

# Abasand Dog Park

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## **SURVEY RESPONSE REPORT**

16 May 2022 - 07 June 2022

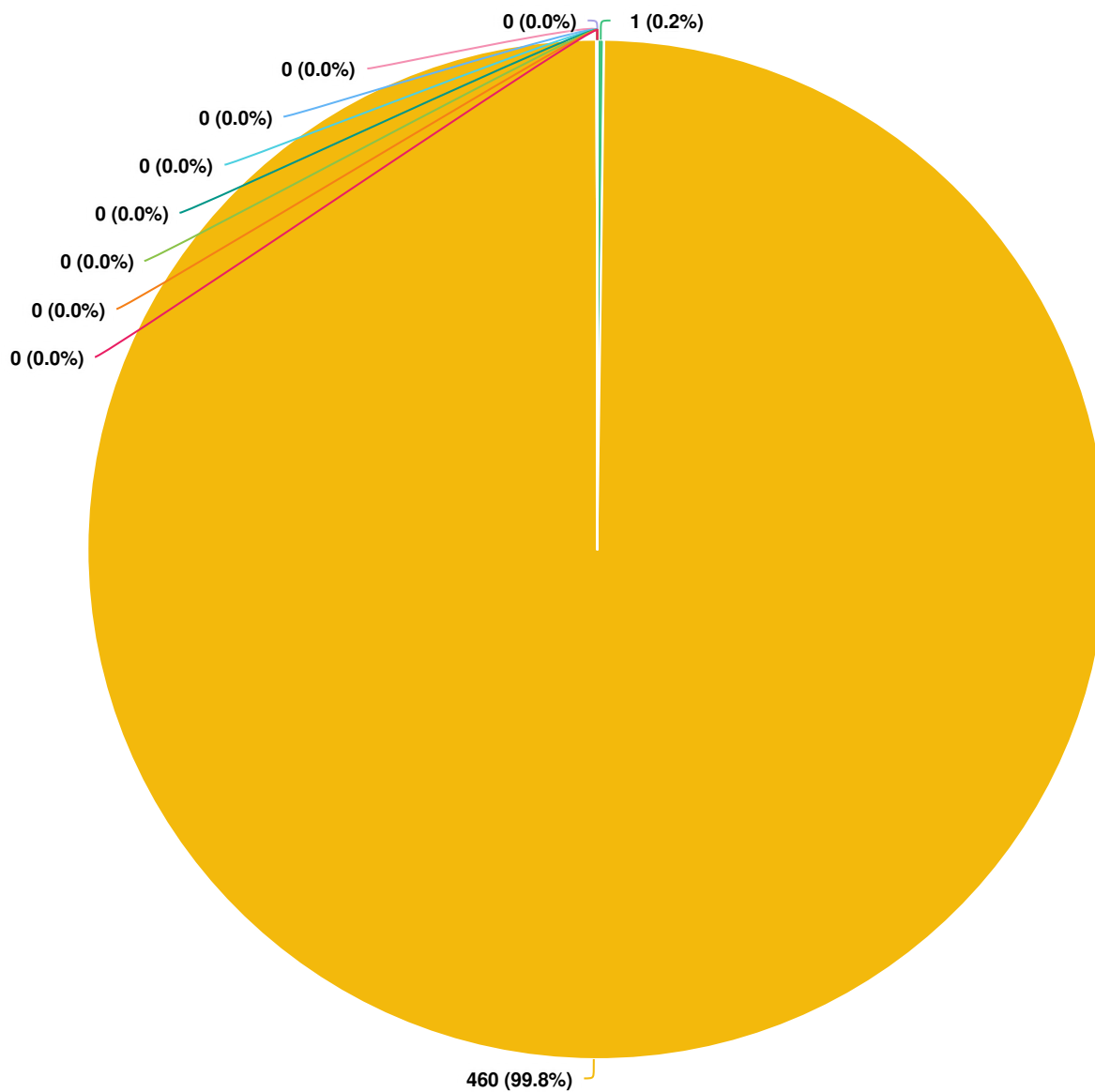
### **PROJECT NAME:**

Abasand Dog Park Feasibility



# SURVEY QUESTIONS

**Q1** Where do you live in the region?

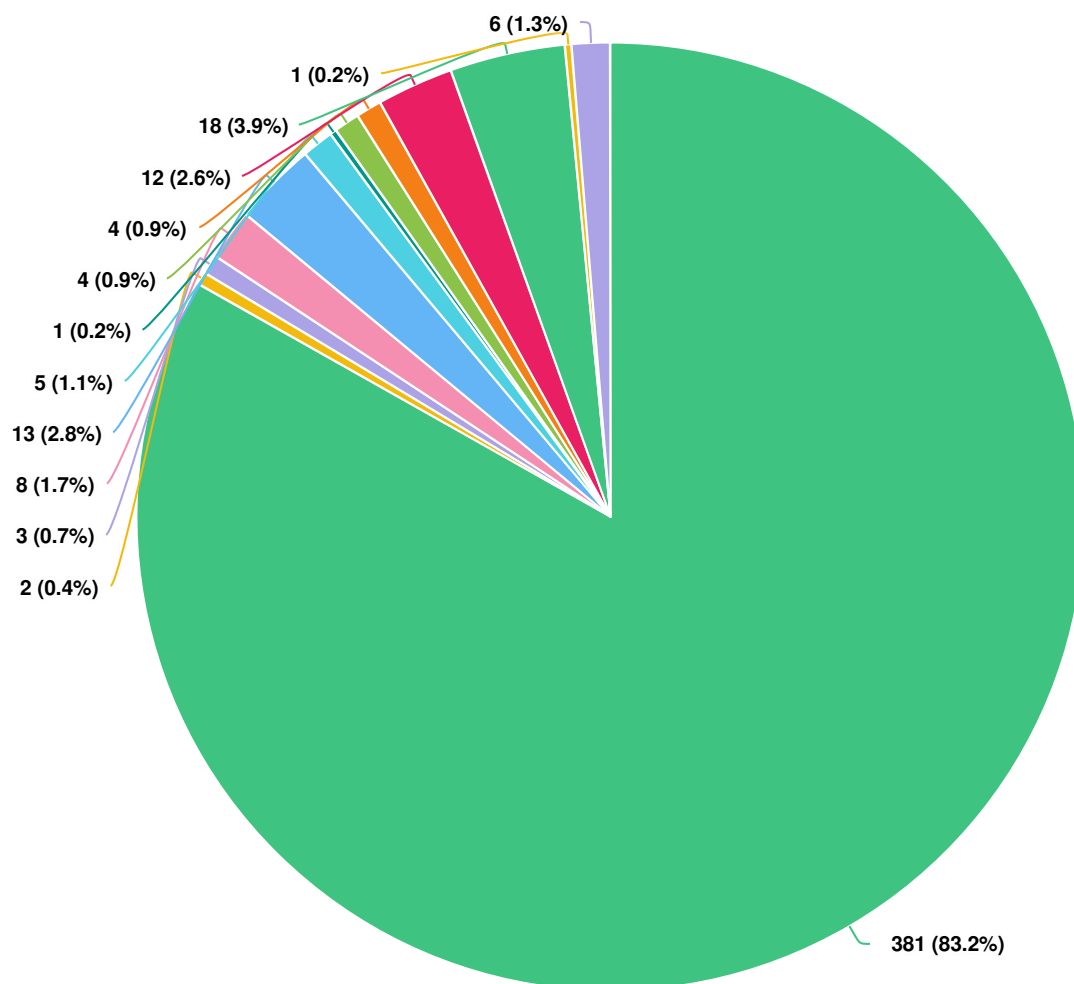


**Question options**

Fort McKay Fort McMurray Anzac Conklin Draper Fort Chipewyan Fort Fitzgerald  
Gregoire Lake Estates Janvier Saprae Creek Estates

Optional question (461 response(s), 2 skipped)  
Question type: Radio Button Question

## Q2 Where do you live in Fort McMurray?

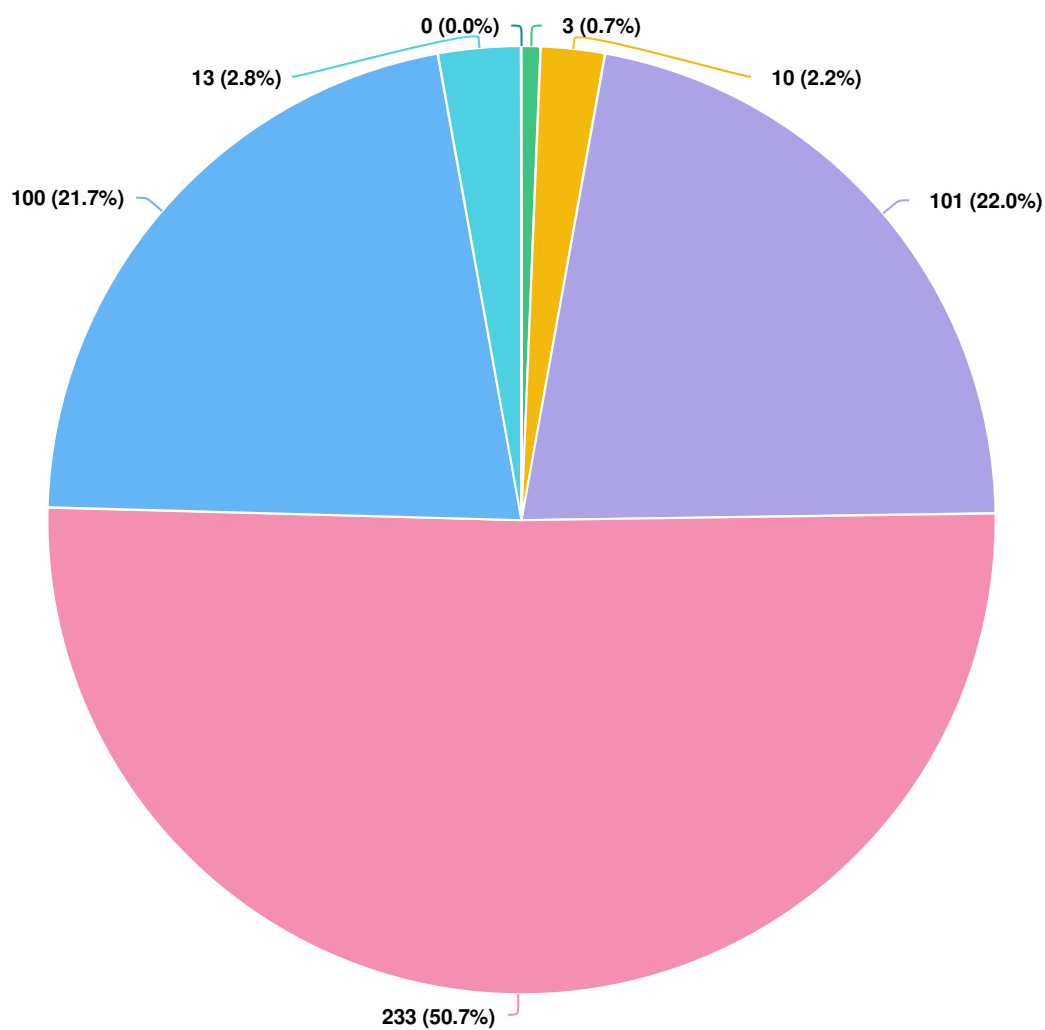


### Question options

● Abasand 
 ● Beacon Hill 
 ● Dickinsfield 
 ● Downtown 
 ● Eagle Ridge 
 ● Grayling Terrace 
 ● Gregoire 
 ● Parsons Creek 
 ● Stonecreek 
 ● Thickwood 
 ● Timberlea 
 ● Waterways 
 ● Wood Buffalo

