

2022 Mitchell Field Survey Question E-3 Responses

E-3 Are there other improvements or activities you'd like the Town to explore? (306 responses)

this should be question E-3

More park benches along the perimeter roads and at waterfront.

Already too many proposals for the space available.

yoga platform (or platform for other outdoor classes)

Robust access to our most beautiful resource which is the bay.

Increase length of beach area. Put in an accessible trail.

A dog park is definitely needed. Not all people adhere to the leash policy and even when some dogs are on leashes, they are still not under the control of their owners. I sometimes feel like I have to walk in fear on the trails.

Boat launch

Create a walking path for the main road so folks aren't walking in the road. ESPECIALLY if you allow more moorings as soon his will increase vehicular traffic.

food trucks, farmers market

food trucks, things like a farmers market

I think adding a dog park would negatively impact the atmosphere of the park. Not for the fact that more dogs and there owners would be there, but because it would limit the area where dogs are accepted and restrict the beach area only for non dog owners.

Dog park run by an association with annual fee and rules.

Allow for walking after dusk, or at least stop the sheriff from bothering you

no

None

Boat ramp, Dinghy dock

Bathrooms. More seating areas on the waterfront.

A potty near the garden would be great. It could possibly go next to the shed.

Flush toilet restrooms and hand washing stations would be a game-changer

Make the concrete building a community center for a local library, nonprofit meeting space, an arts space, etc.

Need to keep a balance between open space and recreational facilities which would also require increased parking space.

More benches along the roads and at the causeway and near the beach; better, more modern and attractive toilet facilities at both the top and bottom of the property.....like composting toilets with a modern design.

Cafe at waterfront

I'd love to see an ice rink for all our kids in our community

Construct an indoor lobster boat race stadium

We would like to see the field stay as it is, providing open spaces for wild flowers to grow and for the migrating birds, butterflies, etc. Promote plants like milkweed that support the Monarch butterfly. In the snowy months, we would like the walkways plowed so one can walk around the whole perimeter.

Leave the fields and meadows alone! They are the backbone of Mitchell Field.

No

No

Build a new dock with float.

My father was on the original Committee when we received the property back. There isn't supposed to be schools or housing there because of ground contamination. The gardens make me Leary. I believe it is still contaminated.

add par course pn trail, construct info board highlighting specific sites--about some old navy thing, location of things, why so many fire hydrants; about flora & fauna, especially trees and birds

Please do not put in a tennis or pickleball court. We already have one in town and we should put our resources to renovating that one. Some money for that should come from the town and not all from donations. While I like the idea of a dog park, it would be much safer to have an all day no leash policy and let the dogs walk without being trapped in a park. Too many fights can happen when dogs feel cornered.

Continue taking out the invasives.

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Boat launch and a space for small sailboats to be kept on trailers/dollies so they can be dry sailed. This is such an important need, especially for kids to be able to sail dinghies and other small boats, and there is nowhere in the greater Harpswell area that meets this need. In general, Mitchell Field should be the public waterfront community focal point that Harpswell desperately lacks.
Keep it clean. Keep it natural. Have a community clean up day for the beaches.
Making the field more walk/run friendly during the winter would be nice. For example, plowing the top road where cars are not allowed. It seems to be the majority of people using it during the winter months are there either to work at the business near the bottom or to walk/run. Some type of recurring activity at the field like the band concerts would be nice, but I'm not sure what could be done that would get a similar turnout that would brave the cold.
Soccer field, basketball court
It would be appreciated if, for once, a space to just be left naturally for all to enjoy, This includes birds and other wildlife. There is plenty to enjoy and explore without further entertainment/distractions.
Boat a launch with floats
Boat ramp
A pergola or large covered space for larger events (rentals?) or to accommodate more people from the public. Permanent bathrooms instead of potties would be amazing.
Nature education information as a self guided walking path.
Don't think a dog park is needed. But, maybe a sign stating dogs are walking on a specific trail. That way people know before using.
Developer better picnic area . Better promotion of beach area.
public boat launch with over night parking (apply for permit)
Plant and protect milkweed, the lifeblood of the developing Monarch butterfly. With its size, Mitchell Field could easily be a major contributor to the survival of this endangered pollinator.
Perhaps pier access for better small craft launching
No
Other than a dog park, no.
N/A
Cross country skiing trails
if you do some of the above more parking is a must
Farmers market
Develop tennis courts at Mitchell Field in lieu of the courts on Kellog church property, combine resources
No
Seems like a lot of area for a variety of activities. Would support more effort in developing outdoor healthy activities throughout the year.
possible expansion of the community gardens
It would be nice if it would also attract small businesses, especially for people using the beach. The beach is not well developed and that could also be improved upon.
NA
soccer/athletic fields
Boat launch
Allow food trucks, add bathroom
Single track mountain bike trails.
Pickleball
town solar array
No
no
see B-4
no
Boat ramp
Cedar beach needs easier access, difficult for older residents to climb down onto the beach.
Concessions or food trucks and a real bathroom/bathhouse. Fenced dog park.
Boat ramp
no

