

Survey questions

Introduction

The Town of Cape Elizabeth last conducted a major review of its harbors [and public access to the shore](#) in the late 1980's with nearly 30 years having passed since the last review of how our coastal water resources are serving our fishing, aquaculture and recreational needs. An ad hoc Harbors Committee was formed in December 2016 to review and update information from that period and to provide recommendations for public access, mooring availability and other areas related to Cape Elizabeth coastal waters. This information along with the other work of the Committee will be compiled into a report that will be sent to the Council for further consideration.

This brief survey is intended to solicit your valuable input as support for the Harbor Committee's work this year.

1. How long have you lived in Cape Elizabeth?

- Less than 2 years
- 2-5 years
- 5-10
- More than 10
- Am not a resident

2. How important is public access to the Cape Elizabeth shore?

- Extremely important
- Very
- Somewhat
- Not very
- Not important at all

3. And why do you say that?

4. How often do you access/visit the Cape Elizabeth shore during the months of June, July, and August? [Consider changing the wording of months to a range of months "May through September"](#)

- Several times a week
- Once a week
- A few times a month
- Monthly
- Never

5. Do you visit during other months?

6. Which activities do you engage on the Cape Elizabeth shore (check all that apply)

- Walking the beach
- Sightseeing
- Sunbathing
- Swimming
- Kayaking
- Paddleboard/sailboard
- Surfing
- Fishing from shore
- Launch/retrieve boat (commercial)
- Access to moored boat (recreational)
- Access to moored boat (commercial)
- Other

7. Which public access points do you use (Rank by frequency with 1 being most frequent)

- Fort Williams Park
- Pond Cove
- Crescent Beach State Park
- Kettle Cove
- Dyer Cove (at end of Two Lights Road)
- Trundy Point (Shore Acres)
- Cliff House Beach
- Spurwink River (Cape Elizabeth side)
- Two Lights State Park
- Surf Side Avenue (Shore Acres)
- Other

8. How would you rate the current public access to the ocean shore in Cape Elizabeth on a scale of 1 -5 with 5 being "fantastic" and 1 being "what access"?

9. If you could improve one thing about the public access to the shore in Cape Elizabeth, what would it be?

- More access points
- Better trails
- More parking
- Better boat launching facility
- Mooring availability

10. Please tell us how your Town can improve public access to the shore and waters?

11. Please tell us a little about yourself

Age

- 18 – 24
- 25 – 34
- 35 – 44
- 45 -54
- 55 – 64
- 65+

Marital Status

- Married
- Single

12. How do you find out about Town Government and activities and news? (Check all that apply)

- CE TV Channel 3 (Spectrum)
- Town of Cape Elizabeth Website
- Cape Courier
- Portland Press Herald

- Bangor Daily News
- Sentry
- Current
- Forecaster
- Radio
- Social Media (i.e., Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Snapchat, etc.)

Thank You. You can received updates on the Harbors Committee's work at the Town website - http://www.capeelizabeth.com/government/bds_commissions/ad_hoc/harbors/home.html

[The public is also welcome to attend the meetings of the Harbors Committee to share public comments or email public comments to the Committee's Town Staff Liaison, Town Engineer Steve Harding at \[sharding@sebagotechnics.com\]\(mailto:sharding@sebagotechnics.com\)](#)