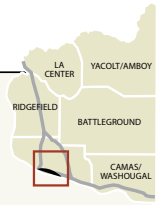
Columbia River Renaissance Trail

COLUMBIA RIVER TRAIL 5 miles EASY MODERATE DIFFICULT



BIKE LANES AND SIDEWALKS
MULTI-USE PATH
TRAIL ACCESS
PARKING
PUBLIC RESTROOMS
ATTRACTION
PICNIC AREA
SHELTER
BOAT LAUNCH
STEEP SLOPES

Columbia Renaissance to Wintler Park

The Columbia River Trail runs both on-street and off-street, connecting the downtown area to the Vancouver waterfront. The trail parallels the Columbia River, passing the shops and restaurants of Columbia Shores, Marine Park, the Kaiser Viewing Tower and Shipyards, the Water Resources Education Center, and Tidewater Cove ending atWintler Park. Marine Park is a 26-acre site offering walking trails, play equipment, picnic shelters, a boat launch, and restrooms. Wintler Park is a 12.5-acre park with picnic tables, a restroom, a sandy beach area, and excellent views of the Columbia River and Mt. Hood

DIRECTIONS
By Car:
SR-14 to SE Columbia Shores Blvd. or Columbia Way

By bus:
Columbia Way:
Line 3

HOURS
7 A.M. to dusk

FACILITIES
Boat ramps, play equipment, picnic tables, sports areas, viwpoints, beach access, shops, and restaurants

FEES
None except Marine Park Boat Launch: $4 cars; $3 cars with boats

Discovery Historic Loop at Fort Vancouver

This 2.3 mile trail winds through the Vancouver National Historic Reserve, Officers Row, downtown Vancouver and connects to the Columbia River waterfront. Historic sights along the way include Fort Vancouver, Pearson Air Museum, Providence Academy, Esther Short Park and the Old Apple Tree. This urban trail can be walked in about two hours, with shorter sections that allow more time to explore.

DIRECTIONS
Metered parking available around Esther Short Park 8th St. to Columbia St.

Travel south on Columbias St. to Columbia River, trail is on south side, Columbia St. becomes Columbia way after restaurant parking

Travel east on Evergreen Blvd from downtown, trailhead on south side after traveling through Ft. Vancouver Way round about

FACILITIES
Pedestrian and bicycle trails, historic sites, viewpoints, public art, shops, restaurants, parking, restrooms

FEES
None except metered parking

HOURS
24 hours/day, 7 days/week

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& RECREATION DEPARTMENT
www.vanclarkparks-rec.org/

0 1/4 1/2 1 2 MILES
1 INCH = 1/2 MILE

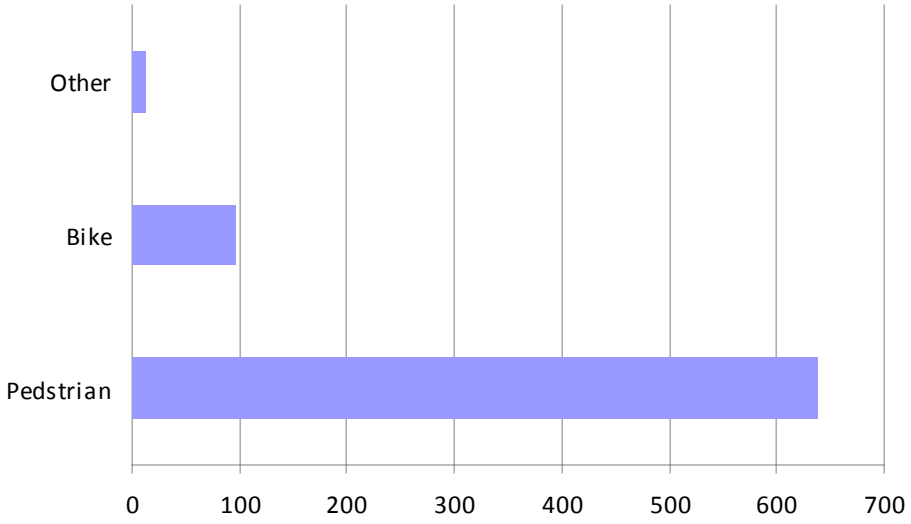
06/2010

Columbia River Renaissance Trail Count and Survey Findings

Annual trail use on the Columbia River Renaissance Trail in 2010 was estimated to be 986,645, an increase from the previous two years. For the past three years, the Columbia River Renaissance Trail has reported the highest usage of all the trails that were counted. Trail survey respondents represent approximately 9% of those counted. Of those who voluntarily completed user surveys, 95% responded they were using the trail for recreation/exercise/pleasure, and 5% said they were using the trail for going to/from work or school. The following charts and graphs represent the results of the count and surveys specific to the Columbia River Renaissance Trail. There was a special event on the trail on the Saturday counts and surveys were conducted, which is a regular occurrence.