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We would prefer a dog park, than dogs unleashed (only early mornings okay for unleashed)
We would really like to see a proper boat launch and trailer parking for boats. We live 500ft from the water down at Stover's. We can see the water from our home, we have designated beach access but we are not entitled to a mooring. We have to drive out of Harpswell to launch our boat which makes no sense. The boat launch at the end of Stovers Cove Road has no parking and is hard to use outside very high tide. There is a launch area at the end of 123 (Graveyard Point Landing), but there is very limited street parking and every time we have been down there the parking is taken over by out of state plates. We also have tried several times to launch at Lookout Point, but with the tides and limited parking this is also difficult. there are several other launch areas that are either no longer in use (ie Wharf Road), or it's the same situation. You can technically launch from Stover's beach but it's near impossible once the beach is in use because of the room you need to manoeuvre a trailer and launch a boat. Locals who aren't entitled to a mooring are left with little to no option for boat launching. The Mitchell Field area is perfect for a proper boat launch and designated boat trailer parking like what we see over in Brunswick on Water Street near the rowing club and marine conservation society. It would also be great if preference could be given to locals as we are often cut out of local parking by out of state vehicles - so if there was some kind of permitting it would be nice to have that option.
I would only support a dog park if the current rules do NOT change
Permanent bathroom facilities
Physical fitness stations
restroom
I'd like to see grassland preservation balanced with any development activities; the grasslands are an important area for multiple bird and pollinator species
Maybe mountain bike down hill course.
What about the boat launch we've been hearing about for years?
Keep number of moorings small. Seems there is enough walking paths/trails. See enclosed article, "Why communities should be designing parks for older adults" by Jay Maddock. Could be done without paving or adverse effects on nature.
I like most dogs, but realize that some folks of all ages are afraid of them. The town already has many walking paths/nature trails. A bicycle park is an invitation to liability. A skateboard part is more liability.
The town could benefit from sidewalks to allow better walking access on the Islands and to Mitchell Field.
none
pickle ball is a fad. Boating facilities. I'm not a boat owner but, seems like a no brainer, to me
bike paths elsewhere. maybe playground. no pickle court, tennis court, basketball court, volleyball court. maybe ice skating rink. skateboard part elsewhere. maybe dog
none not listed above. It is important to me that the greatest asset, the open space and water views, be preserved.
better waterfront availability
improve pickle ball and tennis courts at Harpswell Center
The waterfront moorings have no dock or dinghy access despite promises for 3 years. Yet, we are required to pay annual mooring fees to an unusable mooring!
garbage receptacles
If dogs weren't loose, I would likely use the activities listed above. Improvements would be dogs always on leash. They are free to roam often and the elderly are not.
I think we have our plate full with the prospect of tidal flooding and should focus on retaining walls etc. to keep our island afloat before adorning it for highlanders!
Would love to see a community center with family-friendly offerings: pool, playground, small cafe, places to socialize
Maybe allow more food trucks and more music venues!
tapping number of moorings speaks to increased vehicular travel :(walking paths/trails in all seasons
Improve disabled access
It would be great if one of the brick buildings could be leased to a customer-facing business like a cafe or coffee shop.
Perhaps informal picnic events like HAH is doing.
Post a sign at entrance on 123 indicating public beach
Additional waste baskets along the walking paths for doggie bags.
A public boat launch like Mere Point
Make money for the town - commercial opportunities, farmers market, flea market. Well maintained bathroom facilities. Library
Whether to create a dog park depends on the nature of the park: a fenced in small area where the grass turns to dirt is not attractive. I would much prefer wooded trails or open grass fields
Keep it simple and undeveloped
Assume there is a charge for moorings - income is good to off-set cost to maintain the property. Dog Leash Law - Not all dog owners have "verbal" control of their dogs. I do have a dog but do not take it to Harpswell.
Put in a pier so people can pick up friends for rides in their boats, plenty of parking

