



Off-Leash Area (OLA) Site Studies

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INTRODUCTION

As a result of neighborhood meetings conducted in May 2014 at Kimber Park, Walnut Grove Park, and Estella Park, and to address the concerns (generally regarding potential increased traffic, noise, and attendance) of the local residents of future potential Off-Leash Areas, the Conejo Recreation and Park District (District) performed site studies at all three parks.

These studies were conducted over a 13-hour period, from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., on the Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday of one week per park – a baseline study in the Summer of 2014 and a comparative study during the Summer of 2015. The baseline study was conducted prior to the implementation of the installation (which occurred in March 2015) of Temporary Off-Leash Areas at each park; the comparative study was conducted after the installation of the Temporary Off-Leash Areas.

For traffic, as recommended by the City of Thousand Oaks traffic division, the standard interval of 15 minutes of recording was employed.

Noise (Sound) levels were recorded by measuring sound in decibels three times per day at low, ambient, and high levels. For each recording, the District representative circled the park and read and recorded the meter at various locations. For further explanation and information on the sound recording methods, please see the *“Definitions and References”* on the next page.

Park attendance was also recorded. Two categories were made: one for patrons with dogs, the other for patrons without dogs. It should be noted that the patrons, not the dogs, were counted. Two patrons with one dog between them were each counted as a patron with a dog. Furthermore, one patron with multiple dogs was still only counted as one patron with a dog. This, however, was a rare occasion and such instances were in the minority.

In the Data Appendix, raw data from the 2014 site studies is displayed alongside the data collected from the 2015 site studies. For easier comparison, the data is graphically presented in exhibits throughout this report.

The efforts of patrons cleaning up their dog’s waste was observed and recorded at each park.

DEFINITIONS AND REFERENCES

1. **dB A** – Decibels recorded in a filter in which low and very high frequencies are given less weight than on the standard decibel scale. It was used in this study for its similarity to human sound recognition.
2. **High dB A** – The highest noise level the meter recorded.
3. **Low dB A** – The lowest noise level the meter recorded.
4. **Ambient dB A** – This recording includes all sounds present in the environment. It is often viewed as the “background noise level.”
5. **Average Sound Recording** – Average of low, ambient, and high recordings of morning, noon, and evening
6. **Morning** – Recordings taken in the morning were taken between 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.
7. **Noon** – Recordings taken at noon were taken between 11:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.
8. **Evening** – Recordings taken in the evening were taken between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.
9. **Check Mate SPL Meter** – This meter was used to record the sound levels. Its serial number is 060707268.
10. **Park-Car Traffic** – Cars parked at the park were counted. For Kimber Park, all cars were counted if they were on Wendy Drive along the park, on Bear Creek Road along or across the street from the park, or in the parking lot. For Walnut Grove Park, for both Windtree Avenue and Newbury Road, all cars along or across the street from the park were counted. For Estella, only cars in the lot were counted.
11. **Temporary Off-Leash Areas** – Small ($\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ acre) areas were temporarily fenced-off with chain link at each park. Unlike the existing main dog park at Conejo Creek West, due to its small area, there is no division between small and large dogs. The Temporary Off-Leash Areas were provided with double gates, mutt mitt dispensers, receptacles, and other basic necessities.

SOUND LEVEL REFERENCE TABLE

dBA	Example	Home & Yard Appliances	Workshop & Construction
0	healthy hearing threshold		
10	a pin dropping		
20	rustling leaves		
30	whisper		
40	babbling brook	computer	
50	light traffic	refrigerator	
60	conversational speech	air conditioner	
70	shower	dishwasher	
75	toilet flushing	vacuum cleaner	
80	alarm clock	garbage disposal	
85	passing diesel truck	snow blower	
90	squeeze toy	lawn mower	arc welder
95	inside subway car	food processor	belt sander
100	motorcycle (riding)		handheld drill
105	sporting event		table saw
110	rock band		jackhammer
115	emergency vehicle siren		riveter
120	thunderclap		oxygen torch
125	balloon popping		
130	peak stadium crowd noise		
135	air raid siren		
140	jet engine at takeoff		
145	firecracker		
150	fighter jet launch		
155	cap gun		
160	shotgun		
165	.357 magnum revolver		
170	safety airbag		
175	howitzer cannon		
180	rocket launch		
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194	sound waves become shock waves		

Most noise levels are given in [dBA](#), which are decibels adjusted to reflect the ear's response to different frequencies of sound. Sudden, brief impulse sounds, like many of those shown at 120 dB or greater, are often given in dB (no adjustment).

KIMBER PARK

Baseline Study - July 15, 17, and 19, 2014

Comparative Study - July 7, 9, and 11, 2015

A. DESCRIPTION

Kimber Park is located at 3295 Bear Creek Drive, Newbury Park, California 91320. It is bordered by Wendy Drive and Bear Creek Road. With a total of 8.3 acres, Kimber Park has 6 barbecue grills, a drinking fountain, a 0.4 mile fitness trail, 6 picnic tables, a playground, a volleyball court, and 12 parking stalls. Kimber Park's large surface area allows for many visitors and a variety of activities. For example, soccer, ultimate frisbee, basketball, and bean bag toss all took place during the site study period. Multiple pick-up sporting events were played on Saturday.

B. TEMPORARY OFF-LEASH AREA DESCRIPTION

The approximate ½ acre off-leash area at Kimber Park is isolated into a far corner of the park. A sidewalk from the parking area separates the main park acreage from the off-leash area. (See map on page 51).

C. CAR TRAFFIC

Every fifteen minutes, the representative counted the parked cars on Bear Creek and the parking lot. It should be noted that some cars were present all day on Bear Creek and did not move. These cars were assumed residents of the area and were not counted towards the total amount of cars.

The 2015 study, as compared to the 2014 study, shows similar patterns and numbers for Kimber Park Car Traffic. On Tuesday and Thursday, around 5:00 p.m., the amount of cars spiked, and Saturdays had many cars present at midday.

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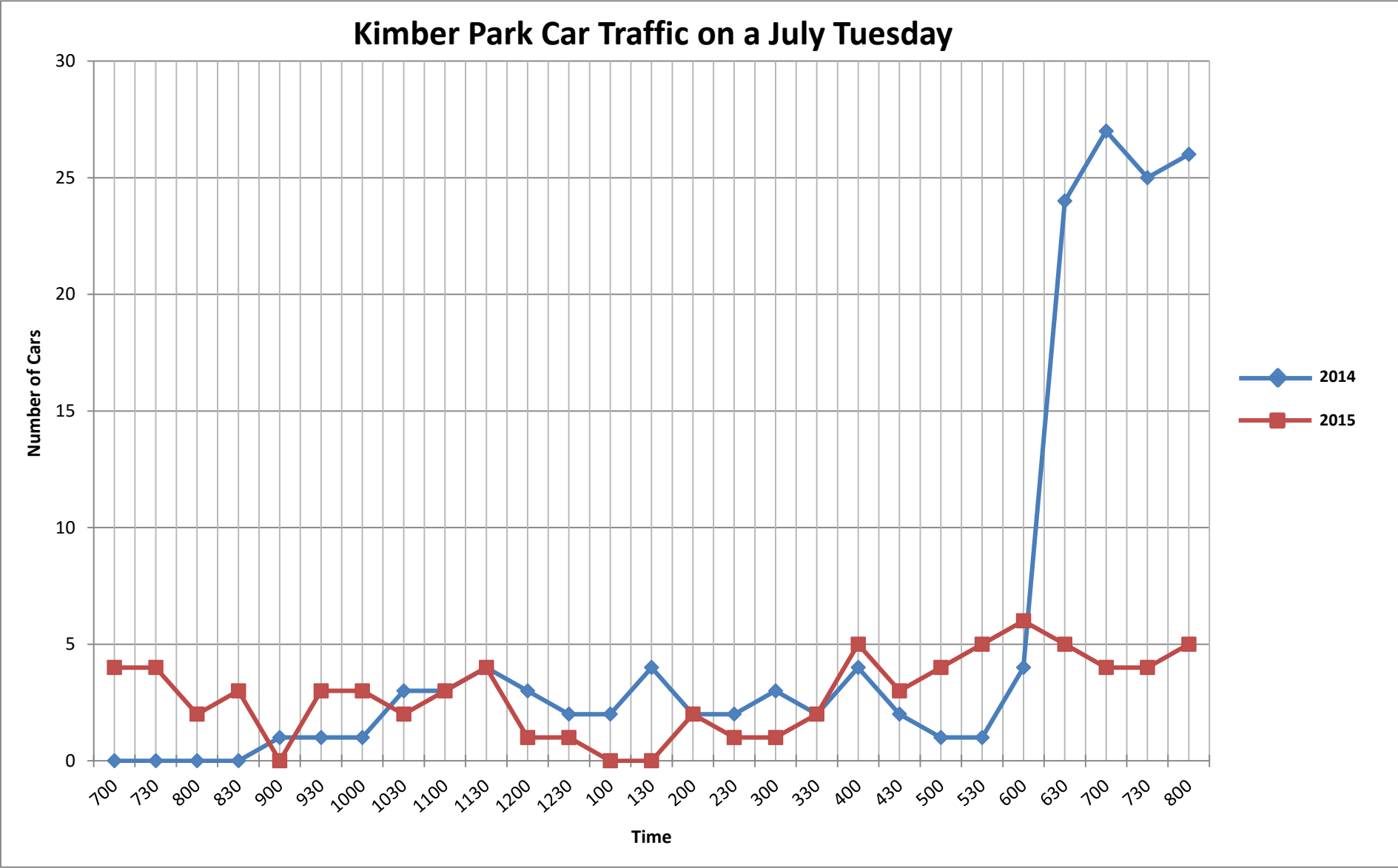


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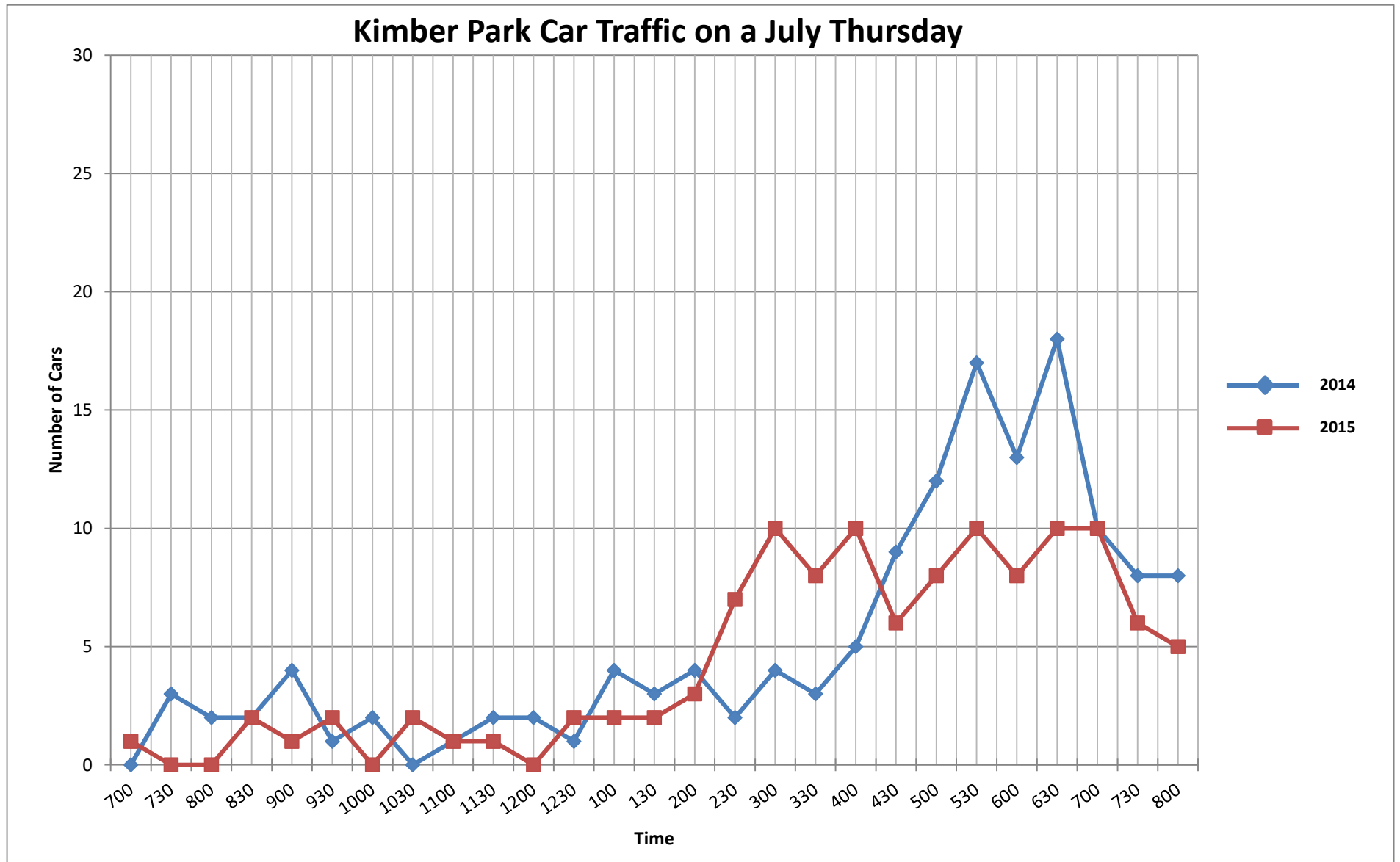
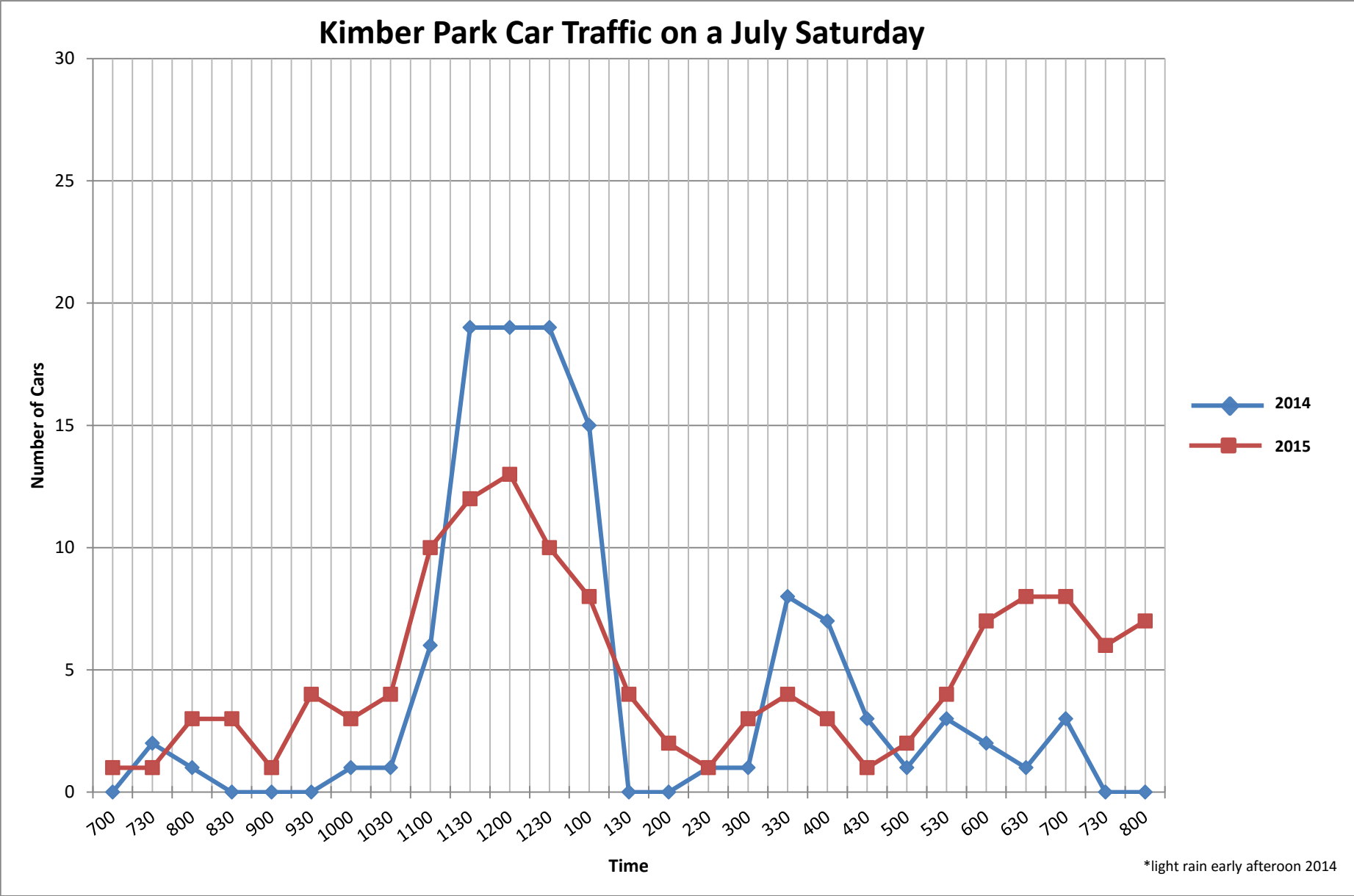


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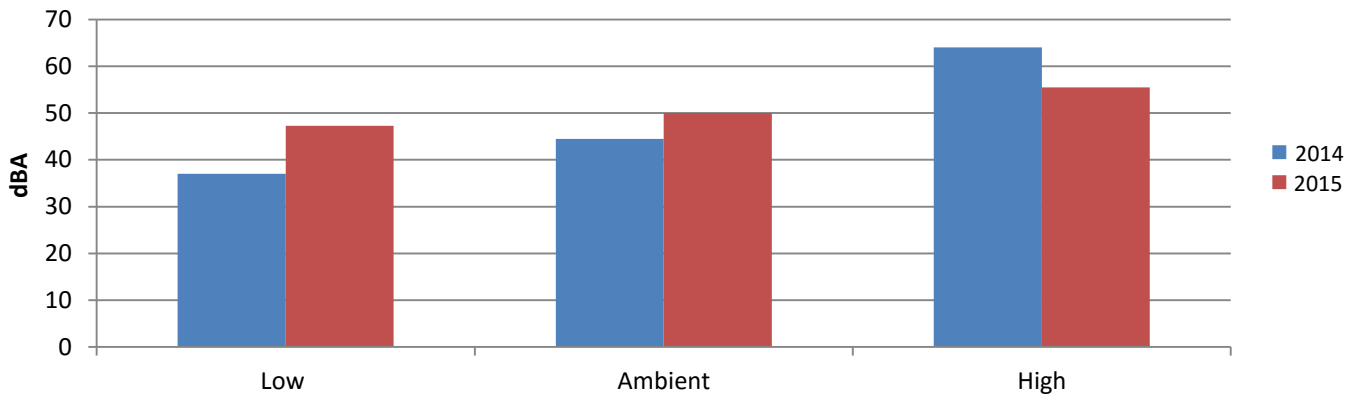
D. SOUND

The sound recordings were conducted three times per day: morning, noon, and evening. They were not exact times because that gave the District representative the flexibility to successfully count all cars and park visitors before measuring the sound levels. Each time the District representative measured the sound levels, he walked around the park, and three recordings were made. The recordings were taken at different locations throughout the park to ensure diverse and accurate data readings.

