Survey asks residents about open space, recreation

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CAPE MAY COURT HOUSE – Middle Township has developed a survey to gather input on the future of open space and recreation.

Participating residents should plan on spending five minutes to take the 10-question survey at www.MiddleTownship.com.

Paper copies will be available at township hall at 33 Mechanic St., Cape May Court House; the Martin Luther King Community Center at 207 West Main St., Whitesboro, and the Baker Center at the Davies Recreation Complex, 626 Goshen Road, Cape May Court House.

A project team developed questions after discussions with nearly 20 entities that use the recreation facilities in the township or that are involved with open space preservation.

The questions are designed to determine the activities, interests and wishes of residents.

"Public input is the most critical part of the Open Space and Recreation Plan. We want to plan for facilities that reflect our diverse interests and will meet the needs of residents of all ages," said Mayor Dan Lockwood in a press release.

A public meeting is planned for January to follow up on the survey results and discuss issues.

Middle Township was awarded \$8,000 by the Association of New Jersey Environmental Commissions Sustainable Land Use Planning Grant to develop the open space and recreation plan.

The township's Environmental Commission, Recreation Advisory Board, and Planning Board will continue to work in developing the plan, with the assistance of the township's planning consultant, Elizabeth Terenik, according to a press release.