

2022 Community Survey Results

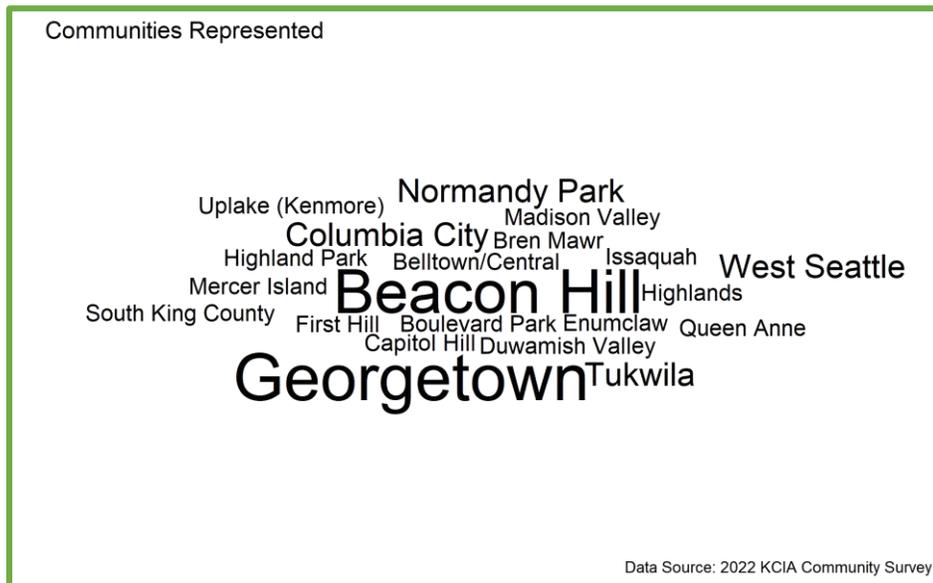
Survey Background

This report presents the results from King County International Airport's (KCIA) April 2022 community survey. The purpose of the survey was to gather community feedback on the initial planning efforts for the Air Monitoring Project and the Landscape Master Plan. The Air Monitoring Project will place air quality monitors at KCIA, among other deliverables. The Landscape Master Plan will identify the plants and plant care activities that will be used at KCIA. During the initial planning effort for these projects KCIA worked in partnership with project specific working groups to conduct research and develop conceptual plans.

The goal of the survey was to gather community input from a wide audience for consideration during the development of design elements for both projects. The survey was translated into seven (7) languages and was available in both an online and a paper format for 5 weeks. King County advertised the survey on social media as well as the Georgetown Gazette, a local newspaper. Paper copies of the survey were available at KCIA and at El Centro de la Raza in Beacon Hill. The survey was accompanied by an online workshop on May 17th to share the preliminary results of the survey and hear directly from community members.

Survey Results

There were 39 total responses to the survey. 33 responses were submitted in English. Six (6) responses were submitted in Spanish. Four (4) responses were submitted as paper copies at El Centro de la Raza. Eight (8) respondents lived or worked in Georgetown and seven (7) respondents lived or worked in Beacon Hill. The word cloud below summarizes the communities represented in the survey

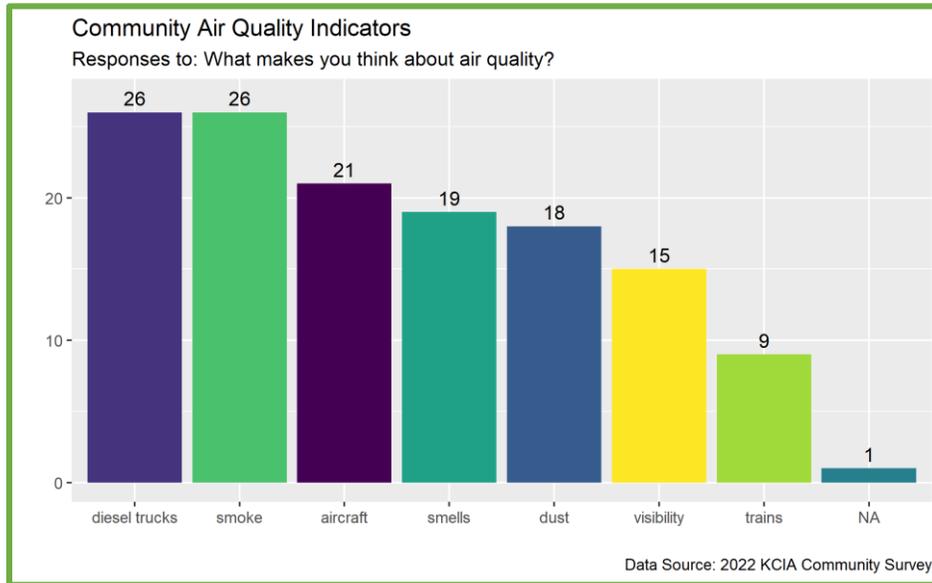


Air Monitoring Project Results

The survey asked several questions to identify community priorities for the Air Monitoring Project. These questions included:

What makes you think of Air Quality in your community?

