

Thread Lake Neighborhood Opinions SUMMARY

Saturday, September 7, 2013

TOTAL: 25 (Fully completed: 18 Completed only frontside: 7)

1) Have you visited Thread Lake in the past 2 years? *Please check (v) one. (25 responses)*

76.0% ___ YES

24.0% ___ NO

2) Which of the following recreation activities would you like to see on Thread Lake? *Please check (v) all that apply. (340 total responses)*

5.6% Fishing

6.5% Walking trails

4.4% BBQ pits

1.8% Snowshoeing

3.5% Wildlife viewing

5.3% Playground

1.8% Soccer fields

3.2% Active community center

1.8% Disc golf (frisbee)

3.2% Hiking

3.8% Organized park activities

2.9% Education and community center

2.1% Dog park

3.5% Swimming

1.2% Other Activity: **outdoor movies & music, golf club, hockey on frozen lake, 4-wheeling**

4.4% Canoeing/kayaking

5.3% Bike trails

1.8% Snowmobiling

2.9% Photography

3.2% Camping

3.2% Basketball courts

3.5% Swimming pool

4.1% Community gardens

3.8% Exercise stations

1.8% Camping

5.0% Picnic areas

3.8% Biking

2.1% Group camping

4.4% Row boats

3) What is your opinion of the water quality in Thread Lake? *Please check (v) one. (25 responses)*

0.0% Excellent

4.0% Above average

16.0% Average

16.0% Below average

48.0% Poor

16.0% No opinion

- 4) How do you think water quality in Thread Lake has changed over the last 30 years? *Please check (v) one.* (19 responses)

10.5% ___ Greatly improved
15.8% ___ Improved
0.0% ___ Stayed the same
15.8% ___ Diminished
42.1% ___ Greatly diminished
15.8% ___ Not sure or don't know

- 5) Identify 3 specific things that you like about Thread Lake.

- The lake can help unify 3 distinct neighborhoods
- Immediate access to 3 neighborhoods
- the view/location
- I like driving around the lake
- waterfowl
- peaceful
- scenery on east side is beautiful
- the Vista Center (2)
- wildlife
- potential for beautification
- I can walk to the lake from my house
- I love the view of the lake in the wintertime
- There's enough space for my daughter and I to fly kites in the fall and spring
- The amount of available land for activities
- The water access
- The openness and potential for wildlife interaction
- the view of downtown

- 6) Identify 3 specific improvements, projects, or actions that you would like to see happen in and around Thread Lake.

- 7) Clean up lake as well as brush around lake, dead trees
- 8) Walking and Biking trails—(7)
- 9) More fishing opportunities
- 10) Formation of a Thread Lake Improvement Task Force
- 11) Dredging, particularly south end
- 12) Community events, outdoor movies and music, activities to include the population in the area
- 13) Create a public beach for swimming
- 14) Build a boardwalk around public areas
- 15) Ice House created from nearby abandoned building
- 16) Disc golf, clean park
- 17) More cops, neighborhood watch

18) Most of the land around Thread Lake is publicly owned. Should some of that land be sold to private investors for the purposes of development? **(19 responses)**

31.6% ___ Yes

47.4% ___ No

21.0% ___ Not sure

19) Please share other questions and/or comments that you have about Thread Lake and its surrounding neighborhoods.

---The Thread Lake area is a diamond waiting to be polished and enjoyed by all the community, not just developers or wealthy

---Need more things for the kids to do around here to keep them out of trouble

---Is development the push of this organization? How can public access be guaranteed?

---Remove abandoned homes and improve appearance of surrounding neighborhoods

---This lake is a thread in the ecological web

---A senior center would be nice

---To make it better for kids and adults to both enjoy

---I would like to thank you for opening my eyes to a better Flint

IDEAS for IMPROVED RECREATIONAL FACILITIES: (24)

Bike/Walking Trails---(6)

Boat launch---(3)

Clean lake, improve for swimming/fishing---(5))

Outdoor music/movies/fireworks---(3)

More kids/family activities---(5)

Senior center (2)

