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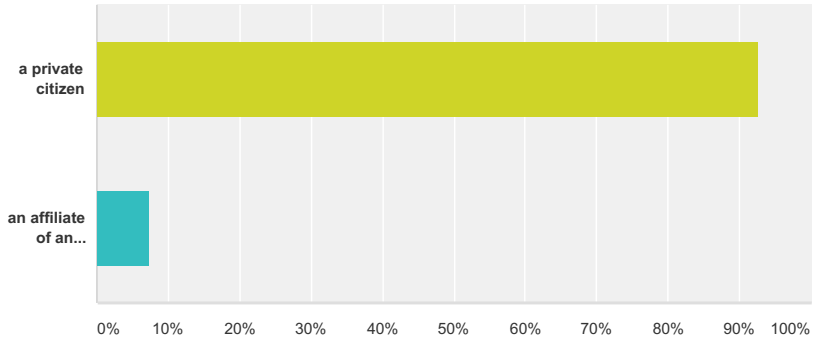

Answer Choices	Responses	
a private citizen	**92.66%**	404
an affiliate of an organization	**7.34%**	32
Total		**436**

Q3 What organization are you affiliated with?

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#	Responses	Date
1	DERT	5/2/2016 3:57 PM
2	DERT	5/2/2016 3:38 PM
3	N/A	5/2/2016 3:30 PM
4	Thurston County Resource Stewardship	4/28/2016 6:47 PM
5	Deschutes WRIA 13 Salmon Habitat Recovery Lead Entity	4/28/2016 10:14 AM
6	none	4/28/2016 8:16 AM
7	Wild Game Fish Conservation International	4/27/2016 6:37 PM
8	Olympia yacht club	4/27/2016 4:23 PM
9	M.G. Burgher & Associates	4/27/2016 3:14 PM
10	CLIPA	4/27/2016 1:09 PM
11	Martin Marina	4/27/2016 9:47 AM
12	Deshutes Estuary Restoration Team And Tribal Affiliation (Parent of Tribal Members)	4/27/2016 12:36 AM
13	Olympia Yacht Club	4/26/2016 7:15 PM
14	Olympia Yacht Club	4/26/2016 2:42 PM
15	CLIPA & OYC	4/26/2016 9:31 AM
16	OYC	4/26/2016 8:10 AM
17	Olympia Yacht Club	4/26/2016 7:51 AM
18	none, Olympia native	4/26/2016 7:46 AM
19	Results Washington	4/26/2016 7:44 AM
20	Olympia yacht club	4/26/2016 5:26 AM
21	OYC	4/25/2016 9:17 PM
22	Olympia Yacht Club	4/25/2016 3:28 PM
23	Turbo Mechanical Inc.	4/25/2016 3:13 PM
24	Olympia Yacht club & South Sound Sailing Society	4/25/2016 1:31 PM
25	CLIPA	4/22/2016 4:16 PM
26	CLIPA	4/22/2016 3:43 PM
27	clipa	4/22/2016 2:20 PM
28	CLIPA	4/22/2016 11:26 AM
29	Olympia Yacht club	4/21/2016 4:42 PM
30	Governor Hotel Olympia	4/21/2016 4:05 PM
31	CLIPA	4/21/2016 11:40 AM
32	Olympia City Council	4/21/2016 10:43 AM
33	DoubleTree by Hilton / VCB Board of Dir.	4/21/2016 9:59 AM

Q4 Which of the following goals do you consider to be key for the long-term management of the Capitol Lake Basin? (listed in alphabetical order)

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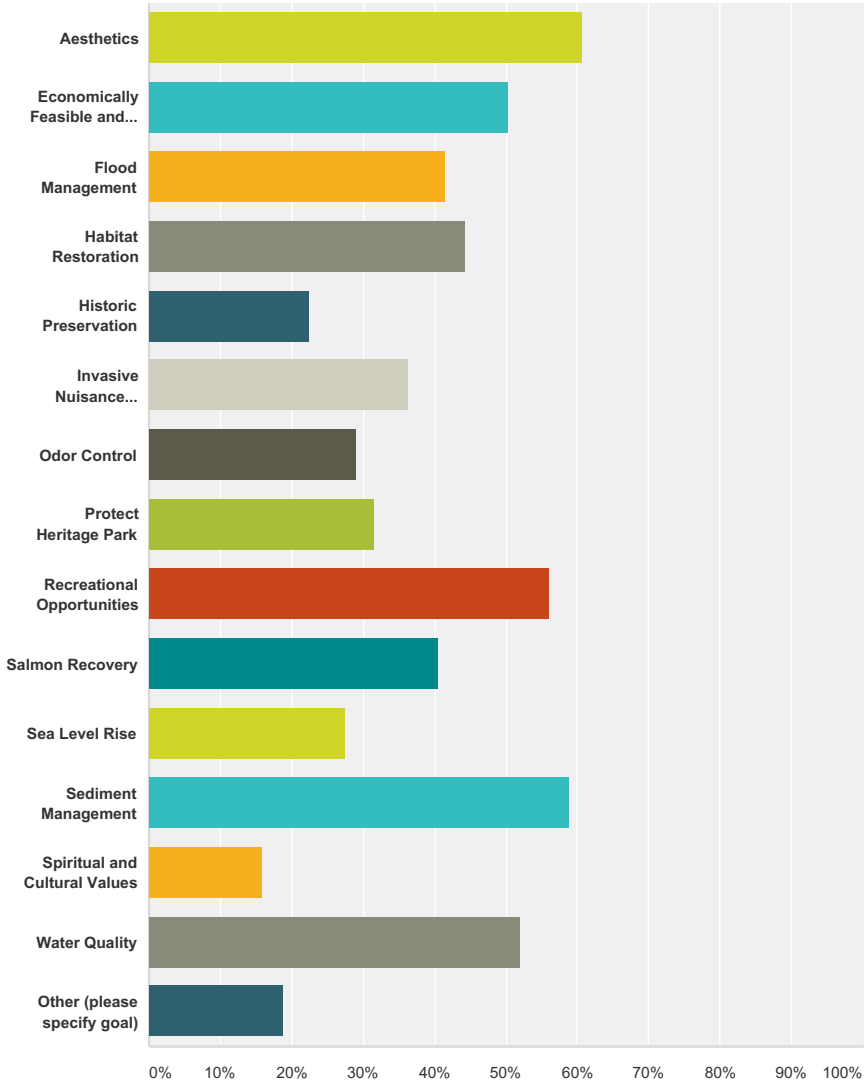

Answer Choices	Responses	
Aesthetics	60.66%	259
Economically Feasible and Reasonable	50.35%	215
Flood Management	41.45%	177
Habitat Restoration	44.26%	189
Historic Preservation	22.48%	96
Invasive Nuisance Species Management	36.30%	155
Odor Control	29.04%	124
Protect Heritage Park	31.62%	135
Recreational Opportunities	56.21%	240
Salmon Recovery	40.52%	173

Sea Level Rise	**27.63%**	118
Sediment Management	**58.78%**	251
Spiritual and Cultural Values	**15.93%**	68
Water Quality	**51.99%**	222
Other (please specify goal)	**18.74%**	80
Total Respondents: 427		

#	Other (please specify goal)	Date
1	Invasive Nuisance Species Management - See Comment #3 Other - Remove the dam (or open gates fully 24/7)	5/2/2016 3:58 PM
2	Contribute to restoration of Puget Sound ecosystem.	5/2/2016 3:39 PM
3	Economically Feasible and Reasonable - including business owners affected. Other - economic impact of removing dam; yacht club, waterfront business owners, boat owners, port operations -Transcribed by LA	5/2/2016 3:31 PM
4	What do you mean by Historic Preservation; Recreational Opportunities; Spiritual and Cultural Values? -transcribed by LA	5/2/2016 3:25 PM
5	All of the above fall into Capitol Lakes future as they should but doing only some and let others go only becomes another problem down the road! When I was a kid growing up here my friends and I could go to Capitol lake which at that time had a floating raft with a spring board and we could swim all day long without being worried about getting sit or dying! I find it hard to fathom that today there are still no swimmers where there should be and saddened by the fact that Capitol Lake has been polluted for many years and still is a threat to the safety of anyone who would dare to jump into her waters! Perhaps the ecology dept should do something to turn this travesty into a special clean and healthy place for all to use once again!	4/28/2016 9:37 PM
6	Education	4/28/2016 9:27 PM
7	All the goals are important but I believe they fall into three main "overarching" areas: 1) Sustainability (which includes the habitat, functions and water quality goals) 2) Cultural and Aesthetics (which includes recreation and public values) 3) Economics (which includes short and long-term costs and on-going management) Should look at which goals encompass the largest number of possible objectives . In other words, what are the goals which give us the biggest bang for the buck over a suite of different objectives.	4/28/2016 6:59 PM
8	Here the question is “what is the relevance"? How can the plan address flood management? Does the habitat need to be restored? What historic attributes need to be preserved? Are there any odor issues? Is Heritage Park endangered? How can the plan impact salmon recovery? Or, have any impact on sea level rise? What are the spiritual and cultural values that will be impacted? They are all nice words. Everybody wants to achieve what is described by the nice words. But, what is the relevance to the task at hand?	4/28/2016 4:19 PM
9	Retained as a properly and periodically cared for lake, the basin provides many more opportunities for walking, socializing and other community activities than an estuary would provide. Considering its proximity to downtown and Olympia's tourism, the lake on my opinion is the only option that supports living and recreating in a vibrant downtown.	4/28/2016 2:13 PM
10	The original State Committee stated that the best solution is to return the Estuary to its natural setting. Cost was considered along with Water Quality.	4/28/2016 8:57 AM
11	All of the above.	4/28/2016 8:26 AM
12	I selected what I feel are the most important...and are the foundation for the other goals. I believe strongly that the lake must be dredged to depths similar to the early 1900's. With that, most of the other goals would "naturally" fall into place. Habitat, Spiritual and Cultural, Historic, Sediment, and Recreational goals would all be enhanced. The odor and invasive species issues would be minimal. I am a long time resident of Olympia and property owner on the lake and feel invested in it.	4/28/2016 8:07 AM
13	Free uncommercial access	4/28/2016 3:43 AM
14	Operation of naturally functioning ecosystem - i.e. dam removal (before that is done by SLR)	4/27/2016 7:08 PM
15	Ecology education opportunities at all levels in local community	4/27/2016 6:39 PM
16	MAINTAINANCE COSTS....	4/27/2016 4:57 PM
17	Recreation -- I miss being able to access the lake via kayak or canoe. Access for low impact recreation helps to ensure community buy-in and involvement.	4/27/2016 4:49 PM
18	Goal: to have a lake that enhances the view of the capital and provides recreational activities for all citizens of Thurston County and visitors to the area. Quit putting off cleaning out the basin. I believe creating a mud flat will decrease, not increase, the number of visitors to the downtown area.	4/27/2016 12:27 PM
19	To return the Deschutes river to its natural condition. The lake is a cesspool and a poor reflection on our State Capitol.	4/27/2016 10:53 AM
20	They promised to preserve the lake and set aside money to do so. Now they have spent the money on other stuff and not preserved the lake. That has caused new problems. How can we trust anything the government promises when they blatantly ignore their past promises. We approved saving the lake because it was beautiful, useful/recreational and we liked it. Clean up the lake and restore the park.	4/27/2016 10:20 AM