Optional question (458 response(s), 5 skipped)  
Question type: Radio Button Question

**Q3** How old are you?

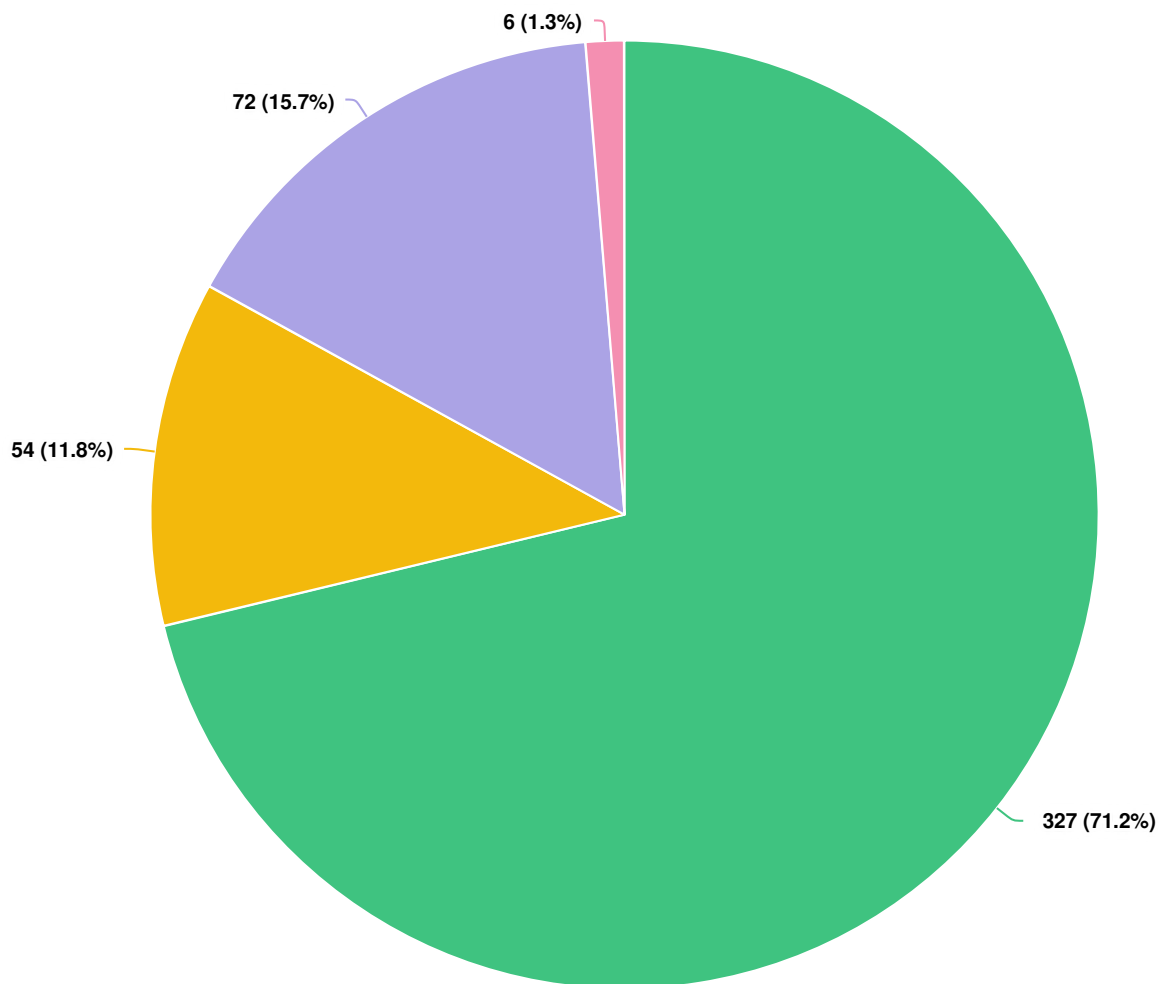


**Question options**

15 and under 16 to 21 22 to 29 30 to 44 45 to 59 60 to 77 78 and older

Optional question (460 response(s), 3 skipped)  
Question type: Radio Button Question

**Q4 Tell us about yourself. Which of these applies to you?**

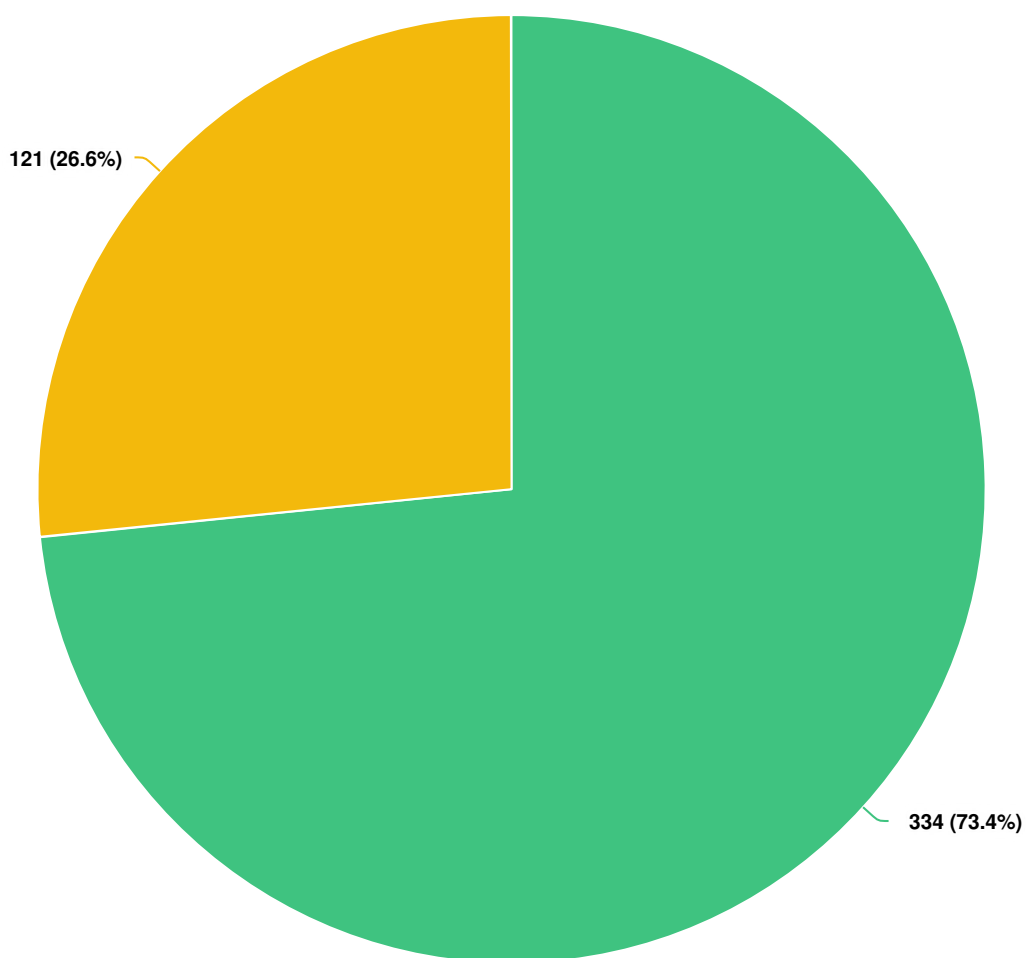


**Question options**

- Abasand resident and dog owner
- Abasand resident and NOT a dog owner
- Live in another Wood Buffalo community
- Other (please specify)

Optional question (459 response(s), 4 skipped)  
Question type: Radio Button Question

**Q5** Would you want Abasand to have an off-leash dog park?



**Question options**

☒ Yes ☐ No

*Optional question (455 response(s), 8 skipped)*  
*Question type: Radio Button Question*

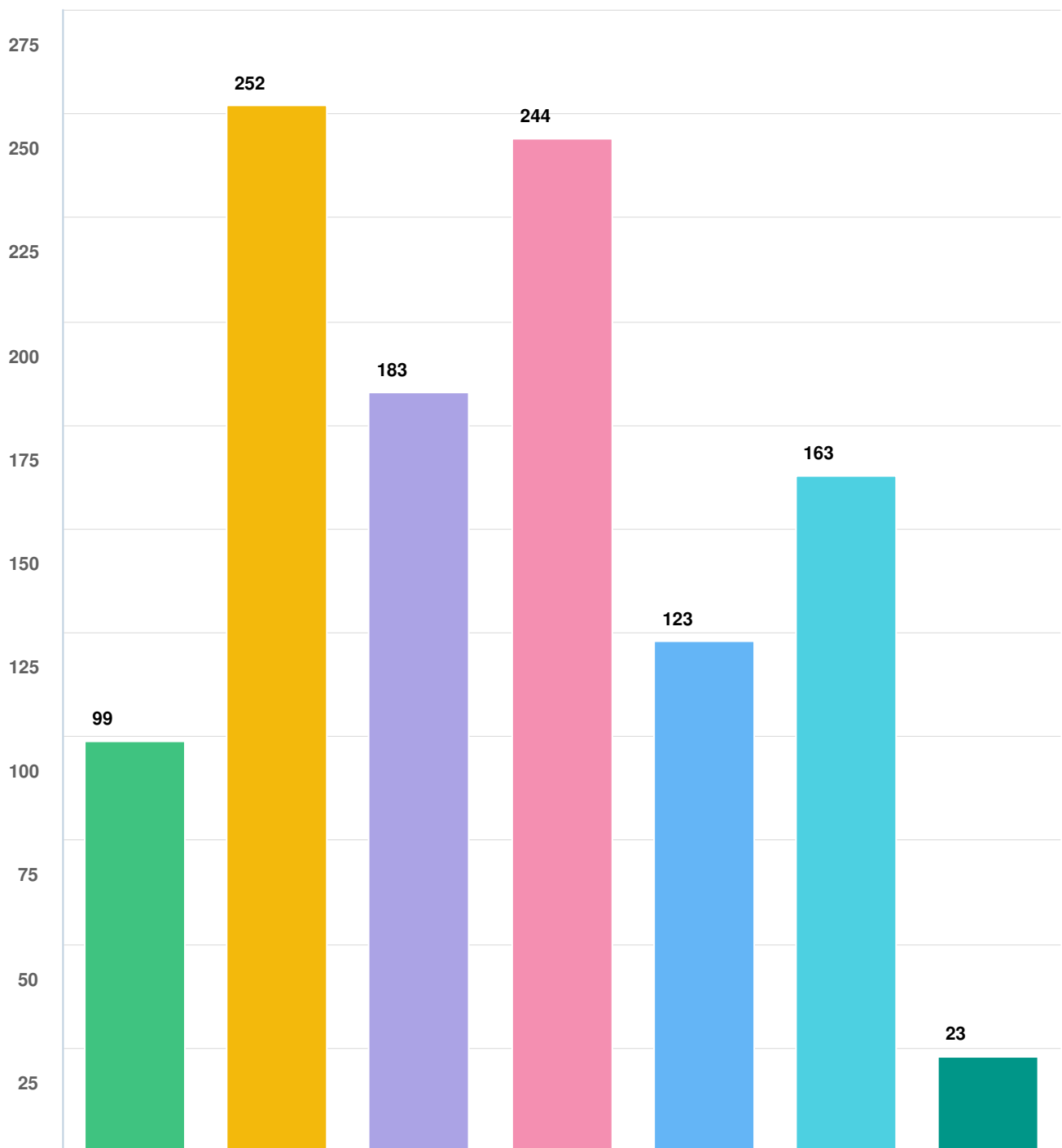
**Q6** There are 3 possible locations being considered for the off-leash dog park. Please see the maps below for specific locations. (A map of Abasand can also be found on the main page to show where each option is located in the community). The estimated...