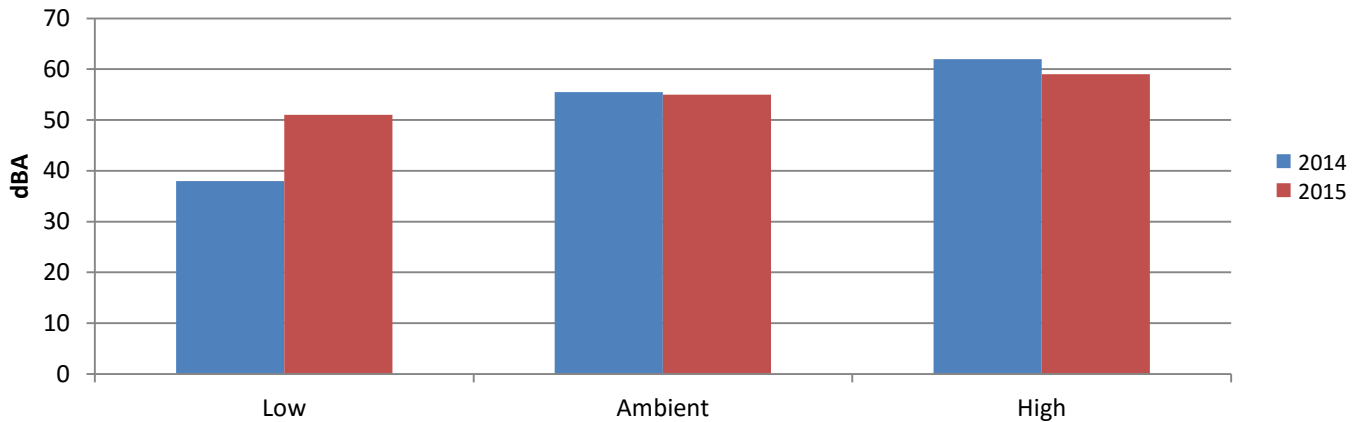
The 2015 study, as compared to the 2014 study, shows similar patterns and numbers for Kimber Park sound levels. It should be noted that most of the highs came from loud, passing cars, and none came from barking dogs.

Exhibit 4

Kimber Park Sound Recordings on a July Tuesday Morning



Kimber Park Sound Recordings on a July Tuesday Noon



Kimber Park Sound Recordings on a July Tuesday Evening

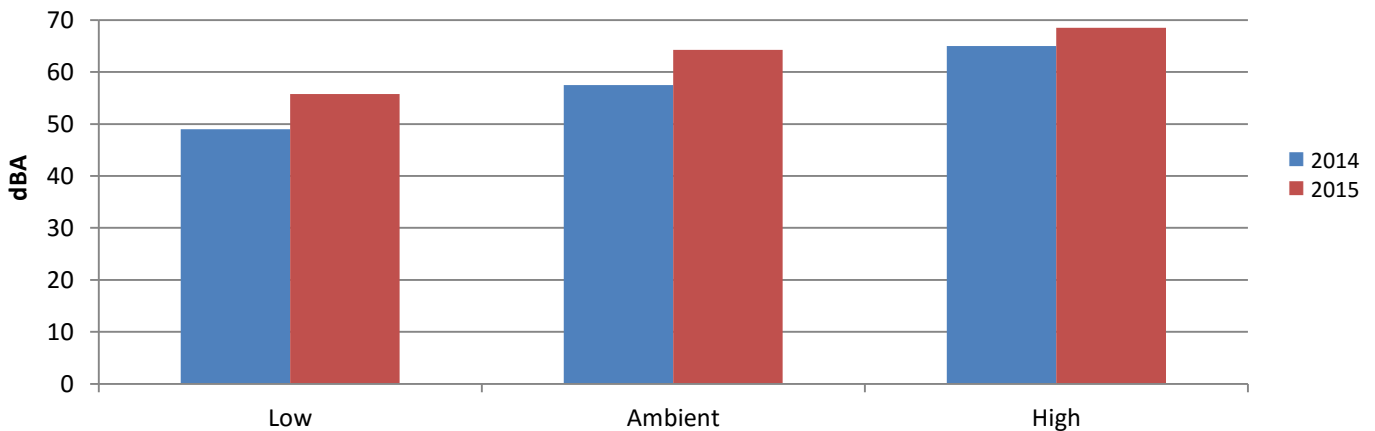


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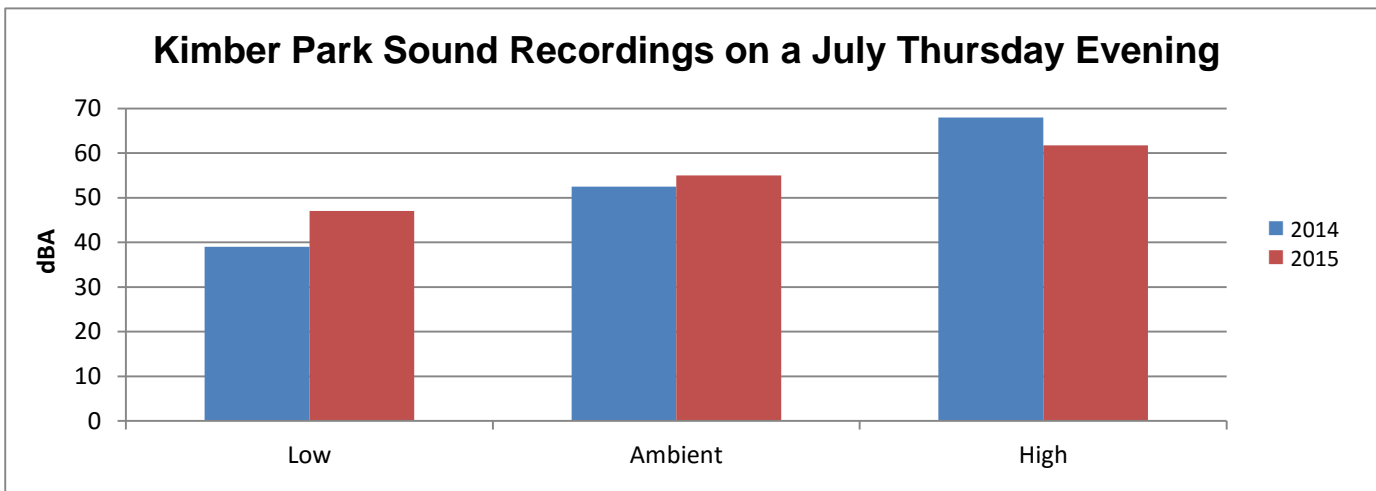
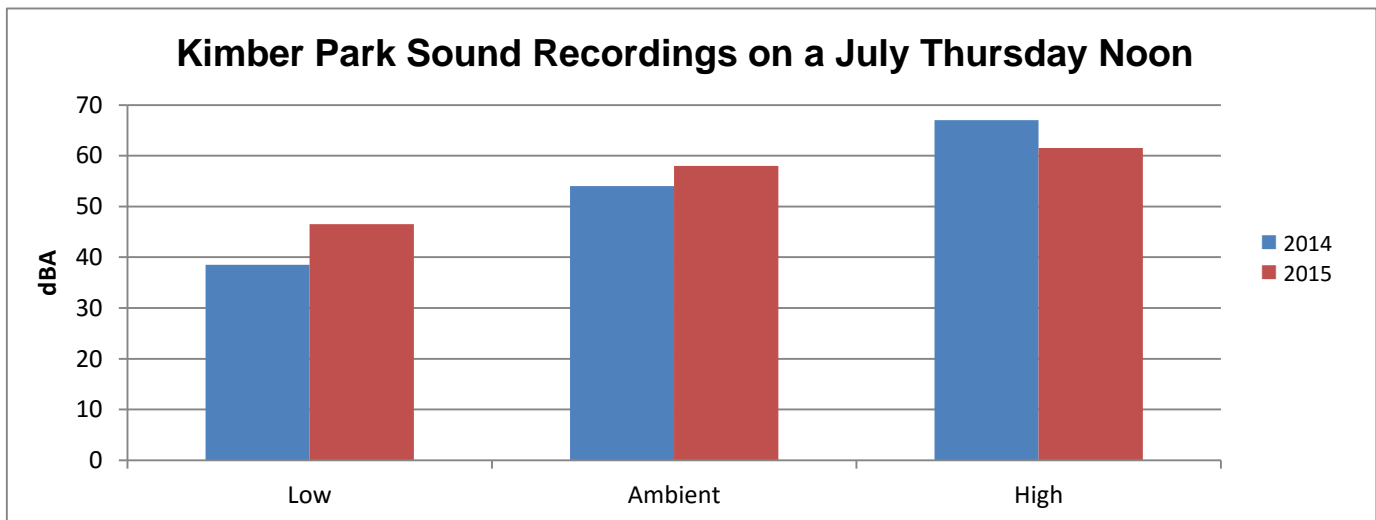
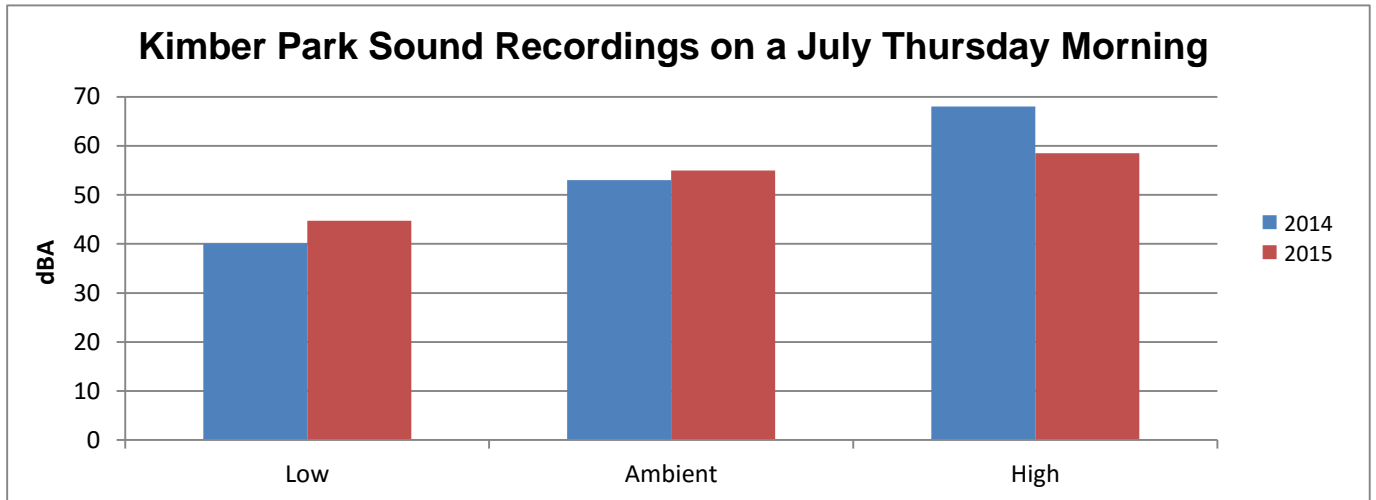


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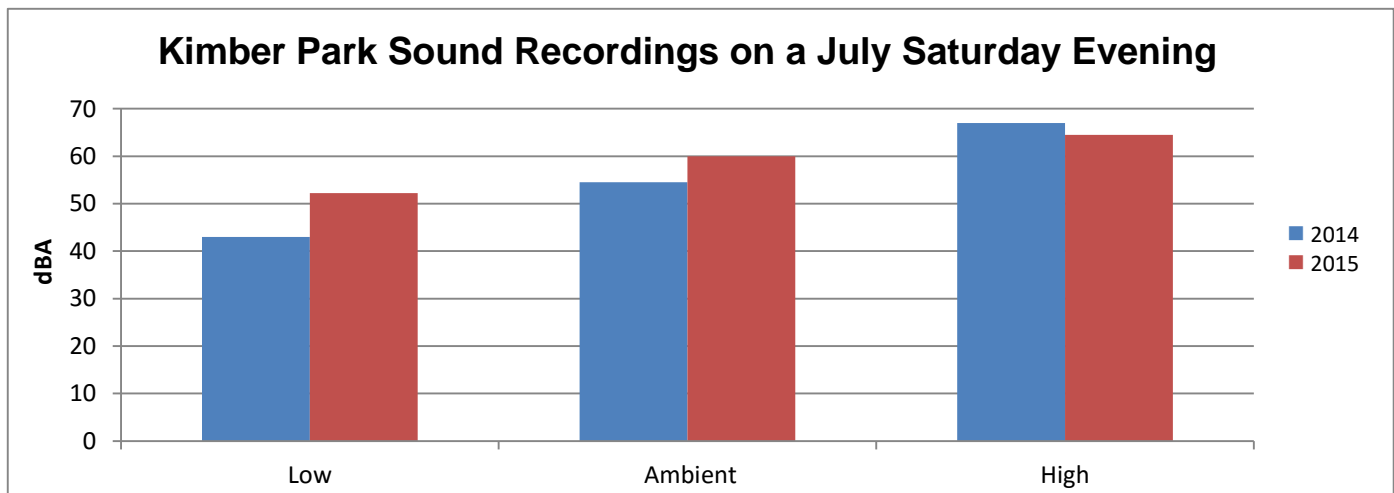
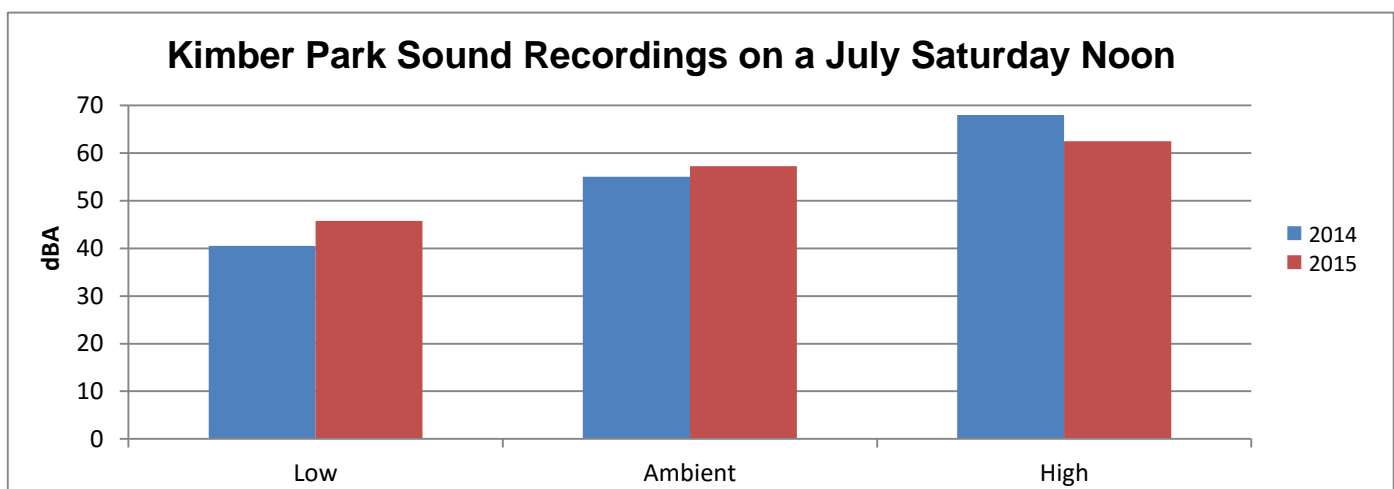
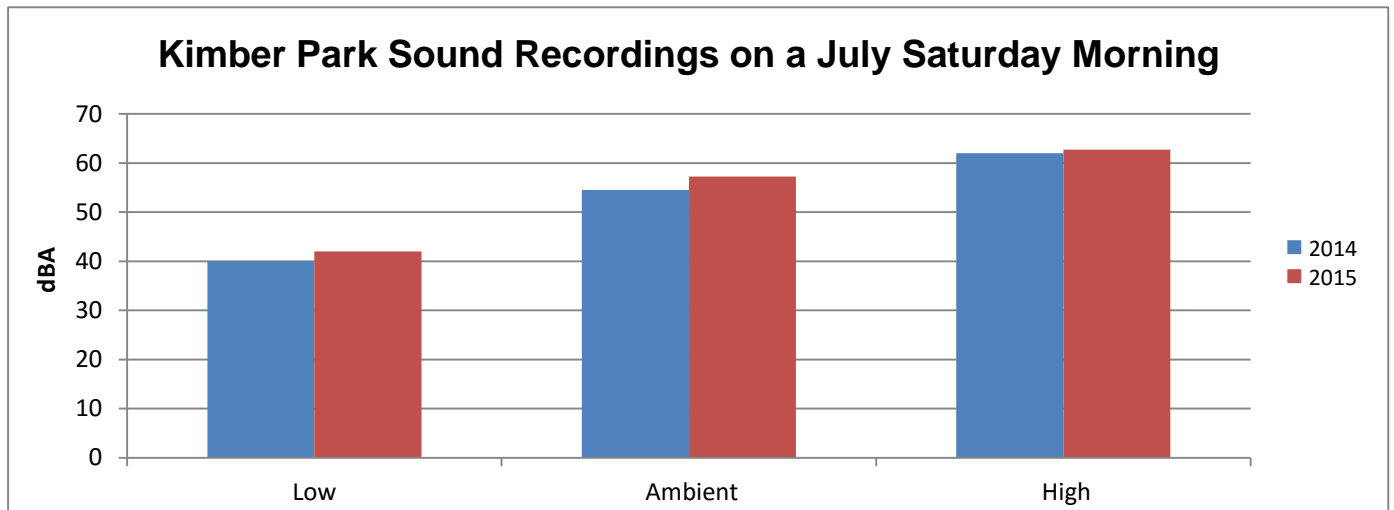
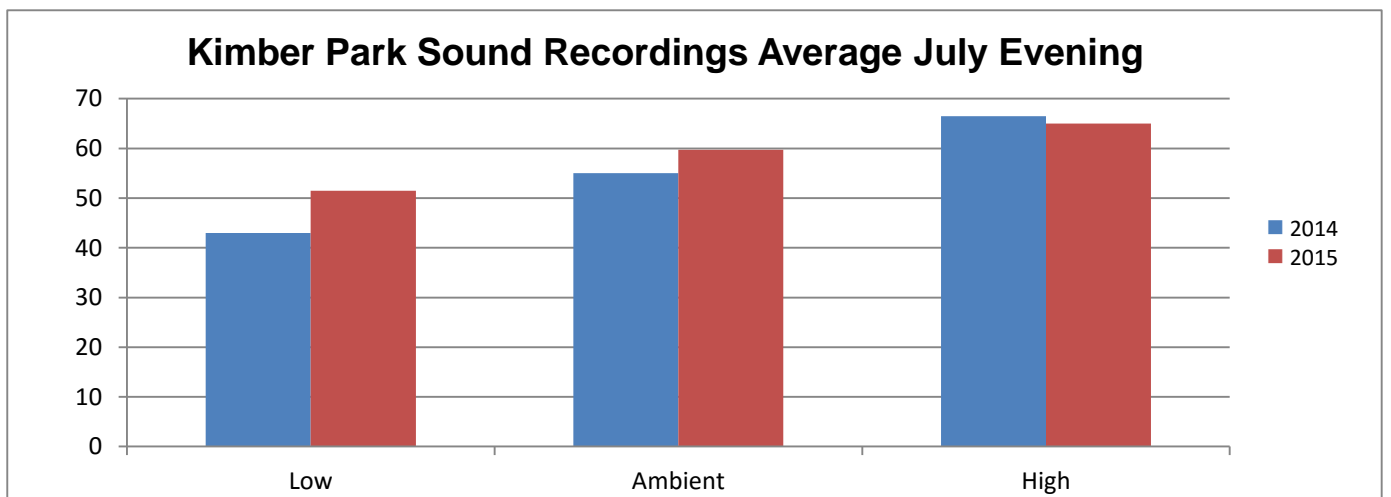
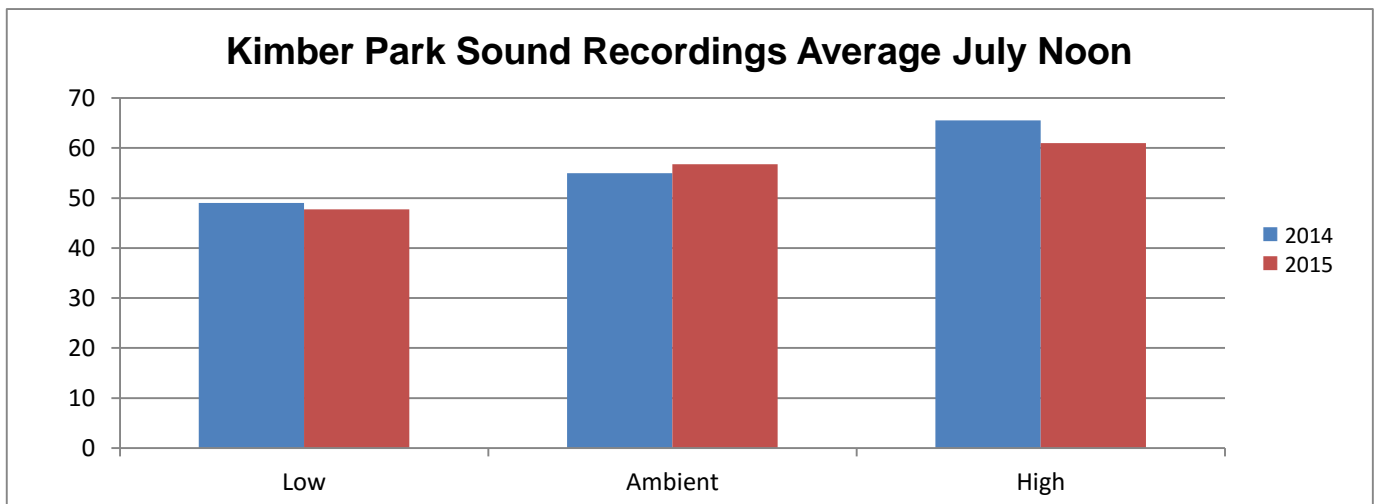
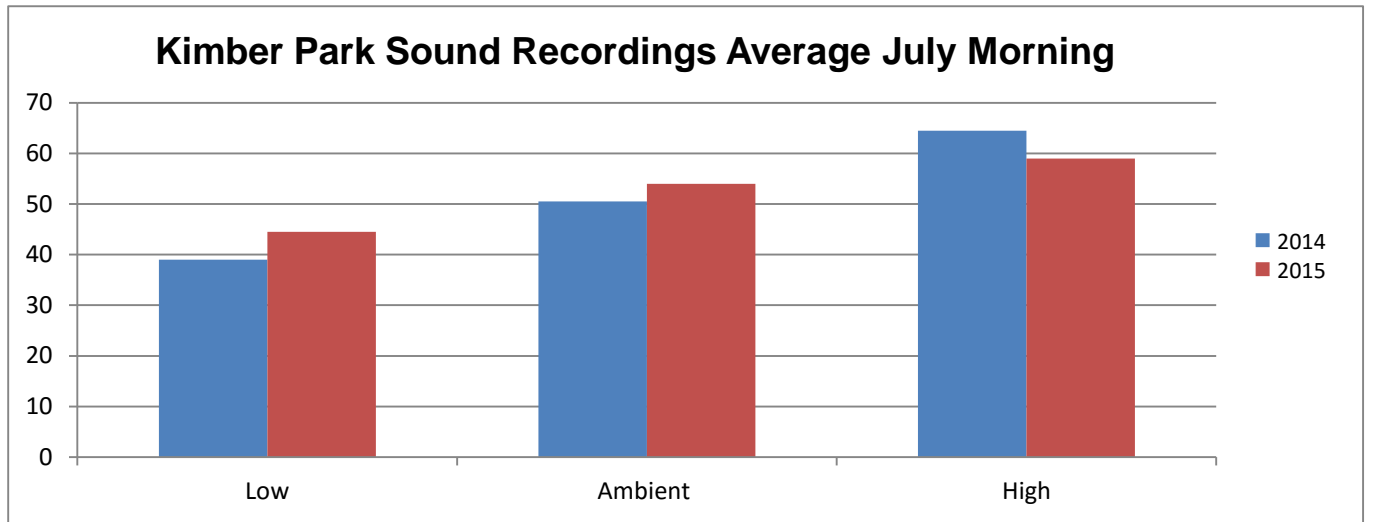


