

# Cahuilla Long Range Transportation Plan Community Survey Response Summary

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## Introduction

As part of the robust and virtual outreach process for the Cahuilla Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP), the Michael Baker team set up an online survey in Survey Monkey. Representatives of the Cahuilla Public Works Department notified community members of the survey and its access information. Survey responses were collected during the months of December 2021 – January 2022 for a total of 5 weeks, which **27 surveys** were received.

This survey was designed to gain valuable community input for the Cahuilla Long Range Transportation Plan and explore the different transportation possibilities for the 18,884-acres of Cahuilla tribal lands.

## Survey structure and responses

The first page of the survey introduced the subject of the survey with the following language:

This survey has been created to gain valuable community input and feedback for the Cahuilla Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). The project objective is to update the Long-Range Tribal Transportation Plan with the Cahuilla Band of Indians. The survey will focus on the 18,884-acres of Cahuilla tribal lands. The Cahuilla Long Range Transportation Plan is in partnership with the Cahuilla Public Works Department and the Michael Baker design team. As we update the Transportation Plan, we have an opportunity to explore the different transportation possibilities for the Tribe. The site focus area is shown on the map below. The next question is, what should the updated Transportation Plan include? Please see the following survey questions to help us identify the different transportation possibilities for the Tribe.

Each of the eleven survey questions, one of which has multiple parts, are addressed below in two or three components, as relevant:

First component: the question as embedded in the survey is shown in blue typeface.

Second component: responses to the question are summarized, including where applicable consolidations of open-end question responses.

Third component: bar-chart summaries of the number of responses by answer options (the number-of-responses scale is at the top of each chart), for each question that included such options.

## 1. Do you live on the Reservation?

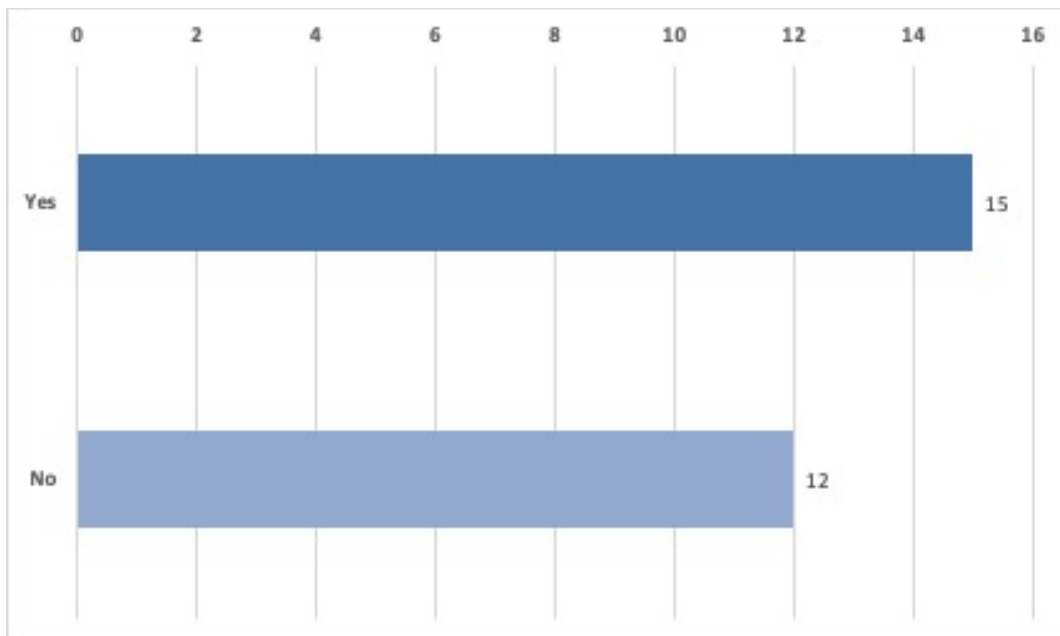
- a. Yes
- b. No

### Response summary:

The Cahuilla community members responded as 56% live on the Reservation and 44% not living on the Reservation.

