

Appendix 1. – Conservation Priorities Survey Results

Q1: Great Peninsula Conservancy's mission is to protect forever the natural habitats, rural landscapes and open spaces of the West Puget Sound. How familiar are you with Great Peninsula Conservancy and the work we do?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Very familiar	39.2%	58
Moderately familiar	47.3%	70
Slightly familiar	11.5%	17
Not at all familiar	2.0%	3
<i>answered question</i>		148
<i>skipped question</i>		3

Q2: Have you visited land conserved by Great Peninsula Conservancy or attended a Great Peninsula Conservancy event?

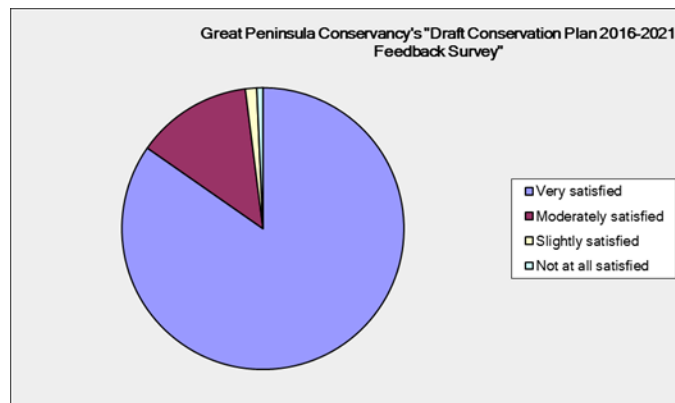
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	87.4%	132
No	7.9%	12
Don't know/ not sure	4.6%	7
<i>answered question</i>		151
<i>skipped question</i>		0

Q3: In which county do you reside?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Kitsap County	77.3%	116
Mason County	4.0%	6
Pierce County	10.7%	16
Other (please specify)	8.0%	12
<i>answered question</i>		150
<i>skipped question</i>		1

Q4: Great Peninsula Conservancy's "Draft Conservation Plan, 2016-2021" identifies four main initiatives: Shorelines and Estuaries, Streams and Freshwater Wetlands, Forests, and Community Greenspaces. How satisfied are you with these particular landscapes being our highest conservation priority?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Very satisfied	84.7%	127
Moderately satisfied	13.3%	20
Slightly satisfied	1.3%	2
Not at all satisfied	0.7%	1
Is there is another landscape that you think should be a high priority?		15
<i>answered question</i>		150
<i>skipped question</i>		1

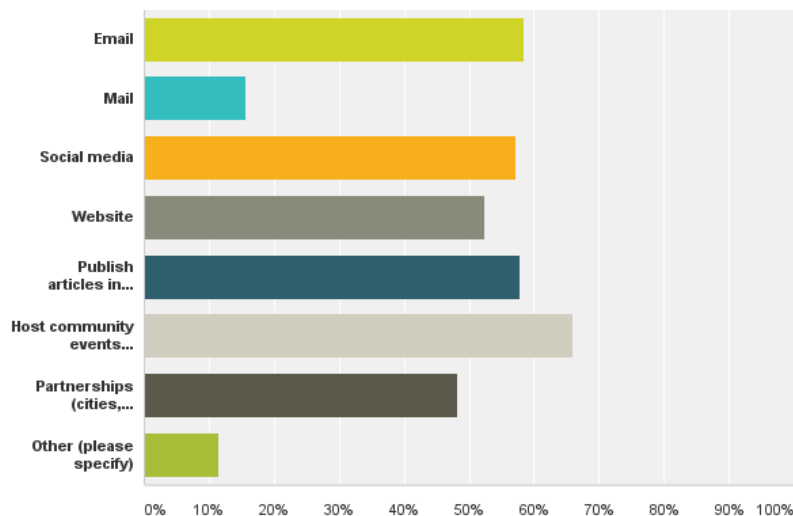


Q5: How likely is it that you would recommend membership in Great Peninsula Conservancy to a friend, family member, or colleague?