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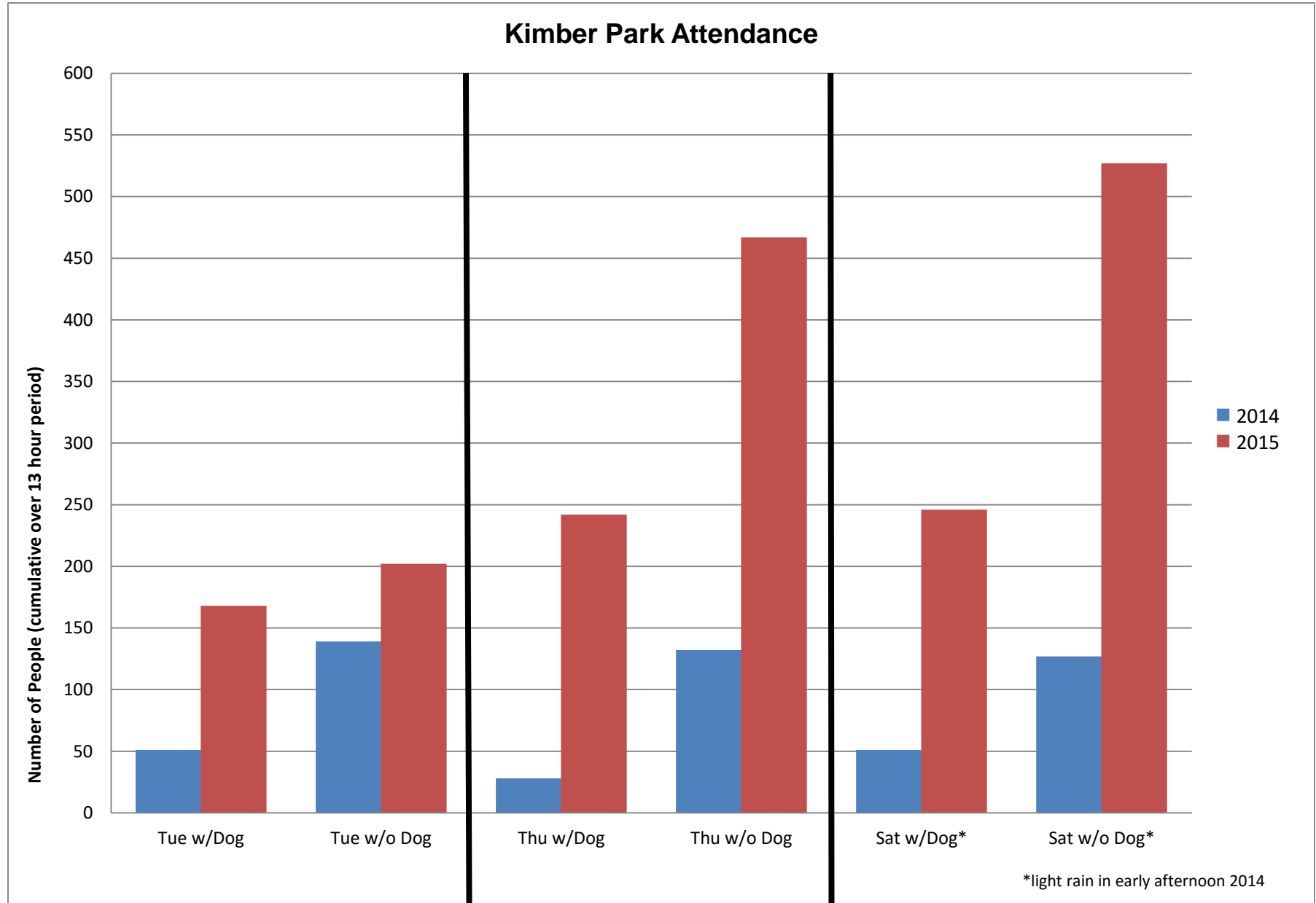
E. ATTENDANCE

Attendance recordings were taken every fifteen minutes from the Kimber Park shade structure, allowing for the recording of every patron that entered the park. Additionally, it was noted whether or not they were patrons with dogs.

The 2015 study, as compared to the 2014 study, shows a significant increase in patrons with dogs on all three days, which can be attributed to the existence of the Temporary Off-Leash Area. In the 2015 study, there was a significant increase in patrons without dogs on Thursday and Saturday and most were children and young adults playing pick-up game activities. Despite these increased numbers, the park never at one time exceeded the carrying capacity (137) of the park. The people were dispersed throughout the day.

For both years, children were a large portion of patrons without dogs; however, patrons with dogs consisted mostly of adults.

Exhibit 8



F. CLEANLINESS

During both the 2015 and 2014 site surveys, the CRPD representative observed dog waste management by the patrons. In both years, approximately 90% of the patrons picked up after his or her dog.

WALNUT GROVE PARK

Baseline Study - July 22, 24, and 26, 2014

Comparative Study - July 14, 16, and 18, 2015

A. PARK DESCRIPTION

Walnut Grove Park is located between the 101 Freeway and Newbury Road. It is located at 400 Windtree Avenue Thousand Oaks, California, 91360. With a total of 6.5 acres, Walnut Grove Park has a backstop, 3 barbecue grills, a drinking fountain, a 0.7 mile fitness trail, a handball court, an outdoor basketball court, 4 picnic tables, a playground, and approximately 30 parking spaces along the frontage on Windtree Avenue.

B. TEMPORARY OFF-LEASH AREA DESCRIPTION

The approximate $\frac{3}{4}$ acre size of the off-leash area really benefited larger dogs who visited, as they had more room to run and play. The off-leash area is located on the northwest corner of the park, up against the freeway (see map on page 52). The location of the off-leash area along the freeway keeps the rest of the park appearing spacious and open to the public for use.

C. CAR TRAFFIC

With only one street to monitor, the District representative stayed at the bench or table in the center of the park. It should be noted that several cars were parked upon his arrival, and for the most part, remained there all day and thus not counted. Only cars with patrons that stepped foot on the actual park were counted.

The 2015 study, as compared to the 2014 study, is nearly identical, with the exception of Saturday 2015, as numbers significantly decreased due to heavy rains. On Tuesday and Thursday of both years, car traffic spiked significantly due to pick-up soccer games. The park sits along 700' of Windtree Avenue, so parking never appeared too cluttered or overcrowded. There was plenty of space for everyone to park comfortably, even during the late weekday spikes of traffic.

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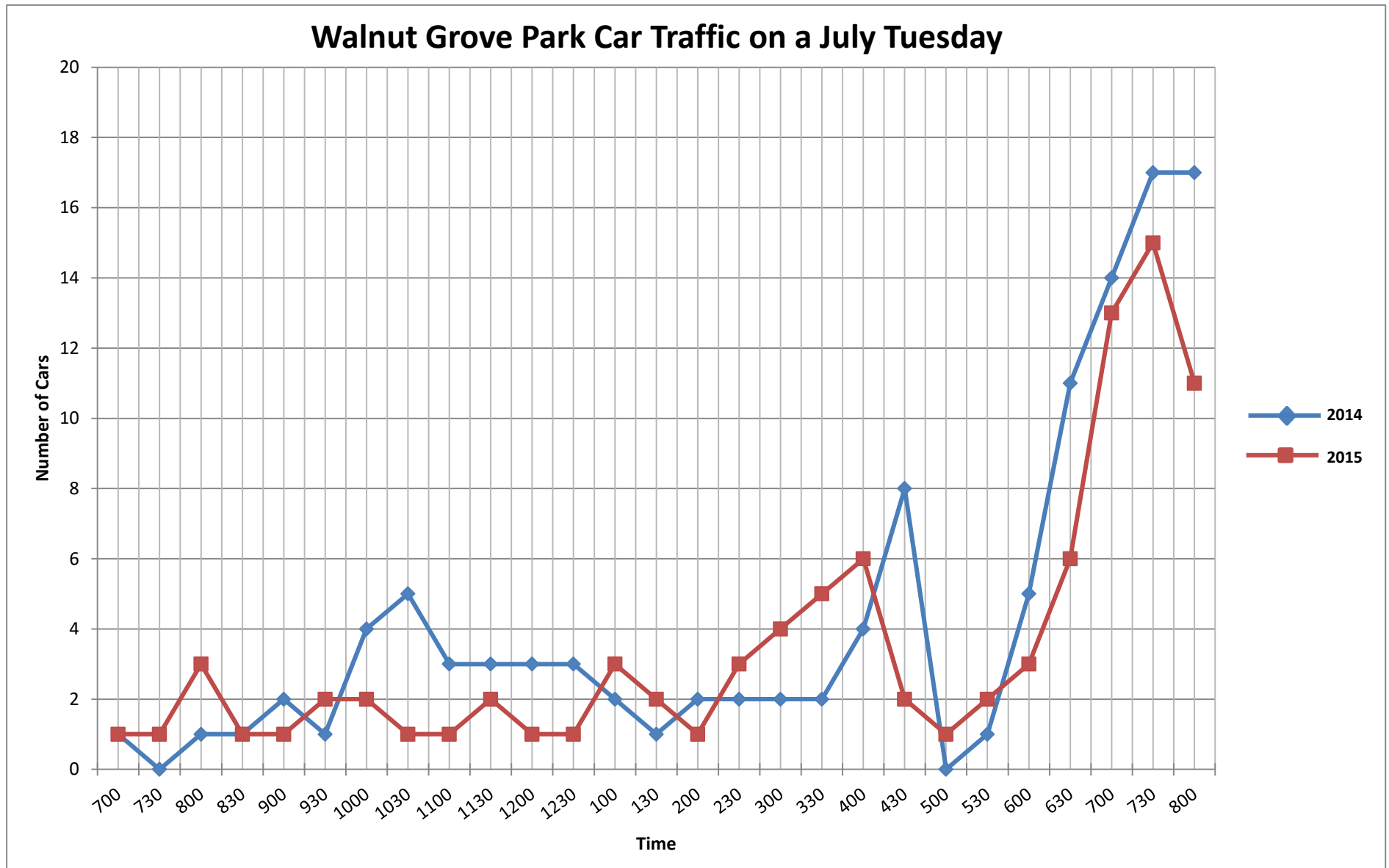