OPTIONS	AVG. RANK
Option 2	1.82
Option 1	2.00
Option 3	2.03

*Optional question (428 response(s), 35 skipped)*  
*Question type: Ranking Question*



**Q7** Select your top three preferred amenities for this space or add new ideas



**Question options**

- Agility equipment    ● Additional landscaping (pathways, trees, trails, bushes)    ● Human drinking fountain with pet faucet  
● Park benches    ● Weather shelter (shade/rain/snow)    ● Lighting    ● Other (please specify)

Optional question (412 response(s), 51 skipped)

Question type: Checkbox Question

**Q8 | Do you have any concerns about a dog park in Abasand? How would you address those concerns?**

camray

5/16/2022 05:39 PM

People don't pay attention to their dog. Little dogs get overwhelmed. Most dog owners think they have the best behaved dogs - they don't. People won't pick up poo. The area will stink of urine and fecal matter. Parking needs to be plentyful. The land gets overused and muddy. Section off areas for the ground to recover year to year. Gate locking mechanism can be tricky to work in winter months. Don't crowd garbages around entrance, it smells and is difficult to use when park is busy.

Anonymous

5/16/2022 06:35 PM

The smell. Not appealing near homes. Should be out of sight away from homes. No one cleans up after their dogs, this will make it even worse.

Anonymous

5/16/2022 06:46 PM

It not appealing to have the park near homes.

Anonymous

5/16/2022 06:47 PM

Not interested. The smell isn't pleasant.

Anonymous

5/16/2022 06:51 PM

Disappointed. The city won't even pay to fix the bus shelter at at North end of the park, so not safe for my boys. But want to spend his kind of money on a dog park. Put the money in to fix it up here. It's starting to look like a junk yard.

Anonymous

5/16/2022 09:05 PM

N/A

Anonymous

5/16/2022 10:14 PM

Altercations between smaller and larger dogs. It would be beneficial to have an area for small dogs separate.

Anonymous

5/16/2022 10:54 PM

Please put a small separate fenced in area for smaller or nervous dogs. Leave as many trees or vegetation as possible. We're really missing the old waterways park with all it's trees and paths.

Anonymous

5/16/2022 11:05 PM

So these dog parks are just going to cut off public trails? Or we then have to cut through gated dog parks on our walks through the

abasand trails.. these locations are plain silly and overbearing coming from a dog owner, these folks need to get a grip. Not one of those condo owners wants a dog park out there backyard. Also no one wants to walk through dog shit at the end of abasand while trying to explore and watch yearly fireworks. Give your heads a serious shake please.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 03:57 AM

Impacts on natural wildlife current peace and quiet on trail system

Anonymous

5/17/2022 03:59 AM

Wildlife in the area.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 04:14 AM

My concerns would be the amount of traffic they will bring to these locations, I do not like any of the locations. To address my concerns I would not build a dog park in any of these locations, they would block off the existing walking trails.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 06:58 AM

My only concern would be that the park might block people on OHVs from accessing the trails in and around Abasand. I would remedy this by ensuring there is viable space for OHV's to get around the fenced dog park.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 07:05 AM

no concerns

Anonymous

5/17/2022 07:32 AM

No

Anonymous

5/17/2022 08:31 AM

There are multiple dog parks around town, we don't need any more.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 08:36 AM

No sag park please we already have multiple

Anonymous

5/17/2022 09:24 AM

These locations are ridiculous. This isn't going to work for anyone but the selfish.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 09:28 AM

Spread disease, noisy, dirty. The other dog parka are gross around town please don't make my backyard a stinky dirt hole

Anonymous

5/17/2022 09:29 AM

Take a look at every other dog park in town, they are a filthy mess used by lazy People who don't pick up after their pets. The Feild between the two schools in abasand and all the trails are already covered in dog crap do you really expect these people are going to pick it from a dog park? Your dreaming.. we do not need a designated dog shit zone.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 10:10 AM

There is already enough unnecessary traffic up and down Abasand hill , we do not need to add a dog park when there is one in waterways . Leave the trails alone . Near the school is unsafe children are at play all the time and dogs are unpredictable and owners in this town are not prepared owners. Reactive dogs are often at our dog parks which is why I never bring mine to any park here.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 10:14 AM

Hopefully there will be sectioned off areas to accommodate different sizes of dogs as well as dogs just learning how to socialize. For example like the dog park in Thickwood on signal road.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 10:27 AM

No

Anonymous

5/17/2022 10:48 AM

The space will take away from walking trails

Anonymous

5/17/2022 10:55 AM

Parking Increased traffic Already enough off leash parks in town

Anonymous

5/17/2022 10:59 AM

No concerns! Would absolutely love a dog park!

Anonymous

5/17/2022 11:13 AM

Each location will disrupt the existing trail system. Parking would be a concern.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 11:13 AM

I think it would add to Abasands family oriented feeling .

Anonymous

5/17/2022 11:22 AM

Traffic in an already congested area.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 11:22 AM

People not keeping it clean and aggressive dogs

Anonymous

5/17/2022 11:33 AM

I don't agree with dog parks. So many dog attacks happen at them and so many irresponsible people do not pick up their dog waste. The paths/trails/sidewalks are bad as it is, I can easily imagine a whole park full of dog poop and the resultant smell. There is also a lot of dog barking that goes on. If the spot near aspenhill was chosen it would drive a lot of us nuts with the barking and the smell. I do not want one, but especially not there.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 11:39 AM

I don't think we need to take on the cost of another dog park.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 12:20 PM

Parking

Anonymous

5/17/2022 12:54 PM

option 2 you could save money and use the laydown parking for parking for cars and trucks instead of building one right beside it there would be more then enough room there and save a lot of money.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 01:13 PM

Concerned about it stinking and being dirty and gross. Also concerned about the trails being effected and not being usable for walking. Concerned about poor behavior by dogs/owners and no repercussions.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 01:15 PM

none

Anonymous

5/17/2022 01:43 PM

No

Anonymous

5/17/2022 01:59 PM

I have a few concerns mainly around option One; 1. As a home owner close to that location I worry about the increase of wind in that area due to the lack of trees from the fire. I'm concerned about the smell that can carry and what it would do to property values in the area. I want to protect my investment. 2. Drainage and run off from ground water pools in the area would also be a concern, There are a lot of kids in the area that like to play in the puddles and could get sick from doing so. 3. The increase in traffic in the area would further deteriorate the alleyway (rear access) pavement. The city has told us that there is no plan to repave the rear lane. 4. The increase of traffic in the area would be harder for the Site Busses to maneuver around the cul-de-sac. The homeowners would be left to hear the back up

alarms from the busses. Seems trivial but its bad when you are trying to get kids to bed, 5. The home owners close to that location have aggressive dogs that bark when ever someone parks behind there house, or when someone walks there dog on the trails. This has been difficult to sleep through when on night shift. Placing a dog park at that location would make it worse for a non dog owner resident to understand. 6. I am concerned about what a dog park in that location would due to the beautiful walking paths, and river views. There are a lot of wildlife like deer, lynx and birds that the area residents would miss seeing if the dog park was built there. I'd address these concerns by going with option 3 as it effects less home owners and it is out of the way from walking paths, site bussing.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 02:05 PM

Have area sprayed prior to avoid and fox tail or other harmful plants or weeds in this park.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 02:29 PM

The extra traffic would need to be addressed.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 02:31 PM

Losing part of the trail system

Anonymous

5/17/2022 02:43 PM

No i dont. But it has have parking available

Anonymous

5/17/2022 03:59 PM

Multiple garbage bins and recycling.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 04:16 PM

Yes, too much additional traffic in the area. Other dog parks are close by to use (waterways, beacon hill) when needed. The locations are not suitable (taking away from walking trails, at the end of a major street and a quiet side street as well right behind the designated staging area for ATVs.)

Anonymous

5/17/2022 04:43 PM

#1 No room in abasand, it's already cluttered enough, #2 people don't clean up after their dogs, #3 people don't train their dogs. So I'd rather not get attacked by a chihuahua or my dogs, nor would I like to step in shit.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 05:24 PM

Poorly kept grounds. Clean up after my animals and others.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 05:26 PM

How will it be kept clean

Anonymous

5/17/2022 07:02 PM

Just don't think we need one up here, there is Certainly other things that amount of money could be put towards, that would be more beneficial.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 07:15 PM

More things for kids, water park.. there's enough dog parks

Anonymous

5/17/2022 07:40 PM

Yes I have concerns. No I do not want a dog park in abasand.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 08:57 PM

Dogs are often not trained well in these areas and it causes massive issues. People also do not clean up after their dogs and this will stink. Those on the north end of abasand have bought their homes based on the quietness of that area, and parking would be a MASSIVE issue if you were to go with option 1. Highly AGAINST that option.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 09:06 PM

Please don't block off the pathway that people love using for Option #1. This is a popular spot because of the lookout point. You would be blocking off all of it with fencing. Location #1 is the worst spot. The paths that go around the perimeter of Abasand shouldn't be blocked off. Chose a location that is out of the way. #3

Anonymous

5/17/2022 09:08 PM

Yes. Leave the trails alone. We all like walking on them. Use the money to pave them and beautify abasand. It's looking like a junk yard. Too many aggressive dogs up here.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 09:11 PM

We live at the end of Athabasca Ave near Option #1. We have all the busses come down here and turn around at this end. It's busy and loud enough. People come down to this end to stunt their vehicles, there is no parking for residents at the end of the street so buses can turn around. Having a dog park down here with parking and more noise and people parking in the bus turnaround area, it will be a nightmare. Not to mention blocking an entire pathway off that is used and enjoyed by so many. Choose a location that is out of the way.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 10:07 PM

Irresponsible dog owners & many who allow off leash are the ones who do not pick up their dogs poo (evidence all over walking trails & sidewalks). I do not feel it would be well kept.