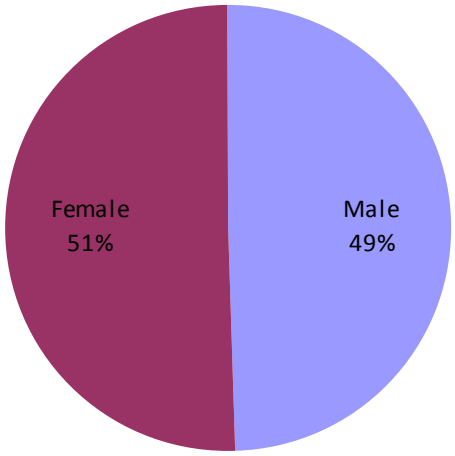
Weather: Cloudy both days - considered acceptable

Number and user description:



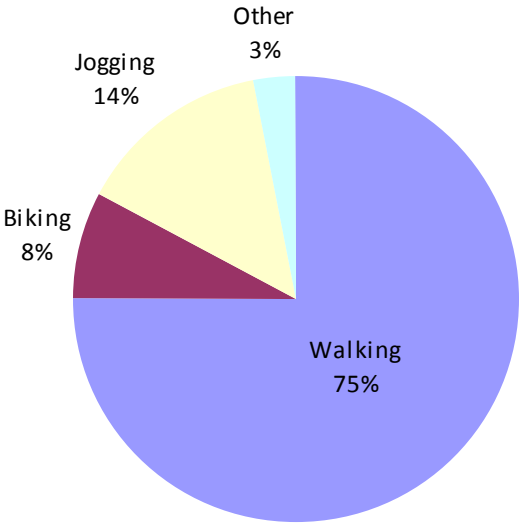
*Other may be skateboards, roller blades, etc.

Gender:

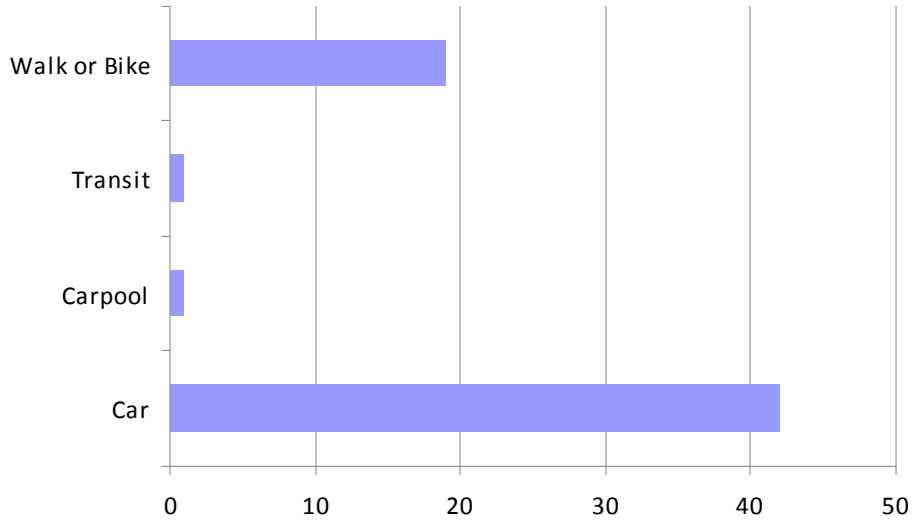


1. What best describes why you are out here today?

2. What are you doing on the trail right now?



3. Please check any other transportation modes in your trip today, including how you got to the trail.

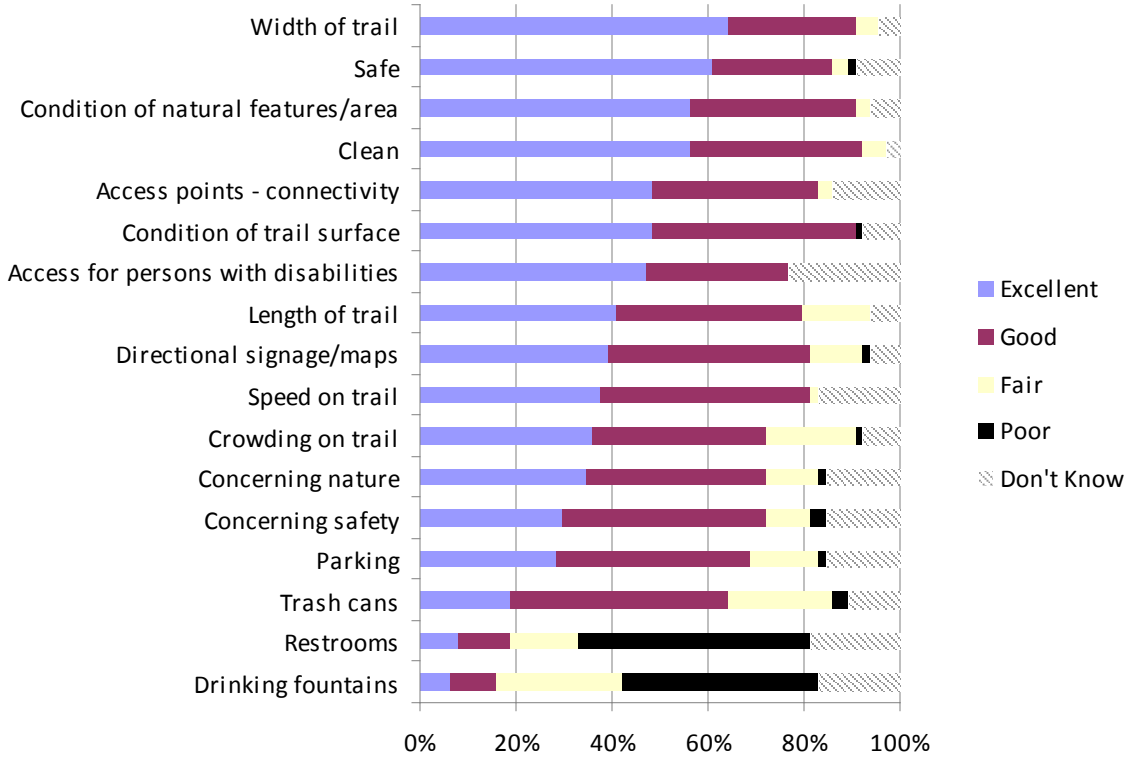


4. Where did you start this trip? (nearest street intersection)

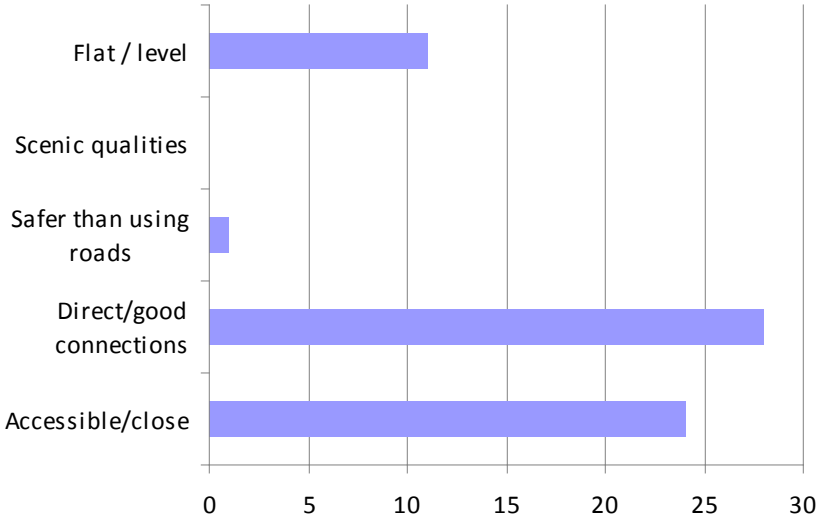
5. Where will you end this trip? (if you will end where you started, give the furthest point reached)

