

South Oxnard Parks Survey



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Parks Commission

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Agenda:

1. Park Survey Methodology

1. South Oxnard Parks

1. Examples

South Oxnard Parks Survey

Welcome to parks survey! Please try to complete your observations as close to 12pm-1pm as possible during a sunny day. Remember to be as inclusive with your answers as possible, (i.e. if you observe multiple items, include them all). For any question that you select other, please explain why in the comments section.

Refer to the masterplan amenities checklist to see what park amenities exist and need to be surveyed. For the questions where you mark the condition, take a picture if the amenity is below average/poor or above average/excellent. In addition, take 1-2 two pictures of something you like in the park, and 1-2 pictures of things that are negative/need improvement and email them to i.silver.nogueira@gmail.com and villegas.ariadne@gmail.com with 1-2 sentence captions describing why you like or dislike this observation.

Your name

Your answer

Park name

Your answer

Date of observation

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Four Categories:

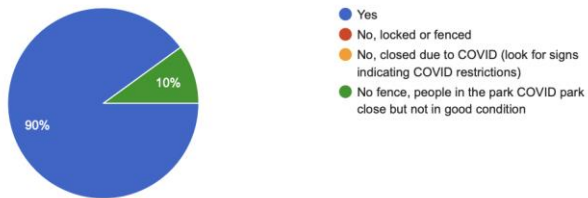
1. Park Access and Neighborhood Surroundings
2. Park Quality and Safety
3. Park Activity Areas
4. Green space and Heat mitigation

Survey Results

Park Access and Neighborhood Surroundings

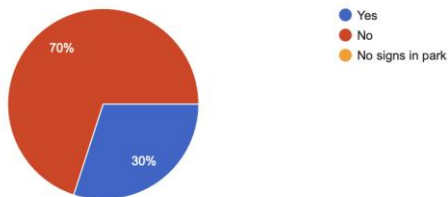
Can the park be accessed for use? (not locked/fence)

10 responses



If there are signs in the park, do they have Spanish translation?

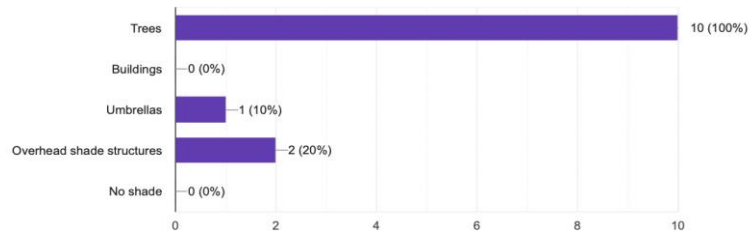
10 responses



Green space + heat mitigation

What are the sources of shade in the park (select all that apply):

10 responses



Describe the sources of shade in the park (i.e overhead shade structures are only available above playgrounds, etc)

4 responses

Shading design around the park, some available in the middle only on grass fields. No shading on playgrounds and basketball courts.

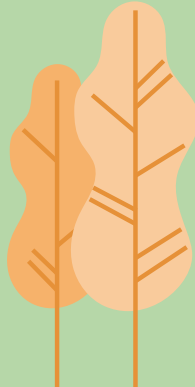
Trees scattered throughout the park, giving shade. No source of overhead shading above playgrounds.

Trees outline the park and trees were planted in the center recently.

Small to average tree shading available. No shading overhead the playground

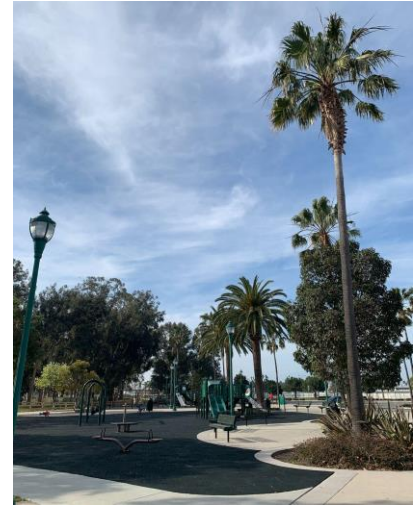
South Oxnard Parks

<u>Park</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Usage</u>	<u>Tree Canopy</u>
College	B+	High	16.53
Garden City Acres	B-	Low	12.88
Lathrop	B-	Low	42.41
Southwinds	C+	High	23.41
Carty	C	Medium	29.30
College Estates	C	Medium	38.77
Lemonwood	C	Medium	47.65
Pleasant Valley	C-	Low	21.37
Beck	D+	High	25.34
Johnson Creek	D+	Low	30.95



College Park

- Grade received: B+, high usage, 16% tree canopy
- Model Park
- Multiple shading structures
- Multiple water fountains
- Many trees
- Plenty of lighting at night
- Jogging paths



Beck Park

- D+, high usage, 25% tree canopy
- Poor lighting, Graffiti, Litter, Heavy traffic
- Very little shade, no shade structures besides trees
- Only 6-10 trees
- Non-functional water fountains
- Broken down basketball courts and picnic tables



Southwinds Park

- C+, high usage, 23% tree canopy
- Poor lighting
- Heavy traffic
- Areas for improvement (e.g. adding canopy, having functioning water fountains)



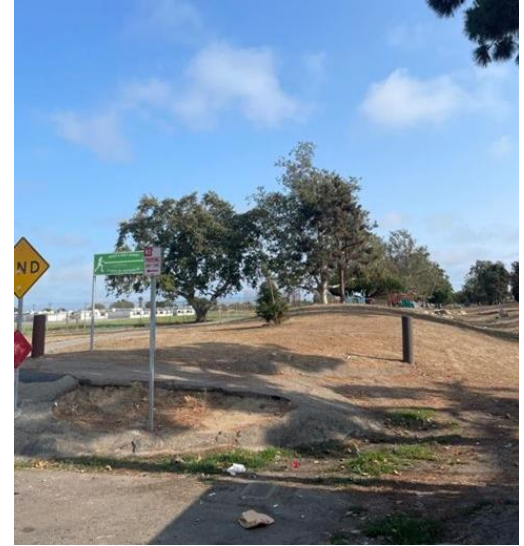
Pleasant Valley Park

- C-, low usage, 21% tree canopy
- Poor Lighting (Very Minimal light polls)
- Large park
- Only one water fountain and it was not functioning
- Room for improvement (e.g. no available shading overhead the playground, plenty of areas to add shading structures)



Johnson Creek Park

- D+, low usage, 30% tree canopy
- Poor lighting, Excessive litter,
- No shade structures
- Restrooms in poor condition
- Non-functional drinking water fountains
- Poor vegetation coverage



What can be done to mitigate heat?

- Increase tree canopy
- Expand drought-resistant vegetation cover
- Increase shade structures
- Construct and maintain water fountains
- Build water features
- Use recreation centers as cooling centers during heat waves



What to do next?

- Support our effort for an Oxnard Resiliency Plan
- Leverage existing funding for heat mitigation
- Partner with ARC to apply for grants to improve resiliency through our parks