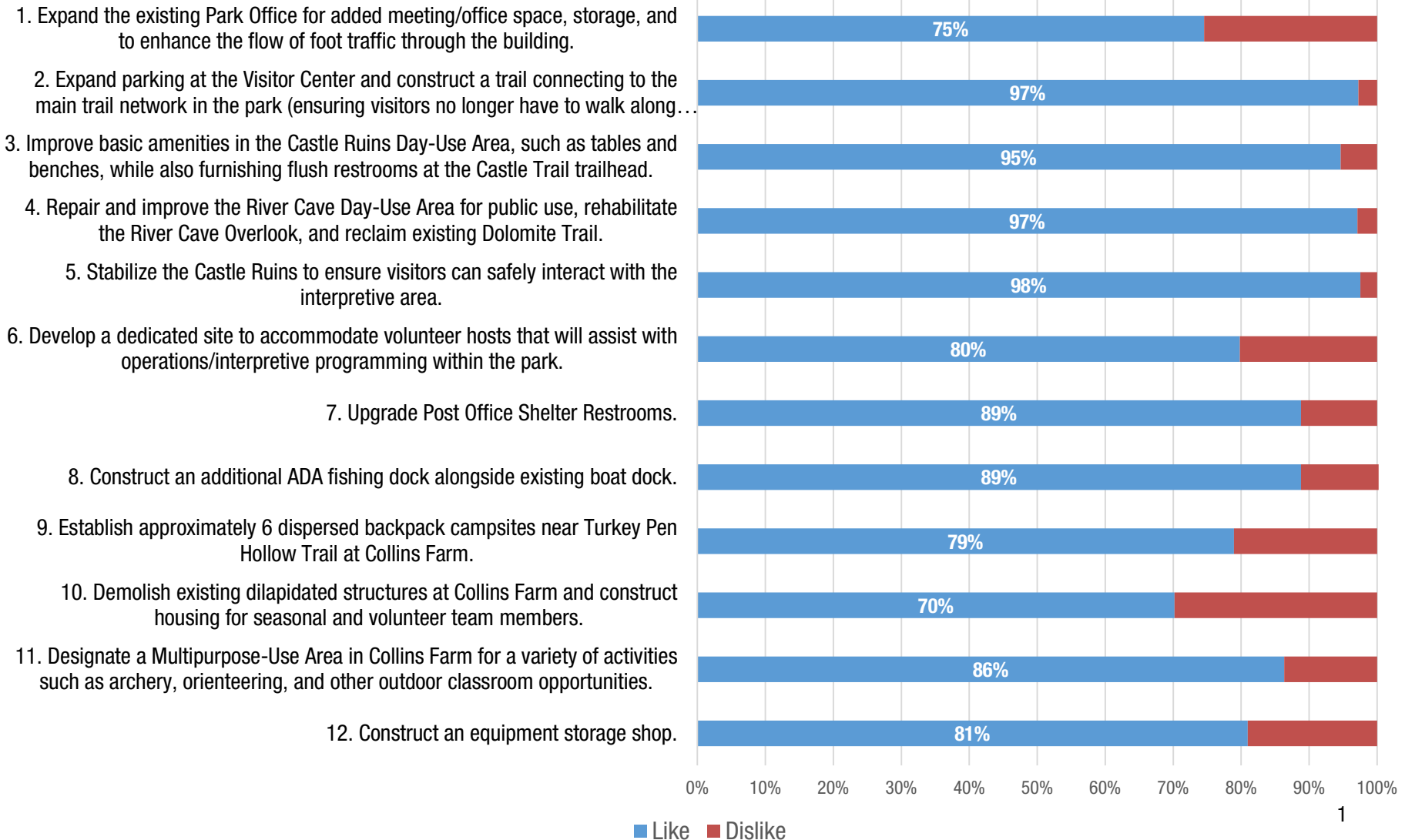


Proposed Development Survey Results:



Do you have any comments or suggestions regarding Ha Ha Tonka State Park?