Incomplete Data for Q 4. & 5. See report p. 4 for explanation

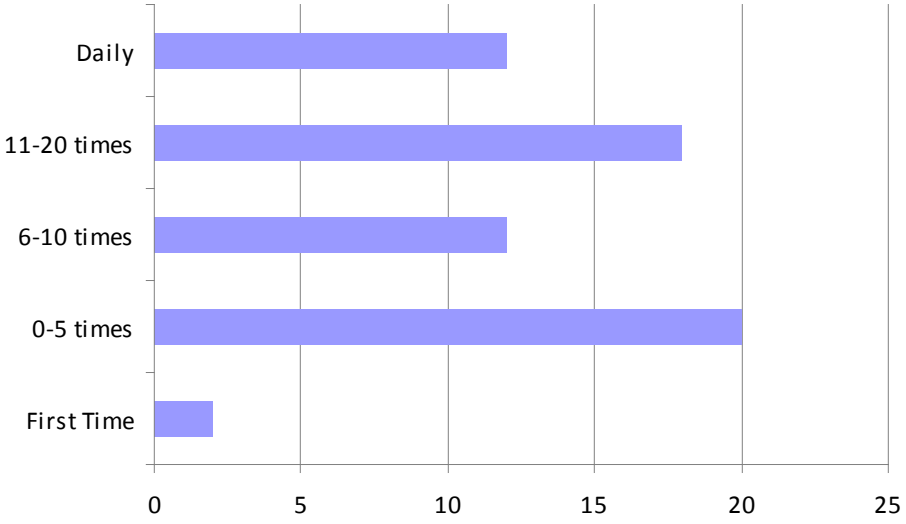
6. How do you rate the path on each of the following?



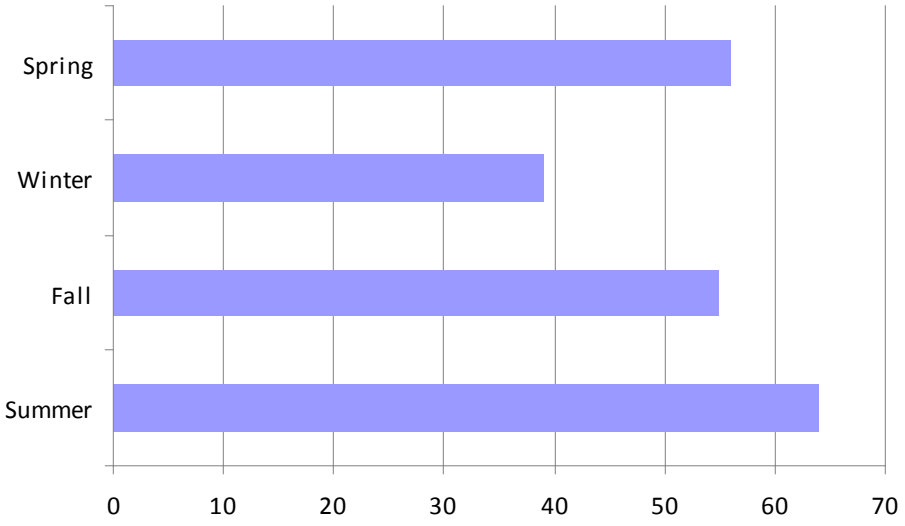
7. Why are you using this trail instead of walking/riding elsewhere?