Answer Options	Not at all likely - 0	1	2	3	Very Likely -4	Rating Average	Response Count
	2	11	22	56	60	-100.00	151
<i>answered question</i>							151
<i>skipped question</i>							0

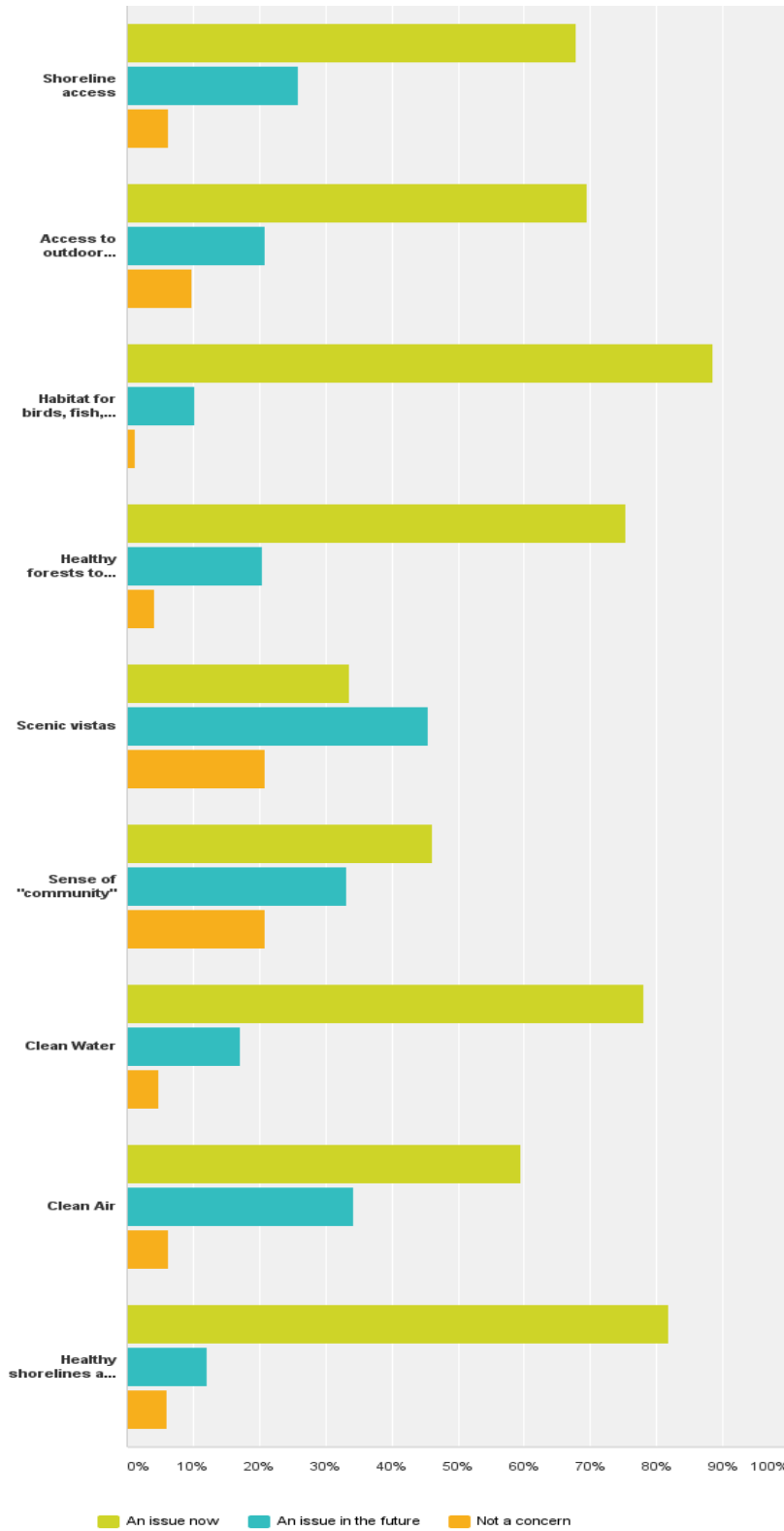
Q6: One of the goals of Great Peninsula Conservancy is to increase public participation in our conservation efforts. Which of the following do you feel is the best way to accomplish this goal? (Select all that apply)