Walking trail with stations for fitness activities

Clean up roadside brush for better views of lake and the island on the lake

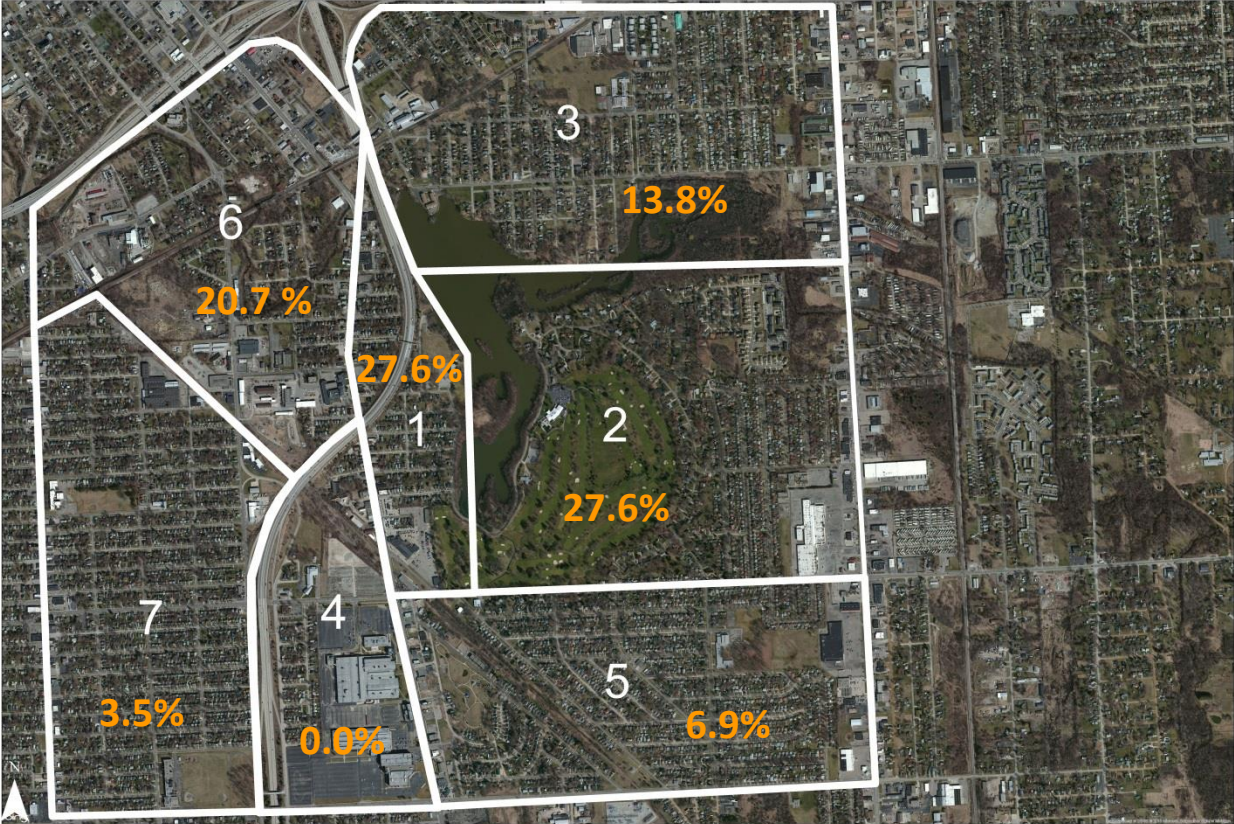
Crossing bridge

“There’s a boat launch and open lawn next to the lake, with a mower and picnic table it could become a park”

“I would like to have the public swimming pool back!!!”

MAP EXERCISES

1) Please Identify where you live on the map.



Total Responses - 29

2) If you visit Thread Lake, where do you visit?



Total Responses - 28

3) Please mark EACH of the (7) areas surrounding or near Thread Lake with a dot showing your opinion of safety. (Green = Good, Red = Bad, Blue = In between)



Total Responses – 1) 14 2) 15 3) 11 4) 5 5) 5 6) 8 7) 3

OR



4) How do you feel about existing recreational facilities around Thread Lake? (Green = Good, Red = Bad, Blue = In between)



Total Responses – 1) 12 2) 16 3) 12 4) 1 5) 3 6) 0 7) 0

5) Where would you like to see more neighborhood connections around Thread Lake?



(Total Responses – 21)