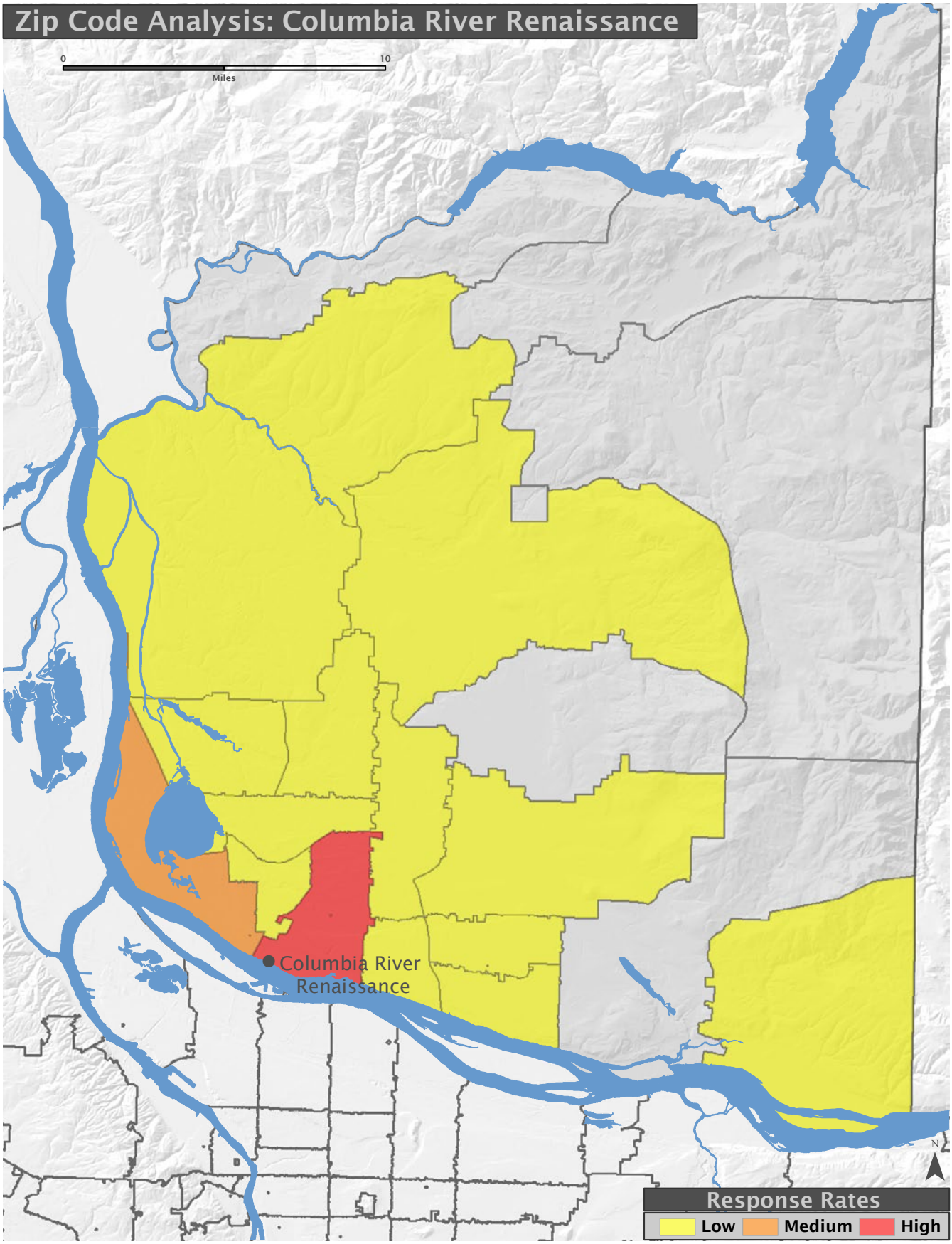
8. In the past month, how often have you used this trail?



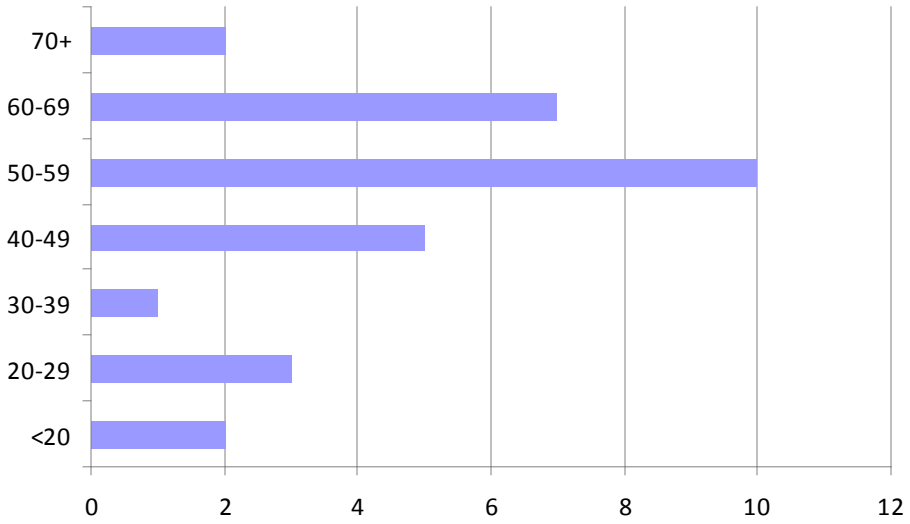
9. Please check the seasons in which you use the trail.