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Email	58.5%	86
Mail	15.6%	23
Social media	57.1%	84
Website	52.4%	77
Publish articles in appropriate media	57.8%	85
Host community events (workshops, volunteer events, etc.)	66.0%	97
Partnerships (cities, counties, etc.)	48.3%	71
Other (please specify)	11.6%	17
<i>answered question</i>		147
<i>skipped question</i>		4



Q7: We would like to know whether or not you believe Great Peninsula Conservancy should work to improve the following "quality of life" issues on the Kitsap, Gig Harbor and Key Peninsulas. Please rate the following issues according to their timeliness "now", "in the future" or "not a concern".

Answer Options	An issue now	An issue in the future	Not a concern	Response Count
Shoreline access	97	37	9	143
Access to outdoor recreation such as trails and open space	100	30	14	144
Habitat for birds, fish, plants and animals	131	15	2	148
Healthy forests to provide timber and watershed protection	110	30	6	146
Scenic vistas	48	65	30	143
Sense of "community"	64	46	29	139
Clean Water	114	25	7	146
Clean Air	85	49	9	143
Healthy shorelines and bays to provide shellfish and fish for harvest	121	18	9	148
<i>answered question</i>				149
<i>skipped question</i>				2



Q7 Bar Chart: We would like to know whether or not you believe Great Peninsula Conservancy should work to improve the following "quality of life" issues on the Kitsap, Gig Harbor and Key Peninsulas. Please rate the following issues according to their timeliness "now", "in the future" or "not a concern".

Q8: What are the most important contributions Great Peninsula Conservancy can make to our community in the years ahead? (Open ended response)

1	Feb 25, 2016 9:07 PM	Continue to maintain open spaces for people to enjoy and animals to use as their homes.
2	Feb 25, 2016 6:34 PM	protecting land from development
3	Feb 25, 2016 6:26 PM	Its continued preservation of "natural areas" on the Great Peninsula.
4	Feb 25, 2016 3:17 AM	Not sure.
5	Feb 24, 2016 6:37 PM	Continue with your conservation efforts.
6	Feb 24, 2016 6:10 PM	Preserving land in a natural state while providing limited access for passive recreation. Save targeted lands for posterity and benefit of all
7	Feb 24, 2016 5:46 PM	the people.
8	Feb 24, 2016 5:43 PM	Acquisition of open space and beach access.
9	Feb 24, 2016 4:57 PM	Conserve those lands under most immediate threat to residential conversion and/or disturbance beyond restoration. Protecting land - I am so deeply grateful to all who work so hard to protect shorelines and forests from development! This is the greatest gift we can give. I do understand that the more people you reach the more donations you'll get to pay for land, so community outreach is important, too - I'd like to see GPC reps at events with information on how much land has been protected so far and what the current projects are, as well as with sign up sheets to become members.
10	Feb 24, 2016 2:54 PM	Maintaining current agreements and property already purchased and adding new strategic ones.
11	Feb 24, 2016 2:52 PM	Sizable blocks of contiguous terrestrial habitat, especially for large mammals (such as bears) and other ground dwelling animals. Also suitable for hikers, bird watchers, and other nature lovers. Preserving streams and estuaries is an important part of that. I value healthy shorelines and access to them but put a much lower priority on human harvesting on shorelines or anywhere else. Landscapes are nice but the main focus should be on healthy habitat for flora and fauna.
12	Feb 24, 2016 5:22 AM	I am a horse person, and very interested in preserving access to riding trails.
13	Feb 24, 2016 5:18 AM	Preserve as much land in its natural state as possible.
14	Feb 24, 2016 3:43 AM	Contribute to the acceptance of ecological values by the community at large
15	Feb 24, 2016 2:29 AM	Acquire lands and reserves to restore them
16	Feb 24, 2016 1:57 AM	Helping to conserve pieces of land for public use and enjoyment that might be threatened by development. In some situations public use may need to be minimal to preserve the natural habitat.
17	Feb 24, 2016 1:20 AM	#1. Stream protection & elimination of fish passage barriers.
18	Feb 24, 2016 1:19 AM	#2. Public access to shore lines & reduce beach pollution
19	Feb 24, 2016 12:47 AM	Preserve shorlines and forests
20	Feb 23, 2016 10:54 AM	Preservation of open space
21	Feb 23, 2016 10:51 AM	Protection of wetlands, fish habitat, shoreline, forestsand establishing a way for people to access the protected areas without disturbing what is there.