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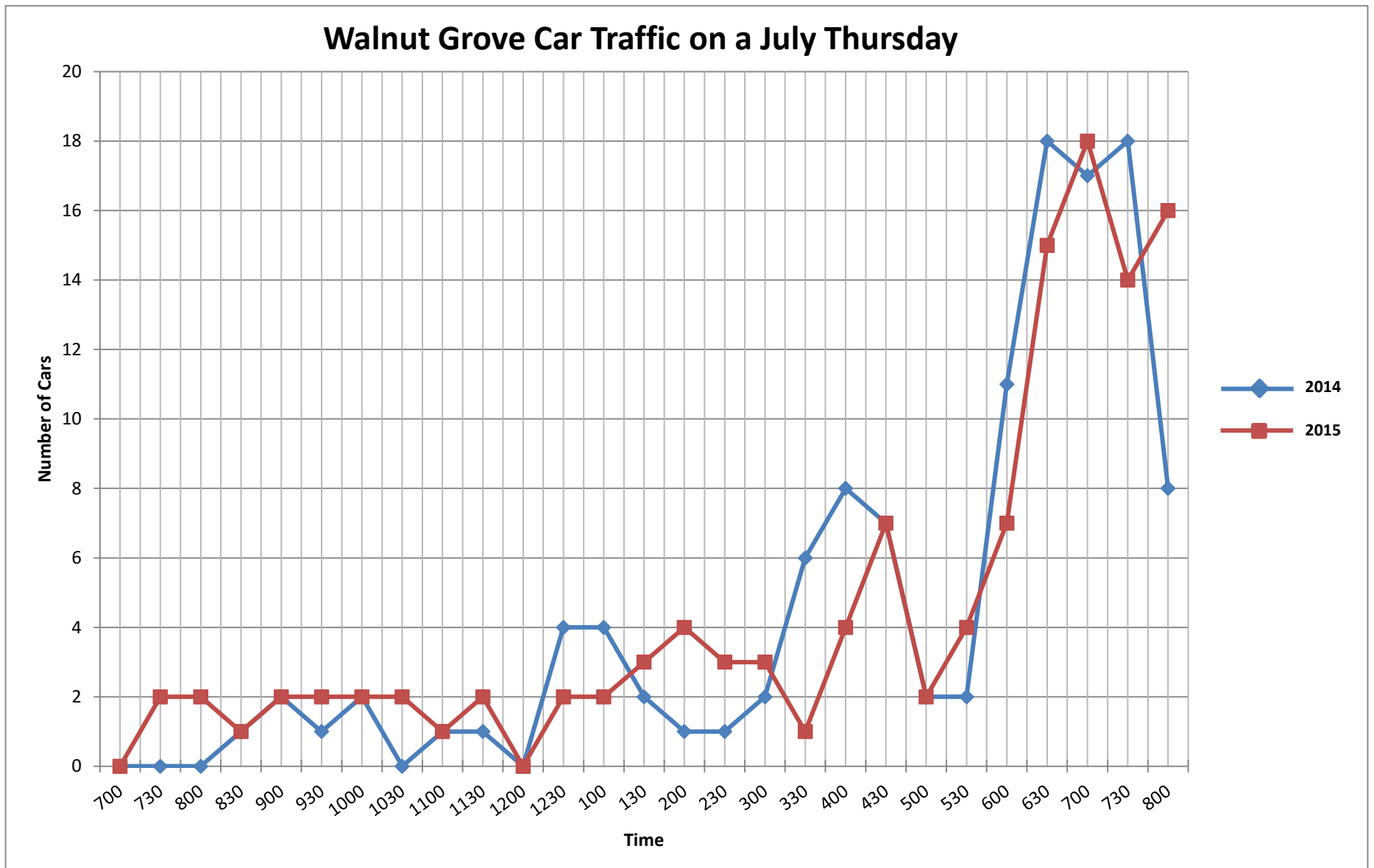
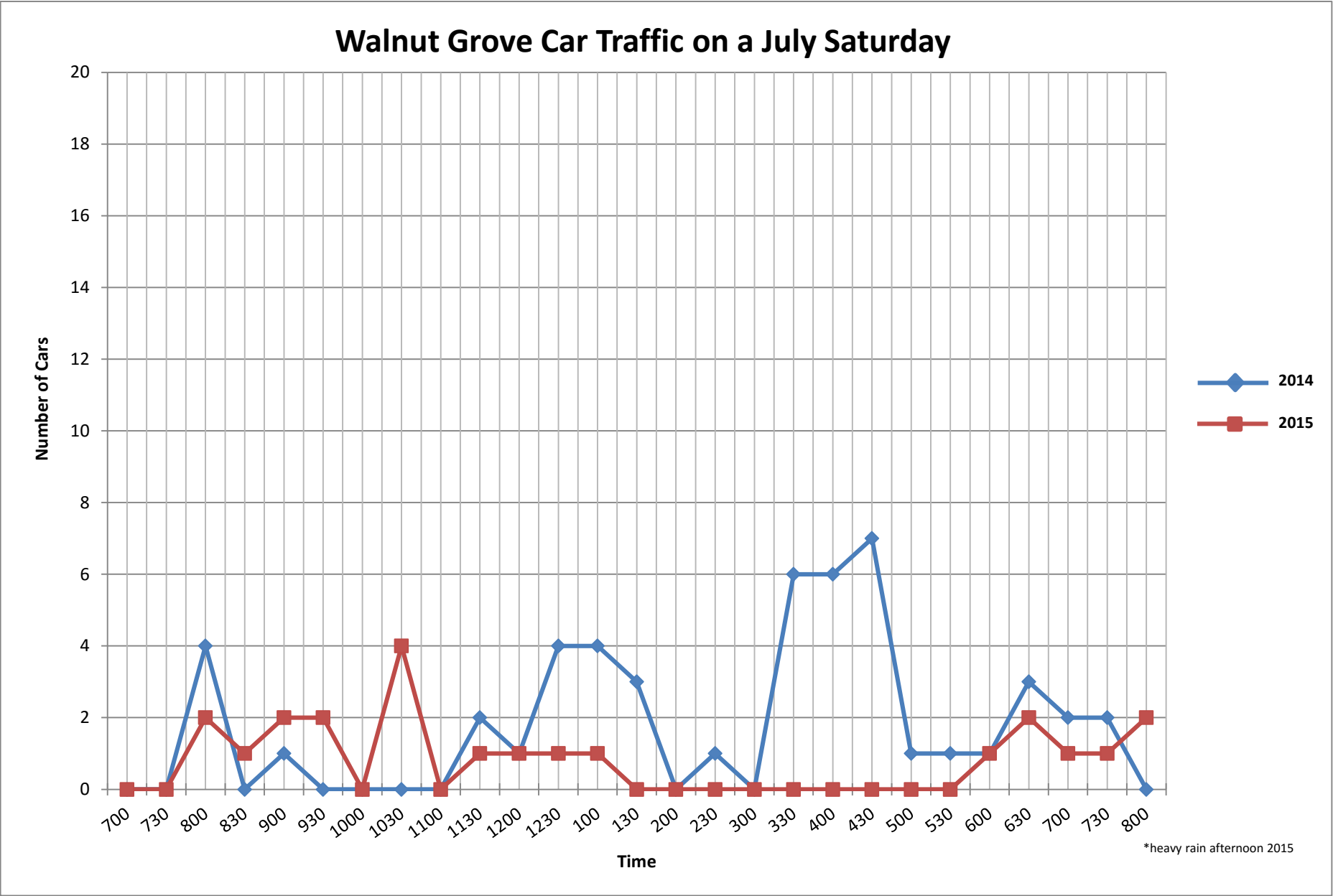


Exhibit 11



D. WALNUT GROVE PARK SOUND

Sound tests were conducted at morning, noon, and evening. The District representative circled the park and tested for the low, ambient, and high sound levels. Walnut Grove Park is positioned directly beside a freeway. Therefore, its highs always came from loud cars on the freeway. The area of the fitness trail along the freeway produced sound levels nearly 10 dBA higher than the rest of the park. Again, most dogs did not bark. Some did, but it was short and not consistently loud.

The 2015 study, as compared to the 2014 study, shows similar patterns and numbers for Walnut Grove Park sound levels.

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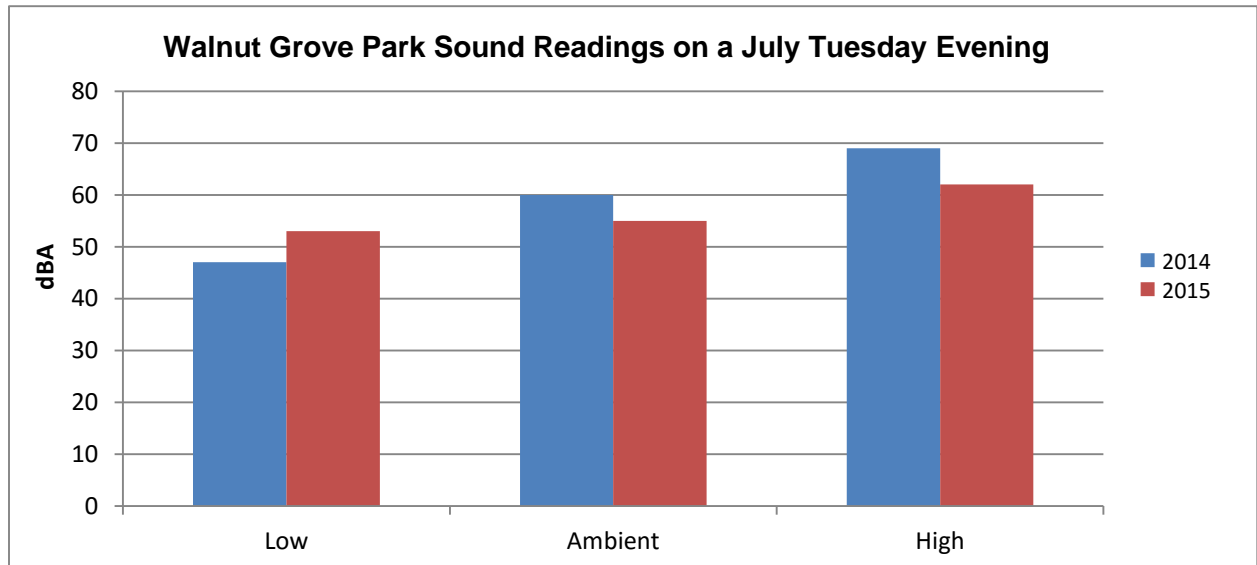
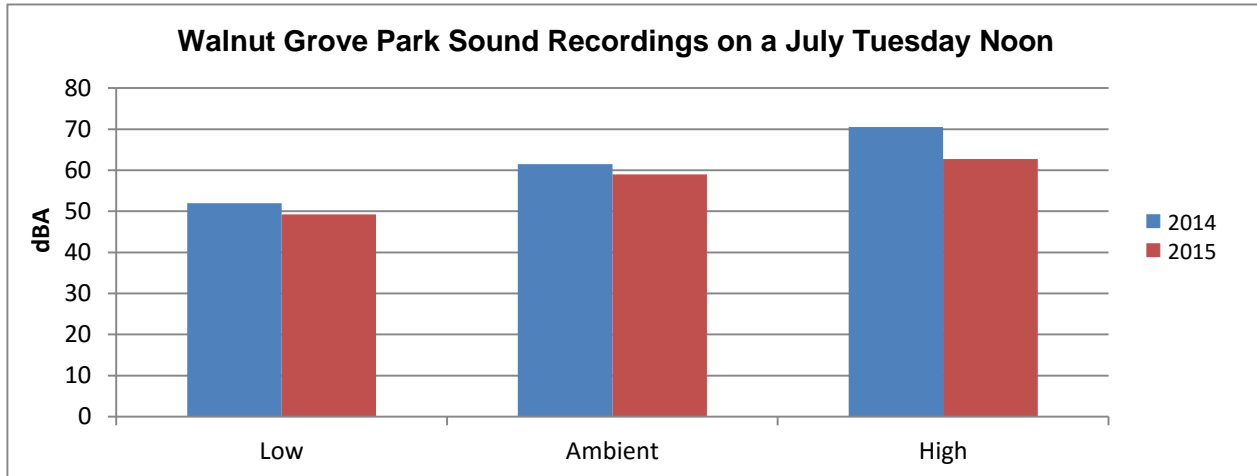
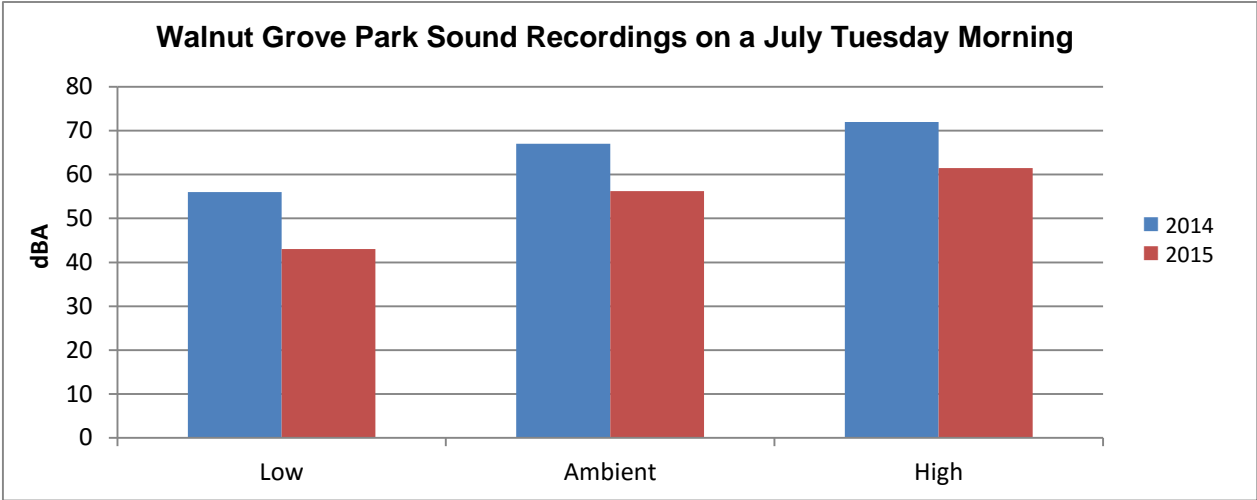


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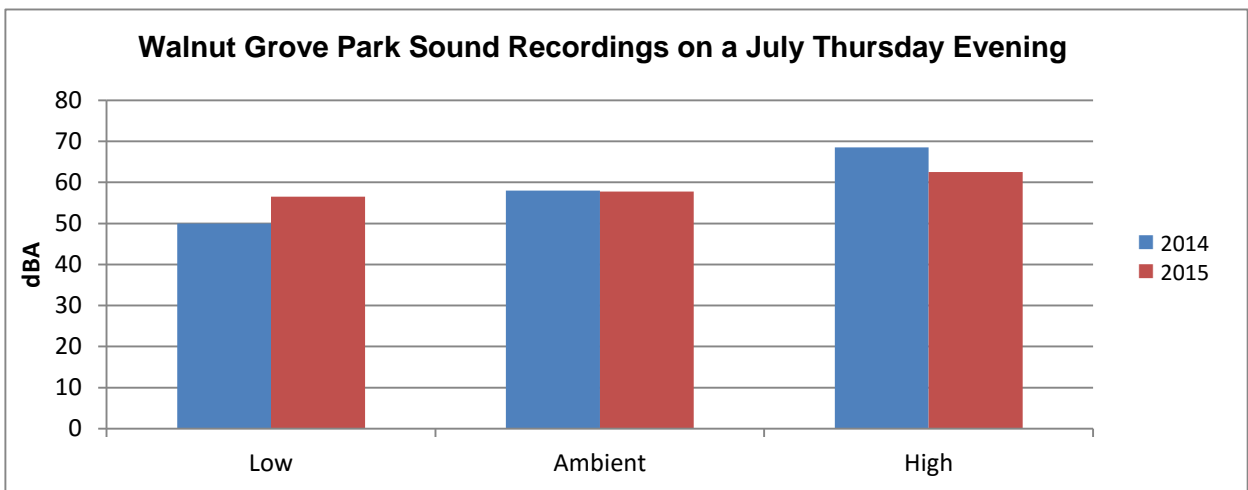
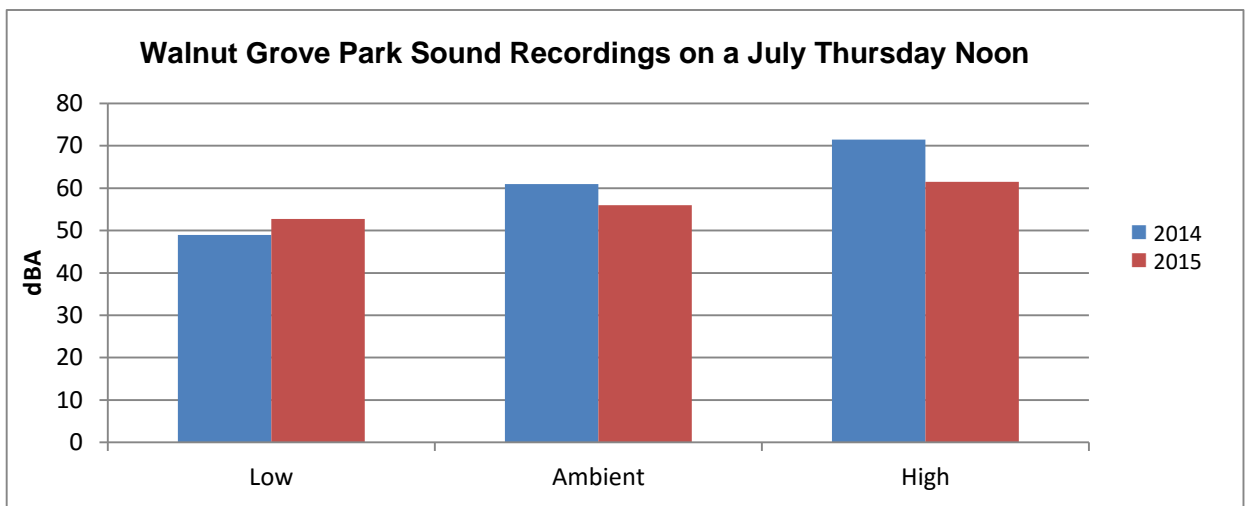
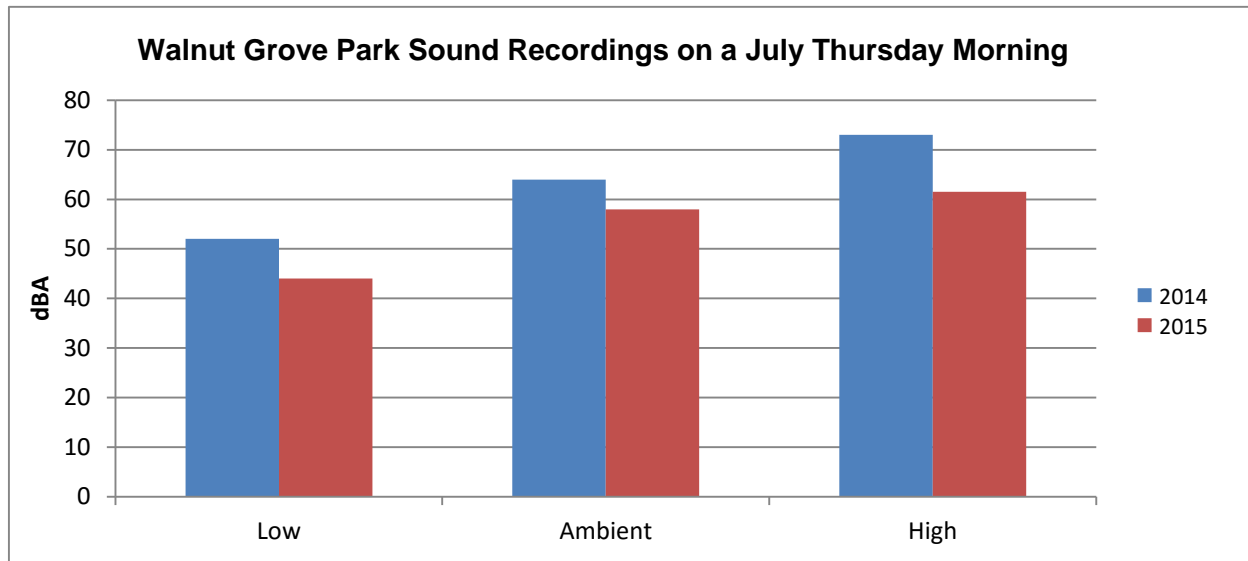