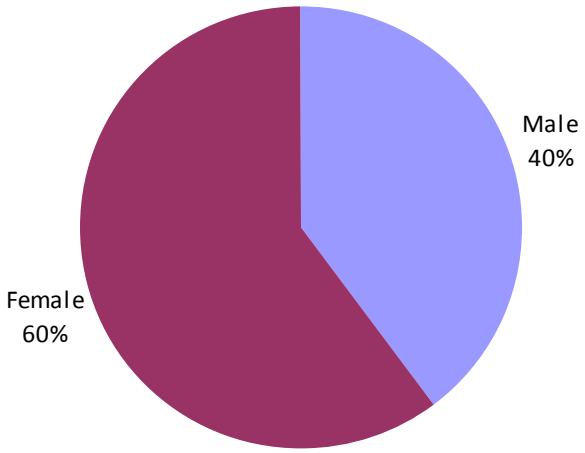
10. Home zip code?



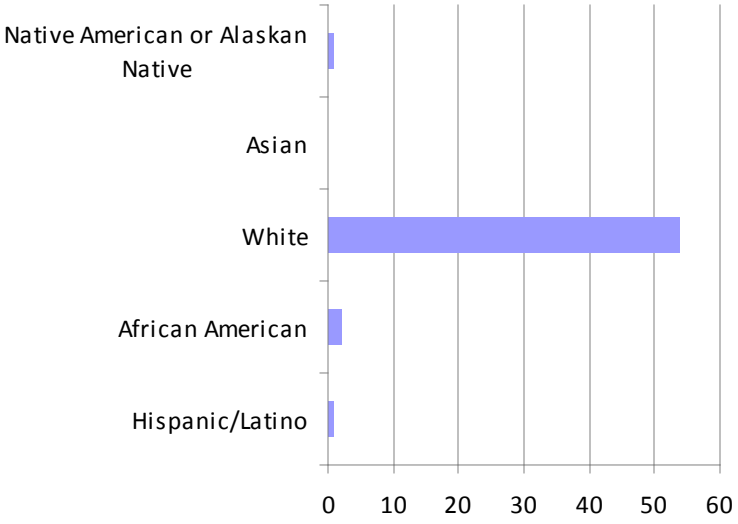
11. Your age?



12. Your gender?



13. What is your race or ethnicity? (optional)



14. Comments?

- Bike riders are sometimes going way too fast in pedestrian lanes. They should say 'on your left'
- Birds are a hazard when they swoop by without warning!
- Columbia Railroad x-ing @ SR-14 massive bird poop.
- Expand trail use- consider European model. Vender commerce engaging commerce engaging activities.
- Have to use restaurants for restrooms; marvelous asset for Vancouver would love to see it connect to Marine Park.
- I love this. It's one of my favorite places.
- I sometimes ride my bike to work on this route. My least favorite part is from the intersection of the Columbia House and Columbia to Marine Park. The public path is intersected by heavy trucks and it is a little unnerving. However, on the weekends the truck traffic is minimal. The sidewalk is pretty narrow for cyclists and pedestrians. I love this path! I really love that I can access it from my home without a car. I also use BBC trail and love Salmon Creek.
- It's great
- Keep homeless camps off beach
- Last spring did great job of cleaning up dog graffiti. Trees look sick along whole path.
- Leash laws need to be enforced!
- More walking needed Ya basta los carros!
- Need more restrooms.
- Need more restrooms at waterfront park
- Nice trail. Diaper friendly restroom would be nice.
- Need more facilities
- Arrived via airplane
- Thank you for the beautiful river walk!
- The path is fancy but does a number on my rollerblades, it could be smoother.
- Ticket speeding bicyclists
- We use this trail and wish it went the whole way from Vancouver Lake to Camas. We walk about every day from 6:30-8AM thank you!
- A great community resource
- Awesome!
- Bike people don't give warning when approaching from behind
- Bike speed can cause walker's problems, break-ins at Devine Rd is a big problem.
- Good job
- Good survey
- Great trail
- Keep it up!
- Keep rest rooms open all season
- Longer to connect to Camas. Rest rooms available in winter
- More trails, flat-ones, trim low branches in bike lanes on roads
- Need more great trails like this one!
- Some sections of the trail area little rough on the surface for some senior citizens
- Thanks for the walking trail
- Very enjoyable trail, scenic
- Very good, safe

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City of Vancouver, excerpts from Clark County Bicycle &
Pedestrian Trail Use Snapshot: Fall 2010