1. It is an awesome park maybe camping area.
2. Hold on to integrity.
3. Small campground would be nice. Re-introduce trout to the springs.
4. Love the park.
5. Please keep the main castle, tower, and stable so everyone from now and into the future always.
6. Have the stairs been upgraded and/or checked for safety on the Spring Trail?
7. My dad was very instrumental in making this a state park and historic site. He was asst director of state parks. Robert Haake.
8. Possibly construct restrooms up closer to the ruins?
9. Elevator from spring to castle.
10. It's one of my favorite state parks, and I'm so happy to see the investment going into it!
11. Please add bike parking, but do not add any more parking for cars--there is already too much.
12. Swimming.
13. Would love to be able to walk through castle ruins, use drones for photography and have a better way to use as an event venue.
14. Allow for swimming in the springs!
15. Develop a swimming area.
16. Have more information on those that once worked there and were the settlers in are. Such as the Bell Farm and farm land. How most of the Ha Ha Tonka workers established Spencer's Creek such as the Jones Family.
17. Please allow swimming in the springs. I have only heard glorious tales of when this was allowed from my father and his friends :- /
18. Could use some TSI throughout some of the park.
19. Add a dining lodge with superior food and wine.
20. Love Ha Ha Tonka. Any improvements would be appreciated.
21. Taking the rocks out of the natural bridge was a bad call
22. Beautiful park, I'd love to see Missouri invest in Ha Ha Tonka.
23. No.
24. Being from this original area, I think there should not be any camping sites. I believe it would take away the magic of this place — and not every state park or historic state site like Ha Ha Tonka needs camping areas. I feel as though that's what makes it unique. It stands out from so many others. The trails and castle, along with the spring are beautiful areas that always leave people feeling appreciated and always wanting to come back. The trees and overall natural setup included should remain untouched by campfires and tents.
25. Hope you preserve as much of the ruins as possible. It's a beautiful place.
26. It would be nice to have a beach area near the fishing/boating dock.
27. I've been to Ha Ha twice this year and love the trails, keep them accessible please. They don't need as much wood decking, let them be dirt paths.
28. Trim brush back more from trails to help minimize contact with hikers and tick transfer.
29. The best part of Ha Ha Tonka is the rustic nature and surroundings, so you can envision what it was like way back when. Tour guides and park workers take away from the serene nature.
30. Love the park.
31. No.
32. Stabilize the castle and provide an interpretive path that interacts with the castle, but either protects original elements or utilizes areas that can absorb high traffic. Utilize interpretation that doesn't require physical guide. Look into QR codes that link to constructed recordings or videos for the history. The man who built the castle should be highlighted.
33. No.
34. All of the items are good as long as they don't damage the existing site and don't take away from the historical value.

35. Renting kayaks is problematic. Because of the office. And nowhere to rent kayak to other than Spencer creek. Maybe make trails for kayaker's too. And the boats that run why too fast just outside of the park is problematic and unsafe.
36. I love the castle. And miss not being able to get closer or see the back fountain.
37. No.
38. It needs to remain as natural as possible.
39. While backpacking sites will be wonderful at this park, I wonder if a loop of basic tent camping sites with a bathhouse may ever be in future plans.
40. The park is beautiful and amazing.
41. Make the Castle A safe place to touch and explore up close like at Elephant Rocks State Park. You can explore ruins.
42. This is my favorite park in MO.
43. Don't let the castle fall into ruin.
44. We miss getting to take pictures on or closer to the structure. More benches along trails.

Do you have comments or suggestions regarding Missouri state parks and historic sites?

1. Camping area.
2. Do not destroy or "improve".
3. Love them!
4. No.
5. Be sure there is adequate places for handicap use.
6. Preserve and restore don't destroy.
7. Keep up the great work.
8. No, thank you.
9. Please focus less on cars and parking as a requirement to access state parks. Please consider alternatives such as investing in regional bus service, so everyone (even people who do not own

cars) can access Missouri State Parks. Please read more information from parks in other states that make outdoor areas accessible without having to drive there: <https://usa.streetsblog.org/2023/07/20/making-hiking-accessible-without-cars>

10. Have information about the area.
11. Keep structures stable and for all to see. Don't make things fancy to compete with top of the rock, nature lovers just want nature.
12. Protect Ha Ha Tonka and spare no expense. It's the best state park in the country!
13. Have in place stories of the place such as the Madam of the house having a parrot that would communicate with another lady down the cove. The ladies used it as a means of communication. My Grandfather worked the Post Office, Ha Ha To is stables and built the private dock. He had so many stories.
14. I like them.
15. More group sites/special-use areas for youth groups and scouts to tent camp.
16. I'd like to see parks develop access along Taney Como. They own property along the river but don't have much access.
17. Nope, you have my full support. I'd pay more in taxes to support Missouri parks.
18. No.
19. Love them all! Keep them open.
20. Keep it natural. Putting concrete sidewalks, and a bunch of parking lots take away from nature .
21. No.
22. More platform sites. They are wonderful, but more are needed and the marketing is awful for these. This is how people trial camping before becoming addicted. Maybe partner with REI for exclusive coupons after utilizing a platform site.
23. I absolutely love Missouri's state park system, one thing I absolutely love is that Missouri parks are free to visit and I hope that this will be able to continue so that all can enjoy these beautiful parks and historic sites!
24. Keep construction to a minimum. Nature is what people want.

