

Appendix I: Telephone Survey Comments



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1. Wouldn't use public transportation, but knows people who would.
2. Wouldn't use public transportation because she has a young daughter who needs to go to daycare/get picked up from daycare—single parent, only supporter of small child.
3. Wouldn't use public transportation at all—would probably just get a ride from friends/family instead.
4. Wouldn't ever use public transportation b/c lives right outside of Polson, barely ever goes to Missoula, etc.
5. Would use a railroad or subway system to Missoula.
6. Would REALLY like to have a light rail (quick train line type thing).
7. Would only use public transportation if he retired or was unable to drive.
8. Would love to see rail service from Missoula to Hamilton.
9. Would like to have train service from Lolo to Missoula.
10. Work questions are confusing people due to the fact they think they relate to working in Missoula, not working in the community they really work in.
11. When we travel to Missoula we are usually getting supplies which we bring up in the pick up, we could not carry these supplies on the bus. A bus to/from the airport would be nice—we would use that bus service a couple times a year.
12. Was adamant about not using public transportation; was not willing to answer several of the questions asked.
13. Wants to see the Hwy 4 lane project get done quickly.
14. Would take bus service more often if less stops and got to Missoula faster than an hour—otherwise thinks it would take up to 2 or 3 hours to get to Missoula and wouldn't be any more efficient than individual cars.
15. Very grumpy guy, had to explain my self a lot, and he did not want to answer many questions.
16. Vanpools probably wouldn't bring in much money and don't seem practical, should have a bus for specifically elderly and some for others.
17. Travels mostly to Lolo and Missoula.
18. Traffic is a serious problem on the highway!
19. Thinks using a train system would be a great idea because the tracks are already there and run directly into Missoula.
20. Thinks the idea of public transportation is a great idea, but doesn't know how they would get it to work for everyone. Scheduling and convenience would be major problems.
21. Thinks public transportation is a great idea, but because of his job, would not be able to use it at this time. Would use it if he was not on-call and had regular work hours, or if he retired.
22. The train!
23. Shopping and packages, how would that be handled?
24. Respondent would like you to know that the main purpose for traveling to Missoula

- would be shopping and they would need a place to keep their items.
25. Reliability of buses would be important.
 26. One reason I would not take the bus to shop in Missoula is the inconvenience of getting off and on the bus with packages and shopping bags, and also the inconvenience of shopping at one place (like the mall), then having to wait for another bus to go someplace else to shop.
 27. Older man who was interested in buses but could not hear very well to do the survey.
 28. No we don't need a train or a bus especially—if it's paid for by the public.
 29. Keep in mind the jr. high to highschool kids—this would be important for this population. Respondent wanted to know why the under 18 wasn't included in this survey.
 30. If the weather is bad I would be more willing to take a bus or if I could not drive any more.
 31. I believe this lady would be interested in using the bus but she had a screaming kid while she was talking to me and I did not want her to hang-up in the middle of it.
 32. Has an elderly father—might be nice for him to be able to have rides to and from medical facilities.
 33. Greatly supports public transportation in any form to commuters, he's just retired so he doesn't need it.
 34. Getting to the point where will we have to move into town due to not being able to drive so at a later date may need to use a bus.
 35. Disability will only last for a few months and then he will be ok to drive again.
 36. Cost per person was something that was not asked—very important.
 37. Bus service not as important to him, but would be extremely important for the surrounding community—esp. for elderly and teenagers.
 38. Bitterroot Valley could really use a public transportation system, esp. for elderly.
 39. Believes that a train service through the valley would be the best option for public transportation; thinks people would really latch on to the idea.
 40. All of the people shouldn't have to pay for the small amount of people who want to use it, the Bitterroot does not need public transportation!!!!
 41. No set schedule to travel into Missoula. The vehicles he collects antique cars, '30' is not a typographical error.