2	Feb 23, 2016 10:40 PM	Continue current work
2	Feb 23, 2016 10:27 PM	Preserving large blocks of land, especially shoreline from private developers.
2	Feb 23, 2016 9:53 PM	Conservation of land for human use is tricky because we have a hard time seeing the future and land once taken by humans is hard to get back to nature.
2	Feb 23, 2016 9:23 PM	Continue to acquire significant landscapes and then create community awareness of these acquisitions and their purpose.
2	Feb 23, 2016 9:07 PM	Being able to secure land from development. Trying to maintain wildlife corridors and habitat.
2	Feb 23, 2016 9:07 PM	I appreciate the leadership role that GPC has taken on with Forest & Bay project. I know that requires a lot of resources but without the leadership, far less would have been accomplished.
2	Feb 23, 2016 8:36 PM	Maintain/increase natural habits to allow most creatures who were here before us humans to continue to thrive
2	Feb 23, 2016 8:31 PM	Preservation of existing natural environments, and educating the public especially youngsters.
3	Feb 23, 2016 8:31 PM	Land preservation and public education.
3	Feb 23, 2016 8:27 PM	Provide organization for focusing financial, physical and intellectual support for protecting natural resources of our community
3	Feb 23, 2016 8:17 PM	Partnering with like minded individuals from all aspects of land non-motorized use. Using common goals to have a larger voice. Training youth to understand the balance between conservation and recreation so the next generation can take up the cause.
3	Feb 23, 2016 8:04 PM	Land purchase
3	Feb 23, 2016 8:04 PM	Continue saving wild places for people and wildlife, water quality, climate resilience. Sponsor restoration of environmental qualities on properties that have been degraded. Plan for the long term!
3	Feb 23, 2016 7:58 PM	preservation and education
3	Feb 23, 2016 7:55 PM	Focusing on how private landowners can be better stewards of their lands
3	Feb 21, 2016 7:08 PM	Leadership for conservation matters; willing to partner with others; be expert & spokesperson in these Issues.
3	Feb 20, 2016 12:29 AM	Continue your outreach and expand public/private partnerships.
3	Feb 19, 2016 4:28 PM	protecting important watersheds
4	Feb 16, 2016 11:28 PM	Conservation of natural resources imperiled by growth and development
4	Feb 16, 2016 10:24 PM	Working with government/policymakers on healthy community spaces initiatives.
4	Feb 15, 2016 7:23 PM	Helping others understand the value of conservation and ways to individually contribute to the overall effort.
4	Feb 14, 2016 7:22 PM	Paved access pathways as mentioned above.
4	Feb 12, 2016 5:42 PM	Acquire land to protect 1. To preserve biologically important areas for species on the peninsula to flourish. 2. To preserve/create wild spaces where the public can enjoy nature.