21	I strongly believe that salmon recovery, habitat restoration, historic preservation,cultural values is critical, but I think each proposed restoration project has to be evaluated for cost benefit value. With a limited amount of funding for restoration projects it is important that tax payer funds are spent judiciously and that each project should have a high probability for success. I do not believe that this is the case with Capitol Lake estuary proposal (so different than the Nisqually delta project). The cost/benefit does not seem to pan out for this project. Unfortunately I see any alternative as very costly. With so much controversy I predict us forever at loggerheads no matter which direction is ultimately decided on. The opposition will fight and we will not move forward.	4/27/2016 8:50 AM
22	We must honor the Medicine Creek Treaty, the Boldt Decision, and the gov-to-gov compact.	4/27/2016 12:38 AM
23	I think serious consideration should be given to split basin solution with an impounded fresh water reflecting basin on eastside and restored estuary on westside. This solution could unify both the "lake" and "estuary" points of view. Doing nothing will result in an unusable fresh water marsh..	4/26/2016 8:41 PM
24	Take out the damn and excavate the contaminated silt.	4/26/2016 8:36 PM
25	Maintenance of viable shipping lanes in Budd Inlet	4/26/2016 8:20 PM
26	Maintain Capitol Lake as-is	4/26/2016 8:10 PM
27	Capitol Lake is the Gem of the Capitol City and a tourist attraction. It could provide a lake for many activities for the citizens.	4/26/2016 7:59 PM
28	Is is ugly and smelly when the lake does not have water. Our beautiful city would have mud flats in the middle of town Instead of a beautiful serene lake with the view of the capitol. Who would want to look at that and smell it. I can;t imagine any reason to want to look at mud flats. Downtown has enough problems without mud flats. I can;t think of one waterfront city with mud flats in the middle of town.	4/26/2016 6:50 PM
29	Keep the dam, do you really want our states capital and Olympia to look and smell like mud bay? Seriously?	4/26/2016 6:45 PM
30	When I select Aesthetics, please note that I find a natural estuary to be aesthetically pleasing.	4/26/2016 5:06 PM
31	Living in the Puget Sounds means we have to manage our waters well, and with an eye towards the future. As I see it, maintaining a lake is no longer practical or desirable. Further, it's not the option that will best serve residents over the long term. I would love to see Olympia follow in Vancouver, Canada's footsteps, and make a living estuary part of the draw to our town, incorporating good ecological management, beauty and recreational opportunities into a tourist draw that will bring money and acclaim to our community.	4/26/2016 3:42 PM
32	The lake has been a beautiful asset and Icon of our City, we should everthing possible persurve it! Taking the Dam would destroy the Beautful city, its what makes Olympia!!!	4/26/2016 10:47 AM
33	They are all real goals for everyone. I don't like how this question is worded, maintaining water quality and sediment management is on the top of my list, as if the lake goes away, all the sediment will flood the end of bud inlet virtually eliminating Olympia Yacht Club and even Percival docks if put back to an estuary. they are all important, but those are my first two.	4/26/2016 10:46 AM
34	This land that the State is on is Tribal Lands. The Tribes have an amazing plan in place to protect our waterways. Look at the Delta and how if not for the Tribes we would not have this amazing place for now and for the next 7 generations to come. In the Spirit of Billy Frank Jr.	4/26/2016 9:31 AM
35	Capitol Lake is one of our cities precious jewels. Maintain as existing and develop to allow more community use. Row boats, kayaks, small sailing vessels, paddle boards etc with the required shoreline infrastructure are part of my vision with the NYC Central Park lake, Green Lake (Seattle) and others as models. Get people using the lake just as they use the waterfront walk. City and capitol views from the lake are stunning and the on-the water experience totally refreshing	4/26/2016 8:01 AM
36	I can't imagine the city of Olympia without Capitol Lake. It is the center piece of the city. It reflects the Capitol Building of the state of Washington. What would Capitol Lake Fair be called without the lake? Capitol Mud Fair? Capitol Creek Fair? Come on everyone. Lets get serious.	4/26/2016 6:35 AM
37	A lifelong resident - 65 years - the lake, both sides need to be preserved, and returned to their former glory! That being a destination and a tribute to the city, and state Capitol.	4/25/2016 9:11 PM
38	Recreational opportunities such as swimming small watercraft.	4/25/2016 8:41 PM
39	All of the above are important. I have lived in the area since 1965 and remember the times when Lakefair would have the boat races and everyone would sit along the banks and enjoy the activites. I believe that with proper and timely scheculed maintenance of the sediments Olympia and the area could enjoy an asset that is second to none! It is very important to keep the silts contained where they can be managed. The upper portion of the lake is a great area for some estuary management.	4/25/2016 8:28 PM
40	I think that downtown Olympia is best served by a fresh water lake and a sediment free Budd Bay.	4/25/2016 8:15 PM
41	With the beautiful asset within our community, we have the opportunity to promote recreational activities while allowing for environmental science and educational opportunities. I don't believe the goals are contradictory, but by dealing with the sediment and creating a functional lake the nitrogen levels will balance between the inflow and Budd Inlet. The cost seems to rise as our community waits. I'm thankful to see some progress with the use of the survey and informative packets.	4/25/2016 6:57 PM
42	Keeping capitol lake as is is of more use to the community than any conceivible option. If you drain the lake where are all the walkers going to go? The lake it beutiful and should remain for the enjoyment of the public.	4/25/2016 6:13 PM
43	The cost to convert the lake to a floodplain/marsh is money we don't need to spend right now. Also it will destroy the boating community in Olympia.	4/25/2016 5:52 PM

44	The current closing of Capital Lake due to the 'invasive' New Zealand snail must be challenged: many lakes in Washington state, including Lake Washington and the Great Lakes back east are 'infested' by the snail. There has NEVER been any indication of the actual damage being caused by these snails. And if we're to be concerned about 'invasive' species, mustn't we be concerned about the 'invasion' of human beings in this area as well?	4/25/2016 3:42 PM
45	Sediment management is a very important topic that is usually neglected in these discussions. Important because the neglect of sediment management has caused Capitol Lake to silt up making it less attractive. And if the dam is removed to make an estuary then all that sediment will be deposited in lower Budd Inlet causing it to silt up and become unusable without a semi constant dredge cycle.	4/25/2016 3:13 PM
46	Lower Budd Inlet would be ruined if the dam/bridge were to be removed. Currently it allows for great boating and other recreational water uses, and is a terrific stage for all of our local events at Percival Landing. Mud flats would be smelly and unattractive as the view toward and away from the Capitol Campus. I believe there has been discussion about the possibility of using the dam to control water during high (king) tides as well....	4/25/2016 1:43 PM
47	The lake is a beautiful asset in front of the capital. Many citizens enjoy the park like area by walking and biking around it. Many a summer day, I have seen folks enjoying the park like area.	4/25/2016 12:43 PM
48	Avoid a smelly mud flat and mosquito breeding area that dam removal would create.	4/25/2016 12:42 PM
49	I would hate to see the damn removed, as a long time boater in the South Puget Sound, I would hate to see this happen as it would mean an end to the marinas, and boating traffic in Budd Inlet.	4/25/2016 12:37 PM
50	Capitol Lake is a great park for our community. We need to manage so it continues to be a draw for the residents of Thurston County. It should remain a lake and be restored so people can use it for swimming and other recreational purposes. It has long been a lake and to make it any thing different would be detrimental to our community. It is used by many of us and we would like to see it being used even more and not turned into a mudflat. Please listen to the science that clearly shows of the benefit of it remaining a lake and also for the argument of dredging it so as to be of more use for our residents.	4/25/2016 9:12 AM
51	Deschutes River health	4/24/2016 6:35 PM
52	Capitol Lake smells. Capitol Lake is a waste dump. It is awful. We need salt water influx everyday, to keep it clean. We need one fix, that will last forever, to keep it clean; the salt water.	4/23/2016 10:33 AM
53	Establish a long term maintenance plan that includes periodic dredging of sediment and allow public access to a beautiful fresh water lake.	4/23/2016 7:49 AM
54	The reflection pond on the north end of the lake is most important to me since it preserves concept of the capital and its link to the lake set out in Wilder & White's original vision.	4/22/2016 5:20 PM
55	A solution that serves the businesses and marina's of Budd Inlet positively	4/22/2016 4:19 PM
56	Habitat preservation/enhancement	4/22/2016 2:22 PM
57	Let Nature take its course and turn the lake into a marsh, which may improve water quality before it flows into Puget Sound.	4/22/2016 12:30 PM
58	Salmon recovery is very important to me, but I have not checked it as such. Spending massive amounts of dollars (and other economic and social assets) removing the dam will remove those dollars for salmon rehabilitation elsewhere. e.g. Dam removal costs will likely be $200 million more than Lake maintenance over the next 20 years. If the average salmon restoration project costs $500 thousand, the opportunity costs of estuary restoration is about 400 more effective salmon restoration projects. Since restoration project money is quite dear, this scenario is extremely relevant to salmon restoration.	4/22/2016 11:40 AM
59	sustainable long-term in terms of maintenance. This specifically relates to economically reasonable.	4/22/2016 11:01 AM
60	The lake should become, as it use to be, an estuary.	4/22/2016 9:07 AM
61	Economic impact and importance of the Capitol Lake for downtown businesses	4/21/2016 4:06 PM
62	I think there should be business development around the lake. I imagine cute push carts selling shave ice, renting water things like kayaks and other appropriate businesses. All of this controlled through a city permit process.	4/21/2016 3:09 PM
63	I would like to see the estuary restored. I'd go as far as removing much of the isthmus and installing a bridge from the westside to downtown.	4/21/2016 1:33 PM
64	The legal framework that this decision must be made within: Clean Water Act and Tribal treaty rights	4/21/2016 12:16 PM
65	1)Function as an Urban Watershed for 400,000 people to enjoy. 2)A Plan of Management that is developed in phases to complement the realities of cost and changing people priorities.	4/21/2016 12:04 PM
66	Restore the lake for recreation.	4/21/2016 11:24 AM
67	Use real science to guide decisions.	4/21/2016 10:57 AM
68	Dam removal and estuary restoration	4/21/2016 10:28 AM
69	Impacts to the "as built" environment. Impacts to the Port's Marine Terminal, international shipping, Percival Landing, the existing yacht club, the cost of future dredging requirements to maintain a shipping channel.	4/21/2016 9:55 AM
70	Get rid of the dam!!!!	4/21/2016 9:43 AM
71	Don't take lake away	4/21/2016 9:41 AM
72	That the decision be based on sound and verifiable science, technology and cost data	4/20/2016 9:35 PM
73	insure continued existence of the Olympia harbor	4/20/2016 4:48 PM

74	I know I checked all of the above, however all of these factors must be considered for Capital Lake to continue to function as a focal point for Olympia. I would like to see a revisit of the historical impact of the lake, I would like to see Christmas Island returned, swimming and maintaining events like Lake fair, fireworks and I would like to see new events involving the community maybe a swim, bike and run event ending at the capitol in front of the fountain and have the colored lights that used to illuminate the fountain returned....	4/20/2016 4:18 PM
75	Protecting the revolutionary City Beautiful Movement design of the State Capitol Campus with the reflecting lake.	4/20/2016 3:26 PM
76	To protect the waterfront commerce in our downtown, and to invite high quality development on 5th Ave. Both are critical for the City's tax revenues.	4/20/2016 10:50 AM
77	Ability for the public to be able to use the waterway again.	4/19/2016 12:09 PM
78	If goals of natural restoration are achieved, aesthetics, odor control, recreation will also be achieved.	4/17/2016 1:44 PM
79	We need to give emphasis to the capital campus buildings/grounds as they are sorely in need of proper repair and maintenance. The lake, as it's currently constituted, will never be a proper lake and will always be a catch basin for sediment, contaminants and a barrier for returning native fish, water fowl and associated "critters". It will also remain as a giant funnel for money that could be better utilized elsewhere. If properly and naturally landscaped it could be a gorgeous natural area with limited landscaped enhancements on the order of Butchart Gardens in Victoria, but not to the degree requiring continuous maintenance as found at Butchart Gardens.	4/15/2016 1:52 PM
80	By Recreational Opportunities I mean preserving the trails, adding swimming opportunities, and encouraging active transportation options to and from the lake/estuary area.	4/15/2016 11:56 AM

Q5 Which of the following would you consider your top five long term goals for the Capitol Lake Basin? Please rank your top five in order of importance.