The responses to this question are shown in detail on Figure 1 below.

Figure 1. Live on the Reservation



Answered: 27

Skipped: 0

| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES |    |
|----------------|-----------|----|
| Yes            | 55.56%    | 15 |
| No             | 44.44%    | 12 |
| TOTAL          |           | 27 |

## 2. I am a...

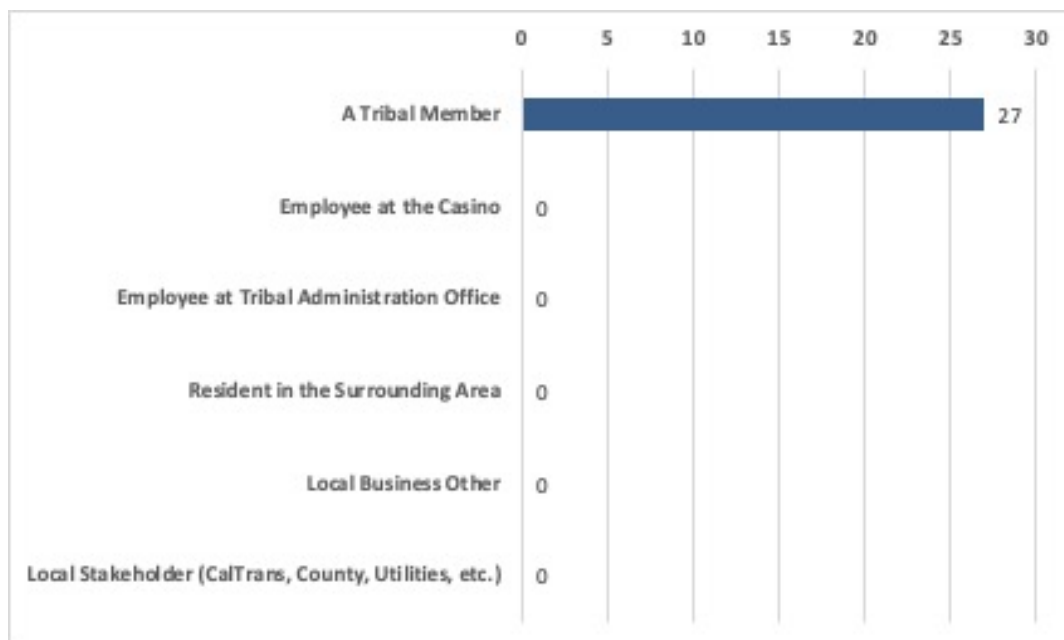
- a. A Tribal Member
- b. Employee at the Casino
- c. Employer at Tribal Administration Office
- d. Resident in the Surrounding Area
- e. Local Business Other
- f. Local Stakeholder (CalTrans, County, Utilities, etc.)
- g. Other (comment)

### Response summary:

The Cahuilla community members responded as 100% being a Tribal Member.

The responses to this question are shown in detail on Figure 2 below.

Figure 2. I am a...



Answered: 27

Skipped: 0

| ANSWER CHOICES  | RESPONSES |    |
|---|-----------|----|
| A Tribal Member                                       | 100.00%   | 27 |
| Employee at the Casino                                | 0.00%     | 0  |
| Employee at Tribal Administration Office              | 0.00%     | 0  |
| Resident in the Surrounding Area                      | 0.00%     | 0  |
| Local Business Other                                  | 0.00%     | 0  |
| Local Stakeholder (CalTrans, County, Utilities, etc.) | 0.00%     | 0  |
| TOTAL   |           | 27 |