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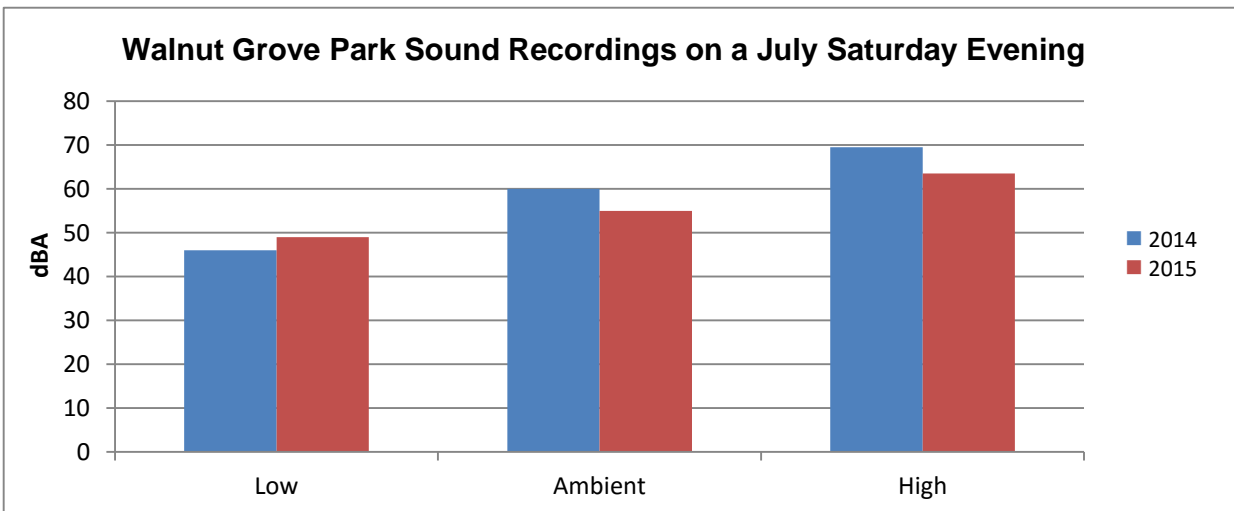
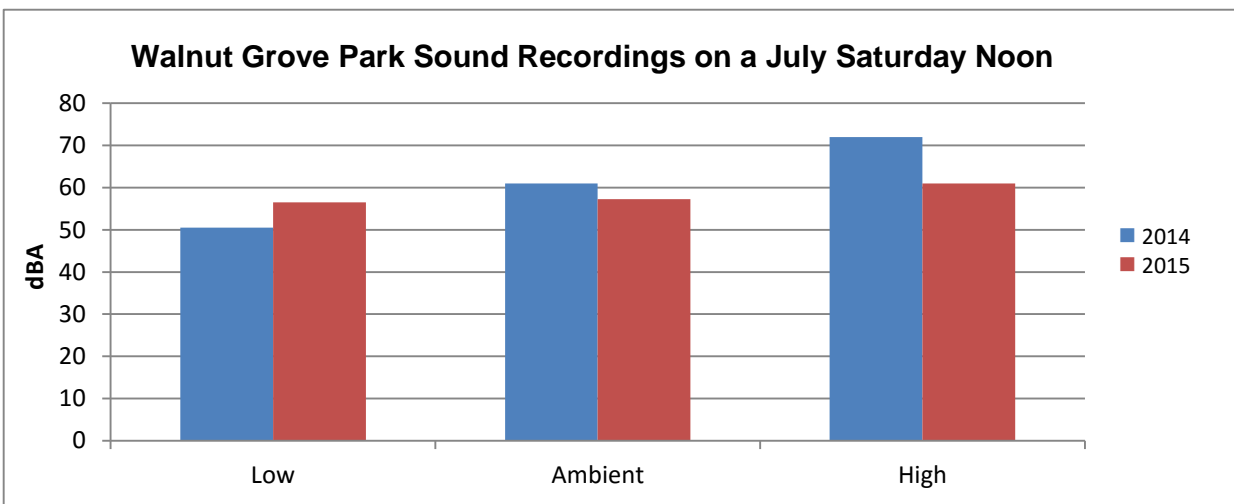
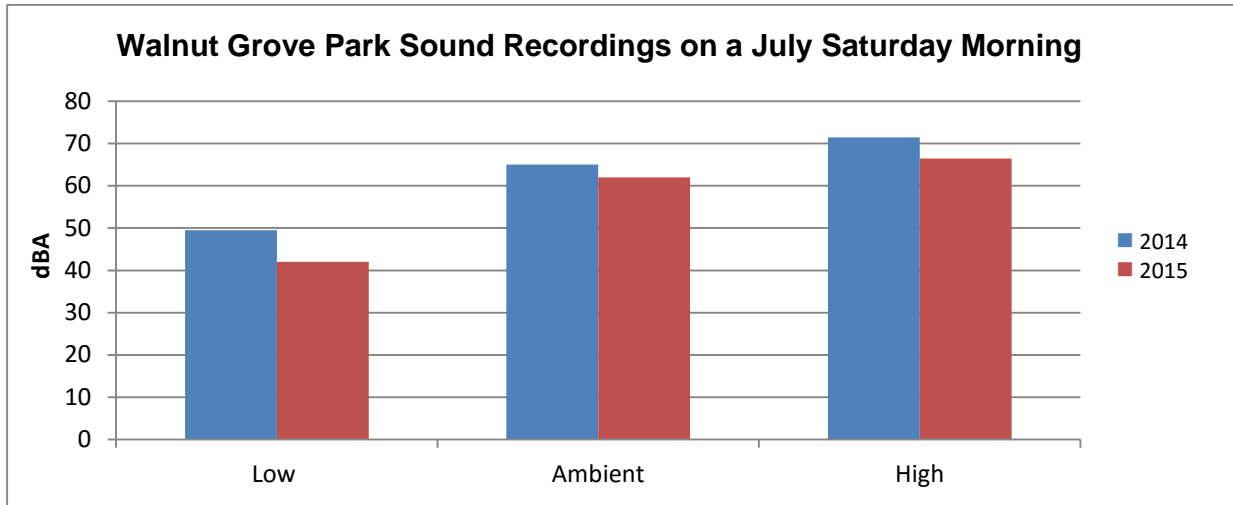
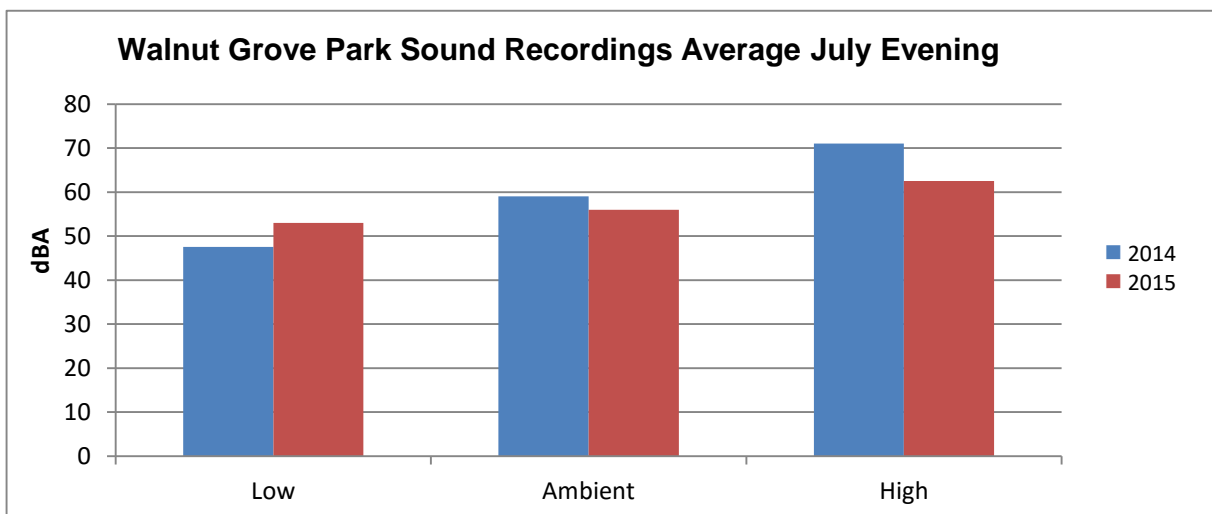
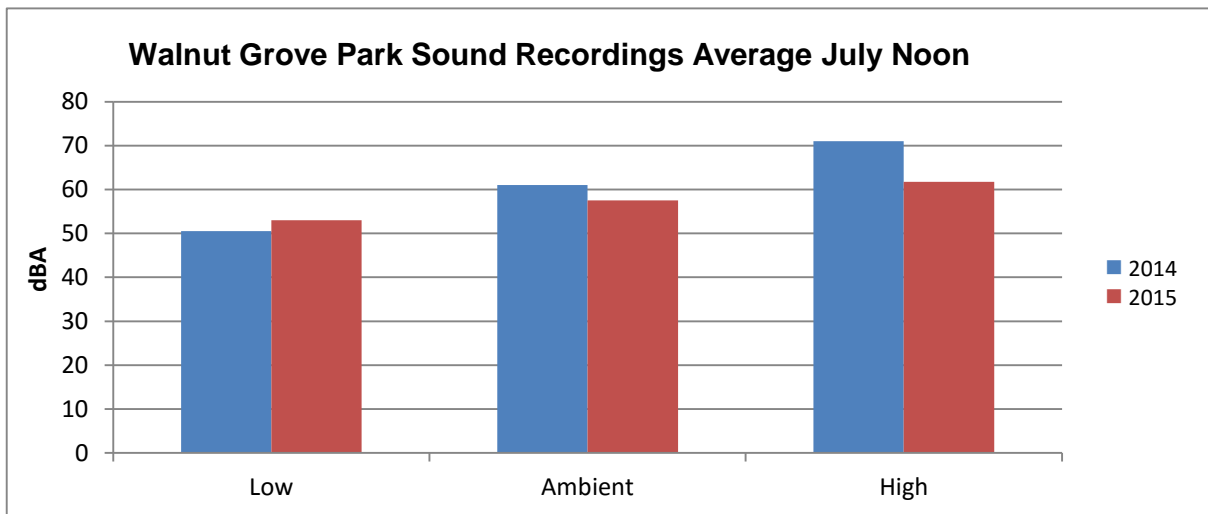
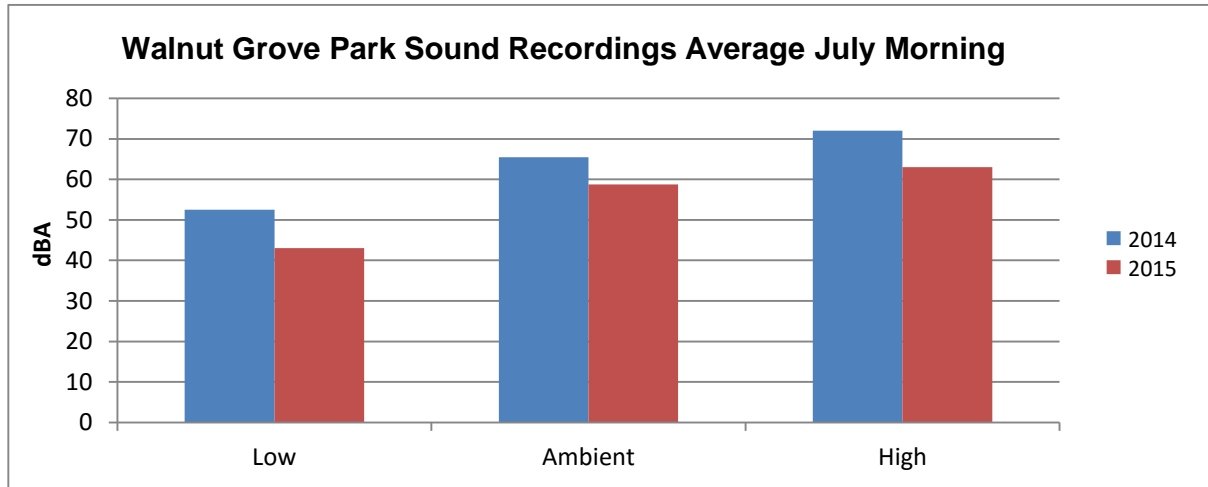


Exhibit 15



E. ATTENDANCE

Attendance recordings were taken every fifteen minutes at Walnut Grove Park. Additionally, it was noted whether or not there were patrons with dogs.

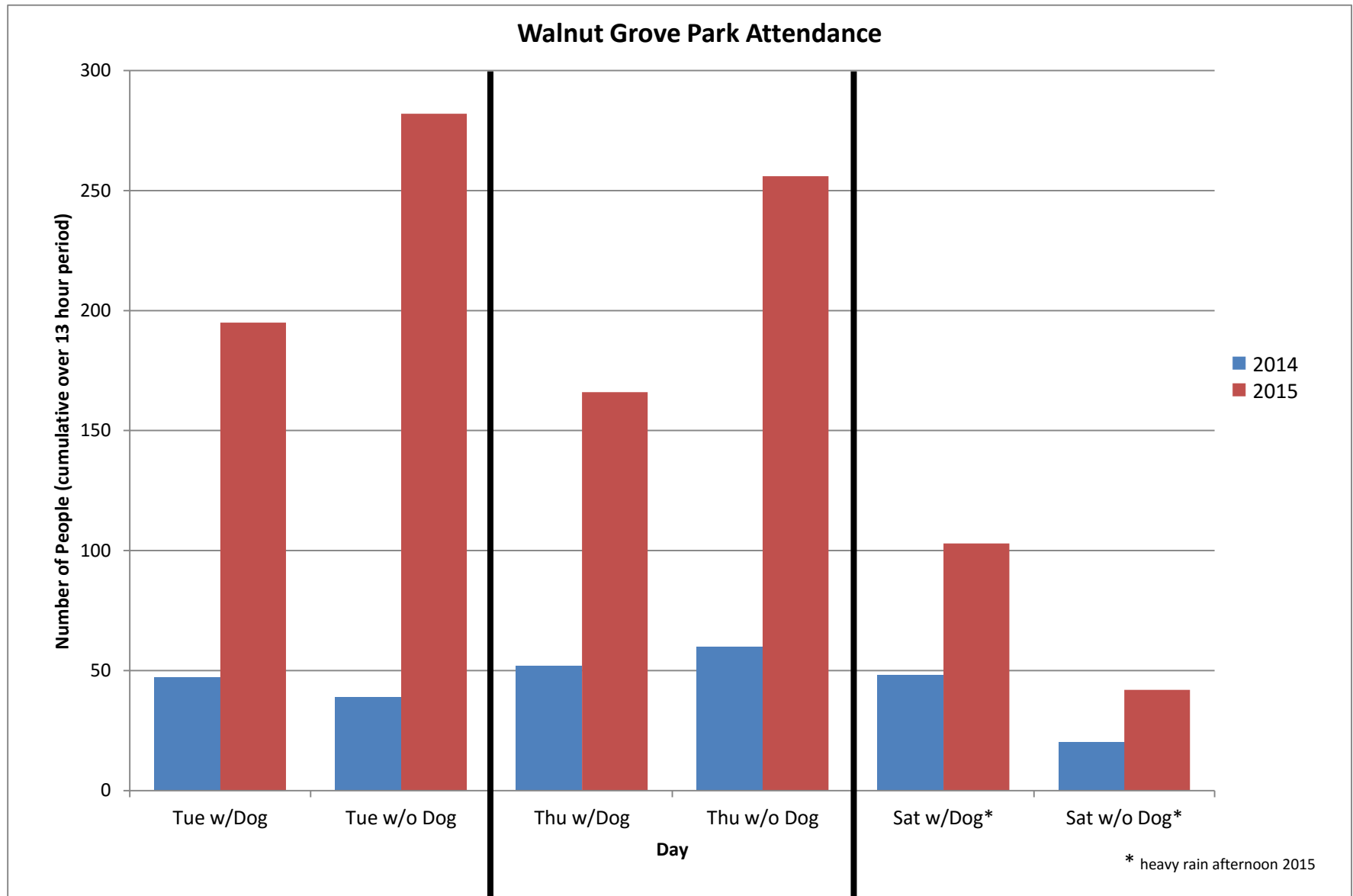
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In the 2015 study, there was an increase in patrons without dogs on Tuesday and Thursday and most were children and young adults playing pick-up game activities. Despite these increased numbers, the park never at one time exceeded the carrying capacity (103) of the park. The people were dispersed throughout the day.

In 2014, it should be noted that around 3:00 p.m. on weekdays, anywhere from 15-20 people with dogs gathered at the northwest corner (site of existing Temporary Off-Leash Area) of the park for anywhere from 1-2 hours. They all let the dogs off-leash.

In 2015, each morning when the District representative arrived, there was already at least one dog in the off-leash area. This off-leash area was the most consistently used out of all three parks. During the site survey, it seemed like the off-leash area was never empty with at least one dog present.

Exhibit 16



F. CLEANLINESS

During both the 2015 and 2014 site surveys, the CRPD representative observed dog waste management by the patrons. In both years, nearly 100% of the patrons picked up after his or her dog. In 2015, any waste left by patrons was confined to the Temporary Off-Leash Area.

ESTELLA PARK

Baseline Study - July 29, 31, and August 2, 2014

Comparative Study - July 21, 23, and August 1, 2015

A. DESCRIPTION

Estella Park, is located at 300 Erbes Road between Thousand Oaks Boulevard and Hillcrest Drive. Totaling 1.9 acres, Estella Park features a barbecue grill, and outdoor basketball court, 6 parking stalls, 2 picnic tables, a playground, a restroom, and a tennis court.

B. TEMPORARY OFF-LEASH AREA DESCRIPTION

The approximate ½ acre off-leash area at Estella Park is located at the front of the park, adjacent to Hillcrest Christian School. The terrain is uneven and mostly covered with dirt. (See map on page 53).

C. ESTELLA PARK-CAR TRAFFIC

Estella is a very small park, so the District representative conducted the test from the parking lot. The parking lot allowed the representative to see the park in its entirety. It should be noted, however, that several cars were parked upon his arrival, and for the most part, remained there all day. Thus, both in 2015 and 2014, it is assumed residents from the surrounding neighborhood leave their cars overnight (in violation of CRPD Ordinance Section 202), as at least three cars each day were parked there upon the District representative's arrival at 7:00 a.m. They were included in the final presentation of the data because they accounted more than half of the available parking stalls.