4	Feb 12, 2016 4:13 AM	Protecting wild lands while there's still time to do so for the benefit of people and wildlife.
4	Feb 11, 2016 11:28 PM	Insuring the water quality of Hood Canal and surrounding waters to the Peninsula.
4	Feb 9, 2016 6:20 PM	conservation of current forested land at Port Gamble
4	Feb 9, 2016 3:15 AM	Securing undeveloped, natural lands and coastlines to preserve for wildlife and future generations.
4	Feb 9, 2016 2:21 AM	Provide mediation to unify different trail user groups. Work Party events last year were a tremendous success to bring horse, hike and bike groups together. With Green Mountain possible opening up some land use thru DNR and private land owners involving ORV groups as well.
5	Feb 9, 2016 12:47 AM	Conserve more land by taking it out of development
5	Feb 8, 2016 7:57 PM	Preserving open space for purposes of protecting or promoting clean water, wildlife habitat and appropriate human access.
5	Feb 8, 2016 3:42 PM	Preserve large properties at risk of development, contribute to visioning about livability of cities, support small forest landowners
5	Feb 8, 2016 5:50 AM	Continue what you are doing to save the natural places.
5	Feb 8, 2016 4:49 AM	Preserving natural land for both people and animals to enjoy.
5	Feb 7, 2016 9:46 PM	Continue the conservation effort and improve community outreach so these lands are appreciated and accessible.
5	Feb 7, 2016 3:16 AM	continue to preserve wild places; protect flora and fauna;
5	Feb 6, 2016 11:28 PM	Protecting land/trail systems from eventually becoming residential areas.
5	Feb 6, 2016 10:02 PM	we would like to see the land purchased for the trail system that would start in Port Gamble and head south to Miller Bay. This would keep a large swath of land free off development and provide a wildlife corridor in addition to a long trail system.
5	Feb 6, 2016 7:48 PM	Education of residents and ecosystem rehabilitation and preservation
6	Feb 6, 2016 7:12 PM	follow-through on their mission of preserving and protecting
6	Feb 6, 2016 3:01 PM	Making people aware of the opportunities (locations and activities) sponsored by GPC to enjoy the outdoors.
6	Feb 6, 2016 1:27 PM	Protect critical sensitive areas and undeveloped lands so that they can remain unspoiled. Sometimes public access to enjoy these areas unintentionally damages these areas. Restrictions to access in some areas is needed.
6	Feb 6, 2016 7:36 AM	Protect land for public access or just to protect the environmental qualities of the land even without access.
6	Feb 6, 2016 7:05 AM	Stand up for conservation values, lead by example, get important science to the public to support conservation, collaborate across a variety of points of view
6	Feb 6, 2016 5:06 AM	Prevent as much as can commercial developers from endangering nature access for all of us.
6	Feb 6, 2016 4:41 AM	Build public awareness of the need to protect our Eco-system. I
6	Feb 6, 2016 3:42 AM	complete shore to shore trail