### 3. How far do you travel to work?

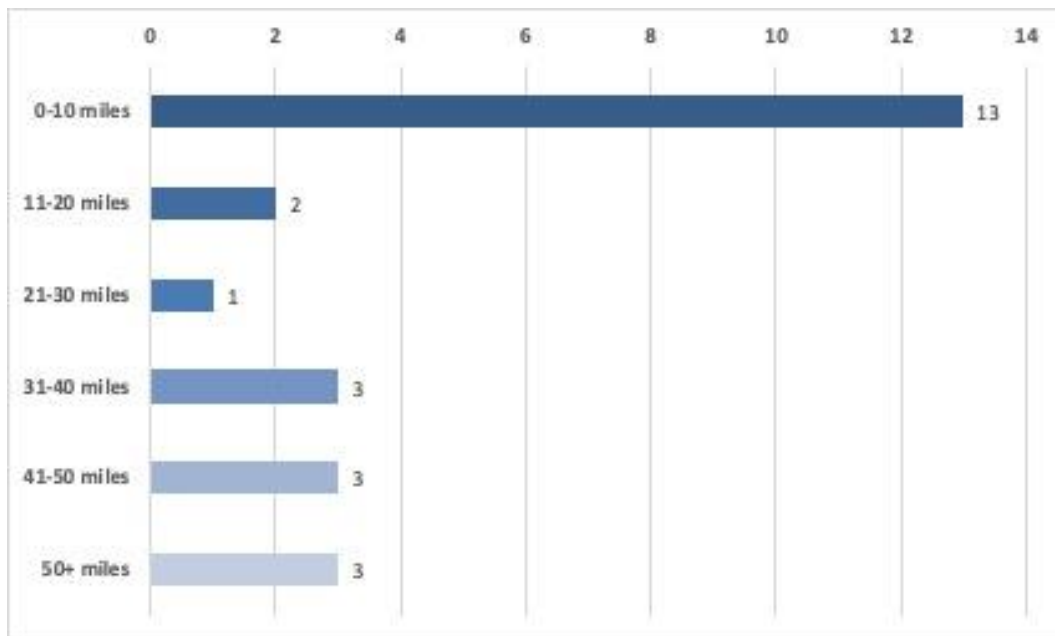
- a. 0-10 miles
- b. 11-20 miles
- c. 21-30 miles
- d. 31-40 miles
- e. 41-50 miles
- f. 50+ miles

#### Response summary:

The Cahuilla community members responded as 52% travel 0-10 miles to work and 12% travel more than 50+ miles to work.

The responses to this question are shown in detail on Figure 3 below.

Figure 3. Travel Distance to Work



Answered: 25

Skipped: 2

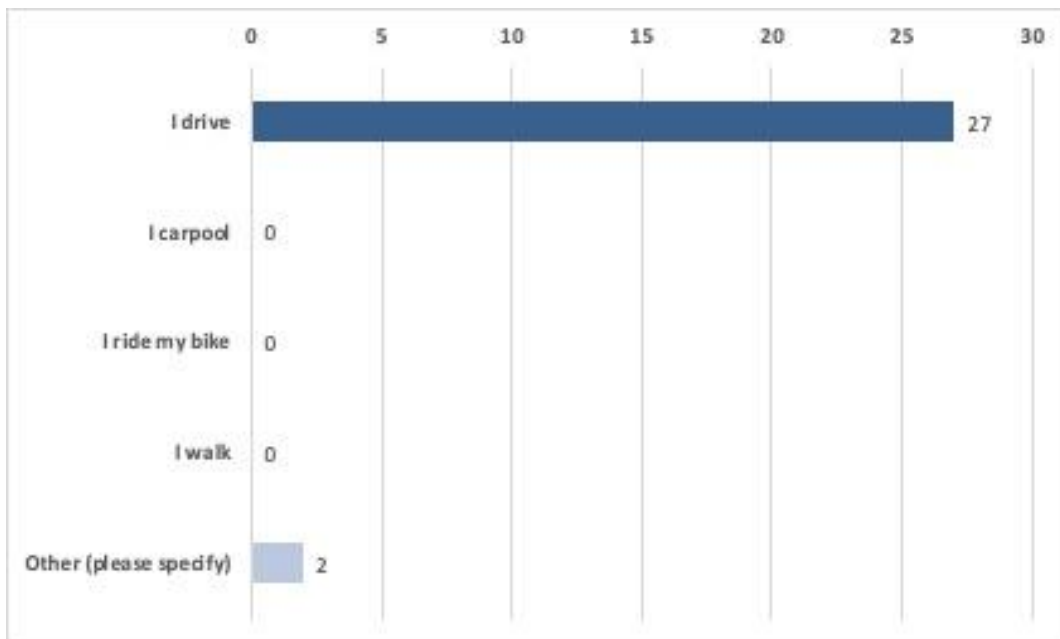
| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES |    |
|----------------|-----------|----|
| 0-10 miles     | 52.00%    | 13 |
| 11-20 miles    | 8.00%     | 2  |
| 21-30 miles    | 4.00%     | 1  |
| 31-40 miles    | 12.00%    | 3  |
| 41-50 miles    | 12.00%    | 3  |
| 50+ miles      | 12.00%    | 3  |
| TOTAL          |           | 25 |