The 2015 study, as compared to the 2014 study, shows an increase in parked cars. Should the temporary off leash areas become a recreational amenity at this park, appropriate signage and enforcement should occur to ensure more available parking for patrons.

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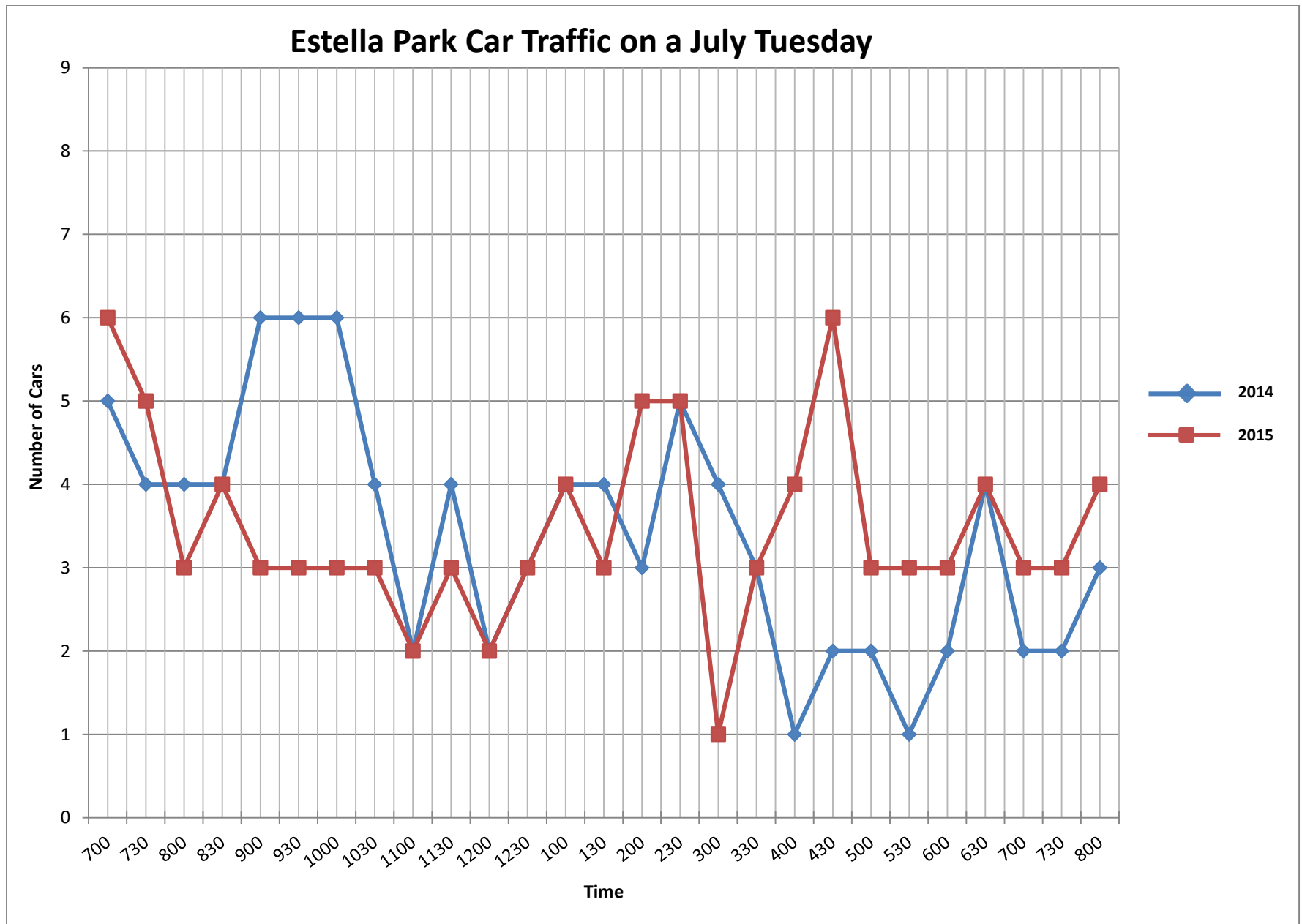


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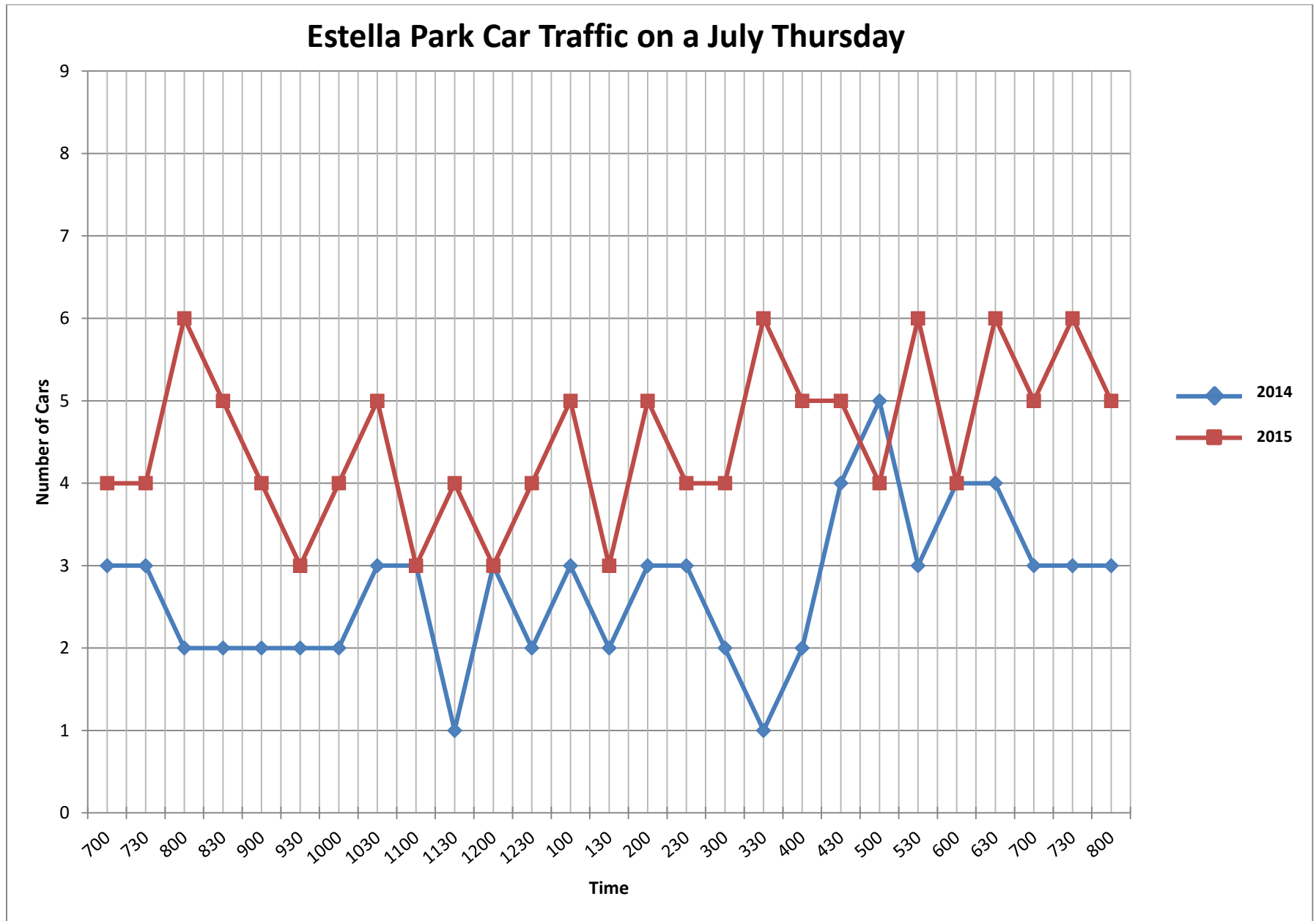
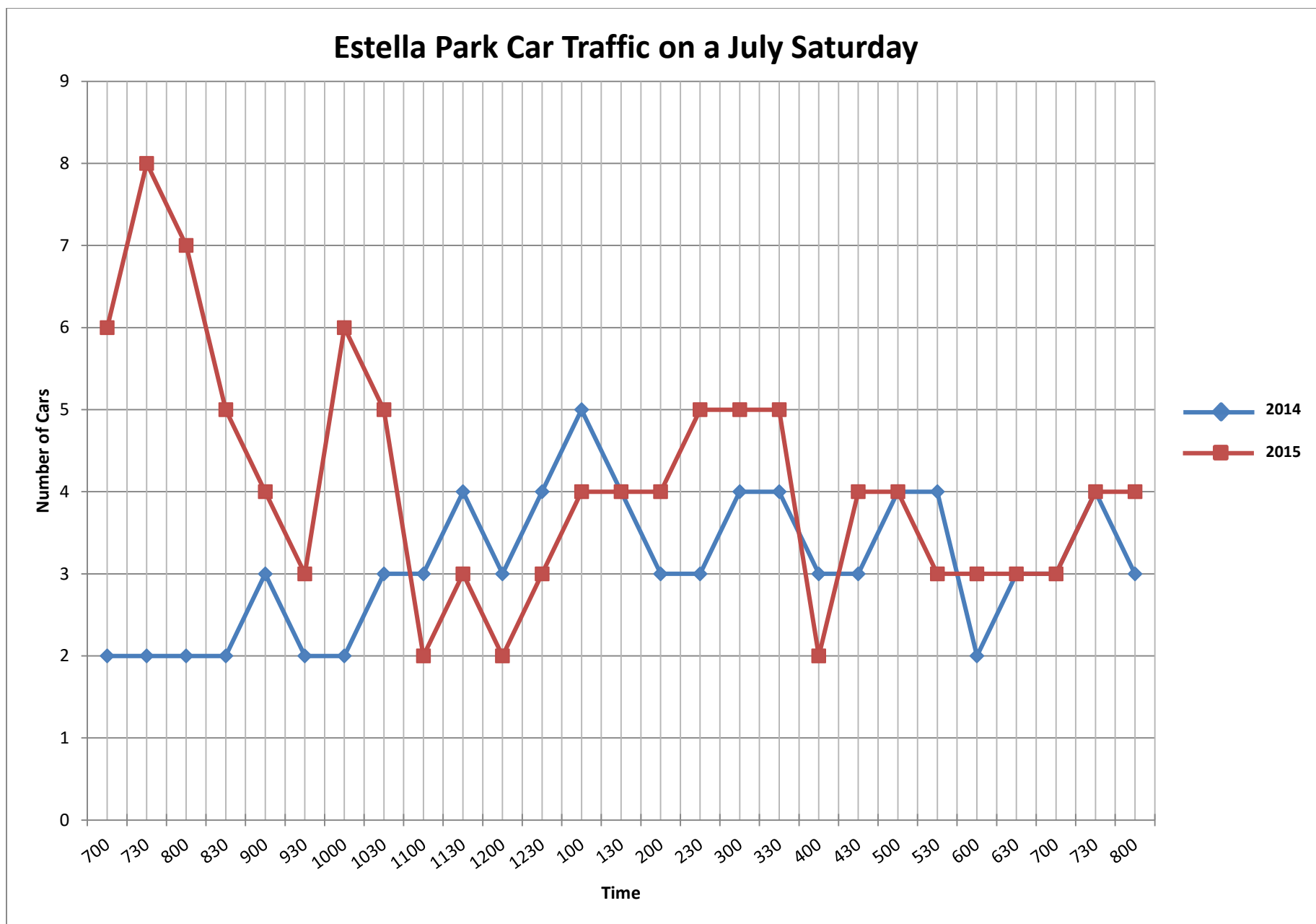


Exhibit 19



D. SOUND

The sound recordings were conducted three times per day: morning, noon, and evening. The recordings were taken along the perimeter of the park in order to cover the entire park, as well as to find any area that may have been remarkably louder or quieter than the rest of the park. Highs sometimes came from passing cars or, in 2014, from construction behind the park, but the entire park exhibited consistent sound levels. This is likely the result of its compact nature and proportions.

The 2015 study, as compared to the 2014 study, shows similar patterns and numbers for Estella Park sound levels.

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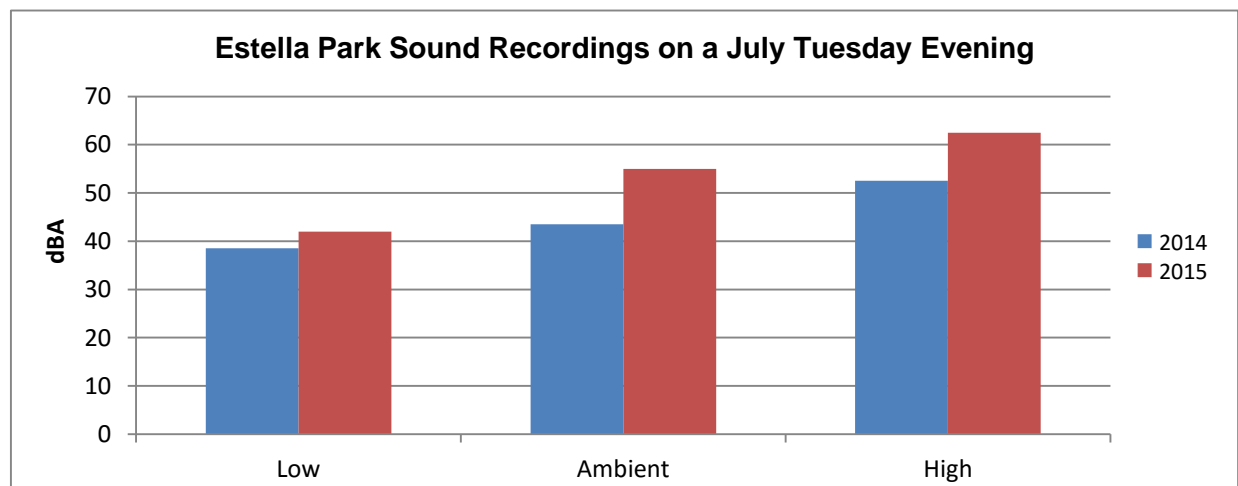
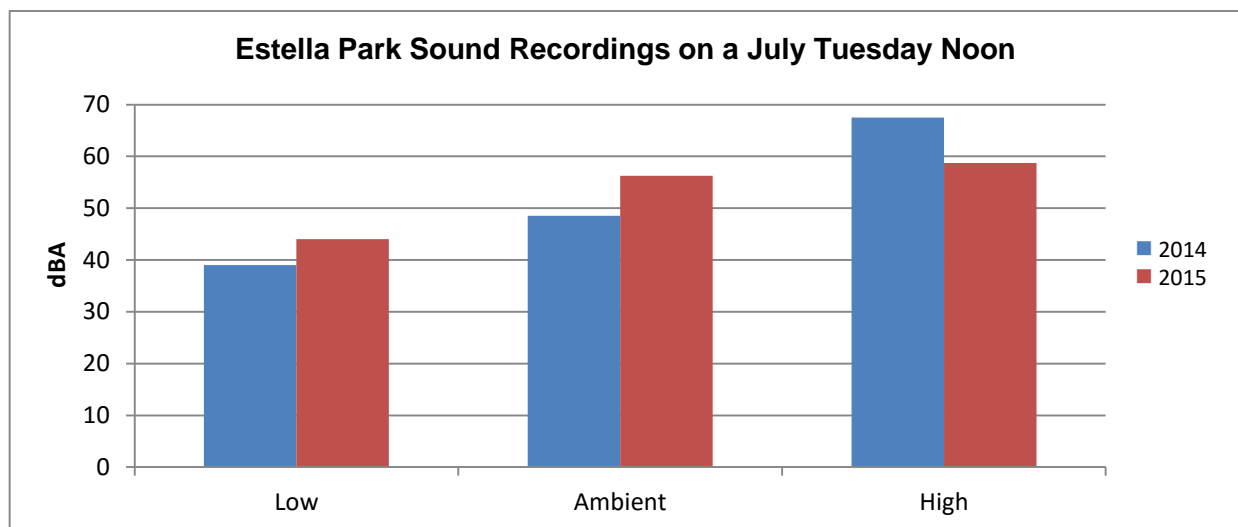
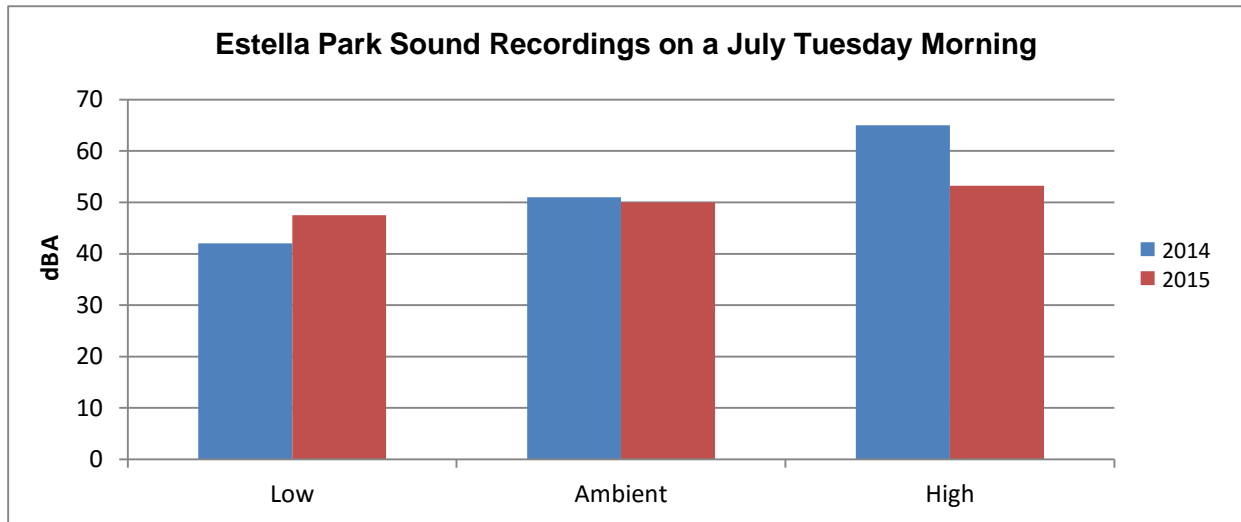