Anonymous

5/18/2022 05:12 AM

Parking is a must, and not too close to residential homes.

Anonymous

5/18/2022 07:35 AM

If any other parks are placed please do not remove our only little trail access we have left ... only spot to do this in fortmcMurray is abasand and thats why we live up here, next is draper be a shame to see our trails go to more chain link and gated areas . I think there should be more atv recreational facilities.. don't need 15 dog parks in this small city my dog follows me on my bike right to the back of abasand he runs I ride he loves it don't NEED a park but it would definitely be nice to see as a dog owner and a atv/ drift car/ race care / race bike/ ect I'd love to see more motor sports in our area for our motor head enthusiasts. But I understand good knowledge is hard to find .. i hate leaving the city to attend a drift event costs us young guys 600-1500 every trip.. if we had events it would be charge able make the city money and also make 40% of the younger generation a little more to look forward to in our community. Just a thought. Thank you if your reading this! Have a great day!

Anonymous

5/18/2022 10:04 AM

My only concern would be wild animals (bears) entering the park as I know they wander and get into yards in Abasand.

Anonymous

5/18/2022 10:33 AM

It will be ruined by dirtbikes no matter what

Anonymous

5/18/2022 01:23 PM

Yes the third choice is literally right beside someone's house. None of the other parks we have already are right beside people's backyards and drive ways. The current parks are not taking care of how will this be any different.

Anonymous

5/18/2022 02:48 PM

Needs more parking space installed to go with the dog park

Anonymous

5/18/2022 03:18 PM

I would be concern about size

Anonymous

5/18/2022 05:12 PM

No

Anonymous

5/18/2022 05:25 PM

This is a great idea



Anonymous

5/18/2022 05:38 PM

Yes, noise , barking

Anonymous

5/18/2022 05:53 PM

Concerned about increased traffic

Anonymous

5/18/2022 09:31 PM

My only concern is that dog owners now can't & don't pick up their dogs shit on the green belt. I see it from my window everyday. Nothing gets done. If the owners can't do that now can you imagine the shit in a fenced park. Just nasty

Anonymous

5/18/2022 09:40 PM

Dog owners who are not responsible enough to clean up after them. There's lots.

Anonymous

5/18/2022 09:46 PM

No concerns

Anonymous

5/18/2022 09:49 PM

No

Anonymous

5/18/2022 10:52 PM

Parking and accessibility. The far north end is a less ideal location because it would increase traffic down a long street of residential area. Option 3 is best in my option

Anonymous

5/18/2022 11:20 PM

None.

Anonymous

5/18/2022 11:57 PM

Not option one. It's too close to a kids park. Traffic will be too much

Anonymous

5/19/2022 12:02 AM

Ensuring it's maintained. A community group can take care of it.

Anonymous

5/19/2022 12:22 AM

1. Barking all hours of day/night, rude for shift workers in such a residential area. 2. Other owners not being held responsible for off leash actions on other dogs.

Anonymous

5/19/2022 06:22 AM

Abasand has enough trails and green space . A dog park is ridiculous

Anonymous 5/19/2022 06:58 AM	How will it effect the walking trail around the community.
Anonymous 5/19/2022 08:07 AM	No concerns.
Anonymous 5/19/2022 08:31 AM	Parking would be a concern so residence still have ample parking!
Anonymous 5/19/2022 08:52 AM	People do not pick up after their dogs now so I'm sure they wouldn't pick up after their pets at the park, just another place to be a mess
Anonymous 5/19/2022 09:03 AM	No
Anonymous 5/19/2022 09:17 AM	Maintaining dog poop pick up. Small dog section and big dog section.
Anonymous 5/19/2022 09:17 AM	No
Anonymous 5/19/2022 01:15 PM	None at all we just need one.
Anonymous 5/19/2022 02:41 PM	It seems like enforcement for dogs off leash all over the neighborhood would be my first request, there are too many people who think they're entitled to have their dog off leash anywhere.
Anonymous 5/19/2022 03:58 PM	Yes. To close to homes. So windy, no trees, the smell will be bad for residents. We don't want to look out at the great view and see a dog park. Too many barking dogs. This will make it worse.
Anonymous 5/19/2022 10:06 PM	Stink from people not picking up excrement. Neighborhood owners doing it would be nice but if no society can be formed to do it then municipally cleaned.
Anonymous 5/19/2022 10:16 PM	Not at all. I would love to have a dog park in Abasand .
Anonymous	Street parking

5/20/2022 07:26 AM

Anonymous

My only concern is that it is not located close to the cemetery

5/20/2022 12:14 PM

Anonymous

How about a spray park for kids or outdoor gym?

5/20/2022 01:57 PM

Anonymous

No concerns but my dogs would love a park!!

5/20/2022 03:02 PM

Anonymous

I would love a new dog park in Abadan's, it would be great for the community!

5/20/2022 04:05 PM

Anonymous

No

5/20/2022 06:33 PM

Anonymous

Not EVERY subdivision needs a dog park. We seldom use them because people blatantly don't clean up after their dogs or they don't watch their dogs when they're picking fights with other dogs. We are fine driving to Beaconhill dog park with our dog if in the mood and it is usually dead. Their's seems rarely used. I don't see the need to justify the expense of more dog parks in town. The green spaces that surround the houses in Abasand are already affected by the fire having been thinned out and we miss our natural privacy screen that was the big trees and I just don't see the need to further change our periphery by putting up more fences and inviting more people to our area to congest small areas. There is nothing wrong with just leaving these spaces as is. They are fine as natural grassy areas. Our walks are nice without parking lots and fences and groups of people throwing cigarette butts in the grass & Tim Horton cups everywhere. Thanks!

5/20/2022 07:39 PM

Anonymous

Access to wildlife. Ensuring there are no fully blind treed areas in the park due to the presence of wildlife in the area. This would eliminate the possibility of wildlife hiding out in the bushes.

5/21/2022 08:32 AM

Anonymous

I feel that there are three large dog parks in town, this seems like a waste of money for abasand and would be better served over in parsons creek

5/21/2022 08:47 AM

Anonymous

Why Abasand? Why can't we put a dog park back in waterways?

5/21/2022 09:01 AM

Waterways is more accessible to the community than Abasand or is the dog park meant to only serve the residents of Abasand based on how these survey questions are worded to illicit responses that lead to supporting this dog park. Yet again another survey designed to provide the required results for a project that was already approved behind closed doors like the other park currently under construction downtown. If you are going to build the dog park it should be separated like waterways to reduce any dog aggression incidents and have lots of foliage like waterways. FYI, waterways was the best dog park in fort McMurray.

Anonymous

5/21/2022 01:53 PM

I have no concerns. I think it would add more outdoor activities to abasand and be good for the community.

Anonymous

5/21/2022 01:59 PM

Wildlife getting in to the park and not being able to get out

Anonymous

5/21/2022 02:12 PM

We already have so many dog parks. Another one doesn't seem necessary given the cost.

Anonymous

5/21/2022 02:49 PM

No dog park in Abasand. Don't want to ruin the nice trails we already have.

Anonymous

5/21/2022 03:11 PM

NA

Anonymous

5/21/2022 08:46 PM

With obesity increasing in humans, investment should be put into preventative programs for homo sapiens.

Anonymous

5/22/2022 12:41 PM

The only concern would be proximity to residential.

Anonymous

5/22/2022 07:55 PM

Can we get a dog park for small dogs only? Big dogs and small dogs often mean vet bills for small dog owners! Thanks for everything you do!

Anonymous

5/23/2022 11:48 AM

I think it's a great idea

Anonymous

No concerns

5/24/2022 08:33 AM

Anonymous

It would be a great idea!!

5/24/2022 08:41 AM

Anonymous

No concerns thank you

5/24/2022 08:42 AM

Anonymous

Yes, dogs attract more wildlife. People don't pick up their dog droppings as it is. There's ample trails for people to walk their animals.

5/24/2022 03:25 PM

Anonymous

No concerns

5/24/2022 04:31 PM

Anonymous

No concerns only ensuring it is maintained .

5/24/2022 10:41 PM

Anonymous

Away from parks

5/24/2022 10:46 PM

Anonymous

I do not want a dog park. Dog parks are a great way to spread disease amongst other dogs and wildlife.

5/24/2022 10:57 PM

Anonymous

No

5/24/2022 11:31 PM

Anonymous

High wildlife activity

5/25/2022 05:41 AM

Anonymous

No

5/25/2022 06:56 AM

Anonymous

I am concerned about the noise from the dogs barking disturbing the neighbours nearby, especially at night time. Maybe a curfew for the dog park would protect those neighbours, but people who like an early start and take their dogs out at 5-6 am may find this unfavourable. For question 7, I put one of my answers as additional landscaping and not weather shelter. I believe if trees are put up they may provide shade for both dogs and humans, so you can kill two birds with one stone and save money. However, I love the idea of a water fountain for both dogs and humans, it protects us both from

5/25/2022 07:33 AM

heatstroke and overheating. According to this New York Times article (<https://www.nytimes.com/2020/02/06/smarter-living/the-dog-park-is-bad-actually.html>), one of the most significant issues in dog parks is that there are no separate enclosures for dogs of different sizes. This can lead to injuries and even deaths of smaller dogs. Another issue described is that there usually is no mandate for proof of vaccinations. This means dogs can be carrying diseases into the park and infecting other dogs without their owners even knowing about it. Finally, I am worried about the behaviour of dog owners. I know that many people take their dogs on a walk in the parks near the schools in Abasand off-leash already. They just let their dogs roam around and do not clean up after them. I'm concerned that these owners will use the dog park as an excuse to leave their dogs to be babysat by others. In conclusion, I believe: - noise could be a problem - weather shelters could be a waste of money - dogs could be injured - diseases could be spread - dog owners may act inappropriately The solutions I propose are: - create a curfew - plant trees instead - create separate enclosures for smaller and bigger dogs (so at least owners have the option) - create a vaccination mandate or at least put up signs explaining the risks of entering without being vaccinated - put up signs reminding people to behave appropriately Although there are many concerns about the dog park, if we explore our solutions I am positive we can make this project work.