4. How do you primarily travel within the reservation and off the reservation?
- I drive
  - I carpool
  - I ride my bike
  - I walk
  - Other (comment)

**Response summary:**

The Cahuilla community members responded as 100% primarily drive within the reservation and off the reservation. The responses to this question are shown in detail on Figure 4 below.

**Figure 4. Primarily Travel On and Off the Reservation**



Answered: 27

Skipped: 0

| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES |    |
|----------------|-----------|----|
| I drive        | 100.00%   | 27 |
| I carpool      | 0.00%     | 0  |
| I ride my bike | 0.00%     | 0  |
| I walk         | 0.00%     | 0  |
| TOTAL          |           | 27 |

**Other Responses:**

- And Carpool
- Sometimes walk perimeter fence lines

5. What are your community's transportation safety concerns? (i.e. dangerous spots, blind spots, etc.) [Open-ended question]

Answered: 25

Skipped: 2

**Response summary:**

The Cahuilla community members have identified the following as the community's transportation safety concerns. Their responses included:

1. Access to all Assignments
2. Traffic from outside our reservation. I live across the stree from the reservation.
3. Wider roads is a must more traffic signs and lights...definitely more lighting
4. Sage road and showy 371, lack of road safety and speed, lack of passing lanes and safe turn outs.
5. Pot holes on reserve road, blind corners, speed, road equipment
6. Paved roads need repairs
7. Can't get my phone number updated to get access to the other homes on the reservation can't access my sisters home or cemetary because no key pad
8. Turning into reservation roads off highway, flooding on dirt roads leading into reservation, blind turns on reservation
9. Poor road conditions, blind spots, lack of bike lanes
10. Blind spots
11. Up keep on the new paved roads. The gates working properly.
12. Turning into Homestead going Westbound.
13. Pot holes
14. Main entry at tribal road
15. Blind spots, speeding, no speed bumps, drunk drivers, irresponsible drivers, slow drivers, no turnouts, no enforcement.
16. The entrance to the casino
17. Sidewalks, no lights
18. No walking paths. No guard rails. Pot holes.
19. Signage, enforcement of law, proper road width and maintenance, visibility.
20. Places on the Highway other roads that traffic frequently enters or exits the reservation, ie.- casino, coffee shop, tribal member driveways and other property access points, & the new clinic.
21. People driving fast and trespassers.
22. People driving too fast and the pot holes.
23. Pot holes, weather issues, traffic safety and security.
24. Road improvements in areas that need it like pot holes loose gravel on roads
25. N/A

**6. What transportation system improvements would you like to see on the reservation? (i.e. bus shelters, sidewalks, etc.) [Open-ended question]**