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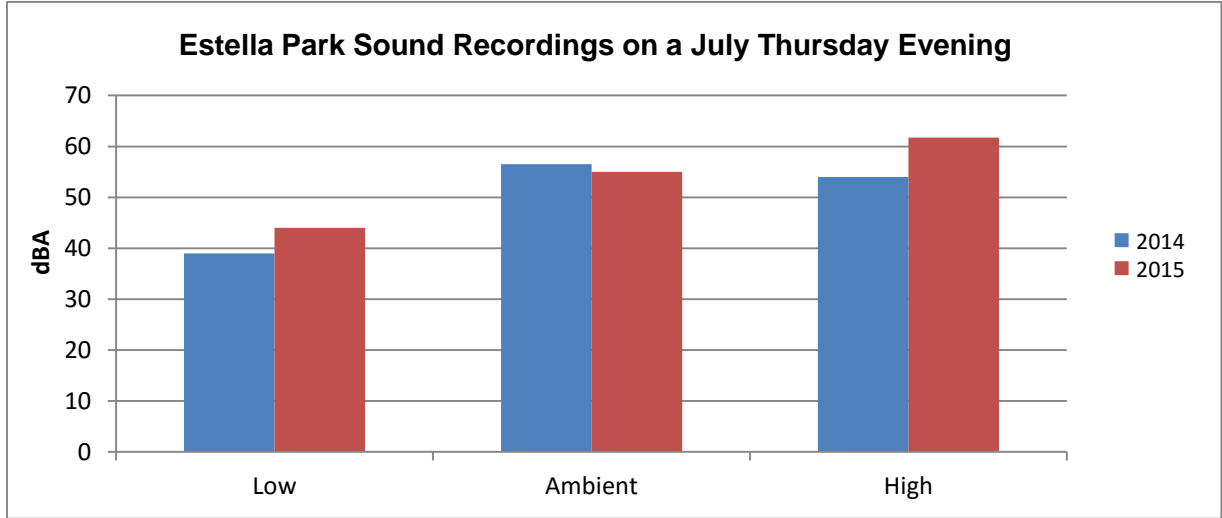
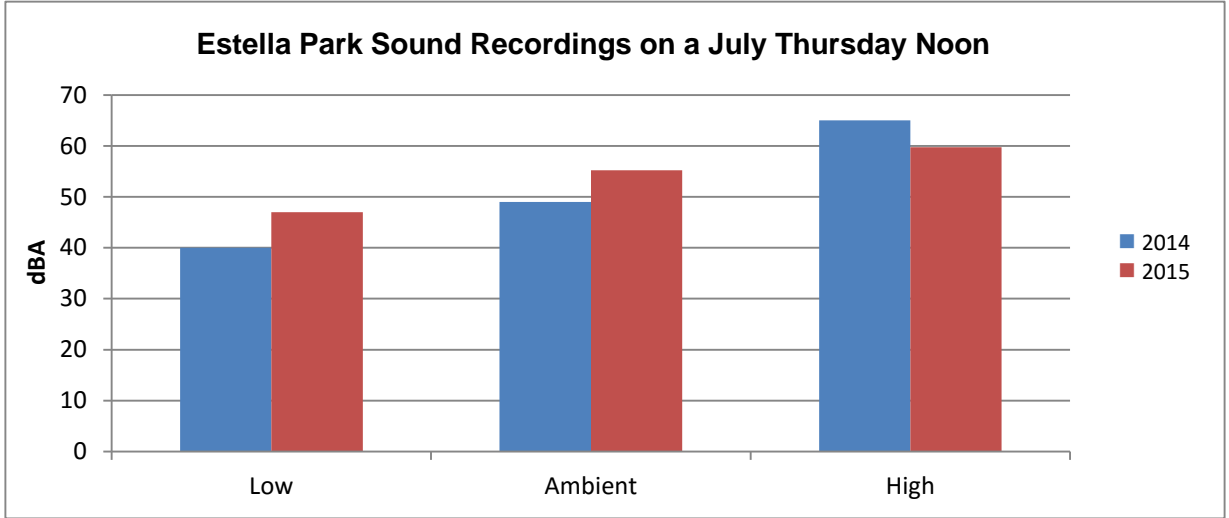
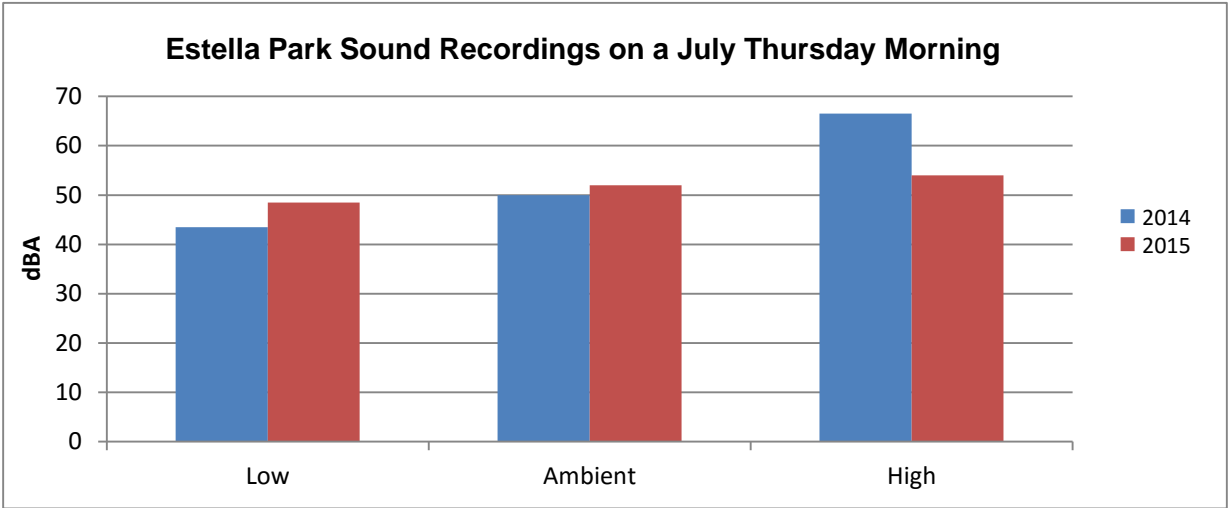


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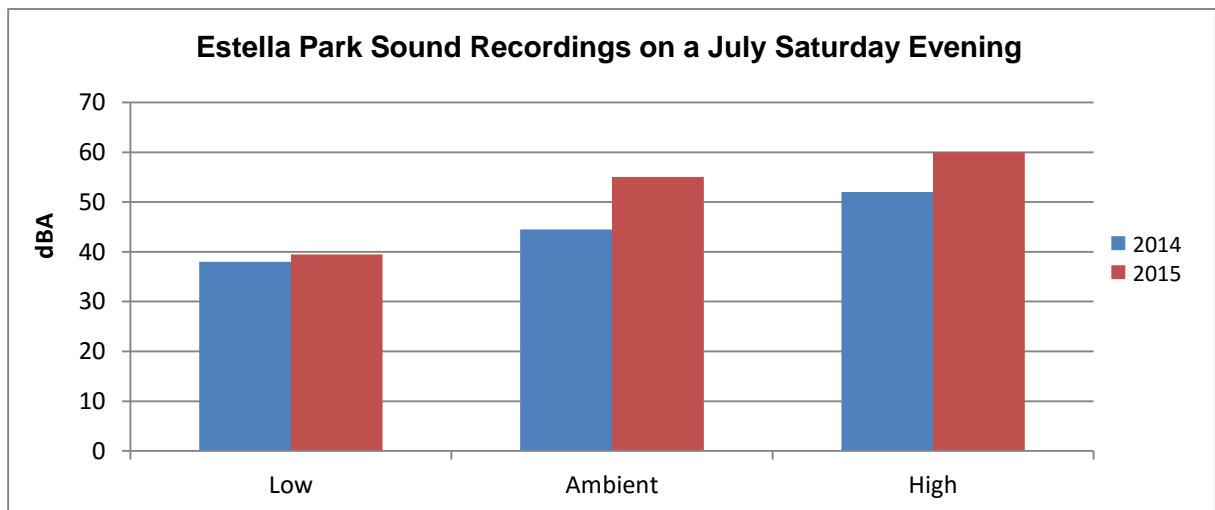
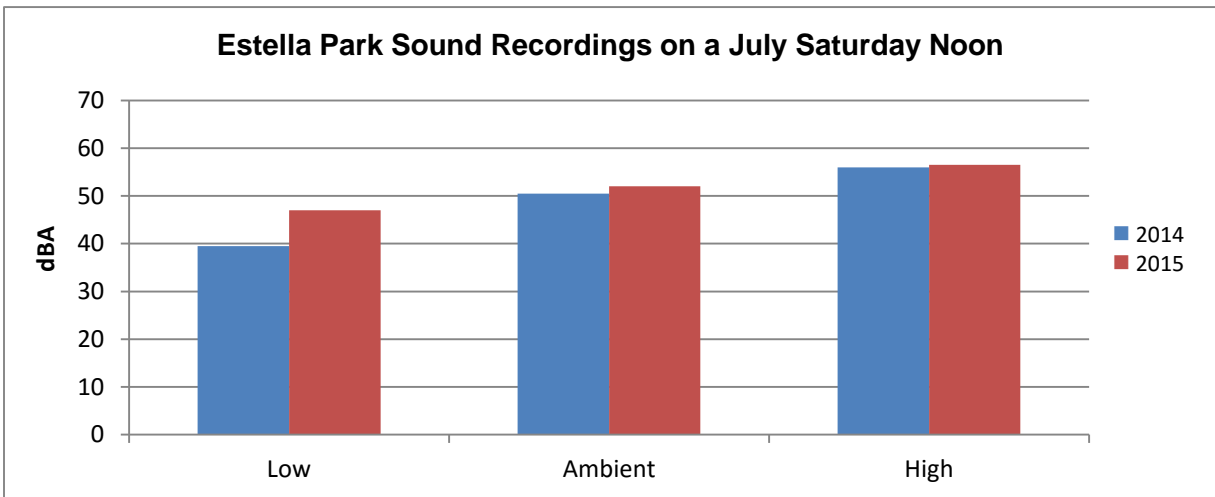
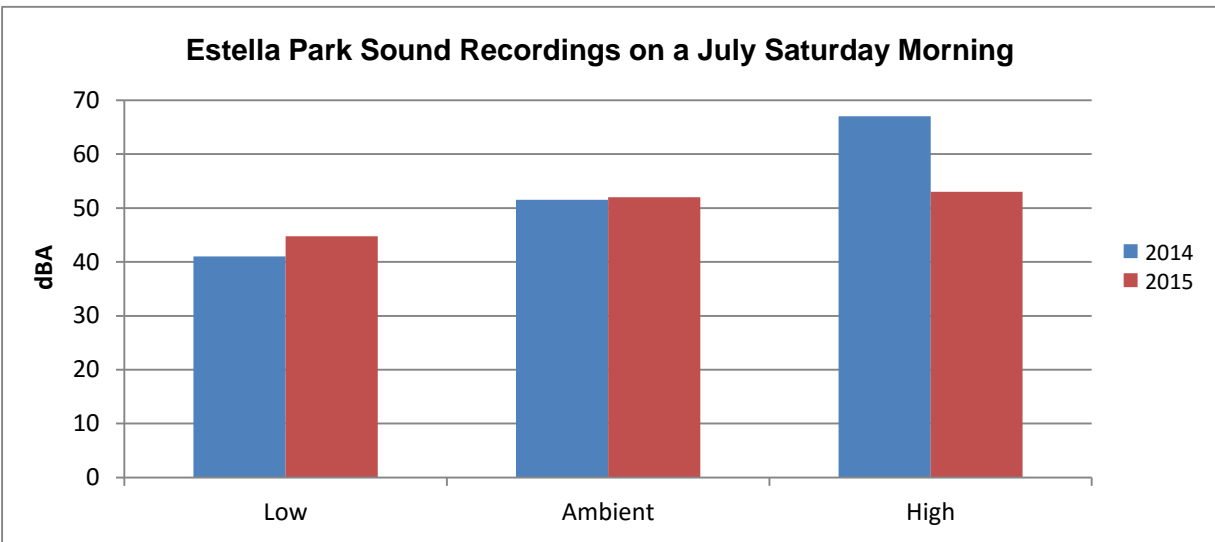
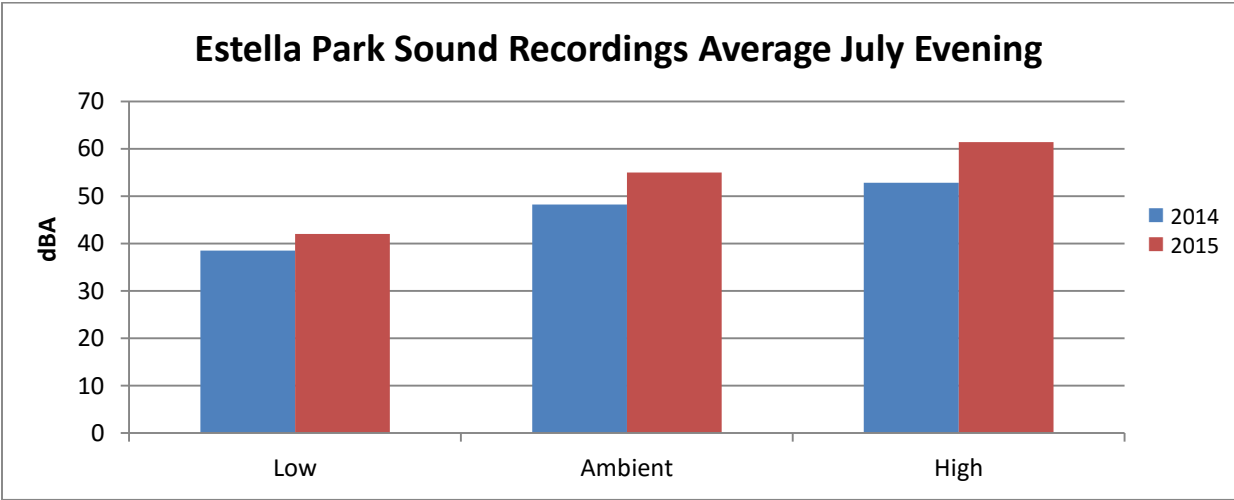
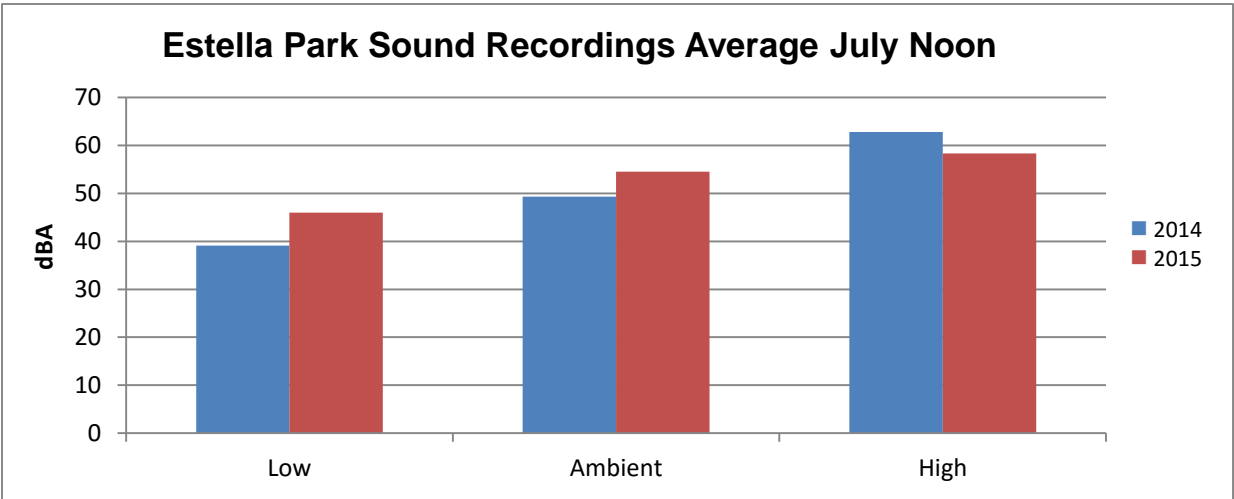
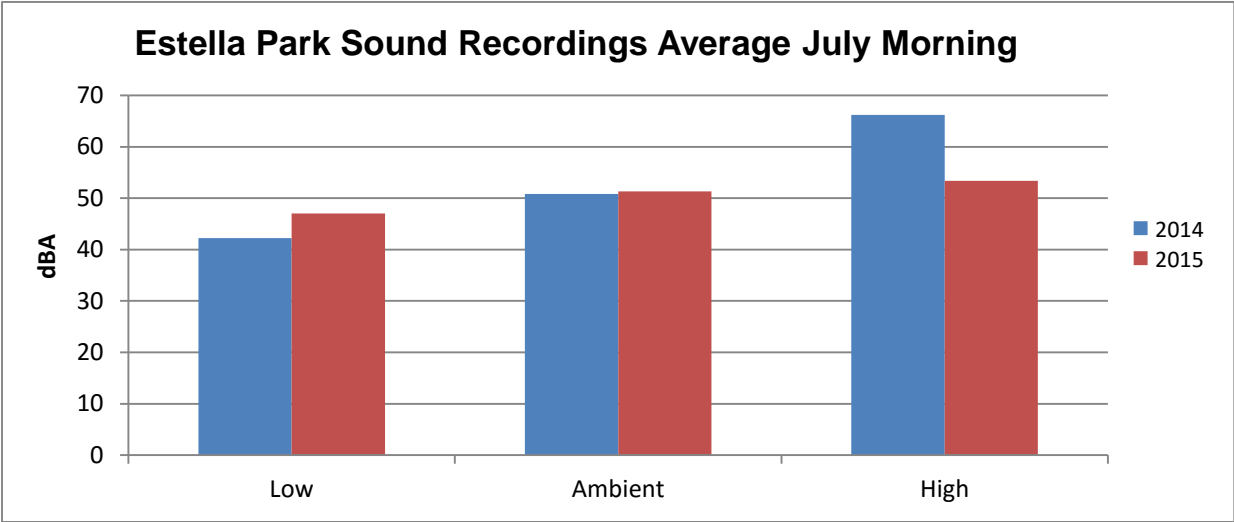