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No, like it as a natural open expanse for views and light recreation
Have a concern about possible liabilities for town
Indoor facility for residents to use a kitchen, gym, space for classes, exercising, group gathering
outhouses at waterfront would help
any of the above suggestions would work
I like all the past festivities we've had there over the years.
love all the ideas given!
fishing pier
enhance the beach area. dogs should be leashed at all times.
keep porta pottys available at public sites
Organize exercise programs: group walks, tai chi classes, yoga classes. Create permanent water source for community garden
Indoor bathrooms, performance space and a library
I would like trees planted for more shade
A real bathroom and changing room. The pickle ball and tennis court should be nearer to the gate.
offices for town non-profits
boat launch ramp
all of the above
Keep it as it is - quiet recreation, not organized or manmade recreation
life guard? toilets! public pool, splash pad, shaded pavilion for picnicking, food truck in parking area?
Cleaning the beach area. Add a float for the swimmers. Plow the perimeter for walkers after snow storms.
Love the pickleball idea
easy access for kayaks
no
How about a water feature like a fountain on some floral gardens along walking paths
food trucks, farmer's market
In the winter do flood skating rink. Basketball court and Skateboard park away from other activities - some corner.
consider a boat launch
E-2 #4&5 not if the ones near the church are redone
We are 70+ and probably not like to use these activites.
I think a dog park is a bad idea! We used to walk off leash ALL the time and a few bad apples wanted leashed. We must keep unleashed times available as the dogs need to run to be healthy and for some owners, the field is the only opportunity they have for unleashed running. It is a difficult task to balance the natural experience with improved infrastructure. That said, it would be a travesty to overdevelop and be unused. I think a community center for small events would also be a plus - with a kitchen for food prep. Our population here is aged and I would love to see more families with children move to our town. Thank you.
no
Outdoor community pool or splashpad for kids
People don't always follow dog leash policy.
Year round owners are very respectful of unleashed dogs all the time!
Boat ramp needs to happen WITH turnaround trailer parking!
Good floating docks for boats. Large mooring field for al sizes of boats. Businesses that support boaters. Since the waterfront is exposed it should be transient boats that can move should weather turn bad.
community building and/or food building
watering station
Definitely trails in woods would be nice. Thank you to whoever mows what's there now but would be nice to have more. Maybe a few more shade trees along the upper edge road.
We already have tennis court type facilities in Harpswell. They are expensive to maintain and go largely unused. Furthermore, Brunswick is building out the base for additional facilities. We should wait to see what they will build.
NO

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SWIMMING POOL INDOOR YEAR ROUND
FOOD TRUCK WEEKENDS. SEASONAL FESTIVALS - MARKETS - CRAFT FAIRS. WINTER INDOOR SPORTS COMPLEX - POOL - AQUATIC CENTER
NOT REALLY
NO, IT'S ALREADY A GEM
we have HNPEA tennis court
wish I could acquire a mooring!
maintain trails for x-country skiing
Leave it alone! MF is a gem. Don't ruin it! You won't be able to get it back once you muck it up.
Improvement to existing building to rent / 1/2 season
Frisbee gold course - there is so much room for one!
Strongly support dog part. These are some great ideas!
liability?
Gardens with native plants
no
I would bring my grandchildren in summer if playground. I would bring my grandchildren in winter if ice skating rink.
Boat rides from piers?
There are enough trails now. Dog park areas, which concentrate dogs in a small area, tend to lead to trouble.
Swimming pool (good exercise) - lack of swimming pool in Harpswell, Brunswick, or Topsham, only available in Bath at the Y. Fishing dock off the pier
Dog park - somewhat agree - but not if it's in place of being able to walk or walk off leash
I'd prefer to see the town invest in recreational facilities at "Fulle" Field, not Mitchell Field. Serenity is one of the greatest assets at Mitchell.
A nice farmer's market that include our farmers and fishermen to sell to our locals
bigger beach, more picnic tables, better parking for concerts, real bathroom
While we expressed our personal preferences above, we would support any of the above that the Town feels would attract more people, including young people, to Mitchell Field. We would also like to see more businesses like Pammy's. Tear down/rebuild or refurbish derelict structures and use for recreation or fun businesses. Would be more likely to swim there if there were a bathhouse with changing rooms and a toilet.
boat launch
Can't we just leave well enough alone?
Brunswick Rec has a pickle ball court already for residents of Harpswell. Ice Skating rink would make the park usable during winter. RV campsites with no dumping regulations by permit fchs only by permit for a fee would generate income. State owned land has several public sites - free even.
wheelchair accessibility improved for the old pier and picnic table.
Exercise trail.
Open the meadow up to local bee farmers for use with their hives
Food Carts especially during concerts
Please don't convert Mitchell Field into a suburban kids park. People can go to Brunswick for that experience. Keep it open and relatively undeveloped. These open spaces are unique. Playgrounds are not.
upgrade porta-johns or consider a bathroom facility with outdoor shower/hose for dogs
possible camp sites in the woods
The question is: does the town want a nature oriented area (beach, paths, walking, etc.) or a city park? I prefer the natural approach. There are paths already - would not want them to be paved.
Boat ramp, dinghy ramp
Should be a destination for a boat with easy docking (space at pier and moorings) with picnic spots, food stores/cafe's, food trucks, and general store. Shuttle from pier to
(above answers) Doesn't mean I am against having some of these activities. I would like to see picnic tables and a play ground for children, town boat launch with parking
*Skateboarding should be allowed on the current roads. 1. A town boat launch with parking for vehicles with trailers. Sufficient to allow day boating and spring launching and fall take out. The lay out similar to Mere Point Launch and found in other water front communities. 2. Add a shore path/fisherman's walk. 3. Add picnic tables along the shore and a small playground
4. Add a pavilion for wedding or large gatherings, rain or shine - that can be rented. 5. Develop the Admin building for community use
(Dog park) I think this would be money wasted as people allow their dogs to run there, anyway. Morning, evenings, and swimming is already in place