Answered: 23

Skipped: 4

**Response summary:**

The Cahuilla community members have identified the following as transportation system improvements they would like to see on the reservation. Their responses included:

1. Access to all assignments
2. Bus most definitely taxi uber affordable transporation for our people
3. Sidewalk may be dangerous since there's no lighting at all people will still get hit.
4. Walking and biking trails. Funding for equipment to maintain roads, snow, ice, pot holes, etc.
5. Paved driveways
6. Sidewalks Uber Lyft or a bus
7. Transportation systems on the reservation to the local school and a transporation system for youth who attend school in Temecula
8. Bike lanes and sidewalks
9. Sidewalks, bike lanes, public transportation
10. Sidewalk, bike lanes
11. Bus stop for age your for school.
12. Bicycle trails and hiking trails.
13. Sidewalks
14. Speed bumps, enforce speed, better culverts and better asphalt (falling apart already in numerous places.)
15. Walking easement or sidewalk on some roads
16. Walking paths for pedestrians and horse back riding
17. Bus, sidewalk, safe space, bathrooms, accessibility
18. Bus stops or stops for taxis, ridesharing, and deliveries. A sidewalk from tribal hall up to casino gas station. Turning lanes either in the middle of the Highway or along the shoulder of the Hwy before, in front of, and after casino, cemetary, clinic, coffee shop, Mx tracks, tribal member driveways, & frequently used tribal member property access gates that are along the Hwy or other heavily traveled roads.
19. Walking/bike paths. Fix potholes in pavement. Pave more reservation roads.
20. Better drainage for unpaved individual driveways.
21. A bike lane
22. Bus shelters would be great
23. All of the above

**7. What specific locations on the reservation are a concern for you? [Open-ended question]**

Answered: 19

Skipped: 8

**Response summary:**

The Cahuilla community members have identified the following as specific locations on the reservation are a concern. Their responses included:

1. Casino entrance, blind spots, most of the unpaved areas, also a majority of the paved areas.
2. From Temecula to the tribal casino
3. Bautista and Hwy 371, turn into tribal administration off of Hwy 371, safe access to Hwy annex property.
4. CTT
5. All
6. Sharp turn near Patricia Liera's house, sharp/blind turn after Giner Liera's house
7. The non paved parts that become eroded by the weather.
8. Hwy 371 at Casino entrance is dangerous
9. Potholes everywhere
10. All roads, up keep
11. 371 and Homestead
12. All roads
13. All roads south of highway 371
14. In front of the casino and mine and my mothers driveway. Also, the back gate not working properly is a safety concern especially for older individuals and women that are alone because you have to exit your vehicle vans leave it unattended in order to use the gate.
15. None
16. The entrance to the hotel casino
17. Curve between Robert Liera and Patsy Liera's house. Also, gate by tribal hall needs additional security measures.
18. Entrance to the tribal hall
19. N/A

**8. Are there any cultural sites along any of the existing roadways that maybe a concern for any future develelopment/improvements? [Open-ended question]**

Answered: 15      Skipped: 12

**Response summary:**

The Cahuilla community members have identified the following for any cultural sites along any of the existing roadways that maybe a concern for any future development/improvements. Their responses included:

1. Not really everyone has basic knowledge of these areas
2. All roads need to be wider and ther should more way more lighting along the streets
3. Not aware of
4. Unknown
5. Everywhere
6. Yes, need to document sites confidentially
7. The whole reservation. Any working being done needs to be monitored.
8. Cemetary, hot springs, pastures.
9. Yes, between Nella Heredia's house and Vessa Maldonado's house there is a burial site.
10. Worried about the runoff from the highway going directly into the hot springs and causing unnecessary debri buildup and contamination.
11. Hot springs and cemetary being close to main highway and road. Concerns with tresspassers at these sites.
12. Unknown to date
13. Edible and medicinal plants along the road shoulder between Patsy Liera's home and the intersection at Cienega Truck Trail.
14. None that I'm aware of
15. N/A