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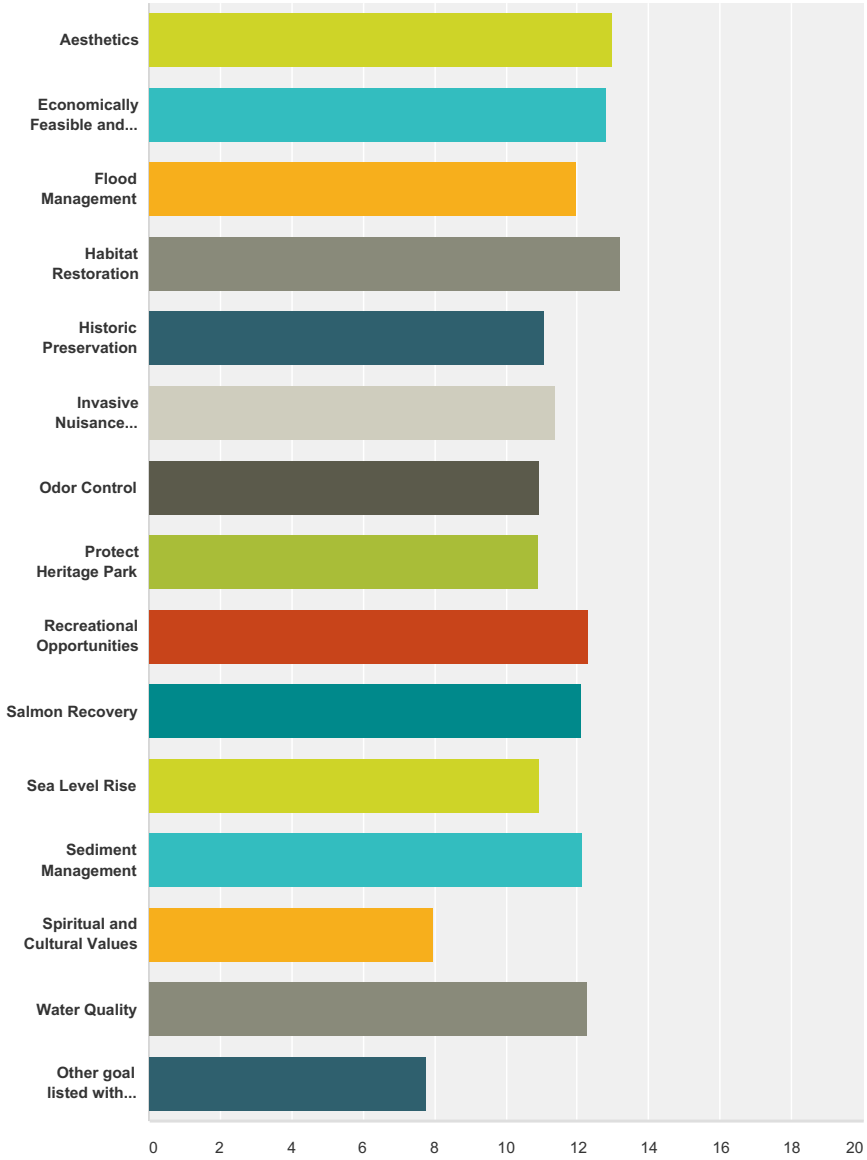

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Aesthetics	**28.81%** 70	**19.75%** 48	**13.99%** 34	**16.87%** 41	**15.64%** 38	**0.41%** 1	**1.23%** 3	**0.82%** 2	**0.41%** 1	**0.82%** 2	**0.00%** 0	**0.00%** 0	**0.82%** 2	**0.00%** 0	**0.41%** 1	243	12.98
Economically Feasible and Reasonable	**25.12%** 51	**27.09%** 55	**14.29%** 29	**11.33%** 23	**13.79%** 28	**0.99%** 2	**0.49%** 1	**1.48%** 3	**1.97%** 4	**0.99%** 2	**0.49%** 1	**0.49%** 1	**0.00%** 0	**0.49%** 1	**0.99%** 2	203	12.82
Flood Management	**7.05%** 11	**11.54%** 18	**18.59%** 29	**23.08%** 36	**32.69%** 51	**1.92%** 3	**1.28%** 2	**0.00%** 0	**2.56%** 4	**0.64%** 1	**0.00%** 0	**0.00%** 0	**0.64%** 1	**0.00%** 0	**0.00%** 0	156	12.00
Habitat Restoration	**43.01%** 83	**18.13%** 35	**12.44%** 24	**6.74%** 13	**9.84%** 19	**3.11%** 6	**0.52%** 1	**1.55%** 3	**1.04%** 2	**0.00%** 0	**1.04%** 2	**1.04%** 2	**0.52%** 1	**0.52%** 1	**0.52%** 1	193	13.18
Historic Preservation	**10.87%** 10	**14.13%** 13	**18.48%** 17	**13.04%** 12	**15.22%** 14	**4.35%** 4	**3.26%** 3	**5.43%** 5	**1.09%** 1	**4.35%** 4	**0.00%** 0	**3.26%** 3	**4.35%** 4	**2.17%** 2	**0.00%** 0	92	11.05

Invasive Nuisance Species Management	**4.07%** 5	**15.45%** 19	**13.82%** 17	**25.20%** 31	**17.89%** 22	**6.50%** 8	**5.69%** 7	**1.63%** 2	**3.25%** 4	**2.44%** 3	**1.63%** 2	**0.81%** 1	**0.81%** 1	**0.81%** 1	**0.00%** 0	123	11.38
Odor Control	**3.67%** 4	**14.68%** 16	**19.27%** 21	**19.27%** 21	**14.68%** 16	**4.59%** 5	**4.59%** 5	**3.67%** 4	**4.59%** 5	**1.83%** 2	**3.67%** 4	**0.00%** 0	**3.67%** 4	**1.83%** 2	**0.00%** 0	109	10.96
Protect Heritage Park	**10.85%** 14	**11.63%** 15	**6.98%** 9	**24.81%** 32	**17.83%** 23	**3.10%** 4	**2.33%** 3	**6.20%** 8	**3.88%** 5	**3.88%** 5	**1.55%** 2	**3.10%** 4	**1.55%** 2	**2.33%** 3	**0.00%** 0	129	10.91
Recreational Opportunities	**17.47%** 40	**11.79%** 27	**25.33%** 58	**18.34%** 42	**15.72%** 36	**2.62%** 6	**1.75%** 4	**1.31%** 3	**1.75%** 4	**0.87%** 2	**0.87%** 2	**1.31%** 3	**0.44%** 1	**0.44%** 1	**0.00%** 0	229	12.31
Salmon Recovery	**5.45%** 9	**26.67%** 44	**30.91%** 51	**15.15%** 25	**6.06%** 10	**2.42%** 4	**1.82%** 3	**1.21%** 2	**0.61%** 1	**6.06%** 10	**2.42%** 4	**0.61%** 1	**0.00%** 0	**0.00%** 0	**0.61%** 1	165	12.12
Sea Level Rise	**8.33%** 10	**15.00%** 18	**15.00%** 18	**20.00%** 24	**15.83%** 19	**2.50%** 3	**2.50%** 3	**2.50%** 3	**0.83%** 1	**2.50%** 3	**7.50%** 9	**3.33%** 4	**1.67%** 2	**1.67%** 2	**0.83%** 1	120	10.93
Sediment Management	**18.14%** 41	**19.91%** 45	**17.70%** 40	**18.14%** 41	**13.27%** 30	**0.44%** 1	**2.21%** 5	**0.44%** 1	**0.44%** 1	**2.21%** 5	**0.88%** 2	**4.42%** 10	**1.33%** 3	**0.00%** 0	**0.44%** 1	226	12.15
Spiritual and Cultural Values	**1.22%** 1	**4.88%** 4	**7.32%** 6	**18.29%** 15	**24.39%** 20	**0.00%** 0	**0.00%** 0	**0.00%** 0	**1.22%** 1	**2.44%** 2	**4.88%** 4	**2.44%** 2	**12.20%** 10	**14.63%** 12	**6.10%** 5	82	7.99
Water Quality	**18.88%** 44	**19.31%** 45	**18.88%** 44	**13.30%** 31	**18.88%** 44	**2.58%** 6	**0.86%** 2	**1.29%** 3	**0.86%** 2	**0.00%** 0	**0.00%** 0	**0.00%** 0	**0.43%** 1	**3.43%** 8	**1.29%** 3	233	12.26
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Q6 Are there any additional measures of success that should be represented in the materials?

