

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION SURVEY QUESTIONNAIRE

We are surveying the residents of Franklin Township to help us prioritize our Mission Statement based on your interests and concerns about our local environment.

Using our numerical rating system (0, which means low priority/concern to 5, which means high priority/concern), please circle the priority you think the Township and the Environmental Commission should give to the following:

		Low					High
1.	Well water	0	1	2	3	4	5
2.	Public water	0	1	2	3	4	5
3.	Water conservation/drought	0	1	2	3	4	5
4.	Storm water/management	0	1	2	3	4	5
	a. Neighborhood drainage	0	1	2	3	4	5
	b. Flooding in heavy rain	0	1	2	3	4	5
	c. Ponding in heavy rain	0	1	2	3	4	5
5.	Air pollution (general)	0	1	2	3	4	5
	a. From local auto traffic	0	1	2	3	4	5
	b. From local industry and commerce	0	1	2	3	4	5
6.	Noise pollution (general)	0	1	2	3	4	5
	a. From motor vehicles	0	1	2	3	4	5
	b. From local industry and commerce	0	1	2	3	4	5
	c. From neighboring residential sources	0	1	2	3	4	5
7.	Loss of farmland/open space	0	1	2	3	4	5
8.	Loss of wildlife habitat	0	1	2	3	4	5

9.	Loss of the Township's suburban and rural character	0	1	2	3	4	5
10.	Impact of added housing development	0	1	2	3	4	5
11.	Impact of added industrial or commercial development	0	1	2	3	4	5
12.	Traffic congestion	0	1	2	3	4	5
13.	Illegal dumping	0	1	2	3	4	5
14.	Roadside litter	0	1	2	3	4	5
15.	Litter in/from commercial parking lots	0	1	2	3	4	5
16.	Retention basin litter	0	1	2	3	4	5
17.	Property maintenance (e.g., overgrown yards, disrepair, junk)	0	1	2	3	4	5
18.	Abandoned buildings	0	1	2	3	4	5
19.	Hazardous spills and discharges						
	a. Industrial/Commercial	0	1	2	3	4	5
	b. Transportation	0	1	2	3	4	5
	c. Residential	0	1	2	3	4	5
20.	General township environment	0	1	2	3	4	5

Please answer the following questions as indicated.

21. Which of the following household solid waste items do you regularly recycle? (Circle, underline or highlight as many as you do.)

Glass	Batteries	Plastic
Paper	Aluminum	Newspapers
Cardboard	Consumer Electronics	

22. Indicate your interest in construction of more of the following in the township. (0 equals no interest to 5, strong interest).

a.	Bicycle paths	0	1	2	3	4	5
b.	Hiking trails	0	1	2	3	4	5

23. Would you approve a small increase in your taxes (1 cent/\$100 assessed value, which would equal \$10 per \$100,000 value of your property per year) to pay for the preservation of more open space? The current rate is 5 cents per \$100, i.e., \$50 per \$100,000 assessed value of your property. Circle your answer.

Yes No

24. Please attach a separate page if you would like to provide additional comments or concerns.

Thank you for participating in this survey. Please mail your completed questionnaires to: Franklin Township Environmental Commission, 475 DeMott Lane, Somerset, NJ 08873.

For more information on the Franklin Township Environmental Commission, please go to www.franklintwpnj.org/environmental_commission.html. Our meetings are open to the public and take place on the first and third Monday of each month at 7:30 pm in the Council Chambers in the Municipal Complex.