**9. What other ideas, concerns and/or questions do you have regarding the transportation plan for your Tribe? [Open-ended question]**

Answered: 16

Skipped: 11

**Response summary:**

The Cahuilla community members have identified the following as other ideas, concerns and/or questions they have regarding the transportation plan for the Tribe. Their responses included:

1. Provide access to all assignments
2. We need reliable transportation or methods of providing access to them
3. The lighting on the roads are my concern and we need more Signs stating that there is a casino in Anza throughout Temecula and Riverside County. San Manuel has signs everywhere! We need more!
4. More funding needed.
5. More parking at administration offices and paved with lighting
6. Give us enough money to get a decent car
7. Establish safe road crossings for pedestrians and safer walking paths where ferasible.
8. None
9. Be nice to have a sidewalk or walkway from Tribal Hall to Casino.
10. When will this be implemented and what actual plan will be out in place?
11. Need school and event transportation
12. Possibly having a shuttle to and from Temecula or hemet and the casino.
13. More ongoing information
14. Better organization of reservation entrance from hwy 371
15. Transportation for school and sports activities
16. None

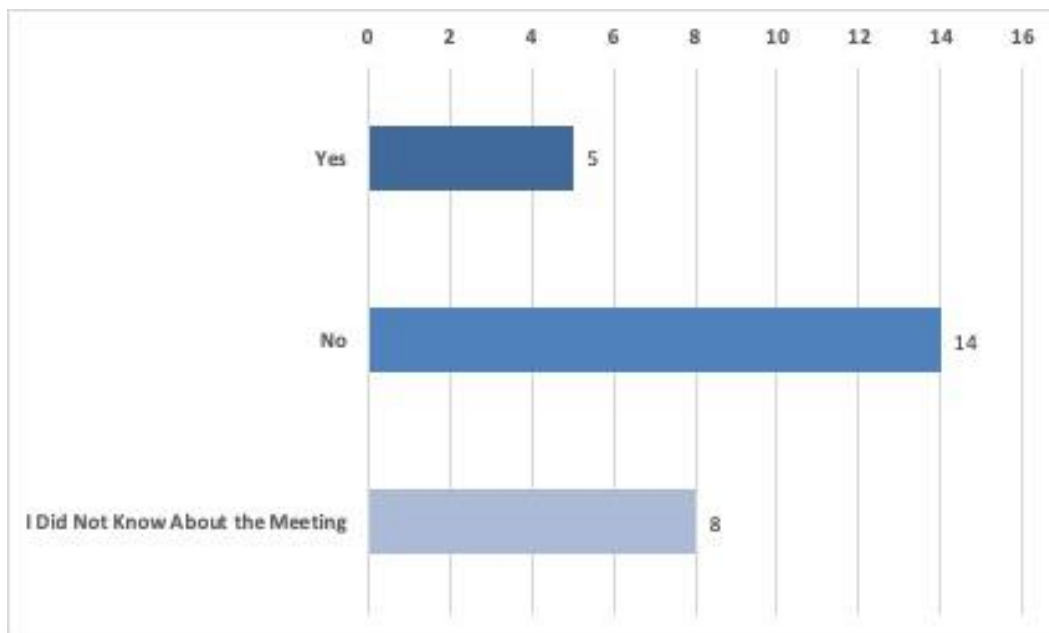
10. Did you attend the virtual Cahuilla LRTP Community Workshop #1 on November 13, 2021?

- a. Yes
- b. No
- c. I Did Not Know about the Meeting

**Response summary:**

The Cahuilla community members responded as 52% no did not attend the meeting, 19% yes attended the meeting and 30% did not know about the meeting. The responses to this question are shown in detail on Figure 10 below.