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*Already have tennis courts in center of town
no
why not (have more moorings) if boat owners are paying for them
A community area for meetings, classes, events
Moorings - my opinion is the current 8 moorings should be discontinued. If the town insists on maintaining and improving the property as recreational, issue stickers or passes to residents and property holders, all others should pay an entrance fee towards helping make it self sustaining. After all, Maine State Parks and National Parks have admission fees
Don't waste money on a dog park, it is one already!
There are two play grounds at schools. Insurance for bike park. There are tennis courts at PE of Harpswell
public marina, better boat launch, kayak rentals, food concession
see B4
Two paths (one at each end of the beach) graded/improved or planking for better access. At some point add a handrail on one for folks that need it. Create a small (dedicated) boat launch path/ramp for small crafts, ie" inflatables, kayaks, canoes. In other words, day use and not applicable for larger boats.
An overall plan that is attractive verses a piecemeal plan would be preferred
I think any of the above would improve the area
Moorings should be temp. Strongly disagree with dog park idea
Enough (walking paths) in town already - preserves. All the rest are great ideas. Would then use it, especially with grand kids
I mainly disagree because it would require too much of the space and can't just pick one. I think the open peaceful feel should be valued.
Anything that would attract kids/young adults ... busy and off the streets & durgs. Fun & busy!
more trees
If my dog were still alive (use dog park). Boat ramp with some docks so you could tie off and remove trailer from ramp, (like Mere Point)
better toilet facilities
answers to E2 don't ask 1. likely 2. somewhat likely 3. not sure 4. unlikely. I don't agree or disagree
I enjoy it being open space, too many courts, skateboard/bike parks would be welcome, but ideally it would remain an off-leash area. We have met so many neighbors by walking our dog in the park
Moorings - keep sunny area to left of pier. As to tennis/volleyball courts - they would be nice but not at the expense of the beautiful fields. Bring back Harpswell Days
A boat ramp with limited time parking of trailers
like to see 4th July fireworks there
A public wash room, if there isn't one currently
shops/food during summer
All these suggested improvements all depends on where, how big, etc.
All good ideas, age prevents our using. swimming pool! - water exercise programs
no
see earlier comments re adding bar/restaurant. If that is not an option allow food trucks?
Don't get carried away and ruin a really good thing. Moorings should go to the marina.
Improve mowing of meadow to create open field space for soccer, frisbee, etc. Improve lighting, plowing, and safety. Improve moorings and public access to fishing pier. Maintain public bathrooms during daytime hours
food trucks, bike router kiosk, remove chain link fences
event venue. Possible rent if had facilities - wedding, music, etc.
Bicycle Park - this would be good for teens. Pickle Ball - great for players, not for me. All great ideas but I'm not sure we can fit in everything. Improvements - a town swimming pool!
moorings should be Harpswell residents only
Fix the existing HNPEA courts if they would be used. Put permanent restrooms and maybe a snack bar by the waterfront. Create a building space for a library and housing for community not for profits (HIPP, HNPEA, HAH, Anchor, etc.)
1. Bathroom & Changing facility. 2. Possible vendors for light food and snacks. 3. Keep boats away from quiet swimming areas and beach