6	Feb 6, 2016 2:56 AM	protecting natural habitats
6	Feb 6, 2016 2:41 AM	Preserving timbered forests and making public trails.
7	Feb 6, 2016 2:40 AM	leverage community to get things done. Because healthy ecology is so interrelated, I think building a sense of an ecological community in the entire area covered by GPC is very important. I also think, under Sandra's leadership, this kind of work has been well started - the building of partnerships, the annual dinners, the stewardship opportunities - but to make your geographical area into a very large, cohesive and purposeful community with its own
7	Feb 6, 2016 2:34 AM	ecological health as a center focus would be amazing.
7	Feb 6, 2016 1:45 AM	Slow down growth and development
7	Feb 5, 2016 11:16 PM	Continue to seek out and protect access to shorelines, trails, and open space
7	Feb 5, 2016 10:58 PM	Purchase land and/or rights.
7	Feb 5, 2016 10:20 PM	Keep a long-term vision
7	Feb 5, 2016 9:58 PM	protect lands - both working and natural
7	Feb 5, 2016 9:39 PM	conservation easements
7	Feb 5, 2016 9:26 PM	Connecting various green spaces i.e. parks, conserved land etc.
7	Feb 5, 2016 8:59 PM	Keep the public aware of the importance of retaining and preserving our natural areas.
8	Feb 5, 2016 8:28 PM	to save the full 4800 acres of pope property in north kitsap
8	Feb 5, 2016 8:22 PM	Stay on the task of protecting land & habitat for wildlife and air, water quality, etc.
8	Feb 5, 2016 8:03 PM	Land acquisition - stewardship and natural resources enhancement can always be addressed later. Buy as much now as possible, the price will never go down.
8	Feb 5, 2016 7:55 PM	Preserving as much forest land as possible as well as clean fresh water and salt water.
8	Feb 5, 2016 7:54 PM	Besides protecting our natural habitats which is already happening, I would like a way to educate those who don't realize they may be causing problems for these protected lands by what they are or are not doing on their properties. concerned about chemical use and noxious weeds all which spread to other properties.
8	Feb 5, 2016 7:46 PM	Preserving the many natural assets we have for all generations to love and enjoy.
8	Feb 5, 2016 7:40 PM	preserving open space in natural state
8	Feb 5, 2016 7:39 PM	preserving large landscapes from development
8	Feb 5, 2016 7:34 PM	Change your language / strategy about conservation. You keep saying you are protecting the land when you buy it from good stewards. It would be cheaper to promote good private stewardship rather than public acquisition.
8	Feb 5, 2016 7:24 PM	A sense of inclusion and immediate need for preservation on the part of the public.

9	Feb 5, 2016 7:12 PM	Help to conserve Port Gamble highlands preservation of open spaces and open waters.
1	Feb 5, 2016 7:11 PM	EDUCATION, as to how important that is above for now and the future.
2	Feb 5, 2016 7:10 PM	Holding land for future generations
3	Feb 5, 2016 7:07 PM	Preserving and restoring natural areas
4	Feb 5, 2016 7:04 PM	Prioritizing Conservancy acquisition based on robust factors including environmental justice (using EPA's tool or similar) as well as habitat, water quality, etc.
5	Feb 5, 2016 7:03 PM	buying property for public access and not private development
6	Feb 5, 2016 4:23 PM	To make the community aware of progress.
7	Feb 2, 2016 8:19 PM	Flexible use open space. There are places and needs for more than just trails and trees - these are good, but don't forget the other gateway uses.
8	Feb 2, 2016 7:08 PM	protect more land
9	Feb 2, 2016 2:36 AM	Protecting land under threat of development for wildlife and future generations.

Q9: Great Peninsula Conservancy focuses conservation efforts on lands and waters we think are most important for our communities and/or at most risk of losing to other uses. Please rate the importance of the following habitats, landscapes and open spaces to you and your community.

Answer Options	Very important	Somewhat important	Not important	Don't know		Response Count
Natural old second growth forests	112	30	4	2		148
Forests sustainably managed for timber	47	73	22	4		146
Rare and threatened species and habitats	111	35	0	2		148
Wildlife corridors and nature preserves	126	21	1	1		149
Freshwater wetlands	125	24	1	0		150
Community and regional trails	73	72	2	0		147

Streams	128	18	1	1		148
Estuaries and natural saltwater shorelines	131	16	2	1		150
Community Parks and Open Space	63	73	8	1		145
Other (please specify)						13
<i>answered question</i>						150
<i>skipped question</i>						1

Q 10: Thank you for taking the time to complete the survey. The full Great Peninsula Conservancy's Draft Conservation Plan, 2016-2021 can be found at our website www.greatpeninsula.org. If you would you like to become more involved with Great Peninsula Conservancy's conservation efforts and receive our monthly conservation update, please provide your email. Thank You!

Answered: 21 Skipped: 131