**Figure 10. Community Workshop #1 Meeting Attendance**



Answered: 27 Skipped: 0

| ANSWER CHOICES                   | RESPONSES |    |
|----------------------------------|-----------|----|
| Yes                              | 18.52%    | 5  |
| No                               | 51.85%    | 14 |
| I Did Not Know About the Meeting | 29.63%    | 8  |
| TOTAL                            |           | 27 |

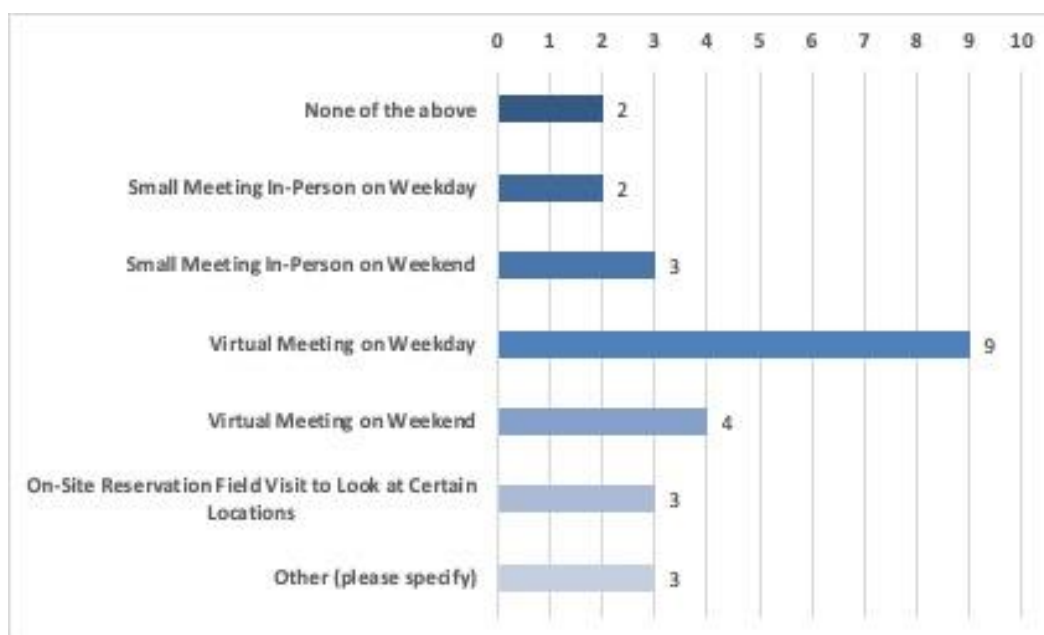
11. We are planning on visiting your community in the near future, what type of meeting setting would you prefer?

- a. None of the above
- b. Small Meeting In-Person on Weekday
- c. Small Meeting In-Person on Weekend
- d. Virtual Meeting on Weekday
- e. Virtual Meeting on Weekend
- f. On-Site Reservation Field Visit to Look at Certain Location

**Response summary:**

The Cahuilla community members responded as 39% prefer a Virtual Meeting on Weekday, 17% prefer a Virtual Meeting on a Weekend, 13% prefer a Small Meeting In-Person on Weekend and 13% prefer an On-Site Reservation Field Visit to Look at Certain Locations. The responses to this question are shown in detail on Figure 11 below.

**Figure 11. Type of Meeting Preference**



Answered: 23 Skipped: 4

| ANSWER CHOICES   | RESPONSES |    |
|--|-----------|----|
| None of the above  | 8.70%     | 2  |
| Small Meeting In-Person on Weekday                           | 8.70%     | 2  |
| Small Meeting In-Person on Weekend                           | 13.04%    | 3  |
| Virtual Meeting on Weekday                                   | 39.13%    | 9  |
| Virtual Meeting on Weekend                                   | 17.39%    | 4  |
| On-Site Reservation Field Visit to Look at Certain Locations | 13.04%    | 3  |
| TOTAL  |           | 23 |