Anonymous

5/25/2022 07:37 AM

I am questioning why abasand would be the neighbourhood of choice. I would think an additional dog park north of the bridge would be more of a benefit to WB. The thick wood park is very busy and what is the rationale for abasand? Is the water ways and beacon hill parks no longer in use? I hope the residents of WB fill out the survey and voice similar concerns.

Anonymous

5/25/2022 08:16 AM

I wouldn't put it off Abasand Drive with the OHV area going there. It's so busy in that area already!

Anonymous

5/25/2022 10:08 AM

No.

Anonymous

5/25/2022 10:10 AM

Parking

Anonymous

5/25/2022 10:38 AM

Parking

Anonymous

Just hope dog owners will be responsible for their dogs

5/25/2022 10:54 AM

Anonymous

I did not buy my house to have a dog park put behind it !!

5/25/2022 11:05 AM

Anonymous

Cleanliness. We don't visit the dog parks often due to the vet saying our dirty dog parks (fecies) spread parasites.

5/25/2022 01:05 PM

Anonymous

I am hesitant to take my dog to any park as there is a significant percentage of pets that are not immunized in this town (owners not willing to pay the high fees local clinics charge). If bylaw did regular checks for animal license tags at the parks I would know the dogs at least have rabies shots.

5/25/2022 01:10 PM

Anonymous

No

5/25/2022 01:11 PM

Anonymous

No concerns

5/25/2022 02:27 PM

Anonymous

park cleanliness? who takes care of the off leash areas?

5/25/2022 04:10 PM

Anonymous

Parking and noise for nearby neighbors would be my biggest concern. Not the amount of available parking but that it is an inconvenience for people who live in the proposed dog park areas. There is so much green space around I don't see why we need a dog park. Just more cost for residents (park maintenance and upgrades to amenities). I vote no for a dog park in Abasand but if we must have one I think area 1 would provide the least amount of annoyance for neighbors. Kids can play in the park while parents take the dogs to the park.

5/26/2022 10:33 AM

Anonymous

There is no parking and Athabasca Ave is already a busy bus route. We don't need more traffic.

5/28/2022 04:40 PM

Anonymous

Athabasca ave is already extremely busy as a bus route and a park. The end of the street does not need more vehicles or traffic in a residential area.

5/28/2022 04:43 PM

Anonymous

I do not want a dog park across from my house. We love the quiet

5/28/2022 09:15 PM

and privacy here at the end of Athabasca Ave. A dog park should be further away from homeowners!

Anonymous

5/28/2022 10:22 PM

Nope! I think it would be great

Anonymous

5/29/2022 08:09 AM

Yes I have concerns. I live on roy lane and feel that a dog park would ruin our extremely quiet area of abasand not to mention parking is limited already here for us home owners with site trucks and houses that have in some case up to 4 and 5 vehicles occupying our streets.

Anonymous

5/29/2022 08:35 AM

How would it be monitored? At the dog park in Thickwood many owners don't pick up after their dogs nor do they monitor the behaviour of their dogs. I have not seen the same issues at the beacon hill dog park.

Anonymous

5/29/2022 08:36 AM

Loose pets, would need more bylaw patrol in the area

Anonymous

5/29/2022 08:57 AM

Some people Abused dog park by not picking up dog pop. Lots of signs up

Anonymous

5/29/2022 09:15 AM

No

Anonymous

5/29/2022 09:37 AM

Yes, I don't like the idea of taking our natural spaces that many people in Abasand already enjoy year round and turning it into a dog park. We have other needs in Abasand that this money can be put into. The roads are a mess!! The skate park is an embarrassment!! There are more than 20 kids on my street alone! We need to take care of what is already here.

Anonymous

5/29/2022 10:06 AM

Was a survey or public engagement done to see where residents would like to see a new dog park? Is abasand just the start of more areas to receive one? If other areas are not to get one soon are we able to say look at a different part of the town? Downtown area has 2 and uptown only has 1. Why not enhance the ones in beacon hill or water ways and make a new one uptown? I suggest looking at a different location. Why have three south of the bridge?



Anonymous

5/29/2022 10:12 AM

Yes I do. Stop being selfish morons and walk your pets.

Anonymous

5/29/2022 10:26 AM

No

Anonymous

5/29/2022 10:31 AM

Noise for sleeping shift workers. Parking issues.

Anonymous

5/29/2022 10:33 AM

None at all

Anonymous

5/29/2022 10:50 AM

Very loud for people living close by. Parking issues with buses turning at same location. This would cut off access to look off point.

Anonymous

5/29/2022 10:55 AM

Speaking from a dog owner perspective- having a dog park close to a residential area can prove disruptive. It impacts peace and tranquility, parking and can inhibit folks from utilizing the trails. Its my choice to have a dog but its also my responsibility to ensure my choices dont disrupt my neighbours or where they live.

Anonymous

5/29/2022 11:00 AM

Option 2 seems too close to a busy residential area as many people live in the townhouses it will share a border with which will cause noise issues as well as dogs those resident have would have to watch dogs play all day which would be unfair

Anonymous

5/29/2022 11:06 AM

I have a concern of adding another dog park to Fort McMurray in general as bad dog owners bring their dogs there and causes fights between people and dogs. I think we should build something else for dogs ON leash. On leash agility park, or dog splash park or something

Anonymous

5/29/2022 11:21 AM

My concerns. Irresponsible owner dogs getting into fights or getting out the park and becoming liability for driver. Instead of dogs parks. Built kids Waterpark. Abasand has lots of young families. I rather see a Waterpark

Anonymous

5/29/2022 11:40 AM

I believe a dog park up here would bring too much unwanted traffic. I don't believe we need another dog park in town.

Anonymous

5/29/2022 12:14 PM

Option 3 you would be destroying forest to build a dog park. Im voicing my concern now to prevent the city from destroying new tree growth since the fire. Option 2 or 3 are already clear areas and would be more friendly, included that trees be added to the park.

Anonymous

5/29/2022 02:50 PM

Abasand has enough unnecessary traffic , we already have one of the only off loading areas, one of the three only graveyards . The main drag is already used as a speed track but senseless drivers . Fix water ways or some where else. The road on Abasand Ave is in dire need of repair and that hasn't happened in years .

Anonymous

5/29/2022 04:10 PM

Unsupervised children coming into the dog park.

Anonymous

5/29/2022 04:28 PM

None at all

Anonymous

5/29/2022 05:10 PM

No. It's been needed for a long time.

Anonymous

5/29/2022 06:12 PM

I live directly in front of option 2, and I do not want a dog park directly in front of our home. We moved here BECAUSE it was supposed to be quiet, with uninterrupted green space views. In fact, all residents of Ravine Park pay an extra \$300 per month for the green space view. We sought the RMWB's help last year as off road enthusiasts were using the green space as parking. You stopped it; and we were so thankful. Please, please do not turn the quiet, beautiful, appreciated and uninterrupted green space directly in front of my home into a busy, noisy, area with people, dogs and cars coming and going at all hours. It is one of the most beautiful places left in our community, it feels far away from the high density housing areas that make up our town. Please let it remain for us, and for the future residents of our town. Please consider the people living directly in front of option 2, we love our quiet homes with a view directly into true nature. We watch deer, bears, foxes, and coyotes roam this space, because it's untouched. We hear singing birds and frogs in the spring, people walk, run, and bike it daily. Children play in the space. Please, please, consider a space that would not take that away from us. Thank you.

Anonymous

5/29/2022 06:27 PM

Please do not build Option 2. When my wife and I moved into Ravine Park in April 2019, we were one of the first residents to move into the newly finished houses. We pay extra rent to have a view of the green space because it was a view we had been looking for for a very long

time. It is a quite area not just for us but also for the local wildlife, bears, deer, coyotes, geese, aquatic life etc. With Option 2 being built this will destroy an environment where nature and residents interact every day.

Anonymous

5/29/2022 07:11 PM

Location option 1 should not be used for just dog owners. It is a popular destination that all peoples should be able to enjoy in peace and serenity. It is the eagle eye point of Fort McMurray and the Athabasca River. Even as a dog owner I feel like this beautiful location should developed for all people to use. Not ruined by large dog fencing for just dog owners.

Anonymous

5/29/2022 07:37 PM

I don't feel it's needed. I have a large dog, but I also have small children. See below.

Anonymous

5/29/2022 08:02 PM

Only concern is putting a dog park in the first two options as they are already busy areas enjoyed by many people for different activities and a dog park will take away from that.

Anonymous

5/29/2022 08:29 PM

No

Anonymous

5/29/2022 10:06 PM

I don't feel one is necessary to the area when there are others near by. I feel the proposed areas are too close to peoples homes and would be a concern to those who have dogs in those back yards facing the proposed dog park. I say no to a dog park in abasand.

Anonymous

5/30/2022 12:54 AM

Option 3 is a NO .. limited street access and parking which will disrupt existing homes; it was a designated "protected green space" by Province years ago and that option would significantly increase traffic and other related issues with a dog park

Anonymous

5/30/2022 02:30 AM

Is very much needed.

Anonymous

5/30/2022 04:56 AM

I think if one is put in it should not be to close to any homes or destroy River Valley views. Also a place increased traffic won't affect a neighborhoods quiet

Anonymous

Love the idea of some lighting, especially with our long winter months

5/30/2022 09:25 AM

and it is dark when I get home from work.

Anonymous

5/30/2022 12:32 PM

I absolutely do not want a dog park that borders my property, my land is located on Aspenhill Drive and borders the greenbelt. I purchased that property in 1991 because the land was deemed Environmental Reserve and nothing could be built on it. One of the biggest selling features of Aspenhill Drive is that it's on a dead end street, the view is spectacular, it's peaceful and serene. It has always been full of wildlife, having a dog park will take that all away. Also, children were safe to run and play outside without the fear of vehicles coming in and out of that road. THAT LAND SHOULD STAY EXACTLY AS IT IS, putting a dog park there would not only decrease the value of the properties on Aspenhill Drive in an already stressed real estate market but can you imagine the vehicle traffic and foot traffic of people coming in and out of that dead end street, the noise of vehicles, barking of dogs, dogs possible fighting in the park, people loudly talking or yelling for their dogs, we would never want to have that noise on our road. What an infringement of our privacy. Please do NOT do this!!!!

Anonymous

5/30/2022 01:10 PM

Yes, the lack of responsibility when it comes to pet owners in the area is concerning. I truly think this money could be spent in a better way

Anonymous

5/30/2022 01:19 PM

Zero concerns. Extremely happy Abasand could have a dog park!

Anonymous

5/30/2022 01:23 PM

I honestly don't think a dog park is needed in Abasand.

Anonymous

5/30/2022 02:55 PM

Dog poop Free bags and lots of bins

Anonymous

5/30/2022 05:25 PM

Not on a cup de sac or dead end street due to traffic issues and kids playing

Anonymous

5/30/2022 05:47 PM

Would it create a lot of extra traffic? Poop removal (sadly many pet owners are bad at picking up poop - how would this be handled?)