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#	Responses	Date
1	N/A	5/2/2016 3:58 PM
2	Habitat Restoration - estuarine habitat The Puget Sound Partnerships (state agency) has adopted an ecosystem restoration plan for Puget Sound. It includes 20+ 'vital signs' (goals) with targets for recovery. These include estuaries, salmon, shellfish, water quality and others. DES should actively support the attainment of these goals with this project, with specific targets and commitments. -Transcribed by LA	5/2/2016 3:43 PM
3	The positive economic impact of tourism and outdoor recreation from increased attraction of tourism from outside Olympia that would contribute to the local economy and specifically the residents of Olympia in the service industry. -Transcribed by LA	5/2/2016 3:38 PM
4	Costs associated with a potential measure. -Transcribed by LA	5/2/2016 3:34 PM
5	N/A	5/2/2016 3:32 PM
6	N/A	5/2/2016 3:26 PM
7	In order for mankind to continue our earth travels it is vitally important that we become less blinded by Profit Margin and/or development in any form and find our way back to being a part of our environment rather than just a controlling species as we have become! This country was once old growth forest unspoiled by man's insistence on being in control of our environment rather than being a part of the balance that has taken place for untold millions of years without man to achieve a balance that was nothing short of amazing, for then All Life was guaranteed the gifts of mother nature through health and cleanliness that was life friendly and user friendly which was truly the gift of success concerning man's introduction into this world! We as a society need to return to our roots as it concerns our lands, waters and air for without them we are a doomed species and so are many many other species! It's not our right to let precious ecosystems, such as Capitol Lake and the connected area's she flows through to become non-usable due to man's interference and non caring attitudes for profit and other worldly endeavors that puts our ecosystems at risk! Having Capitol Lake stay polluted as long as it has is NOT the kind of testimony that we as supposedly caretakers should have ever gotten too and given that I think it our worldly duty to ourselves to our coming generations and to the Mother Earth herself that we take stock of our world and right what has been wronged for far to long!	4/28/2016 10:11 PM
8	Trail systems for walking could also support educational opportunities for students, visitors, the public.	4/28/2016 9:30 PM
9	You should address only the relevant issues. Forget the "candy" words - that everyone wants. You should consider Sustainability, Public Health (cyanobacteria toxins etc.) GHG emissions (yes there are some from benthic organisms and biomass decay and N2O emissions through nitrogen fixation and decay etc.)	4/28/2016 4:20 PM
10	The community should continue to be broadly engaged with the discussions and with the final decision	4/28/2016 10:17 AM
11	The value of a healthy thriving estuary and all that means for our local environment.	4/28/2016 9:00 AM
12	A natural estuary will be an overall improvement.	4/28/2016 8:59 AM
13	Flexibility	4/28/2016 8:51 AM
14	Mo	4/28/2016 8:32 AM
15	Incremental steps toward physical advancement; acquiring funding, engineering and permits to remove the dam and widen opening to the bay, dredging...that would be success.	4/28/2016 8:27 AM
16	Making sure that this project, be it a lake or an estuary, ties in with any future park extensions along West Bay Drive.	4/28/2016 8:26 AM
17	Protecting the natural environment - ie the less artificial 'engineering' the better!	4/28/2016 8:11 AM
18	Clean It Up !	4/28/2016 7:57 AM
19	Dam removal = success!	4/28/2016 7:43 AM
20	Support of Puget Sound area tribes and the Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission.	4/28/2016 5:42 AM
21	None	4/27/2016 11:49 PM
22	I think all of the items on the list must be considered for any plan to work.	4/27/2016 10:58 PM
23	Community consensus that we have arrived at the best sustainable plan.	4/27/2016 10:24 PM
24	This is a volatile issue and some compromise is needed. I like the duel concept of a lake along Heritage park and tidal basin on the west side with a submerged dike separating the two.	4/27/2016 9:24 PM
25	The Capital needs capital lake	4/27/2016 8:55 PM
26	Returning the lake itself to a body in which the community can go swimming, boating and fishing.	4/27/2016 7:54 PM
27	Would like to see both sides get together with a plan for a split lake/estuary and removal of the dam.	4/27/2016 7:19 PM
28	Additional to what ? I did not find these listed in the two attachments. Success would be a naturally functioning ecosystem with a minimum of human intervention. Specifically, an estuary that flushes sediment and does not require expensive dredging, trucking, and disposal.	4/27/2016 7:09 PM

29	Don't allow building in the present and future flood plains.	4/27/2016 6:41 PM
30	The water should not be toxic.	4/27/2016 6:41 PM
31	What ever steps are taken, there should be community involvement through volunteer work parties or other means so that our community will have all the more connection and reason to keep our lands clean and safe.	4/27/2016 6:14 PM
32	Not really	4/27/2016 5:42 PM
33	FEES-COSTS-COMMON SENSE MANAGEMENT-	4/27/2016 5:03 PM
34	Consider a hybrid solution if it might be feasible financially, aesthetically and in terms of habitat restoration for salmon.	4/27/2016 5:03 PM
35	A healthy wetland is top priority for me.	4/27/2016 5:03 PM
36	It is important to me that we get some of the information correct on any of the criteria you mentioned. It seems like a big difference between the advocates. Once we decide what is best for the community, the next question is, how much does it cost. I would rather invest salmon restoration funds more efficiently elsewhere, considering some of the cost estimates I have heard for estuary restoration.	4/27/2016 4:31 PM
37	Please keep the lake intact as a beautiful body of water.	4/27/2016 3:28 PM
38	Wouldn't it be great if we could swim in the lake again?	4/27/2016 2:14 PM
39	Enjoyment of the entire area by the public and enhancement of the livability of our downtown.	4/27/2016 12:55 PM
40	Positive support from the majority of people in the county.	4/27/2016 12:44 PM
41	Adopt a plan that gets, or can get, a majority of the people in Thurston County to support it. Base support on a vote of the people at a general election, not on the number of narrowly focused special interest groups that support it.	4/27/2016 12:35 PM
42	save lake	4/27/2016 12:23 PM
43	I would like to see a public swimming area at the lake, as there used to be.	4/27/2016 12:04 PM
44	dont detroy the beauty if thinking about turning into swamp	4/27/2016 11:34 AM
45	Perhaps native vegetation should be included as a measure of success. And hopefully that will be estuarine vegetation. Also bird use should be considered as a measure of success, keeping in mind that the community will shift with the restoring estuary (ie. more shorebirds over time). There should also be measurements of benthic invertebrates to show the replacement of zebra snails with native bugs. And very importantly, not only should monitoring expenses be included in the cost/funding analysis, but there should be pre construction monitoring (couple/few years is best) in order to conduct a BACI (before after change impact) study (http://www.tidalmarshmonitoring.org/monitoring-design-before-after-control-impact.php).	4/27/2016 11:29 AM
46	Revitalize downtown. Make it user friendly...a place strangers would want to visit as well as locals. A swamp attracts nothing but mosquitoes and bats.	4/27/2016 10:23 AM
47	Return of other anadromous species, other than salmon. Also, a measure of the populations of microinvertabrates as a measure of water quality and habitat liveability.	4/27/2016 9:18 AM
48	if you can do all that, it'd be great.	4/27/2016 8:27 AM
49	no	4/27/2016 7:08 AM
50	I would like to see the idea of expanding the park around the downtown Olympian estuary below the Capitol I'm combination with removal of the 4th Avenue dam and restoration of the estuary. There are no children's play areas, basketball or other courts/fields, and a wading pool would be a huge attraction during the summer months.	4/27/2016 6:53 AM
51	Consistency with overall Puget Sound restoration goals.	4/27/2016 6:43 AM
52	Flushing of the impoundment (existing lake) could be hastened by providing additional ingress and egress, like punching right through the "isthmus" next to the Oyster House restaurant, and other economically feasible sites. Maybe the tip of East Bay that is eroding its natural bank in an attempt to restore its estuary. The City should stop building on land that is fill and actually part of the estuary.	4/27/2016 1:02 AM
53	Our children, future generations, should be proud of our city, community, and Capitol. A restored, bio diverse estuary can achieve that.	4/27/2016 12:44 AM
54	Reducing the pollutants coming down the river from upstream into the lake and Budd Inlet. Preserving the waterfront heritage of our community. Maintaining a place for recreational use to include maintaining the marinas and the depth of their waters.	4/26/2016 11:15 PM
55	Preservation of Capitol Lake	4/26/2016 10:41 PM
56	A mutually agreeable consensus by government agencies and public interest groups to move ahead on one or more of the goal statements.	4/26/2016 9:50 PM
57	Remove the damn dam. It is a no-brainer. It is being done elsewhere, and only unscientific rhetoric and ignorant arguments stand in the way of reason.	4/26/2016 8:39 PM
58	The lake is essential for the city of Olympia as the State Capitol. The great value to the whole area as a place to walk gather view the Capitol etc is special. Few people want to spend time at mud bay which is what we would have. Heritage park would not need to be with the estuary. The views of mud and the smell would chase people away. The silt would flow out to the bay and make it unusable.	4/26/2016 8:27 PM
59	Yes. Why is there no clear option to keep Capitol Lake just as it is? Seems like this process is being driven by a bunch of fanatics that want downtown Olympia to look (and smell) like the Nisqually mud flats. Why? We already have this at Nisqually. This is the heart of downtown Olympia. Leave it be as it is.	4/26/2016 8:17 PM
60	ecological goods and services assessment, stormwater management, integrated watershed management	4/26/2016 6:58 PM

61	There needs to be a vision of what Capitol Lake can become. Lake Merritt in Oakland CA can provide that vision!	4/26/2016 6:48 PM
62	Continuing to have the events at the water front park in a beautiful non stinking mud hole.	4/26/2016 6:47 PM
63	reality that the park is in an urban environment and a center piece	4/26/2016 6:40 PM
64	Overall economic impact of recovering an estuary should be considered.	4/26/2016 5:07 PM
65	none as far as I know.	4/26/2016 4:57 PM
66	for two decades study and study has been done. We do not need more studies except on how to budget returning the basin into an estuary. There is no funding for dredging or alternative proposals. Now is the time to quit making excuses for not finding a means to fund the proposals that have been determined by: Dept of Ecology, Dept of Natural Resources, Tribal interests. Those with the knowledge and foresight know what must be done.	4/26/2016 4:46 PM
67	Long-term viability of any actions (how long will that last, is it a temporary measure).	4/26/2016 3:49 PM
68	The mental and physical health and well-being of the community. The area is used extensively by people for activities conducive to individual and community health and well-being. It is a wonderful gathering point for people to experience and be inspired by physical and mental health promoting behaviors. It is a location that helps to strongly promote a sense of community among local residents. This area is a core part of what makes Olympia, WA unique, special, and a source of community pride.	4/26/2016 1:39 PM
69	A way of connecting cost of any proposal to the group who is promoting the change vs. status quo. If they had to pay, would they be promoting the changes considered, in spite of reasons. So one measure of success is that the cost burden would fall to the initiators of action and not the general taxpayer.	4/26/2016 12:31 PM
70	I want a much more robust opportunity for public input than a silly survey. My feelings about the lake are much deeper and more nuanced than can be covered in a few multiple choice questions, and I can't make it to the meetings. It is imperative to give the public a true visual representation of what the lake/estuary would look like under all scenarios, especially the shoreline. For example, the current lake has been a freshwater ecosystem for 65 years and has taken on most of the attributes of a high-quality wetland. What will happen to the many, many alder trees and willows that currently have their roots in freshwater if the dam is pulled out and the lake is returned to a salt water environment? Will they die? There are hundreds, if not thousands of these trees in the north basin, the middle basin at the Capitol Lake Interpretive Center, and especially the south basin, which is dominated by alder forests standing in fresh water. The best wildlife habitat at Tumwater Historical Park is freshwater-inundated forest at the north end of the park. These habitats come alive every spring with nesting neo-tropical migrant bird species hunting, catching and eating freshwater aquatic insects that hatch out of the lake, and feeding them to their young. I believe that this is one of the primary reasons that the Capitol Lake Interpretive Center rivals the Nisqually Refuge for wildlife activity. Based on evidence from other freshwater to saltwater restorations that have happened around Puget Sound, what can we realistically expect to happen to the CLIC and the lake's other riparian habitat if the dam is pulled?	4/26/2016 11:17 AM
71	success would be having a lake that one could if one had the incline to go swimming in the lake like I used to do as a kid with out the risk of getting a skin rash!	4/26/2016 10:56 AM
72	I think the area should continue to be managed as the urban city park that it is and not try to return it to "nature"	4/26/2016 9:16 AM
73	Capitol Lake is a magnet for people. Additional managed development at the north lake to encourage more actual use of the lake and vicinity will bring Olympia huge benefits and increase the "people friendliness" of our city. The lake must stay a reflecting pool to achieve these benefits. Any estuary restoration activities should occur at the southern lakes and near Tumwater Falls. What if the railroad bridge was the divideing line between reflecting pool (lake) and estuary with big changes south of the railroad bridge to reestablish a more natural flowing river, estuary and transition zone? Best of both worlds	4/26/2016 8:19 AM
74	Cost to the tax payer	4/26/2016 8:14 AM
75	Return the lake to the intent that was established from years past. Deferred maintenance of such a great attribute to the city should not dictate an easy solution, such as an estuary.	4/25/2016 9:17 PM
76	Capitol Lake is beautiful and a part of the community; let's keep it and use resources to maintain it's beauty.	4/25/2016 8:52 PM
77	Aesthetics should have some definitions or distinction's as it is in the eye of the beholder and should not be left open to interpretation.	4/25/2016 8:41 PM
78	Like many other issues in our society today we tend to look at changing what has been in place for many years because of small outside influences, or because it has been left to get so bad that it seems that changing it is the answer. I would like to see us go back to maintaining what we have and make it a great asset to the community, with a beautiful lake that we can count on using for years to come. But it will never work if maintenance is not given top priority to stay ahead of the problems instead of putting it off and then having to spend more to catch up.	4/25/2016 8:38 PM
79	Let's create an economically vibrant downtown with a beautiful waterfront and sustainable business opportunities.	4/25/2016 8:17 PM
80	JUST KEEP THE DAMN LAKE	4/25/2016 6:15 PM
81	The lake has been an important Beauty feature to the city for a long Time. No lake. No lake fair	4/25/2016 6:08 PM
82	If the dam is gone, so will be the boating and water recreational use of the land. The smell will be terrible.	4/25/2016 5:56 PM
83	Minimize expensive dredging in Budd Inlet by dredging sediment from the lake before it gets to the Sound.	4/25/2016 5:31 PM
84	I love the waterfront and the lake as it is. I do not think there is any value or potential benefit to the environment or Olympia in removing the dam. the resulting economic loss to Olympia would be horrible not to mention the stench of having a mud flat instead of the beautiful lake we have now. the waterfront is an amazing place for boating, kayaking, sailing, sightseeing and connecting with nature. To remove the dam would risk sacrificing all that for minimal (if any) benefit. I'm generally in favor of removing dams but in this case it would not be of any value and I think it would harm the environment.	4/25/2016 5:05 PM
85	Let's make a decision and stick with it. The money that has been spent bickering could have solved some other problems.	4/25/2016 5:01 PM