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Harpswell Neck Library is in need of a building. Renovating the Admin building and repurposing it as the Harpswell Neck library would benefit Harpswell residents of all ages. Libraries build community, provide resources for all ages and support students. I am a retired librarian with 36 years of library experiences. A generous donor has come forward to provide funds for the renovation. Harpswell residents will benefit from this resource if the town accepts the gift.
no
Not sure I would categorize #2 -10 (with the exception of #8) as 'improvements'.
Basketball/volleyball - use existing buildings. Add library to existing building and public restrooms
no
not sure
Affordable housing, businesses to create income - commercial fishing and non-fishing
Roll/grade the dirt trails at MF (lots of medium size rocks!).
boat landing
I read that a small library might move into one of the buildings. I strongly support this idea, especially if there are strong areas/collections for senior and for children. It
As stated in B4 - public building for rest, recreation, food, bathroom
no
community solar farm
For the town to continue to hold the property it should be made useful for the people/tax payers. Otherwise, it seems like an expense without a payback.
x-country ski trails
No diesel engines at MF! The lobster mafia already has too much water space. Put all suggestions above at the park next to EK Church. Already have walking paths. Add ice skating rink / sledding hill. The lawn on D street in Boston has amazing Giant circular glow in the dark swings. Fun for all ages - very cool. Maybe dance nights or sailing lessons for small sunfish sailboats. Outdoor art easels. Driftwood Art Field - a small plot that has a whole bunch of small to medium driftwood that we can move around and make designs or structures. Like fairy houses but bigger and heftier.
picnic shelter at sea side and toilets?
Do not support improvements that would cost the town to provide.
fishing pier, see question B4. All other suggestions would be nice for others
boat ramp and dock
boat landing
shaded pavillion at picnic tables - no fireplaces (drought). water collection at garden
no
solar farm, waterfront business
not at this time
Why not allow more moorings? E2 - these categories don't use the right words! I wouldn't use a dog park but think it is a good idea!
Permanent toilet facilities
Residents Only for moorings
Many of these facilities are under-used elsewhere in Harpswell or Brunswick. If you do put in any of these, concentrate them in one area. Ice skating rink waste of money - climate change
Boat Launch!
Facilities for eating and sitting on a new structure to replace the old admin building at the water.
library?
Is there a possible use of one of the Navy buildings for a restaurant?
A dock with a few temporary slips for pick up and drop off only
It is good as is to enjoy the natural beauty. Do not need 'amusements'. Not here in Harpswell long enough to know of other improvements.
Dog park - disagree, leave as is. Improvements - orchards, boat launch, working water front access
Use existing, vacant buildings for artists, non-profits. Renovate, don't destroy, especially for something so boring as parking spaces! The land by the water is too valuable and with proper use could be great for Harpswell and summer tourists. Please don't be short-sighted and add parking spots where the current, unoccupied buildings are! Look what other communities have done for the arts!
I have no opinion of the dog policy but think it's a good idea. I'd love to see MF improved with many more things to do. Be shaded activity dome (overhead canopy like Wild Oats) to have pop up classes and craft activities.
Ice skating rink is nice but expensive to run. Can't think of any improvements right now.