Anonymous

5/30/2022 07:45 PM

do not want a dog park

Anonymous

5/30/2022 07:53 PM

There are a lot of dog owners here, including myself- 2 dogs- the largest option is the best. We really want a dog park here, just not in my backyard.

Anonymous

5/30/2022 09:28 PM

dogs barking ,the smell of abundant dog pee , the garbage full of poop bag and the undisciplined and or aggressive dog .

Anonymous

5/30/2022 10:22 PM

This is a waste of money and not necessary, we live in a forest you can walk your dog anywhere.

Anonymous

5/31/2022 01:22 PM

The smell of dog urine and dog poop bags, aggressive dogs and ignorant dog owners

Anonymous

5/31/2022 07:18 PM

Increased risk of human/ wildlife encounters. Increased garbage/waste from irresponsible dog owners.

Anonymous

5/31/2022 08:02 PM

I am concerned that it will interfere with already existing trails. Would the trails impacted be moved to the perimeter of the park and back to where it exists now outside of the park?

Anonymous

5/31/2022 09:08 PM

As a resident of Ravine Park (directly by option 2) I am not ok with having a dog park fill the entire space behind our property. It isn't fair to the residents that have purchased a space here because of the green space. I expect it will make it a loud and stinky area and it isn't that now. It is not fair to any of the residents that face that area. Our front doors and living rooms face that direction. I also expect it to lower our property value as not many people would choose to live by a dog park. 48 units face this area. Number 2 should not even be considered as an option. It would be massively interfering in the area. I also have concern that if there is a dog park so close to us that our visitors parking will be abused for dog park purposes.

Anonymous

5/31/2022 09:29 PM

Abasand is a quiet neighbourhood with no traffic. Having a dog park will increase public and traffic which increases more volume of people and difficulties following suit.

Anonymous

5/31/2022 10:33 PM

The greenbelt is already busy with dogs that go through with their owners. One of the potential locations completely overtakes the space behind my property. It I am concerned about traffic, dog noise and disturbance. I would address the concerns by making complaints

to the city. It would affect the enjoyment that I currently have on my property. I have a dog and still feel this way.

Anonymous

6/01/2022 11:29 AM

#3 option is too close to residential area and would be extremely noisy

Anonymous

6/01/2022 01:25 PM

I think EVERY community in this region should have a dog park.

Anonymous

6/01/2022 03:43 PM

Yes, not to have dog park at the end of Aspen Hill Dr that's where I live .. I do not want to have a park behind my house ..

Anonymous

6/01/2022 03:47 PM

Yes. NOT to have a dog park at the end of Asphen hill drive. That's where I live. I do NOT wanna have a park behind my house.

Anonymous

6/01/2022 07:58 PM

Additional traffic

Anonymous

6/01/2022 08:44 PM

Dog parks are dangerous my dog has been attacked at thick wood and waterways dog parks. Abasand is a quiet neighbourhood this will encourage more traffic and problems.

Anonymous

6/01/2022 08:46 PM

I do not want a dog park dangerous and too noisy

Anonymous

6/03/2022 06:08 AM

Noise concerns and inability to have forest access from my back yard

Anonymous

6/03/2022 12:14 PM

No concerns

Anonymous

6/03/2022 01:51 PM

People already don't pick up after their dogs when they are walking them. It is worse at a dog park where a lot of dog owners do not pay attention to what their dogs are doing and don't pick up after them.

Anonymous

6/03/2022 02:41 PM

Please add a fence that can close! There are so many atv and off road vehicles in Abasand that are allowed to illegally race through the neighborhood. A closing gate would prevent any accidents.

Anonymous

6/03/2022 02:47 PM

No. Fort McMurray needs more dog parks. Everyone seems to think they can have their dogs off leash anywhere.

Anonymous

6/03/2022 07:59 PM

I don't think it should be at the end of Athabasca ave. That's is an absolutely beautiful area of this community showcasing both the Athabasca and the Clearwater. I think developing it into a dog park would ruin the natural look of the area and ultimately ruin the amazing views/landscape

Anonymous

6/03/2022 11:44 PM

All three options impact the existing trail system that loops around Abasand. Please keep the ability to have a walking /running trail that allows for simple access around the dog park.

Anonymous

6/04/2022 12:54 AM

I have concern with option 2 as it will be 20 feet from the front door of 49 homes. As well as the natural wildlife that utilizes the proposed space ( wetland with frogs, geese and other migratory waterfowl. Deer frequently graze in this area as well. The 49 residents have already suffered unwanted change within the past 6 years. Another issue I have is if you place a fenced dog park by ravine park it will force OHV users into our property increasing our rusk exposure for accidents with the many children that play in our neighbourhood.

Anonymous

6/04/2022 07:39 AM

Atv traffic

Anonymous

6/04/2022 08:20 AM

The second option will have to much at traffic

Anonymous

6/04/2022 08:20 AM

Would love to have one

Anonymous

6/04/2022 08:53 AM

No

Anonymous

6/04/2022 08:59 AM

I am a little worried of some of the not responsible dog owners - bringing an aggressive or reactive dog to the park. Also owners not watching their dogs & cleaning up after them. The trails are full of dog poop that are left by owners. Not sure how that could be addressed. I'm nervous to use dog parks but I know many dog owners absolutely love them.

Anonymous

6/04/2022 09:06 AM

None

Anonymous

6/04/2022 10:31 AM

Look forward to having option here.

Anonymous

6/04/2022 10:53 AM

No

Anonymous

6/04/2022 11:20 AM

No concerns.

Anonymous

6/04/2022 11:47 AM

None

Anonymous

6/04/2022 11:54 AM

Not option 3 this is a dead end street with children playing in the area, and environmental reserve area, best to be furthest away from residential homes with ample parking and good traffic flow. Option 2 looks to be best suited for this project with ample room to make all residents happy.

Anonymous

6/04/2022 12:52 PM

No dog park.

Anonymous

6/04/2022 02:17 PM

Noise. We only have a few trails, each location disrupts the trail system.

Anonymous

6/04/2022 02:28 PM

Option 3 is too close to houses and will impact the current walking paths etc

Anonymous

6/04/2022 08:29 PM

No

Anonymous

6/04/2022 09:49 PM

No to option 3; it is a small street with already too many owners parking on the street; doesn't need additional traffic or noise

Anonymous

6/04/2022 09:58 PM

Need to be on the north end where the area is more suited!

Anonymous

I think that there are better things to spend money on such as the



6/04/2022 10:27 PM

roads and sidewalks that are in desperate need of repair and replacement

Anonymous

6/05/2022 01:32 AM

Stay out of abasand.

Anonymous

6/05/2022 10:23 AM

Dogs barking consistently in a residential area.

Anonymous

6/05/2022 04:50 PM

Closed at 9 open at 8

Anonymous

6/05/2022 08:48 PM

How could it cost that much ?

Anonymous

6/06/2022 10:13 AM

No concerns. You guys have to somehow prevent OHVs going into walking trail so Option 3 might help a bit by blocking their route.

Anonymous

6/06/2022 02:38 PM

It may make it harder for ATV users to enjoy the space

**Optional question** (225 response(s), 238 skipped)

**Question type:** Essay Question

## Q9 Do you have any additional feedback?

camray

5/16/2022 05:39 PM

Do not cut off access of walking paths. Pedestrian traffic must not be eliminated or relocated. Land should have islands of mature trees.

Anonymous

5/16/2022 06:51 PM

Too many aggressive dogs. Shouldn't be putting one up. There is enough around town already

Anonymous

5/16/2022 08:29 PM

Can we just make one of the green spaces off leash area. I don't think we need a special place with these amenities or work. There are lots of trails that could be designated off leash.

Anonymous

5/16/2022 09:05 PM

N/A

Anonymous

5/16/2022 10:14 PM

I think an off leash dog park is a great idea. As a dog owner living in Abasand, I have to drive 10-15 mins to the nearest off leash park.

Anonymous

5/16/2022 10:54 PM

Please plant more trees in other parks. Wide open spaces aren't necessarily the best. Being able to have some separation between dogs is a bonus if there are dogs who don't get along.

Anonymous

5/16/2022 11:05 PM

Please stop wasting money.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 03:57 AM

Don't support new dog park in Abasand use the existing trails and pick up your waste

Anonymous

5/17/2022 03:59 AM

Much needed in the area. Not backing on to residential area would be best.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 04:14 AM

Do not build a dog park in any of these locations.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 06:58 AM

I would not use the dog park if it does not have separate areas for dogs that are small, including signage to indicate that to people. A sign that says, "If your dog could critically injure a small dog by stepping on or biting them please limit your dog to section A". Or even weight or size example such as: "This area is for use by small breed dogs weighing less than 35lbs or less than 2' tall ". My small dogs have been attacked and bitten twice by large dogs and I am lucky they were not killed. I want my dogs to enjoy a dog park but also not have to worry about a big dog biting and hurting or killing them.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 07:32 AM

No

Anonymous

5/17/2022 08:31 AM

Waste of tax dollars

Anonymous

5/17/2022 08:36 AM

Fortmcmurray already has multiple dog parks this is not needed please do not spend our tax dollars on another dog park

Anonymous

No dog park none of these locations have had any real thought put

5/17/2022 09:24 AM

into them.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 09:28 AM

Please do not put dog park

Anonymous

5/17/2022 09:29 AM

We do not want this.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 10:14 AM

Lighting is a very important item to have for the safety of both the humans and the dogs.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 10:59 AM

A dog park would be very beneficial to all the dog owners of Abasand because we use them all around town! So it would be nice to just walk out the door and go to the dog park instead of having to drive across town!

Anonymous

5/17/2022 11:13 AM

I think more money should go into the trails as well as making the OHV trails more usable so they are not using the walking trails. The OHV's are not policed and kids are constantly flying around on the walking trails. One almost struck me which I think is more concerning than another dog park.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 11:22 AM

Please make a smaller pen for smaller dogs. Abasand is full of big dogs and an inclusive area for all dogs would be great.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 11:33 AM

Our family would really love a paved walking trail around all of Abasand and a spray park for the kids. I think those would both be much more beneficial to the families here than a dog park which only benefits a select few. Such a huge cost for something only a few would use. I imagine there are more families with kids up here than there is families with dogs.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 12:20 PM

I do not want one in north Abasand

Anonymous

5/17/2022 01:15 PM

none

Anonymous

5/17/2022 01:43 PM

We also need a spray park, better sidewalks on both sides of the road along the entire length of Athabasca Avenue, and paved trails.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 01:59 PM

I am a little worried if we as a community have our priorities straight on needing a new dog park when we have bus shelters that have no heat, lights, and automatic doors that have not been working since the 2016 fire. Pot holes and side walks that are unattractive and dangerous, rear laned accesses that are full of potholes and have gravel instead of pavement in place. We currently have a lot of Vacant lots that are over grown, and unattractive to Abasand where the adjacent home owners are allowed to park extra vehicles and trailers. We have houses left unattended with the windows smashed out of them that bylaw wont hold the owners accountable. It's beginning to look like a dump, without the smell of a dog park. Let's fix what we have first before taking on something new.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 02:05 PM

No concerns of a dog park but I would like to say the consideration of a dog park will keep dogs out of our parks and green spaces. Ideally keeping our residents and animals safe.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 02:43 PM

No

Anonymous

5/17/2022 03:59 PM

Dog park would be a huge benefit for Abasand.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 04:43 PM

It's a terrible idea there's already too many and they all get almost no maintenance.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 05:24 PM

I've wanted this soooo badly for there to be one. It would be so nice to have one like water ways one once was... it was beautiful and now it's ruined.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 07:02 PM

Most people around here walk their pets on the trails, no need for a dog park.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 07:15 PM

Look into a spray park in Abasand for the kids

Anonymous

5/17/2022 08:57 PM

Not a good idea. We have more kids then dogs, and we could use a spray park for them , more then a dog park.