86	Juvenile forage fish production	4/25/2016 4:44 PM
87	Cost savings	4/25/2016 3:53 PM
88	What do both the people of Olympia and the citizens of the state want done with Capital Lake? Why do we only allow a small highly partisan group to speak for all? Where is the democracy in this?	4/25/2016 3:44 PM
89	Educational opportunity	4/25/2016 3:26 PM
90	While I prefer to keep the lake and spend some money dredging it in order to keep it attractive the bigger issue that HAS never been articulated in the dam removal scenarios is what happens to lower Budd Inlet and Olympia's working and recreational waterfront. The excessively narrow focus on Lake/Estuaty misses the point that it's the whole Deschutes urban watershed from the river clear out to Priest Point Park that the committee needs to address in whatever solution is recommended. Thanks for reading.	4/25/2016 3:23 PM
91	Expanded recreational use, such as resuming sailing lessons, making with access points, ????swimming!	4/25/2016 2:45 PM
92	HOW THE GENERAL PUBLIC USES THE LAKE AND BUDD INLET	4/25/2016 2:37 PM
93	The importance of estuarine rearing habitat for non-natal salmonids from other Puget Sound rivers using the estuary. The importance of rearing habitat for natal salmonids (Percival Creek and Deschutes naturalized/hatchery populations) using the estuary. The importance of having mixed recreational opportunities in the river and restored estuary and how those can revitalize the economy and enjoyment of the area.	4/25/2016 2:25 PM
94	The economic future of Olympia needs the lake to remain in place and catch the majority of the sediment coming down the local streams/river.	4/25/2016 1:54 PM
95	The viability of each considered option. I don't consider keeping the Lake option as viable. While we continue to hold meetings and create studies, nothing is happening, except that the Lake is filling up with sediment. A Lake only option, based mostly on aesthetics, will not be funded by the Legislature, and even if it was, could not get through an environmental review process or other possible legal challenges. In 10 more years of public option gathering, the Lake will become worse than it already is.	4/25/2016 1:45 PM
96	Recreational boating and beauty of the state capital and waterfront	4/25/2016 1:32 PM
97	Please remember what Capital Lake was built for - Flood control and - - as a reflective pond for the State Capital.	4/25/2016 1:04 PM
98	What would happen to Lakefair if there was no lake? So many people from the state visit the capital and enjoy the lake setting. In addition to damage to view, park activities, there could be monetary damage to vendors of the many events held at the lake. Please don't mess with something special and please leave the lake in front of the capital!	4/25/2016 12:48 PM
99	Preservation of the current waterfront quality including freedom from massive sediment outflow into navigable waterways and morrages.	4/25/2016 12:45 PM
100	not screwing up existing non-capitol lake environment--Dechutes river, port access, boating use of budd inlet	4/25/2016 12:45 PM
101	Preservation of working waterfronts. Preservation of small marine business and community marine organizations.	4/25/2016 12:29 PM
102	Habitat restoration = functional estuary; returning the estuary to its original, natural state (or as close as possible), so that it can perform all the other roles you have on the list, even if that means that Heritage Park isn't exactly the same shape or size, or that "historic preservation" means preserving the historical function of the estuary instead of retaining a man-made structure of some sort.	4/25/2016 9:54 AM
103	Please make sure you are looking at all the data and not just the emotional side of this topic. There is much science to support it remaining a lake.	4/25/2016 9:16 AM
104	Maintain, improving the current ecosystem.	4/24/2016 9:37 PM
105	Community agreement, as far as possible.	4/24/2016 6:39 PM
106	keep Capitol Lake in its present form	4/24/2016 10:02 AM
107	We need oxygen in the water. We need to stop the N. Zealand snails. We need the salt water.	4/23/2016 10:34 AM
108	A long term funding plan that eliminates the current stalemate of not being able to act in order to save the lake.	4/23/2016 7:52 AM
109	General public support	4/23/2016 6:57 AM
110	The impact on the economic viability of the Olympia waterfront businesses and the Port of Olympia.	4/22/2016 6:40 PM
111	It seems to me that we need to define which "lake" were talking about before we can talk about success. Aesthetic and recreational goals for the reflection pond and environmental and habitat restoration for the upper and middle basin make more sense to me.	4/22/2016 5:23 PM
112	Economic Viability of the surrounding businesses and preserving the Ismus	4/22/2016 4:25 PM
113	Financial impact on downtown businesses and tourism	4/22/2016 3:03 PM
114	Economic health of downtown Olympia and the waterfront	4/22/2016 2:25 PM
115	None to suggest.	4/22/2016 12:33 PM
116	None that you haven't already covered...	4/22/2016 12:25 PM
117	Setting a schedule for actually implementing a "plan." Tie that to specific funding sources to complete the job.	4/22/2016 11:05 AM
118	cost containment	4/22/2016 8:45 AM
119	Dredge lake to capture toxic sediments before you remove the dam.	4/21/2016 5:25 PM

120	Follow the science/Breach the dam/ Restore the river and its ecosystem	4/21/2016 5:22 PM
121	A clean and appealing appearance to residents and visitors. Currently has the look of a waste collection pond.	4/21/2016 5:19 PM
122	So many people walk the lake including myself. Do not anticipate as much use when it is an estuary. Serious concern about the sediment filling up the Basin and forcing Oyc to move due to the cost of frequent dredging as well as affecting the entire waterfront. Lakefair will be a bust. The economic impact of tourism dhould be considered	4/21/2016 4:51 PM
123	A. True Measurement of Success would be the reopening of swimming beach. B. Water Quality -- Revised classification as an impounded river rather than the urban std of .02 mg/l for all human activity. I note that DOE staff have indicated this in actuality can't be measured. C. Recognition that the "model" being used by DOE for "Water Quality Study Findings" for Capitol Lake is based on a circulation study performed for LOTT in 1996(or 98?). D. The fence around the lake be removed. No other lake in the state has attempted to control NZ mules in ths fashion. And the image does DES no service. D. "The Lake" is managed by a consortium of community governments.	4/21/2016 2:13 PM
124	Ecosystem function and health	4/21/2016 1:57 PM
125	Ability of our community to come together on such a contentious issue.	4/21/2016 1:35 PM
126	Yes: results and current process for Ecology's TMDL; information on flooding potential that will clear up confusion as to whether or not the dam and reduce volume of the basin contribute to flooding.	4/21/2016 12:25 PM
127	Phase 1, maintenance dredging should begin in 2017 as a recognized need for all alternatives and then DES needs to provide for routine maintenance on an annual basis.	4/21/2016 12:08 PM
128	A combination of restoration of habitat and estuary with preservation of public use, walking trails, park etc. The grow-in of the lake is too expensive, dredging a relatively dead body of water makes no sense. Seek out the VERY BEST consultants for how to achieve the most public access with the best habitat restoration. The money here will be well-spent if we get cutting-edge technology and wisdom involved for our city's long-term well-being.	4/21/2016 11:49 AM
129	Contribution to the overall health of the Puget Sound;	4/21/2016 10:45 AM
130	Use of current science evaluated by a group of qualified independent scientists and not by the Govt agencies such as DOE, DNR , etc	4/21/2016 10:29 AM
131	Dam removal	4/21/2016 10:29 AM
132	when the boat races and water ski race come back.	4/21/2016 10:14 AM
133	The ability to safely get in that lake again would be a huge success. I can remember the lifeguard and docks with diving board when I was a kid. It was a great place to swim and have fun.	4/21/2016 10:05 AM
134	The ability to maintain a working waterfront and international sea port.	4/21/2016 9:57 AM
135	Cost	4/21/2016 9:55 AM
136	Leave it a lake and clean it up so we can use it!	4/21/2016 9:53 AM
137	Native plant restoration goes hand in hand with water quality and habitat restoration.	4/21/2016 9:49 AM
138	Get rid of the dam	4/21/2016 9:44 AM
139	Create a self-sustaining community amenity that brings business and tourism to Downtown Olympia and properly represents our State's Capitol while being true to the environmental concerns stated in all of the past studies, evaluations, comments, etc.	4/21/2016 6:40 AM
140	I would ask assistance of DES for data regarding historical recreational use and events on the Capitol Lake, when it had recreational access. I want to quantify the opportunity cost of its closure. An update on mudsnail management/feasibility should be consolidated. http://www.slideshare.net/gregschundler/the-restoration-of-the-deschutes-estuary-in-olympia-wa-an-economic-development-lens http://www.slideshare.net/gregschundler/port-of-olympia-from-extraction-economy-to-sustainable-growth	4/20/2016 11:58 PM
141	That the public remained fully informed on decisions made and the reasons therefore	4/20/2016 9:40 PM
142	An accessible and useable lake would be a huge draw to downtown and is important to its economic success	4/20/2016 8:25 PM
143	IT's time to move foreword Right now with clamp's plan	4/20/2016 7:47 PM
144	Generational (7 generations) approach to sustainable solution that uses taxpayers funds wisely.	4/20/2016 7:04 PM
145	Preserve and create a history that will be cherished by us and ours	4/20/2016 5:43 PM
146	Any alternative that removes the dam should have very demonstrative environmental and economic benefits and overwhelming public support.	4/20/2016 4:57 PM
147	yes a timeline of historic information and future possibilities	4/20/2016 4:20 PM
148	A dredged and swimmable Capitol Lake.	4/20/2016 3:27 PM
149	Fulfilling the State's implied promise to maintain its property.	4/20/2016 10:54 AM
150	Restore capital lake to an estuary.	4/19/2016 8:00 PM
151	Input from younger generations that will be most impacted by the decisions made.	4/19/2016 7:55 PM
152	Anchor for downtown businesses	4/19/2016 7:00 PM
153	Health of Budd Bay.	4/19/2016 11:31 AM
154	Try to retain the current manicured park area adjacent to downtown for families/children to enjoy picnics and recreating.	4/15/2016 1:57 PM