25. Historic sites. Should remain historic. To much history is being wiped out. Updates yes. Are needed.
26. Keep up the good work!
27. I pay a fee in other states to enter their parks. If it helps our parks, I think we should charge out of state visitors a fee.
28. More trash cans in ALL state parks. Especially at Taum Sauk.
29. Open for all uses, bicycle to ATV to horses to hikers.
30. No.
31. Very nice.
32. Thank you for Missouri State Parks.
33. Love the ones I've been to visit.
34. More shaded areas along the trails. Preserve the parks.
35. More/better merch.
36. The preservation of these sites are always important. Thanks for requesting public input!
37. We love Ha Ha Tonka. Very happy to read improvements/expansions being considered.
38. Some historic reenactments would be fun to see and bring family too.
39. You are doing a great job keep it up. My family and myself has always enjoy every park we have been to.
40. Add more public swimming beaches at Lake of the Ozarks please.
41. I think you are doing great job.
42. Our parks are very much needed and appreciated.
43. More information on historical sites promoted on social media.
44. I love our state parks! Keep up the great work!
45. No.
46. More flush toilets with easy to use cleaning hoses so we can help clean up after the disrespectful people who poops everywhere.
47. Expand camping with at least electric hookups, dump station, and shower house.
48. Please continue to care for and preserve our parks.
49. Do anything and everything to preserve history
50. Missouri is a beautiful state! My husband and I thoroughly enjoy the hiking and history here.
51. The park system and its employees are a gem! Keep up the good work!
52. My family enjoys all state parks and love when any and all improvements are made!
53. Love them!
54. We love the convenience of the check-in process at campgrounds. Also, love that it is free to enter all of Missouri's state parks.
55. No.
56. No.
57. Bennett spring needs more washers and dryers & a playground in loop 400 or 500.
58. We really need to get the rock island trail finished!
59. No.
60. We love to camp in MO parks- Continue to upgrade WIFI for all of the parks, please.
61. Historical preservation is a priority.
62. Charge an admission fee. It would help with maintaining the parks.
63. No.
64. Keep them as they are .
65. Continue with the maintenance and upkeep work.
66. My family and I enjoy our state parks!
67. Grew up being dragged around many MO State Parks, now I do the same to my kids. Thankful they are free and pretty amazing. Adding QR codes with info is a great way to connect with younger generations. Makes info easy on the go. When you have service. It is a double edged sword. Thank you for all you have done to bring memories to so many families for so many years.
68. Love them, and I am appreciative that we have these available. Thank you, Missouri and all the individuals that make these sites and parks available for the public!!
69. Stop being SOS restrictive.
70. Please keep up the great work improving and parks and historical sites.
71. Some of the prettiest well maintained parks in US.

- 72. NA.
- 73. Missouri needs more 2 day hiking trails with primitive camping sites.
- 74. Bring back the passport stamps. That was so much fun!
- 75. No.
- 76. No.
- 77. Camping spots.
- 78. You guys are doing a great job!
- 79. No.
- 80. Thank you for not requiring payment/stickers, keeping nature easily accessible.
- 81. Just keep them beautiful .
- 82. Keep doing what you are doing! So proud of conservation work here in my home state!
- 83. Well kept.
- 84. Pay your Naturalists more! They're teaching your next generation of rec users :) (-an MDC naturalist who makes more than your naturalists).
- 85. Please see comment above.
- 86. Thank you for preserving history.
- 87. None.
- 88. Love Mo State parks.
- 89. No.
- 90. Missouri State Parks and historic sites are the best in the US.
- 91. No.
- 92. Enjoy visiting them all & seeing their improvements.
- 93. Just keep the historic parts.
- 94. Love.
- 95. More small cabins / chalet style with upstairs bedrooms / with covered front porches high in park with lake overlook / with built in BBQ grills / kitchenette / see River of Life Farm treehouse designs / these would be great somewhere in the hills at Ha Ha Tonka Develop Current River State Park with Multiple Treehouse Cabins in the bluff / tear down existing cabins / open the grounds as a campground and develop / I do NOT like the resort style lodging done at Echo Bluff / I like basic 2 bedroom /