Anonymous

5/17/2022 09:08 PM

Fix abasand first before adding things we don't need.

Anonymous

5/18/2022 08:16 AM

I think there is a need for the dog park. Lots of dog owners who would like to be able to let the dogs run off leash

Anonymous

5/18/2022 08:19 AM

Putting near the OHV staging area could be a safety concern

Anonymous

5/18/2022 10:04 AM

Very excited for another dog park in town, regardless of where it is.

Anonymous

5/18/2022 10:33 AM

Don't make it it will be a waste of money

Anonymous

5/18/2022 02:29 PM

This would be amazing for Abasand. We wouldn't have to walk on "walking trails" and it would be a controlled environment

Anonymous

5/18/2022 02:48 PM

Can't wait for there to be a dog park

Anonymous

5/18/2022 05:23 PM

With the waterways dog park gone having somewhere to go with trails would be wonderful. I do think the options behind the apartments is horrible.. I own a dog but wouldnt really want a dog park as my backyard view

Anonymous

5/18/2022 05:25 PM

Should look into the addition of another dog park in parsons creek north or north millenium

Anonymous

5/18/2022 05:29 PM

Having a smaller fenced in area within the big dog park. Like thickwood dog park.

Anonymous

5/18/2022 05:31 PM

Get one in Timberlea

Anonymous

5/18/2022 09:30 PM

What would the name of the dog park be called I'd like to recommend it called after my son as a memorial as he just passed away he love to take dogs to dog park thanks is this an option

Anonymous

5/18/2022 09:31 PM

No to the park.

Anonymous

5/18/2022 09:40 PM

Dog park is a nice gesture. Every part of town seems to get new things. While Abasand is pushed aside. No dog park- no spray park for the kids. Let make that happen as well

Anonymous

5/18/2022 09:46 PM

Would be an amazing asset to the neighbourhood

Anonymous

5/18/2022 10:23 PM

I don't own a dog but I do dog sit and would love a park in our area!

Anonymous

5/18/2022 11:20 PM

Please have the dog park with trees and multiple pathways. Look at Edmonton who has off leash parks along river valley. I wish you would mark an area off leash. The south side of Abasand has a number of trails and could be a leash free area with very little effort. Canmore dog park is another example. Please open it up beyond a fenced in area.

Anonymous

5/18/2022 11:24 PM

I think this is a well needed amenity for Abasand Dogs and their owners!!

Anonymous

5/18/2022 11:57 PM

Not option 1. To much traffic

Anonymous

5/19/2022 12:02 AM

This would be a great asset to an already wonderful community.

Anonymous

5/19/2022 12:22 AM

What a waste of tax dollars

Anonymous

5/19/2022 06:22 AM

How much money is the city wasting on this idea ???

Anonymous

5/19/2022 08:42 AM

We have needed a dog park for a long long time in abasand, I drive to beacon hill everyday for their park and meet people that all say the same thing

Anonymous

5/19/2022 08:52 AM

Maybe spend some money repairing the poor condition of the alley roadways

Anonymous

5/19/2022 09:17 AM

No

Anonymous

5/19/2022 10:50 AM

Great idea! Hope it happens

Anonymous

5/19/2022 01:15 PM

The destruction of the dog park in Waterways by the boat launch was a mistake. It was the nicest park in the city and you all destroyed it.

Anonymous

5/19/2022 02:41 PM

See above please.

Anonymous

5/19/2022 03:58 PM

Too much traffic will happen at option 1. Already busy with busses. It won't be a quiet area anymore.

Anonymous

5/19/2022 10:06 PM

Thank you for all you do.

Anonymous

5/20/2022 01:57 PM

No dog park and hrlp with all the atv / motorcycle traffic on yhe trails

Anonymous

5/20/2022 02:19 PM

There should also be a dog park in parsons creek.

Anonymous

5/20/2022 06:33 PM

No

Anonymous

5/20/2022 07:39 PM

It is extravagant and fiscally irresponsible to have a water park, dog park, etc. in every little subdivision. Our taxes need to be lowered. We are struggling financially. A few dog parks already in town is perfect. It's not the end of the world if I have to drive to waterways for a dog park. Beaconhill & Waterways are a 7 minute drive. We already have several dog parks so close to us. I really don't see the need. Everybody speeds through our school zones in Abasand, everybody rolls through the 4 way stop. I feel like we have enough traffic concerns at the present without attracting more to regularly use the area.

Anonymous

It would be nice to have more off leash areas in Fort McMurray.

5/21/2022 08:14 AM

Please look at dog park options for Timberlea as well.

Anonymous

5/21/2022 08:47 AM

Rather than doing a new dog park, what about adding upgrades to the three we have. A water source would be fantastic at all three parks.

Anonymous

5/21/2022 09:01 AM

There will continue to be 3 dog parks south of the bridge and only one north of the bridge. Why not add a dog park in parsons creek? This will serve the Timberlea and parsons creek area. Another possibility would be to find space to add a couple dog parks downtown to promote downtown revitalization. This will encourage people to come downtown, possibly do a bit a shopping and take their dog with them. Maybe encourage shop owners to allow their stores to be dog friendly. These owners may likely take their pets to the dog park. (This is a more likely scenario than anyone going to visit the ridiculous park being built next to the Nomad.) Maybe you need to educate council on the location of all the dog parks vs the number of registered dog owners or possibly solicit feedback from the dog walkers. Or something as simple as dog parks vs population in each neighbourhood of fort McMurray.

Anonymous

5/21/2022 09:51 AM

There is no need for a dog park in Abasand. Already numerous beautiful trails and green space to walk my dog. The dog park in waterways is close, I take my dog there occasionally. Timbrelea would be a more suitable location as the closest dog park is Thickwood. Makes no sense to have the majority of the dog parks South if the bridge.

Anonymous

5/21/2022 02:49 PM

No dog park in Abasand

Anonymous

5/21/2022 03:11 PM

We would prefer a natural landscape(trees, bushes, boulders, hills & valleys) as opposed to a large open field.

Anonymous

5/21/2022 08:46 PM

We live in a large boreal forest - perfect for many animals, including dogs.

Anonymous

5/21/2022 09:20 PM

There is 3 dog parks south of the bridge. Why a 4th when we'll over 50% of people live north of the river and only one dog park. A dog park is desperately needed north of the bridge



Anonymous

5/22/2022 12:41 PM

Fort McMurray needs another dog park. If Abadan's is the next neighbourhood to have one built, dog owners from all over the city will come to use it. As a resident of eagle ridge, I travel all over the city to take our dog to new, safe and interesting areas to meet other dog owners and play/run with my dog. I believe that dog owners in Fort McMurray would use a 'pay to play' dog park as well. I think this should be investigated further.

Anonymous

5/23/2022 11:48 AM

Should definitely happen

Anonymous

5/24/2022 08:41 AM

We have 2 Golden Retrievers would love to have a place to walk them!!

Anonymous

5/24/2022 08:42 AM

Great idea, #1 is a great location with the beautiful scenery around our community

Anonymous

5/24/2022 03:25 PM

We have a lot bigger problems in abasand than no dog park. How about an actual skate park for the human children of the neighborhood?

Anonymous

5/24/2022 04:31 PM

Nope

Anonymous

5/24/2022 04:51 PM

I personally feel citizens can find a way to pay for this without costing so much as indicated .

Anonymous

5/24/2022 10:41 PM

Cheaper is best! As long as they add fill to rid the option 1 of puddle drainage. Huge puddle at the bottom right every year.

Anonymous

5/24/2022 10:46 PM

A dog park is well needed!!

Anonymous

5/24/2022 10:57 PM

I want this no where near my property. I don't want the smell of dog feces or to hear constant barking. I feel it will negatively affect property values nearby.

Anonymous

5/24/2022 11:31 PM

No

Anonymous

5/25/2022 06:15 AM

With the amount of dogs in Abasand I think having a dog park here would be perfect and would definitely be put to good use .We have 2 dogs who love to go play at the dog park. We have to put our dogs in a vehicle and go to other dog parks in town to let them run freely. It would be so much more convenient for us dog owners to be able to walk our dogs to the park and let them mix with other neighborhood dogs.

Anonymous

5/25/2022 06:56 AM

Shouldn't have ruined waterways dog park, that was huge and beautiful. What a waste of time and miney

Anonymous

5/25/2022 07:37 AM

Please look at a dog park in Timberlea - parsons. North of the bridge.

Anonymous

5/25/2022 08:16 AM

People bought condo's on the greenbelt for the quiet and privacy. Now we have OHV and dogs barking? That, I'm not a fan of. Would you want that in your backyard?

Anonymous

5/25/2022 08:36 AM

Poop bags and garbage bins. A sign board for posting concerns or questions.

Anonymous

5/25/2022 10:08 AM

No.

Anonymous

5/25/2022 10:38 AM

We do not need a dog park when people can walk their dog on the trails already provided and are paid for.

Anonymous

5/25/2022 10:54 AM

We need this And more trails for walking and beautification

Anonymous

5/25/2022 11:16 AM

Do it!

Anonymous

5/25/2022 01:05 PM

Cheapest option also seems the best location.

Anonymous

5/25/2022 01:10 PM

Make sure that any paths in the area do not go through the Dog Park as there are people from certain communities who are terrified of dogs.

Anonymous

5/25/2022 01:11 PM

No

Anonymous

5/25/2022 04:10 PM

There are a lot of dog owners in abasand and it would be great to see an off leash area for them to spend time outdoors with their pets

Anonymous

5/29/2022 08:36 AM

Regular maintenance and waist removal

Anonymous

5/29/2022 08:57 AM

Even though dog park are ok. Maybe spend time on. Doing up the skatepark for kids Their. Is tons of kids in abasand that go down to the skatepark and playground do it up for the kids. Their is lots of space in the area. To do it

Anonymous

5/29/2022 09:37 AM

I'm not in support of a dog park as a long time resident of Abasand, definitely not in support of using up our trails and green space for it!