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More moorings should be allowed with access and landing, storage area.
Careful planning for improvements, including food trucks, commercial sewer and water, etc. Long term investments for a jewel of a property
Find a way to get Verizon on the tower.
Groom trails for x-country ski in winter
nothing
NO MORE MOORINGS - LET THEM GO TO THE MARINA AND BLOCK OFF THE REST OF THE COVE. DID LOCAL PEOPLE SUGGEST WE MAKE IMPROVEMENTS? - PROBABLY NOT WE HAVE ENOUGH WALKING TRAILS THANKS TO HHLT - TOO MANY ACTUALLY NO YOUNG PEOPLE IN TOWN SO WHY PLAYGROUND? WHY SKATEBOARD PARK? WHY COURTS? HAVE TENNIS COURT NOBODY EVER USED/USES IT REALLY A SKATING RINK? WHO'S MAINTAINING? SET ONE UPON YOUR LAWN. DOG PARK - WALK DOGS OFF LEASH ON ROAD ALREADY THERE - PEOPLE DON'T CLEAN UP AFTER THEIR DOGS NOW - IMAGINE A PARK?!! I THINK THE TOWN SHOULD TRY HARDER TO BE FISCALLY RESPONSIBLE AND STOP WASTING OUR HARD-EARNED TAX PAYER DOLLARS AND OTHER INCOME IT RECEIVES ON UNNECESSARY THINGS. TRY PAYING ATTENTION TO IMPORTANT MATTERS LIKE HOUSING FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE AND TRY SUPPORTING YOUR LOCAL FISHMEN. STOP CATERING TO THE OUT-OF-STATERS.
Too much noise, disagree with suggestions. But if you must, and I understand the need, please put these activities at the entrance to the field and please keep water area noise free for those who like serenity. I'm in a minority. I just want to keep one of the last areas in Harpswell wild and undeveloped. There are always enough things to do in such a scenic, quiet part of Harpswell. Almost, each time I am in MF the population is of the older generation and we love the days when its a quiet, reflective space to spend time.
need toilets all year round
Shooting range or regular car show events
STOP SPENDING MONEY YOU DON'T HAVE AND THEN HAVE TO RAISE TAXES
no
Town Center concept - Suggest relocating Pammy's, Uncle Pete's, Wild Duck, etc. at a Town Center and zone Rt 123 sides for residential only to avoid entering and exiting traffic - getting heavier each year. Examples: McMillan Wharf (Province town), Boorshire Neck (Rockport)
no
Moorings for town residents. Outdoor skating rink. Interpretive signage about the native plants, birds, shoreline
boat ramp and parking
none
restrooms
It would be wonderful to renovate the Admin building to house the Harpswell Neck Library. the library has books, shelves, and computers looking for a home.
fenced dog area - 1 for big dogs, 1 for little dogs
weekly movies at the bandstand
very happy with how the space is used! Coming to Harpswell for 50 years - love MF!
There's a problem with dog owners not keeping their dogs leashed. Town needs to enforce this more vigorously.
Leave the meadow for the insects and mammals. Don't fix what isn't broken, it's a beautiful place to just be. No other improvements.
could be convinced of ice skating rink, if it were seasonal only
Used it as is for 24 years. Great natural amenity. Don't make it like Massachusetts park
E2 - because of HNPEA tennis courts - disagree; basketball/volleyball - perhaps near shore or entrance - but not in middle or near gardens Manage better for native species (EG: eradicate invasive plants, mow at different intervals to favor various habitats)
Plow the walking loop in the winter, not just road down to the oyster farm
This will be the only viable access to moorings in the town. Any other town 'mooring field' is not viable for other than locals within walking distance. We should (1) have a Corps of Eng designated anchorage (2) adequate dinghy tie ups paid with mooring fees (3) mooring fees should be charged and adequate to cover ALL costs (still way cheaper than commercial rental mooring)
E2 - No Hell no (#2,3,4,5,6,7,9,10) Dog park not necessary and I have a dog. Clear some areas along the back road to open up ocean views and place picnic tables there
venders - food trucks
"use" is a problem for me because I am 80. However, I have younger relatives and friends who would probably enjoy these extras and I would enjoy accompanying them.
n/a - keep pretty natural
Farmers Market, Fall Fairs, Bean Suppers, Food Truck Weekends

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How much of the field would be left (#4,5,6,7)? Use more for nature - and activities in related areas - sailing, boating

parking - widen main road so could park along one side

#2-10 above - nothing wrong with these, but I get the most enjoyment with the peace, quiet and being in nature that MF allows

Cap moorings at 15. Enough paths/trails already. No (#3-10) sorry, I like it the way it is. But I'm not the only user. Bathroom improvements - but fine as is as long as there are some available. Speed bumps for many who don't read the signs. It's a lovely park that I treasure. MF is perfect. I love it. I am refreshed and happy after being there.

Yes, more appreciation for what you are doing!

#2-10 - these are not 'improvements'. "Improve" it by preserving it in its natural state and resist the cacophony of development you've listed. The original MF consultants report noted the rarity of undeveloped properties such as this one. IIRC, the only property of its kind in the entire Mid Coast. Preserve it! We need better long range thinking than this survey would suggest. Thank god for John Muir otherwise Yosemite and environs might be a "bike pump park" or a "pickleball facility"!