155	This is first and foremost a public park for the citizens and the city of Olympia. How much and how well will the new plan serve the public??	4/15/2016 1:04 PM
156	The project should combine with plans for the isthmus to create a cohesive plan for a beautiful vibrant Downtown Olympia. This area defines Downtown Olympia and I believe that the capital investment in doing this project right will be realized many times over by local businesses and residents.	4/15/2016 11:59 AM

Q7 Please provide any other feedback/comments you have on the Goals and Objectives materials in the box below. To submit additional materials, or request further information, please email DESCapitolLake@des.wa.gov.

Answered: 126 Skipped: 315

#	Responses	Date
1	Restoration of the estuary with natural daily tidal exchanges will remove or eliminate the invasive species. I did not see an announcement for this meeting in the local newspaper. Did I miss it or was it overlooked? I think timely and accurate announcements are critical for this process and our local newspaper "Olympian" should be included.	5/2/2016 4:00 PM
2	Additional thoughts - As a landowner/lease and a state agency, DES has special responsibilities for recovery of the Deschutes Estuary and Restoration of the Puget Sound ecosystem. This process seems to downplay DES' role and responsibilities by deferring to local government and the Tribe. DES should emphasize that the final decision/recommendation will be made by DES in light of local support, state and federal requirements and related obligations. Sea level rise - projections and rate of rise continue to increase. Latest projections are 2-4x higher than earlier projections of only 2 years ago. While alarming, these figures should be used as minimum projections for future impacts on Port, city, dam and lakes and for this project. -Transcribed by LA	5/2/2016 3:56 PM
3	I want the goals & objectives of Dept of Ecology's Restoration of the Puget Sound to be adopted and included in this process. There's no need to re-invent the wheel, and we should take advantage of this work that's already been done. Each objective already has a detailed measurement for achievement that could be utilized in this project.	5/2/2016 3:38 PM
4	N/A	5/2/2016 3:34 PM
5	N/A	5/2/2016 3:32 PM
6	N/A	5/2/2016 3:26 PM
7	Let's get something done!!! This has gone on tooooo long! This once beautiful and usable lake is isolated from the community it was one of my favorite places to kayak. Now the snails and milfoil have taken over.	4/29/2016 7:28 AM
8	Keep Capital lake as is,except it should be periodically dredged.	4/28/2016 10:37 PM
9	Water quality is important to humans and critters both.	4/28/2016 9:31 PM
10	Drop the estuary/ mud flat concept and preserve Capital Lake	4/28/2016 6:44 PM
11	It would be really great to be able to kayak/canoe from the bay all the way up to meet Tumwater Falls. I think it would really add to the vibrancy of downtown, to have that recreational option.	4/28/2016 6:43 PM
12	While reading this I am reminded of the conversation between Hamlet and Polonius in Shakespeare's play Hamlet. Polonius asks Hamlet "What are you reading and Hamlet responds words, words, words, a lot of words. And Polonius responds; what is the matter, what is the subject, between who? You should just focus on on what the alternative plans are likely to impact and how you intend to measure the beneficial and adverse impacts. Yes, I want to live in Shangri-La but I don't think that this project has much to do with that.	4/28/2016 4:27 PM
13	The Deschutes Salmon Habitat Recovery Lead Entity supports the restoration of the Deschutes Estuary. The Lead Entity has funded sediment studies through the Salmon Recovery Funding Board process and supported the project through the PSNERP process, both striving for additional science upon which to base the best decision for the restoration of fish populations.	4/28/2016 10:42 AM
14	Complete estuary creation.	4/28/2016 8:59 AM
15	My family settled in Tumwater in 1867. I've seen old photos of what the Capitol Lake area use to look like before it was a lake. Black and white pictures don't oftentimes do justice, but comparing what we are seeing today with what it looked like before becoming a lake, my personal aesthetic preference is to keep it a lake. It will continue to allow the public to walk/bike/jog around and to enjoy lake views, and to observe water fowl, etc. If a return to an estuary becomes the way of the future, the plan may need to include boardwalks through the estuary similar to Nisqually Delta. However, it is vitally important to consider that the Nisqually estuary/delta is somewhat remote, meaning not directly adjacent to city streets and our local businesses and government offices. Imagine a large muddy--yet beautiful in its own right--estuary in the center of town. The city of Olympia has been designed around a lake. My gut tells me that turning the clocks back to an estuary in the middle of town (no matter how logical it sounds) may not work. It is too late? Let's continue to explore options.	4/28/2016 8:37 AM
16	More seals	4/28/2016 8:32 AM
17	I cannot stress how important proper dredging to early 1900's datum, and how that will enhance water quality, salmon and habitat, access for Spiritual/Cultural/Recreation activities, etc.	4/28/2016 8:30 AM
18	There should be a way to restore the estuary and maintain a smaller version of the lower Capitol Lake.	4/28/2016 8:06 AM
19	I would like to see it kept clean and managed well !	4/28/2016 7:58 AM
20	Maintain Capitol Lake and Heritage Park as attractive places for people to exercise and enjoy being outside right in downtown Olympia.	4/28/2016 7:36 AM

21	I feel that the lake should be retained even if it costs more that letting it go to an estuary. Estuaries have their place but not in an urban environment.	4/28/2016 6:56 AM
22	Sorry, but with only one day's notice I don't have time to review the Goals & Objectives.	4/28/2016 5:43 AM
23	please do NOT allow my name or address to be given to any other person or business for any reason. thank you.	4/28/2016 4:58 AM
24	I support a scientific approach to choosing a management plan that best protects our water and wildlife while providing our community with ongoing appreciation for the natural beauty of our local environment.	4/27/2016 10:31 PM
25	I am not sure how this survey is going to help move forward the process of restoring the Deschutes Estuary. This seems to be more of a values based survey...people that are conservative, have boats, climate change denyers, older white men, etc., against environmentally minded people. Just do the right thing and be brave. Our future generations will thank you.	4/27/2016 8:12 PM
26	Salt water estuaries are rare and valuable as nature preserves. I remember the estuary from shopping trips to Olympia from Millersylvania State Park campground as a teenager. It wasn't pristine even then; there were some undesirable buildings in what should be a nature preserve.	4/27/2016 6:47 PM
27	Capitol Lake is literally the heart of the city. The importance of it's health, beauty, and point-of-contact with the natural world cannot be overstated. The wetlands, river, and Sound must be allowed to function as organs of the ecosystem if we are to avoid the expense and management issues Capitol Lake has had for so many years.	4/27/2016 6:22 PM
28	Leave it as it is. Dredge if needed. Do not remove dam, provides food for bats.	4/27/2016 6:02 PM
29	It Would be nice to have higher density zoning in the down town area but I think that is a city issue.	4/27/2016 5:43 PM
30	IF MOTHER NATURE TAKES IT'S COURSE AND IT SHURLY WILL IN TIME...LETS EXCEPT IT....	4/27/2016 5:08 PM
31	I don't believe that the process, now or in the past, has done a very thorough job of really finding out what are the desires of the people of Thurston County and the people who visit Thurston County. Also, I don't believe that this project is high enough on the list of environmental priorities to warrant moving it up on the priority list for use of vital and limited financial resources.	4/27/2016 5:08 PM
32	I would like to see a full examination of the multiple "hybrid" options that are floating around. I believe it may be possible to restore the Deschutes Estuary and also retain a smaller Capitol Lake.	4/27/2016 4:48 PM
33	See my last comment on #5.	4/27/2016 4:32 PM
34	The DES goals need to include the long term management of this beautiful Capitol Lake and not allow it to become a smelly mudflat that no one could enjoy.	4/27/2016 3:30 PM
35	The lake was built by the state for good reason. Returning to a downtown tide flat would not be progress. Stop fooling around and do your job. Dredge the lake.	4/27/2016 2:17 PM
36	Protect West Bay from becoming a mud flat.	4/27/2016 2:13 PM
37	I request that full consideration be given to the dual-basin plan, if it is found to be necessary to allow part of the Deschutes to be free-flowing. A marshy, smelly mudflat is entirely unacceptable for the area, regardless of the environmental considerations.	4/27/2016 12:58 PM
38	Adopt a plan that a majority of the people in Thurston County support, based on a vote of the people.	4/27/2016 12:46 PM
39	It appears analysis paralysis will continue to be the primary output of the lake vs. estuary evaluation. Suggest the question of lake vs. mud flat (estuary) be presented to the people for a vote. If done, it should use words everyone will understand, and estuary isn't one of them.	4/27/2016 12:39 PM
40	We must make every effort to save capital lake. Merely pushing sediment downstream, into the Bay is a very short-term, poorly analyzed plan. Filling Budd bay would require Federal approval to dredge. Removal of the dam will not lead to removal of dredging.	4/27/2016 12:24 PM
41	Thank you for your efforts. It is very hard for the average citizen to sift through the different analyses being put forth--estuary versus dredging, etc.	4/27/2016 12:06 PM
42	Capitol Lake has been getting worse and worse for over 30 years now. And sediment management will continue to become more difficult and costly with the addition of the zebra snail (the contaminated sediment can't go just anywhere!! we don't want to spread the problem). An estuary restoration will address the water quality, invasive species, and habitat as well as flood, fish, SLR, and sediment issues. We have spent too many years trying to fight nature in order to keep this "lake" when its natural state is an estuary and estuaries are beautiful! I have lived here all my life and believe that the return of the Deschutes estuary is the only option to maintaining a healthy "reflection" of our State Capitol.	4/27/2016 11:36 AM
43	Our capital and the grounds that surround it are unique and very special. The dome is the 4th highest all masonic dome in the world. The surrounding grounds were designed by the leading landscape designer of all time. The lake was specifically included in the landscape design much like the ponds and lakes found in the landscape design at our nation's capital. Keep the lake!!!!!	4/27/2016 11:25 AM
44	DoNOT break the dam. Dredge this lake and everything else is too expensive and just plain stupid. I swam and water skied on this lake 50 years ago and see no reason why this cannot happen again.	4/27/2016 10:41 AM
45	I would like to further support for the estuary option, as a graduate student in landscape ecology and as a government employee in environmental services, this is our only option for habitat restoration and flood prevention. Healthy estuary, healthy downtown. I do not think the lake option should even be considered at this point.	4/27/2016 9:20 AM
46	The costs for removing the 5th ave dam are far more costly than just maintaining the existing lake. The value of maintaining the dam preserves the beauty of the lake and the lower Budd inlet for recreational opportunities.	4/27/2016 8:12 AM
47	The lake needs to be dredged. Possibly build a bulkhead along the west shore near Deschutes parkway, put the dredged material behind the wall, and create a park.	4/27/2016 8:01 AM