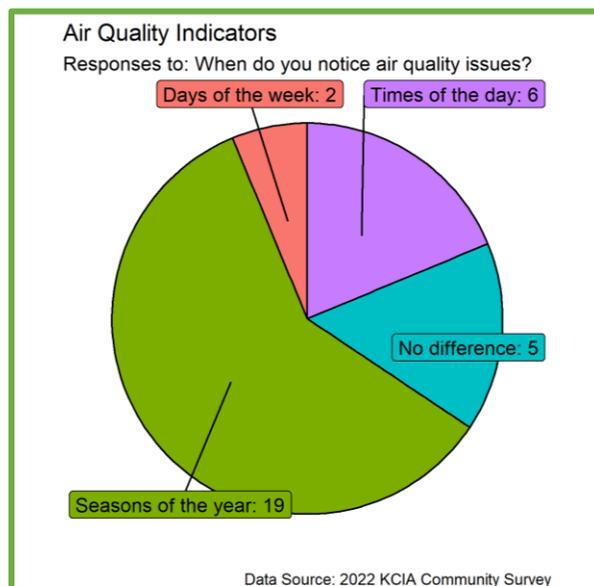
Most respondents indicated that the presence of diesel trucks and smoke makes them think of air quality issues. Notably, 21 respondents indicated Aircrafts make them think of air quality in their community. The bar graph below summarizes the results of this question.



When do you notice Air Quality Issues?

19 respondents said they notice air quality issues based on the time of year. These respondents noted wildfires as well as increased trucking and air traffic in summer as potential causes of air quality issues.

Six (6) respondents said they notice air quality issues based on the time of day. These respondents noted increased trucking and air traffic during the day as potential causes of air quality issues. The pie graph below summarizes the results for this question



Select quotes about air quality:

“In the summer, the air becomes thick with the smell of diesel, car exhaust, and jet fuel. In the winter it’s a bit crisper and fresh.”

“Wildfire smoke from distant fires is definitely a bigger concern in summer.”

Where would you like to see an air monitor within KCIA property?

The three (3) most common responses to “Where would you like to see an air monitor” were:

- 1) Ruby Chow Park
- 2) Georgetown
- 3) South Park or other locations on the west side of KCIA

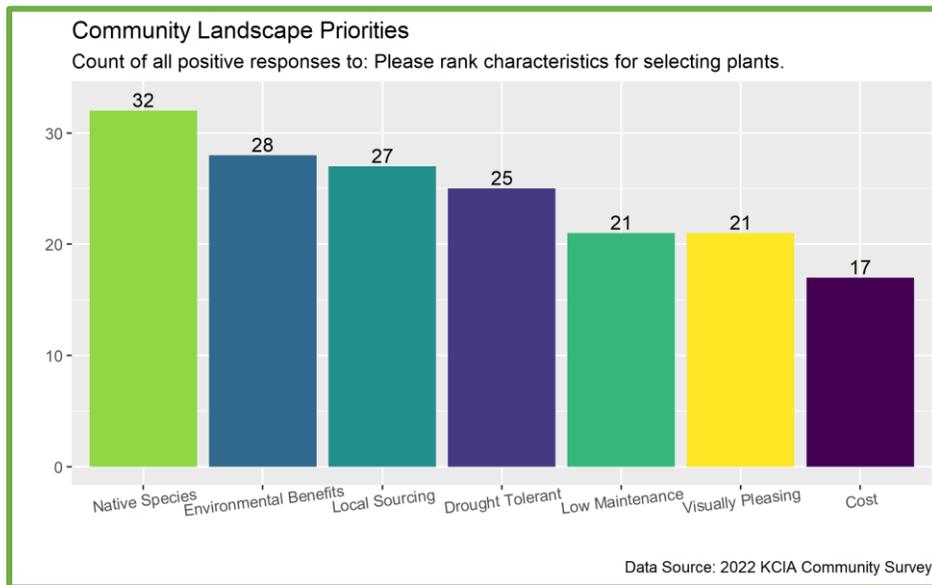
Landscape Plan results

The survey asked several questions to identify community priorities for the Landscape Plan.

A ranking of priority criteria for the plants to be promoted on the landscape plan.

Respondents indicated that the most important criteria when considering the plants at KCIA are:

- 1) Native Species
- 2) Environmental Benefits (like carbon sequestration)
- 3) Local Sourcing



Are there any landscaped areas you like and why?

Respondents indicated that local parks like Volunteer Park or King County Libraries are potential models for KCIA.

Select Quotes:

“Bellevue Downtown Park - clean, simple. Most libraries - simple, green”

“Volunteer Park. The mix of trees, vegetation and open space.”

Other Comments from the Survey

The survey also asked open-ended questions about community engagement and provided a space for other comments.

What is your vision for the future of community involvement in these projects?

Comments on the future of community involvement focused on the landscape plan and active public participation with tree planting, or other events.

Select Quotes:

"A website where finished landscaping options can be commented on by the public..."

"The surrounding community should be invited to help plant the new landscaping."

"A contest for high school students from across King County who are interested in art, landscaping and outdoor design & decor."

How did you hear about this survey?

The most common responses to "how did you hear about this survey?" were:

- 1) The King County Website (9)
- 2) Nextdoor.com (5)
- 3) Heard about it from a friend (3)
- 4) The Georgetown Gazette (3)
- 5) Email (3)
- 6) El Centro De la Raza (3)

Any additional comments?

The survey also provided an opportunity for respondents to share additional comments with KCIA staff. Respondents were thankful for the opportunity to provide input and concerned about the other impacts of KCIA.

Select Quotes:

"Thanks for listening to your neighbors, neighbor!"

"The smell is one thing but the noise... The noise is worse than the smell."

"Thanks for working to improve a tough problem that affects everyone!"