"Shaping the Future" Survey Comments from Copper City Village

The following comments (except summaries) are reproduced exactly as written by respondents to the 1997 Houghton County "Shaping Our Future" Land Use Survey who said they lived in Copper City. All local governments and libraries received full survey results in 1998 (also available at http://emml.mtu.edu/gem/community/planning/survey/survey_rev.html).

- Copper City Village surveys returned – 14. Total surveys returned, Houghton County – 1,936.

11. More recreational opportunities are needed in my township/city/village. If so what kind?

Summary (verbatim responses below)
- playground/playground equipment - 4
- more activities for youth/teenagers - 4
- ball fields - 1

Verbatim responses
- playground equipment [293]*
- playground improvement/ball fields, etc. [775]
- things to keep kids occupied (playground equipment, etc.) [1163]
- playground, park [1408]
- more social opportunities for teenagers [465]
- youth recreation [506]
- organized activities for 12-17 year olds [1370]

18. Some roads should be designated as “scenic” and should retain their natural character. If so, which roads?

Summary (verbatim responses below)
- US 41 to Copper Harbor - 4
- M26 to Copper Harbor - 3
- M203 Hancock to Calumet, Keweenaw County and northern Houghton, Sedar Bay Road, Waterworks Road, Covered Road - 1 each

Verbatim responses
- US 41 from Calumet to Copper Harbor, M26 Eagle Harbor to Copper Harbor [1163]
- 41 to Copper Harbor, 26— to Copper Harbor, 203—Hancock to Calumet [775]
- US 41 from Delaware to Copper Harbor [1162]
- US 41 Copper Harbor M-26 Keweenaw [1408]
- Keweenaw County & N. Houghton [506]
- Sedar Bay road, water works road, covered road [465]

C. Comments

General comments not identified with any survey statement were sorted into 33 categories during survey analysis (survey respondents were not aware of these categories). Some general comments that address more than one topic are divided into the appropriate categories, e.g., [251], #25 means that another part of survey 251’s comment is found under category #25. Wording was not changed.

26. Road maintenance, traffic control, and safety
- keep stop lights to a minimum; improve quality/condition of roads [1163] #27

27. Snow removal
- snow accumulation & removal needs to be included in plans [1163] #26

31. Recreation
- How about a social hall or equivalent for teenagers (dances, pinball machines, etc.) in the “CLK” area? [465]

33. Miscellaneous
- I am not a Houghton County resident. There are 4 families in Keweenaw County that have PO Boxes in Copper City (Houghton County). [52]

*number assigned to survey when received; comments by the same person in response to different statements are followed by the same number.