48	Historic perspective is important, but just a beginning. Information developed in the last decade should be disseminated, evaluated, and discussed until there is a community understandging. For example "water quality" is not just a value, it's a legal obligation under the Clean Water Act. Both the legal ramifications and the benefits to the environment should be made clear. Another issue is the invasive species issues, which is challenging and cannot be ignored. Perhaps is would be better to prioritize issues to show which ones MUST be dealt with (sediment will always be an issue, WQ has legal requirements, invasive species are a reality) and which the public may desire but could be implemented at a variety of scales (aesthetics, recreation, etc.) In other words, make the sidebars of the problem clear.	4/27/2016 6:50 AM
49	Goals and Objectives: as a daughter of early territorial pioneers, I ask that our state work together cooperatively with local tribes to enhance and improve our estuary.	4/27/2016 12:47 AM
50	Interested in possible lake/estuary combination and also "activating" rumored artisan wells in Reflection Lake area.	4/26/2016 10:33 PM
51	The "long-term" goals for either full lake restoration or estuary creation broadly encompass the key measures identified in previous planning efforts. Obviously, in order to gain sufficient funding to achieve one or more of the goals, more effort and time will be required to quantify their environmental, social and economic costs and benefits, obtain permits for large-scale construction/dredging, etc. I suggest DES consider addressing the issue with smaller, less extensive, lower cost and lower impact measures which could result in meaningful enhancements for all regional stakeholders within the near-term (no more than 5 years).	4/26/2016 10:04 PM
52	Remove the dam, restore the estuary, watch the salmon return!	4/26/2016 9:05 PM
53	Remove the dam.	4/26/2016 8:39 PM
54	Can't believe how this process has been hijacked by a bunch of environmental fanatics. Leave the lake. We don't need more mudflats - we have that at Nisqually already. This is downtown Olympia - Capitol Lake was constructed to be and has served as an attraction to set off the Capitol. No one wants mud flats in town - that's why they were filled in in the first place. But go ahead and let a vocal but decidedly fringe element determine the fate of Capitol Lake, and watch downtown Olympia wither and die. I know I won't be going there - just like I don't go to the Nisqually mud flats.	4/26/2016 8:26 PM
55	This has to be a balancing act. I would probably respond very differently if there was a significant, believable discussion of plans to manage sediment deposition across the entire Deschutes River watershed. I have seen no evidence of substantive planning for upstream management of sediment loading in the lower basin.	4/26/2016 8:23 PM
56	How to find an acceptable facilitator for conflict resolution amongst the factions...someone with experience finding collaborative solutions to disparate opinions, perhaps from outside of the area, to reduce bias.	4/26/2016 7:02 PM
57	http://www.lakemerritt.org/	4/26/2016 6:49 PM
58	Keep the lake as a recreational asset	4/26/2016 6:42 PM
59	The science seems clear. An estuary is what we need.	4/26/2016 5:08 PM
60	There is over a million cubic yards of polluted sediment in the Capital Lake basin. There is no feasible way to fund dredging or the disposition of the sediment. The process if dredged is forever ongoing, not feasible. Let the estuary heal itself. Remove the dam. Let the healing begin. Discussions with the Port of Olympia and marinas should be towards future remedies for sediment removal. The public should not carry the burden of keeping private business operating by paying dredging costs. Initial costs could be funded after dam removal after that would have to be part of normal operating expenses for affected businesses. The Army Corp of Engineers may be major part of any proposals. Immediate plans to protect shorelines of erosion from tides and to demolition buildings to widen estuary channel in preparation of dam removal.	4/26/2016 4:56 PM
61	THank you for the chance to comment. I am not an expert on this subject. But man-made lakes that are detrimental to water quality, to habitat for native species, and serve only an esthetic purpose, need to be dismantled. Free the Elwha, a project that has benefitted the ecology, is a prime example. Time to prioritize something besides "the view" for a handful of privileged real estate owners.	4/26/2016 4:54 PM
62	Water quality in both Capitol Lake and lower Budd Inlet has been decreasing over time. Ecology has clearly demonstrated that dissolved oxygen levels will improve in lower Budd Inlet if the lake is turned back into an estuary. As it stands now, we cannot boat, swim or have contact with the lake. We can't even organize a debris cleanup along the shores of the lake because of the New Zealand mud snail. The lake is filling up with sediment, supports invasive plant and animal species, and stinks in the summertime because of the eutrophic conditions. Please, please consider an option that maintains recreational opportunities while improving water quality. I believe returning the lake to an estuary will do just that.	4/26/2016 4:34 PM
63	Recommend taking a sustainable approach - science for environmental effect, finance for the economic effects, and social research for the community side. A balanced blend of needs from this approach should provide a decent long range work plan.	4/26/2016 3:50 PM
64	Keep the Lake. It is a wonderful spot for families and visitors to enjoy downtown Olympia.	4/26/2016 2:55 PM
65	I like looking at the old shanty town pictures hanging around town that shows the Olympia basin in its original form.... we would not have a Olympia or a Seattle for that fact if it wasn't forward thinking ingenuity and engineering.... take the lake out ? I say no way, we have the ability and are now smart enough to be able to blend both development and our natural resources. Whats next, do we take out portions of 4th ave for the old salmon run in a stream that have been gone for what 150 years, just for the sake of going back to the way god created it and hope those salmon will return. Dont forget that 4th ave and all the buildings were built up on top of a thousands of years or so of sediment?? I think not. we can improve our environment, save the salmon and other little critters, and all with out sacrificing the lake, OYC and any other parts of downtown. how many millions of tax dollars have we spent doing study after study, let alone when the lake was originally built, then re-built 20 yrs ago or so. Stop wasting my tax dollars!!	4/26/2016 11:08 AM
66	This is a pretty sketchy and incomplete survey. I would have expected a more professional and complete survey.	4/26/2016 9:40 AM

67	True costs of all infrastructure changes must be prioritized and actually resourced to consider moving past the preliminary planning stages. Future funding from the Feds, State or any other sources are questionable at best. Concepts that rely heavily on outside resourcing must be rethought and modified to make funding a very high priority to improve chances of implementation. While I know this is a State managed initiative, how about more of a city/state economic partnership, possibly with a local bond issue, to ensure more community involvement. Maybe something like declaring the lakes an "Economic Development Zone" or really more of a "people refreshment zone" with strictly managed changes improving the natural settings and encouraging people to walk, bike etc through these stunning and dramatic areas	4/26/2016 8:44 AM
68	Capitol Lake should be dredged and made to look like the lake of the State of Washington should.	4/26/2016 6:38 AM
69	Restoration of the natural flow of the river is critical to restoration of the health of the river and all that it encompasses. In the long run less interjection will be needed. With the natural flow restored fresh levels of sediment and backwaters will be created. A healthier cleaner river will result.	4/26/2016 6:19 AM
70	Do the right thing...bring back the lake! The citizens of Olympia deserve a crown jewel as a center piece for the city to enjoy, and do not succumb to the ideas of a select few and form a mud estuary.	4/25/2016 9:21 PM
71	This subject has been studied and discussed to death! The community is tired of spending money to study the same topics over and over again. It is time to take a position/stand and move forward.	4/25/2016 8:40 PM
72	It's cheaper and better looking To keep the lake. Also, percival Landing would be a smelly mud Flat at low tide. Leave things as they are	4/25/2016 6:10 PM
73	Thanks for this opportunity to comment.	4/25/2016 5:32 PM
74	Deschutes Estuary restoration is the best option in terms of habitat restoration and lowest cost long term.	4/25/2016 4:45 PM
75	Estuaries are an important part of the water cycle and by keeping the Deschutes river dammed up we are inhibiting its ability to naturally filter the water and provide important habitat for wildlife. Getting rid of the dam will improve the quality of the area and be a great opportunity for education. Nisqually is a great example of what can be done with an estuary.	4/25/2016 3:30 PM
76	Ensure sediment management is addressed whatever path is selected. Look at the WHOLE urban watershed. And it looks pretty cheesy for the Technical sub committee to be meeting in closed sessions not open to the public. Has Dick Nixon come back to chair the technical sub-committee? Thanks	4/25/2016 3:27 PM
77	One must remember there was no natural Salmon run in the Deschutes river because of the Falls	4/25/2016 3:17 PM
78	Consider more than one goal rather than pitting goals against each other. The hybrid option of a reflecting pool and a tidal flat could satisfy multiple goals.	4/25/2016 2:52 PM
79	Conservation means "wise use" to.me. Wisdom would say that not every improvement made in good faith and for clear purpose should be overturned. Especially with other nearby restoration efforts, Capitol Lake should remain a lake with appropriate maintenance including dredging.	4/25/2016 2:51 PM
80	There is a lack of discussion about how the restored estuary condition can ALSO provide aesthetic value and beauty. The discussion should make clear the historical tidal regimes of the basin which included a "lake-like" setting during high tide, which might be achievable again. Diverse vegetation and slat marsh areas that might come with the estuary condition may also bring aesthetic value. Consideration of tidal elevations and the need for dredging in order to achieve full tidal flushing should be in the discussion. The importance of the estuary for improved water quality, as explained by the Dept. of Ecology should be a priority for the on going discussions.	4/25/2016 2:35 PM
81	Any alternative but Managed Lake will be horrendously expensive and irretrievably change the character and esthetics of Downtown Olympia!	4/25/2016 2:20 PM
82	Without the dam/lake in place the Port of Olympia and all the marinas in the local area will be crushed financially by the amount of sediment that will be deposited into Bud Inlet annually. Dredging will be required frequently and that cost will cause many marinas to close their locations for long term customers let alone visitors from as far away as Canada. Capital Lake is critical to our local economy and centuries of boating community activities. We do not need another MUD BAY like we already have on the west side of Olympia; who wants to live near that type of environment 24/7. Look at the activities now continually taking place along/around the lake; on nice days there are hundreds of people enjoying the area. How may people do you find enjoying Mud Bay on those same days - zero. We have been "discussing" this situation for 15+ years; the majority of the community wants to keep the LAKE so it is time to roll over the FEW dissents and take care of the LAKE as it was stated in original policies. We need leadership with a backbone and the will to overcome political correctness! JUST DO IT and save everyone many $.	4/25/2016 2:14 PM
83	Resolving the Federal Clean Water Act violation should be the top Objective for a Goal of protecting and promoting the general welfare of the people by ensuring clean water (with correct oxidation and temperature), and ensuring the livelihood of fish and shellfish harvesters. A decision to correct this Clean Water Act violation cannot be based on public opinion and/or aesthetic only considerations. I think that an estuary can be as aesthetically pleasant much more than a man-made Lake (especially this environmental disaster). Sediment management should be considered, but that should be done with a meandering riverbed that maintains itself naturally.	4/25/2016 1:46 PM
84	Please consider that removing the dam would cause large amounts of debris and silt to plug up the harbor. This would result in very high costs annually to maintain (dredge). There are many thousands of yards of silt in Capital Lake that could easily be transported by a 20 year flood event. I would think - if fish access is the issue - put in a fish ladder. The aroma of Capital lake being turned into a wetland would be more than the downtown businesses and the surrounding neighbors could bear. The lake is a beautiful place, in the middle of our city, if taken care of correctly.	4/25/2016 1:15 PM
85	Keeping Capitol Lake as a lake is critical if Olympia is going to be a destination for boaters on Puget Sound	4/25/2016 1:14 PM
86	I would like to see public access to Capitol Lake for swimming and recreation restored.	4/25/2016 1:11 PM
87	couldn't get goals to come up	4/25/2016 12:47 PM
88	I think removing the damn will destroy Budd Inlet as we know it today.	4/25/2016 12:46 PM