Anonymous

5/29/2022 10:06 AM

Uptown needs another one. The thick wood park is not enough given all the dog owners on this side of town. Instead we just see people letting their dogs off leash in the trails and storm ponds. I would hope a dog park is in Timberlea or parsons before abasand. But maybe more citizens filled out a survey from abasand for this to happen? But I believe common sense would prevail that another is needed besides thick wood?

Anonymous

5/29/2022 10:12 AM

Maybe try cleaning up this community from the fire damage first.. like honestly is this a joke? Half of our sod along the public roads hasn't even been put back yet, roads are literally crumbling and we're voting on a puppy play park? Give your stunned heads a shake.

Anonymous

5/29/2022 10:26 AM

No

Anonymous

5/29/2022 10:31 AM

Abasand has a large trail system to walk dogs. A dog park is not needed and that money could be used elsewhere.

Anonymous

5/29/2022 10:33 AM

I think many residents in Abasand would welcome a dog park.

Anonymous

5/29/2022 10:50 AM

Use money from this to pave trail already here.

Anonymous

5/29/2022 11:21 AM

Yes. I am in pro of a water park instead of a dog park. Or more paved walking trails

Anonymous

5/29/2022 12:14 PM

Lets not pay to destroy our forest Our pups can play at less impact to our environment.

Anonymous

5/29/2022 02:36 PM

Make sure the area don't have a lot of low points . Don't enjoy bringing my dog to a mud pit

Anonymous

5/29/2022 04:10 PM

Additional dog in Timberlea/ parsons creek due to the high level of traffic in the thickwood dog park. Also a off leash dog trails would be a good addition to wood Buffalo

Anonymous

5/29/2022 04:28 PM

Should have lots of parking. Also have a big dog area and a small dog area.

Anonymous

5/29/2022 05:10 PM

Great idea and would be used by so many in Abasand!!

Anonymous

5/29/2022 06:12 PM

If you have questions, [REDACTED] s.17(1) , and I may be contacted [REDACTED] s.17(1) .

Anonymous

5/29/2022 07:37 PM

We need a spray park/water park for kids a LOT more than we need a dog park. Virtually every other area in Fort McMurray has a water park for the children in their area, except Abasand.

Anonymous

5/29/2022 08:02 PM

Option 3 is a lot more suitable as this is an unused area not frequented by many people

Anonymous

5/29/2022 08:24 PM

Would love to have it next to the playground so my kids can play while our pup can run and play as well!

Anonymous

5/29/2022 08:29 PM

No

Anonymous

5/29/2022 08:30 PM

This is very needed in Abasand and would be a huge perk to anyone living here

Anonymous

5/29/2022 10:06 PM

I don't feel one is necessary to the area when there are others near by. I feel the proposed areas are too close to peoples homes and would be a concern to those who have dogs in those back yards facing the proposed dog park. I say no to a dog park in abasand.

Anonymous

5/30/2022 02:30 AM

Really hope its feasible for our neighbourhood

Anonymous

5/30/2022 09:21 AM

I would LOVE to have a dog park in Timberlea!

Anonymous

5/30/2022 09:25 AM

Please build similar to the park that was once in Waterways with multiple spaces, a field, trails, and more than one fenced area. The Waterways park was the best one in town and now it is non-existent. That park provided space and areas that if there was a dog that was not as friendly you could easily move areas to avoid and still have the dogs enjoy. I live in Timberlea and would take my dogs down to waterways 3-5 times a week to run. We don't go to Thickwood too busy and too open and dog owners don't always mind dogs who are trying to be dominant with handicapped dogs....sad. Owners are not a park design issue but there is no flexibility to move away and separate in that park without being in a small pen.

Anonymous

5/30/2022 10:24 AM

**s.17(1)** Option 3 definitely does not benefit me or the entire block of aspenhill. The increased amount of traffic in the area will be a negative. It is currently a cul-de-sac, therefore it has been a quiet desired location for the entirety of its existence. There is many children living on the street that would now have to be extra cautious playing outside due to the influx of motorized vehicles and irresponsible owners with off leash dogs before they enter the gated area. I love fun, I love dogs. But I honestly think a more public location should be sourced. Thank you

Anonymous

5/30/2022 12:32 PM

Put a dog park in an area where your not bordering on somebodys home. With all the land available find a spot where your far enough away from peoples homes so your not infringing on their privacy.

Anonymous

5/30/2022 01:10 PM

As a dog owner and resident I strongly disagree with a dog park in the area.

Anonymous

5/30/2022 01:23 PM

It does not seem that the RMWB can provide regular infrastructure for our neighborhood. The roads are full of potholes, the sidewalks need replacing-rebar is coming through and the little parks that are around Aspenhill drive are so ruined and nothing has been done to them since the fire. Also, all those options for the dog parks are going to affect all the ATV and sled riders that go zooming through those areas! It's really not needed!

Anonymous

5/30/2022 02:55 PM

Do not put it at option 2!

Anonymous

5/30/2022 05:25 PM

Furthest location from residential and adequate traffic flow and parking is very important

Anonymous

5/30/2022 07:45 PM

do not want a dog park

Anonymous

5/30/2022 07:53 PM

Option one would be horrible. I live right on the corner, it would take my view which I bought the house for, terrible resale and not to mention my two large dogs would be going insane barking at all times. The increased traffic and noise from people and dogs would also be terrible for my baby which is due july first, and the fact that my husband and i are shift workers. The parking is minimal and would be right at my back driveway. It is also the smaller of the 3.

Anonymous

5/30/2022 09:27 PM

keep it natural

Anonymous

5/30/2022 09:28 PM

far away from houses as much as possible due to smell and noise

Anonymous

5/30/2022 10:22 PM

Please use those funds to build a proper skatepark for the kids in abasand.

Anonymous

5/30/2022 10:34 PM

Could there be a section for small dogs only? Other cities in Alberta have them and it's great

Anonymous

5/31/2022 01:22 PM

Build a park far away from houses so the smell,noise and traffic do not disturb the neighbors

Steven Stephanie Jeffrey

6/01/2022 02:24 PM

Plant clover as a ground cover. It doesn't need mowing as often and is resistant to dog urine

Anonymous

6/01/2022 01:25 PM

Every community in the region should have a dog park

Anonymous

6/01/2022 03:43 PM

Love the idea of dog park in Abasand but to have at the end of Athabasca Cres!!

Anonymous

6/01/2022 03:47 PM

Love the idea of Dog park in Abasand but to have it at the end of Athabasca Crescent over looking the River

Anonymous

6/01/2022 09:31 PM

This is long overdue for Abasand

Anonymous

6/03/2022 06:08 AM

I do not want option 3 to block my yard

Anonymous

6/03/2022 11:10 AM

Would like to see a dog park in timberlea or parson creek north as most of the population is up here.

Anonymous

6/03/2022 11:47 AM

I would like to see a dog park up in Timerlea or Parsons Creek as the majority of the community lives up in these areas and many residents own dogs. Lots of people walk their dogs off leash in these areas, and it would be nice for them to have a designated area to do so, without placing dogs that are on leash or others at risk.

Anonymous

6/03/2022 12:14 PM

Would be nice to have the park split so there is a separate smaller section of the park dedicated to small dogs (under 30lbs or 40lbs). I've been to many parks in other cities like calgary and Edmonton that have these and was shocked no parks in Fort McMurray offer this. Maybe 1/3 of the park is for smaller dogs and 2/3 can be for any dogs. As a small dog owner (20lbs) it is always nerve wrecking bringing my dog to a park with huge dogs running everywhere (180lbs +)

Anonymous

6/03/2022 02:06 PM

Thank you for considering the dogs of Abasand! I really hope that we move forward with a dog park.

Anonymous

6/03/2022 02:41 PM

THIS IS SUCH A GREAT IDEA!!!

Anonymous

6/03/2022 02:42 PM

Please add one or more dog parks in Timberlea

Anonymous

6/03/2022 04:45 PM

I think we need another dog park North of the bridge in parsons creek or Timberlea. The one in Thickwood is nice but it is packed lately. We need another one up here because more of the population is up this way.

Anonymous

6/03/2022 06:23 PM

I think that this would be an amazing addition to the Abasand area and it really is easily accessed from anywhere in town v

Anonymous

6/03/2022 11:44 PM

I choose option 2 as being slightly more central. I am surprised there was no option near the graveyard area. It seems there would be a fair amount of space behind the graveyard with some parking already nearby.

Anonymous

6/04/2022 12:54 AM

Option 1 and option 3 does not have the same direct impact on nearby residents.

Anonymous

6/04/2022 07:39 AM

I like all three locations

Anonymous

6/04/2022 08:20 AM

An area for small dogs would be great too as I have a lab and a weinerdog

Anonymous

6/04/2022 08:53 AM

Would love to have a dog park

Anonymous

6/04/2022 08:59 AM

Thanks for the engagement tent. You guys made my dog's day. & appreciate the coffee for us humans!!

Anonymous

6/04/2022 09:06 AM

None

Anonymous

6/04/2022 09:56 AM

Smaller fenced in area inside big dog park



Anonymous

6/04/2022 10:53 AM

Need a splash park too.

Anonymous

6/04/2022 11:20 AM

There should a smaller separate enclosure for smaller dogs 30lbs and under. Abasand also needs a kids water park. Grayling Terrace isn't in Abasand.

Anonymous

6/04/2022 11:37 AM

Thank you! Make it on a little hill for drainage.

Anonymous

6/04/2022 11:47 AM

A lot of dog owners. Dog park is a great a Idea

Anonymous

6/04/2022 12:52 PM

No dog park. Fix the roads, put in sod in the public areas and green belts that were burned, it's been SIX years.

Anonymous

6/04/2022 02:17 PM

Waste of my tax money. I don't have a dog. Spend tax dollars on something that benefits all residents.

Anonymous

6/04/2022 02:28 PM

Which ever choice, make sure there are ample garbage cans

Anonymous

6/04/2022 08:29 PM

No

Anonymous

6/04/2022 09:34 PM

Requesting appropriate parking with a presentable entrance to the sounding area

Anonymous

6/05/2022 01:32 AM

We don't need people bringing there dog to abasand who don't live here. Put amenities for kids to enjoy in the little space we have here.

Anonymous

6/05/2022 10:23 AM

Abasand doesn't need a dog park. We live on the edge of the forest and residents can just walk 200 feet and be in the middle of the biggest dog park. The owners of the houses around this proposed park will be very upset as it will take away from the beauty of Abasand. Putting up a chain link fence will just be an eye sore.

Anonymous

6/05/2022 04:50 PM

No overnight parking police checks and bylaw for enforcement

Anonymous

6/06/2022 10:13 AM

Do an engagement about OHVs violating all the laws in Abasand.

Anonymous

6/06/2022 08:03 PM

Possibly a small enclosure inside the larger one, similar to thickwood park

**Optional question** (174 response(s), 289 skipped)

**Question type:** Essay Question