

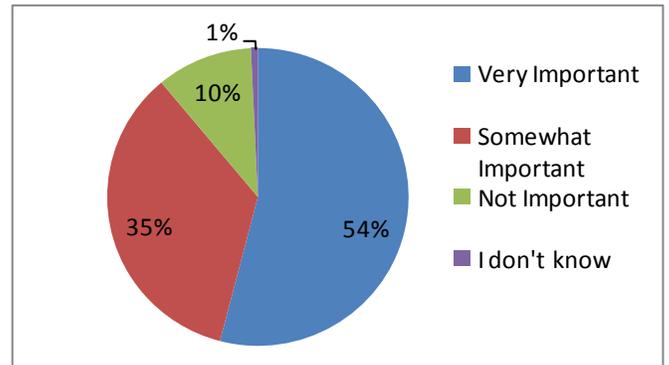
Climate Preparedness

Multiple Choice Responses

Question #1: **How important do you believe it is for the Town to address each of the following issues?**

Multiple Choice #12: **Better preparedness for climate related emergencies** (heat waves, power outages, flooding, extreme weather conditions).

135 respondents



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Open-Text Responses

Question #2: In your opinion, what is the most important issue that the Town should address in order to improve the environment and long-term livability of this community?

1. Better preparedness for weather related emergencies,
2. I think both increasing homeowners' use of alternative energy (solar, wind, maybe even fuel-cells?) and then tying in to better preparedness for climate-related emergencies would be very valuable.
3. I must say I have not followed in details the plans for the trees in the town. But the current number of tall trees that may fall seems high given the number of violent storms that seems to be coming our way. More generally, the supply of electricity (and potentially other utilities) should be reviewed so that we do not get protracted outages.
4. A toss-up between storm water management and preparedness for climate related emergencies
5. Co-existence with the extreme development occurring all around our borders (Purple Line, condos, etc.) and climate emergency preparedness.

Question #3: Being realistic, what do you think are the three most important things the Town might do to help you and your family reduce your negative impacts on the environment?

1. Better preparedness
2. Begin to bury wires when ever possible--ie when ever the street is torn up for ANY reason at all.
3. how to prepare for severe climate events

Bottom of Question #1: Feel free to provide comments on the topics above or suggestions for additional environmental issues you feel the town might address”

1. I firmly believe that at some point in the not too distant future the town will experience a very damaging climate event - so I think we should prioritize energy reducing activities and also prepare for that eventuality. I think all of the questions above are important but the priority should be addressing the big picture of what our future is facing.

Bottom of Question #4: Feel free to tell us other actions you have taken to reduce your environmental impact.

- No answers

Final Question: Please briefly describe any issues you would be interested in discussing further.

1. If we are not yet prepared to invest in energy-efficient street lighting, we should not install it. As the costs (and color options) for LED lighting improve, we should install it. One of the greatest threats to our community is maintaining overhead wiring. The Town should begin to bury it, especially along with any road/sidewalk work that is being done.
2. The Town's idea for back up power generation is wasteful, costs too much and is unnecessary. Lots of Town residents have WiFi and would be happy to share with the Town. Back up power for computers (who really needs AC or heat in such situations?) is cheaply available, and most information should be on backup drives

anyway which, with laptops, means the Town office is not a necessity to keep in operation or communication. Plus you forget the lease facilities at the 4-H, as the Town is rarely out of power on both sides of the grid at the same time.