- 2 bath cabins like some at Bennet Springs state park. / It would be so nice to have the fronts of cabins at many parks facing views with a fire pit and BBQ grill for each cabin in front of the front porch of the cabin.
- 96. Ryan Dunwoody is da bomb as the planning section manager! Keep up the great work.
- 97. No.
- 98. Please install and/or update the WIFI at each campground.
- 99. No.
- 100. No.
- 101. I like that the area is being considered for upgrading and improvements.
- 102. No.
- 103. Love roaring state park and hope you can keep the roads intact after floods.
- 104. N/A.
- 105. More first-come sites.
- 106. More funding from legislature for state parks. We travel a lot. Missouri is behind other states.
- 107. Always keep them. Nice places to walk and meet for family days. Painted rock conservation area steep hill road really needs an upgrade or refigured as caused issues with my car trying to drive back up that very steep hill.
- 108. More backpack trails like Bell Mountain but more beautiful and less steep all the way through. We need those longer treks.
- 109. Some site need more camping accessories since by the start of the New Year they are booked up.
- 110. They have all been a big part of my whole life.
- 111. Missouri State parks are our preferred camping sites along with day usage areas. More interactive learning experiences at the historical sites would be great. More learning activities at the campgrounds would be great. Van Meter has started a nice one. We have also had activities for the kids in the past but the last several years they have been hard to find.
- 112. Keep as natural as possible.
- 113. No.

- 114.** LEAVE ALL THE STATE PARKS & HISTORIC SITES AS THEY ARE! THERE ARE GHOSTS & SPIRITS IN THE HISTORIC SITES, YOU WILL BE INVADING ON THEM. THEY WILL BE ANGRY.
- 115.** Nope.
- 116.** We love Missouri state parks and historic sites.
- 117.** Leave it alone and let nature do what it does best.
- 118.** You do a great job maintaining state parks and the history that is such a huge part of each for them.
- 119.** Please use Missouri companies when making improvements if 3rd party vendors are needed. Allow food trucks to be in parking lots on certain days so people can grab lunch or dinner and enjoy the parks.
- 120.** Create more intimate lodging with a main visitor center lobby for gathering. Not big or corporate like.
- 121.** No.
- 122.** Keep up the good work.
- 123.** We really enjoy having the beautiful state parks that we have here in Missouri. We have an RV and find most of the parks very accommodating to those of us that enjoy spending time in nature.
- 124.** No.
- 125.** Get Wi-Fi or cell service to every park so people can visit while working remotely.
- 126.** Overall you do a great job. We stay in other state parks on vacation and Missouri outdoes most of them!
- 127.** Growing up in Missouri and going to the parks, now returning for vacations every year, we prefer the places that have not been upgraded or over built. We look for the parks and the historic sites that are closest as a whole to the way they would have looked originally or at least when first turned into a Park. The Hall of Waters would be absolutely amazing to see hooked back up to all of its different mineral springs. That's a place I could see myself bringing the family yearly if the local spring water was actually available to swim/drink/visit the wells that have been capped.
- 128.** Keep up the good work!
- 129.** A bit more parking and monitoring of parking spaces near the ruins.
- 130.** No.
- 131.** You do a great job keeping our parks beautiful!
- 132.** No.
- 133.** After having visited all state parks & historic sites, some of the historic sites could use picnic tables, etc.
- 134.** These are all valuable resources .
- 135.** More enforcement! People need to stay on the trails in the more popular areas (Cathedral) and not continue to tear things up.
- 136.** Keep up the good work! The State Parks we have visited are great!
- 137.** More inclusive for all, including differing abilities, races, ethnicities, religions, and more.
- 138.** Keep the history of it add more info on some of the old buildings for everyone to read and look at.
- 139.** None.
- 140.** I love this place.
- 141.** Prosecute those that deface structures and trees.
- 142.** Just keep them safe
- 143.** My family loves visiting the parks system! Thank you for all that you do!
- 144.** We are blessed with our many wonderful state parks and treasured historic sites ♥