89	Based on the results of the public comments and testimony, I see that recreation is a major desire. However, in truth that will always be an outcome of almost any action you take, assuming there's a sidewalk or path along the edge. I think the fact that sea level rise is at the bottom of the list is tantamount to sticking your head in the sand, and that people are denying facts if they think Olympia won't be subject to sea level rise in a very meaningful way that needs remediation planning and action now, not later. Sometimes the government/State/City/County has to take action in the public's best interests, despite OPINION, because opinion won't keep the sea level from rising. Ditto for invasive species control.	4/25/2016 10:04 AM
90	Thank you for this survey.	4/24/2016 6:39 PM
91	What will happen to OYC??	4/22/2016 9:29 PM
92	The goals and Objectives should be evaluated using the most current scientific information available, and not just fall back on the outdated and incomplete information from the CLAMP report. This would include scientific data from CLIPA and DERT, both of whom have extensively studied the issue and have a knowledge base at least as extensive as the various state agencies involved.	4/22/2016 6:51 PM
93	Part of the problem, it seems to me, is the polarization that has taken place. People are taking sides and deriding anyone who doesn't agree with them. We'd get farther if we accept that everyone has legitimate concerns and acknowledge them at the outset. Then turn to ways to solve the specific problems facing the lake that need to be addressed regardless. Not easy, I know, but would go a long way to healing the community. And that seems to me a bigger issue.	4/22/2016 5:28 PM
94	Dredge the Lake.	4/22/2016 3:50 PM
95	The comments stating that there would be reduced risk of flooding are incorrect. The regulating dam has been used by DES many times to prevent flooding when there are "king tides" and heavy run off conditions. Without the regulating dam, the two would meet and inundate downtown. This will only get worse with sea level rise. The concern about continuing appropriations is misguided. Does DNR support spending $200 million to remove the dam and a continuing obligation to dredge Budd Inlet due to continuing sediment deposits. Dredging in the inlet is at least 3 times more expensive than in the lake. To effectively gather public opinion there needs to be a scientific survey of public opinion; not simply feedback by those close to the issue to reflect their opinions.	4/22/2016 2:36 PM
96	None	4/22/2016 12:33 PM
97	Let's make it an estuary!	4/22/2016 11:22 AM
98	Let's delay no further. This is taking far too long. The lake is in terrible shape.	4/22/2016 7:51 AM
99	Dredging the lake to increase depth, I would like this to be considered as an option for the Department's long term plans.	4/21/2016 10:02 PM
100	This small pond could once again be a proud center piece and gathering place of the Olympia waterfront where people would go to relax and recreate. Other towns have improved their water features to draw people to them for paddling, fishing, water front services, on-the-water events, refreshments etc. Instead Capital Lake has been allowed to become a fenced off eye sore chocked with weeds and floating debris. Really Olympia leadership, I think you can do a better job of rejuvenating and beautifying this lost asset.	4/21/2016 5:27 PM
101	.	4/21/2016 5:25 PM
102	As a downtown business owner, I cannot emphasize the importance of having vibrant and robust atmosphere to attract people to downtown Olympia. What is it that makes people want to come to Olympia and want to spend money locally? Successful revitalization of downtown will be a key factor for attracting more visitors and new businesses into Olympia. Turning this beautiful lake into a estuary instead of developing it into an attraction and recreation location will not be an encouraging factor for visitors and businesses.	4/21/2016 4:27 PM
103	Please make the lake safe for recreational swimming.	4/21/2016 3:12 PM
104	For disclosure purpose it is noted that I have been on the Deschutes TMDL Citizens Advisory Group, In all of the CLAMP documents and proposals about the Lake there is no discussion of the railroad bridge restriction and the Interpretive Park. These must be included in a discussion of a healthy lake. Percival Cove has not been cleaned up after it was used as a salmon rearing pond. It needs to be address by WA Dept. F&WL. Somewhere in all this water temperature temperature needs to be address. Letting the Lake fill up with sediment is only going to raise the water temperature in the summer months.	4/21/2016 2:32 PM
105	This project should take the entire watershed into account. The lake / estuary is one part of a larger system that is also important to this and other communities.	4/21/2016 1:37 PM
106	The presentation of the Objectives by the various CLAMP agencies from 2009, with a subscript date of 2016 is very misleading. The CLAMP Reports and summaries have been shown for the last five years to have some serious flaws and mis information in the Public data. Therefore the validity of the 2009 objectives are subject to question. Extensive additonal local studies and reports have been completed, but not included in this first listing. Most of that work is listed in the Ecology TMDL public files and were submitted to DES prior to the January 1, 2016.for inclusion in this initial work, but so far has been ignored. With the CLAMP State agency objectives, one must ask the agency's commitment to their stated objectives when the State Agencies have done little to address the immediate problems they identified in the time frame from 2000 to 2009.	4/21/2016 12:16 PM
107	Return the Lake to Estuary. Hire excellence in vision to achieve this, attempting to maximize the public's access to paths, waterfront, and recreation.	4/21/2016 11:50 AM
108	I prefer the estuary or estuary/small reflecting pool proposal. I am not in favor of maintaining Capital Lake or the dam.	4/21/2016 11:42 AM
109	The dam must come down and the Deschutes must be cleaned up to accomplish the long term goals. All of the current stakeholders must provide funds for the long term management (dredging etc) of Capitol Lake and Budd Inlet.	4/21/2016 10:58 AM

110	Move this conversation to action as soon as possible. The dam is coming out, the science demands it. How can we move ahead with estuary restoration while also accounting for the social and cultural significance of the lake...something like a reclaimed reflecting pool. Inaction is hurting the sound and our economy exponentially by the day, so the sooner we can move to action the better.	4/21/2016 10:48 AM
111	The lake was created for good reasons and it should remain a lake.	4/21/2016 10:15 AM
112	At this point in the lakes life I no longer have a preference as to what is done (river estuary or lake). I really just want to see something happen. Lets kiss the frog and move on. It has been a long time in limbo.	4/21/2016 10:07 AM
113	Leave it a lake and clean it up so we can use it!	4/21/2016 9:53 AM
114	Would actually like to use the lake for family activities as opposed to standing beside her.	4/21/2016 9:45 AM
115	I would like to see a hybrid approach employed. Capitol Lake could become a reclaimed water pool/fountain. A fountain in the center of the pool could serve both aesthetic and functional purposes. This would offer the public amenity/recreation opportunities that some emphasize, while respecting the environmental issues that could be mitigated by allowing the river to return to its natural state. That portion of the lake which is designated as a reflecting pool must be isolated from the river channel, but the river would be allowed to run naturally to Budd Inlet. If the pool was not in use during the rainy months, it could be used for water storage/flood mitigation. Maintenance requirements could also be accomplished during the rainy season. The reclaimed water stream at East Bay Plaza has been well received and is often over-full on nice days. We do not have an outdoor public pool in our city and if we could build one that would take advantage of several existing resources that would be ideal in my opinion. The pool would need to be able to support itself or maybe be minimally supplemented by LOTT and the City, but it could return Capitol Lake to its originally intended purpose as well as preserve the river, fish and wildlife habitat, improve water quality, and still offer recreational opportunities such as fishing, boating, swimming, kayaking, etc. No matter which option is chosen, the lake and most likely Budd Inlet / West Bay will need to be dredged. The costs for all of these activities must be incorporated into any project generated from this evaluation. A long-term sustainability strategy is critical to its success. If this becomes the first budget line item that the legislature cuts whenever they get short on cash, don't bother building anything complicated to operate/maintain. But, if the community is willing to come together and financially support the chosen option - we can do almost anything!	4/21/2016 7:01 AM
116	I am a retired civil engineer with heavy construction experience including dams and water resource projects. I have extensively reviewed the CLAMP studies and found them technically lacking. For this reason I believe that independent review of all prior work by highly experienced third party engineers and scientists should be done in much the same manner that the Federal Government requires be done for all hydroelectric projects as a condition of their licensure. This procedure is required by the FERC in order to ensure that they will be functional and safe and these are much the same issues Enterprise Services will face as the agency that is responsible for operating and maintaining the project or removing it if that is the ultimate decision. Contacting the FERC will enable ES to learn about these licensure Board of Consultant procedures as they are called.	4/20/2016 9:57 PM
117	Homeless management.	4/20/2016 8:53 PM
118	It is difficult to talk about the health of the lake / estuary without discussing the sustainable health of the whole watershed. We must get the Deschutes Watershed off the Clean Water Act Section 303(d) list as soon as possible. A concerted and proactive effort needs to be focused on getting this watershed within standards as quickly as possible. We need to establish and maintain riparian buffers and create maximum canopy coverage adjacent to the river to cool temperatures. We need to establish and maintain an understory that provides erosion control, slope stabilization, and reduces sediment loading. We need to add rain gardens and other filtering systems, re-establish wetlands, and improve storm water treatment facilities, and integrate them into the community. We need to keep domestic animals away from sensitive water bodies. We need to survey and repair or remove septic systems that are fowling the surface waters. There is a lot of work to do, but failure is not an option. What gets measured gets managed. We need to establish acceptable baseline measurement goals, and determine where we are at, and whether we are gaining or losing ground.	4/20/2016 7:29 PM
119	I think it is important to remember that addressing the scientific needs for clean-up and reclamation of the lake for wildlife habitat and public use will ultimately lead to aesthetic improvement for the entire community.	4/20/2016 4:06 PM
120	The best available science is the studies by Dr. Milne, Dr. Soule, Dr. Ladd, and the other scientists of The Evergreen State College.	4/20/2016 3:28 PM
121	Returning Capitol Lake to an estuary will be better financially, aesthetically, and environmentally. The evidence is clear, we need to act responsibly and restore the estuary.	4/20/2016 6:45 AM
122	Restore capital lake to an estuary.	4/19/2016 8:00 PM
123	Olympia was built around an estuary. As the evergreen state we should be committed to natural hanitats for our native species and celebrate our environment, warts (and smell) included.	4/19/2016 5:41 PM
124	Can we make it usable again?	4/19/2016 12:12 PM
125	Goal of following current and best science of what would be the healthiest option for Olympia and the Bay.	4/19/2016 11:32 AM
126	The DELI plan is the perfect compromise and the wisest plan. It will do the best job of serving all interests. Compromise is a beautiful thing and it WORKS!!	4/15/2016 1:08 PM