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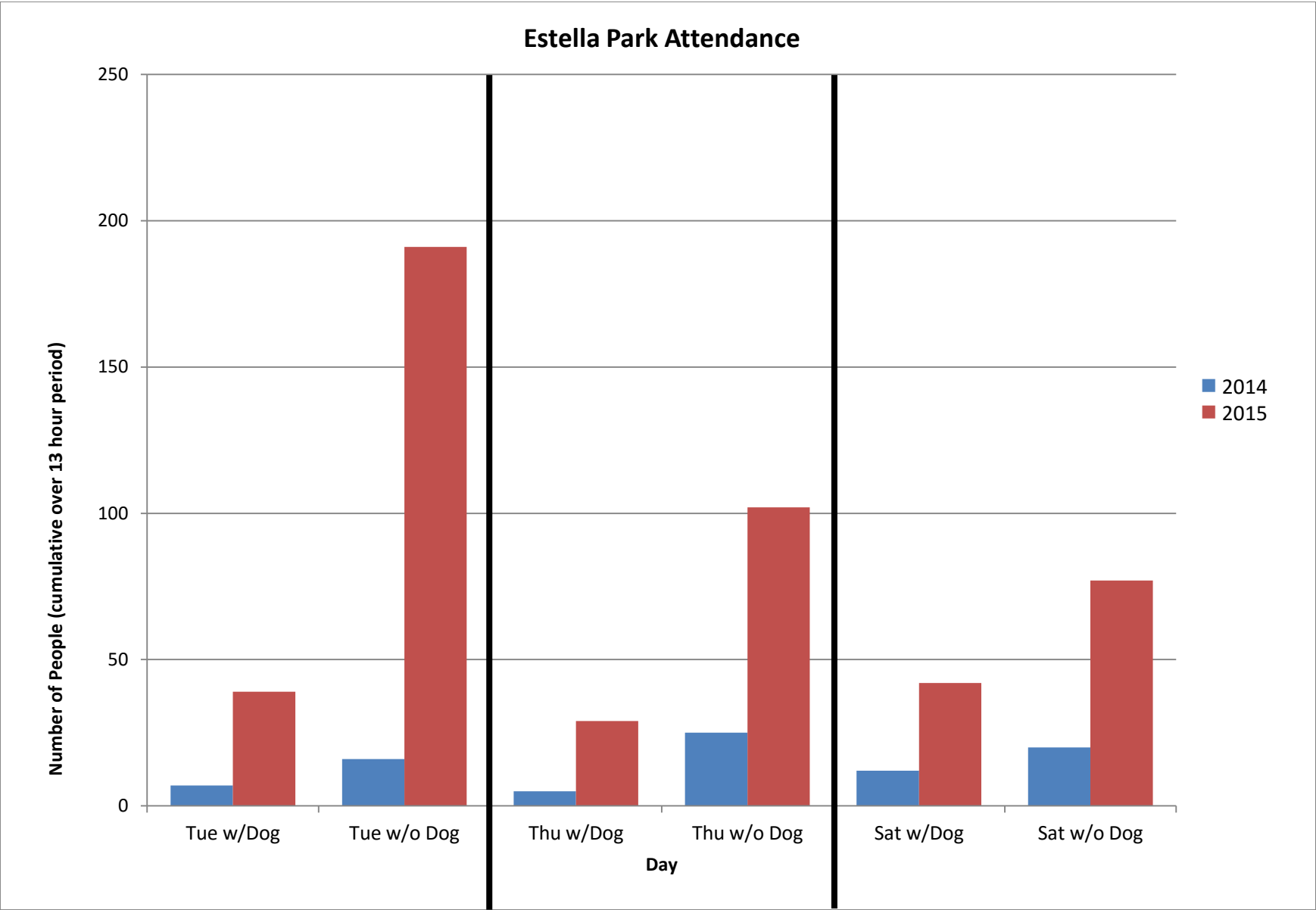
E. ATTENDANCE

Attendance recordings were taken every fifteen minutes from the Estella Park parking lot, allowing for the recording of every patron that entered the park. Additionally, it was noted whether or not they were patrons with dogs.

In 2014, very few people attended this park, which could be attributed to major construction along Erbes Road.

The 2015 study, as compared to the 2014 study, shows a significant increase in patrons with dogs or without dogs on all three days, which can be attributed to the existence of the Temporary Off-Leash Area. Despite these increased numbers, the park never at one time exceeded the carrying capacity (57) of the park. The people were dispersed throughout the day.

Exhibit 24



F. CLEANLINESS

During both the 2015 and 2014 site surveys, the CRPD representative observed dog waste management by the patrons. In both years, nearly 100% of the patrons picked up after his or her dog.

Appendix

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Data for Exhibits 1, 2, and 3 - Kimber Park Car Traffic

Time	Number of Cars					
	Tuesday July 15, 2014	Tuesday July 7, 2015	Thursday July 17, 2014	Thursday July 9, 2015	*Saturday July 19, 2014	Saturday July 11, 2015
700am	0	4	0	1	0	1
715am	0	4	1	1	1	1
730am	0	4	3	0	2	1
745am	0	3	1	1	1	4
800am	0	2	2	0	1	3
815am	1	3	1	1	0	4
830am	0	3	2	2	0	3
845am	0	0	3	2	0	2
900am	1	0	4	1	0	1
915am	0	0	1	1	0	4
930am	1	3	1	2	0	4
945am	2	4	2	1	0	5
1000am	1	3	2	0	1	3
1015am	2	2	0	1	1	4
1030am	3	2	0	2	1	4
1045am	3	3	0	2	1	5
1100am	3	3	1	1	6	10
1115am	3	4	1	1	16	15
1130am	4	4	2	1	19	12
1145am	4	3	4	0	17	12
1200pm	3	1	2	0	19	13
1215pm	3	0	2	0	19	10
1230pm	2	1	1	2	19	10
1245pm	2	1	2	1	16	10
100pm	2	0	4	2	15	8
115pm	2	3	3	0	9	2
130pm	4	0	3	2	0	4
145pm	3	2	4	5	0	4
200pm	2	2	4	3	0	2
215pm	2	2	1	7	1	2
230pm	2	1	2	7	1	1
245pm	2	2	2	9	1	2
300pm	3	1	4	10	1	3
315pm	1	2	3	9	2	3
330pm	2	2	3	8	8	4
345pm	4	4	2	8	8	4
400pm	4	5	5	10	7	3
415pm	2	3	10	6	3	2
430pm	2	3	9	6	3	1
445pm	1	2	11	8	1	1
500pm	1	4	12	8	1	2
515pm	1	6	14	7	2	2
530pm	1	5	17	10	3	4
545pm	2	7	17	10	3	6
600pm	4	6	13	8	2	7
615pm	21	5	13	5	2	7
630pm	24	5	18	10	1	8
645pm	25	5	13	12	1	7
700pm	27	4	10	10	3	8
715pm	26	4	10	8	2	7
730pm	25	4	8	6	0	6
745pm	27	5	6	5	0	7
800pm	26	5	8	5	0	7

*Light rain from 1:00-3:00

Data for Exhibits 4, 5, 6, and 7- Kimber Park Sound Levels

	Sound (dBA)					
Tuesday	July 15, 2014 Low	July 7, 2015 Low	July 15, 2014 Ambient	July 7, 2015 Ambient	July 15, 2014 High	July 7, 2015 High
<i>Morning</i>	37	47.25	44.50	50	64	55.50
<i>Noon</i>	38	51	55.50	55	62	59
<i>Evening</i>	49	55.75	57.50	64.25	65	68.50
Thursday	July 17, 2014 Low	July 9, 2015 Low	July 17, 2014 Ambient	July 9, 2015 Ambient	July 17, 2014 High	July 9, 2015 High
<i>Morning</i>	40	44.75	53	55	68	58.50
<i>Noon</i>	38.50	46.50	54	58	67	61.50
<i>Evening</i>	39	47	52.50	55	68	61.75
Saturday	July 19, 2014 Low	July 11, 2015 Low	July 19, 2014 Ambient	July 11, 2015 Ambient	July 19, 2014 High	July 11, 2015 High
<i>Morning</i>	40	42	54.50	57.25	62	62.75
<i>Noon</i>	40.50	45.75	55	57.25	68	62.50
<i>Evening</i>	43	52.25	54.50	60	67	64.50
Averages	July 2014 Low	July 2015 Low	July 2014 Ambient	July 2015 Ambient	July 2014 High	July 2015 High
<i>Morning</i>	39	44.50	50.50	54	64.50	59
<i>Noon</i>	49	47.75	55	56.75	65.50	61
<i>Evening</i>	43	51.50	55	59.75	66.50	65

Data for Exhibit 8 - Kimber Park Attendance
(cumulative over 13-hour period)

	July 2014 Patrons With Dogs	July 2015 Patrons With Dogs	July 2014 Patrons Without Dogs	July 2015 Patrons Without Dogs
<i>Tuesday</i>	51	168	139	202
<i>Thursday</i>	28	242	132	467
<i>Saturday</i>	51*	246	127*	527

*Light rain from 1:00-3:00

Data for Exhibits 9, 10 and 11 – Walnut Grove Park Car Traffic

Time	Number of Cars					
	Tuesday July 22, 2014	Tuesday July 14, 2015	Thursday July 24, 2014	Thursday July 16, 2015	Saturday July 26, 2014	*Saturday July 18, 2015
700am	1	1	0	0	0	0
715am	1	2	2	0	0	0
730am	0	1	0	2	0	0
745am	0	2	0	2	1	1
800am	1	3	0	2	4	2
815am	0	1	1	3	0	1
830am	1	1	1	1	0	1
845am	0	2	0	1	3	0
900am	2	1	2	2	1	2
915am	1	1	1	1	0	1
930am	1	2	1	2	0	2
945am	2	1	2	2	0	3
1000am	4	2	2	2	0	0
1015am	5	2	1	2	0	4
1030am	5	1	0	2	0	4
1045am	3	1	2	2	0	4
1100am	3	1	1	1	0	0
1115am	3	1	1	1	0	1
1130am	3	2	1	2	2	1
1145am	2	1	0	1	2	1
1200pm	3	1	0	0	1	1
1215pm	3	2	1	1	2	1
1230pm	3	1	4	2	4	1
1245pm	2	2	5	3	5	0
100pm	2	3	4	2	4	1
115pm	2	2	2	1	3	1
130pm	1	2	2	3	3	0
145pm	0	4	1	2	2	0
200pm	2	1	1	4	0	0
215pm	3	1	1	2	1	1
230pm	2	3	1	3	1	0
245pm	1	4	1	3	0	0
300pm	2	4	2	3	0	0
315pm	2	4	4	2	3	0
330pm	2	5	6	1	6	0
345pm	5	4	7	2	8	0
400pm	4	6	8	4	6	0
415pm	6	5	7	6	9	0
430pm	8	2	7	7	7	0
445pm	7	1	6	4	3	1
500pm	0	1	2	2	1	0
515pm	0	1	3	2	1	0
530pm	1	2	2	4	1	0
545pm	2	2	6	3	1	0
600pm	5	3	11	7	1	1
615pm	6	6	16	10	3	2
630pm	11	6	18	15	3	2
645pm	13	8	18	11	1	1
700pm	14	13	17	18	2	1
715pm	18	20	20	16	2	1
730pm	17	15	18	14	2	1
745pm	16	11	11	16	2	2
800pm	17	11	8	16	0	2

*Heavy rain from 2:00 – 6:00

Data for Exhibits 12,13, 14, and 15 – Walnut Grove Park Sound Levels

	Sound (dBA)					
Tuesday	July 22, 2014 Low	July 14, 2015 Low	July 22, 2014 Ambient	July 14, 2015 Ambient	July 22, 2014 High	July 14, 2015 High
<i>Morning</i>	56	43	67	56.25	72	61.50
<i>Noon</i>	52	49.25	61.50	59	70.50	62.75
<i>Evening</i>	47	53	60	55	69	62
Thursday	July 24, 2014 Low	July 16, 2015 Low	July 24, 2014 Ambient	July 16, 2015 Ambient	July 24, 2014 High	July 16, 2015 High
<i>Morning</i>	52	44	64	58	73	61.50
<i>Noon</i>	49	52.75	61	56	71.50	61.50
<i>Evening</i>	50	56.50	58	57.75	68.50	62.50
Saturday	July 26, 2014 Low	July 18, 2015 Low	July 26, 2014 Ambient	July 18, 2015 Ambient	July 26, 2014 High	July 18, 2015 High
<i>Morning</i>	49.50	42	65	62	71.50	66.50
<i>Noon</i>	50.50	56.50	61	57.25	72	61
<i>Evening</i>	46	49	60	55	69.50	63.50
Averages	July 2014 Low	July 2015 Low	July 2014 Ambient	July 2015 Ambient	July 2014 High	July 2015 High
<i>Morning</i>	52.50	43	65.50	58.75	72	63
<i>Noon</i>	50.50	53	61	57.50	71	61.75
<i>Evening</i>	47.50	53	59	56	71	62.50

Data for Exhibit 16 – Walnut Grove Park Attendance
(cumulative over 13-hour period)

	July 2014 Patrons With Dogs	July 2015 Patrons With Dogs	July 2014 Patrons Without Dogs	July 2015 Patrons Without Dogs
<i>Tuesday</i>	47	195	39	282
<i>Thursday</i>	52	166	60	256
<i>Saturday</i>	48	103*	20	42*

*Heavy rain from 2:00 – 6:00

Data for Exhibits 17, 18, and 19 – Estella Park Car Traffic

Time	Number of Cars					
	Tuesday July 29, 2014	Tuesday July 21, 2015	Thursday July 31, 2014	Thursday July 23, 2015	Saturday Aug 2, 2014	Saturday Aug 1, 2015
700am	5	6	3	4	2	6
715am	5	6	3	4	2	7
730am	4	5	3	4	2	8
745am	4	4	2	4	2	5
800am	4	3	2	6	2	7
815am	4	3	2	7	3	5
830am	4	4	2	5	2	5
845am	7	3	3	4	3	4
900am	6	3	2	4	3	4
915am	6	5	2	3	3	4
930am	6	3	2	3	2	3
945am	6	3	2	3	2	5
1000am	6	3	2	4	2	6
1015am	4	3	4	6	2	5
1030am	4	3	3	5	3	5
1045am	4	2	3	5	3	3
1100am	2	2	3	3	3	2
1115am	3	3	1	4	2	3
1130am	4	3	1	4	4	3
1145am	2	2	1	3	3	3
1200pm	2	2	3	3	3	2
1215pm	3	3	2	4	3	2
1230pm	3	3	2	4	4	3
1245pm	4	4	2	4	4	4
100pm	4	4	3	5	5	4
115pm	5	4	2	5	5	5
130pm	4	3	2	3	4	4
145pm	4	5	3	4	4	4
200pm	3	5	3	5	3	4
215pm	4	7	3	4	4	5
230pm	5	5	3	4	3	5
245pm	4	5	3	4	3	5
300pm	4	1	2	4	4	5
315pm	3	1	1	5	5	6
330pm	3	3	1	6	4	5
345pm	2	7	3	5	4	2
400pm	1	4	2	5	3	2
415pm	1	5	3	5	3	4
430pm	2	6	4	5	3	4
445pm	1	8	5	4	4	5
500pm	2	3	5	4	4	4
515pm	2	4	4	4	4	4
530pm	1	3	3	6	4	3
545pm	1	4	4	4	3	2
600pm	2	3	4	4	2	3
615pm	2	5	4	5	3	4
630pm	4	4	4	6	3	3
645pm	4	6	3	4	4	3
700pm	2	3	3	5	3	3
715pm	3	3	3	6	3	3
730pm	2	3	3	6	4	4
745pm	3	4	3	5	3	4
800pm	3	4	3	5	3	4

Data for Exhibits 20, 21, 22, and 23 – Estella Park Sound

Sound (dBA)						
Tuesday	July 29, 2014 Low	July 21, 2015 Low	July 29, 2014 Ambient	July 21, 2015 Ambient	July 29, 2014 High	July 21, 2015 High
<i>Morning</i>	42	47.50	51	50	65	53.25
<i>Noon</i>	39	44	48.50	56.25	67.50	58.75
<i>Evening</i>	38.50	42	43.50	55	52.50	62.50
Thursday	July 31, 2014 Low	July 23, 2015 Low	July 31, 2014 Ambient	July 23, 2015 Ambient	July 31, 2014 High	July 23, 2015 High
<i>Morning</i>	43.50	48.50	50	52	66.50	54
<i>Noon</i>	40	47	49	55.25	65	59.75
<i>Evening</i>	39	44	56.50	55	54	61.75
Saturday	Aug 2, 2014 Low	Aug 1, 2015 Low	Aug 2, 2014 Ambient	Aug 1, 2015 Ambient	Aug 2, 2014 High	Aug 1, 2015 High
<i>Morning</i>	41	44.75	51.50	52	67	53
<i>Noon</i>	39.50	47	50.50	52	56	56.50
<i>Evening</i>	38	39.50	44.50	55	52	60
Averages	Aug 2014 Low	Aug 2015 Low	Aug 2014 Ambient	Aug 2015 Ambient	Aug 2014 High	Aug 2015 High
<i>Morning</i>	42.20	47	50.80	51.30	66.20	54.40
<i>Noon</i>	39.10	46	49.30	54.50	62.80	58.30
<i>Evening</i>	38.50	42	48.20	55	52.80	61.40

Data for Exhibit 24 – Estella Park Attendance
(cumulative over 13-hour period)

	August 2014 Patrons With Dogs	August 2015 Patrons With Dogs	August 2014 Patrons Without Dogs	August 2015 Patrons Without Dogs
<i>Tuesday</i>	7	39	16	191
<i>Thursday</i>	5	29	25	102
<i>Saturday</i>	12	42	20	77

Weather Data

Data from www.wunderground.com

2014			
Kimber Park	Weather Description	High Temp	Low Temp
July 15, 2014	Partly Cloudy	77	68
July 17, 2014	AM Clouds; PM Sun	78	62
July 19, 2014	AM Clouds; PM Sun (Light Rain Early Afternoon)	76	62
Walnut Grove Park	Weather Description	High Temp	Low Temp
July 22, 2014	Partly Cloudy	82	60
July 24, 2014	Sunny	87	62
July 26, 2014	Partly Cloudy	80	65
Estella Park	Weather Description	High Temp	Low Temp
July 29, 2014	Partly Cloudy	84	65
July 31, 2014	Sunny	82	65
August 2, 2014	Partly Cloudy	78	65

2015			
Kimber Park	Weather Description	High Temp	Low Temp
July 7, 2014	AM Clouds; PM Sun	74	59
July 9, 2014	Partly Cloudy	77	61
July 11, 2014	AM Clouds; PM Sun	78	59
Walnut Grove Park	Weather Description	High Temp	Low Temp
July 14, 2014	Partly Cloudy	76	61
July 16, 2014	Cloudy	76	61
July 18, 2014	Dark Skies; Rain	81	58
Estella Park	Weather Description	High Temp	Low Temp
July 21, 2014	Partly Cloudy	79	68
July 23, 2014	AM Clouds; PM Sun	79	67
August 1, 2014	AM Clouds, PM Sun	81	66

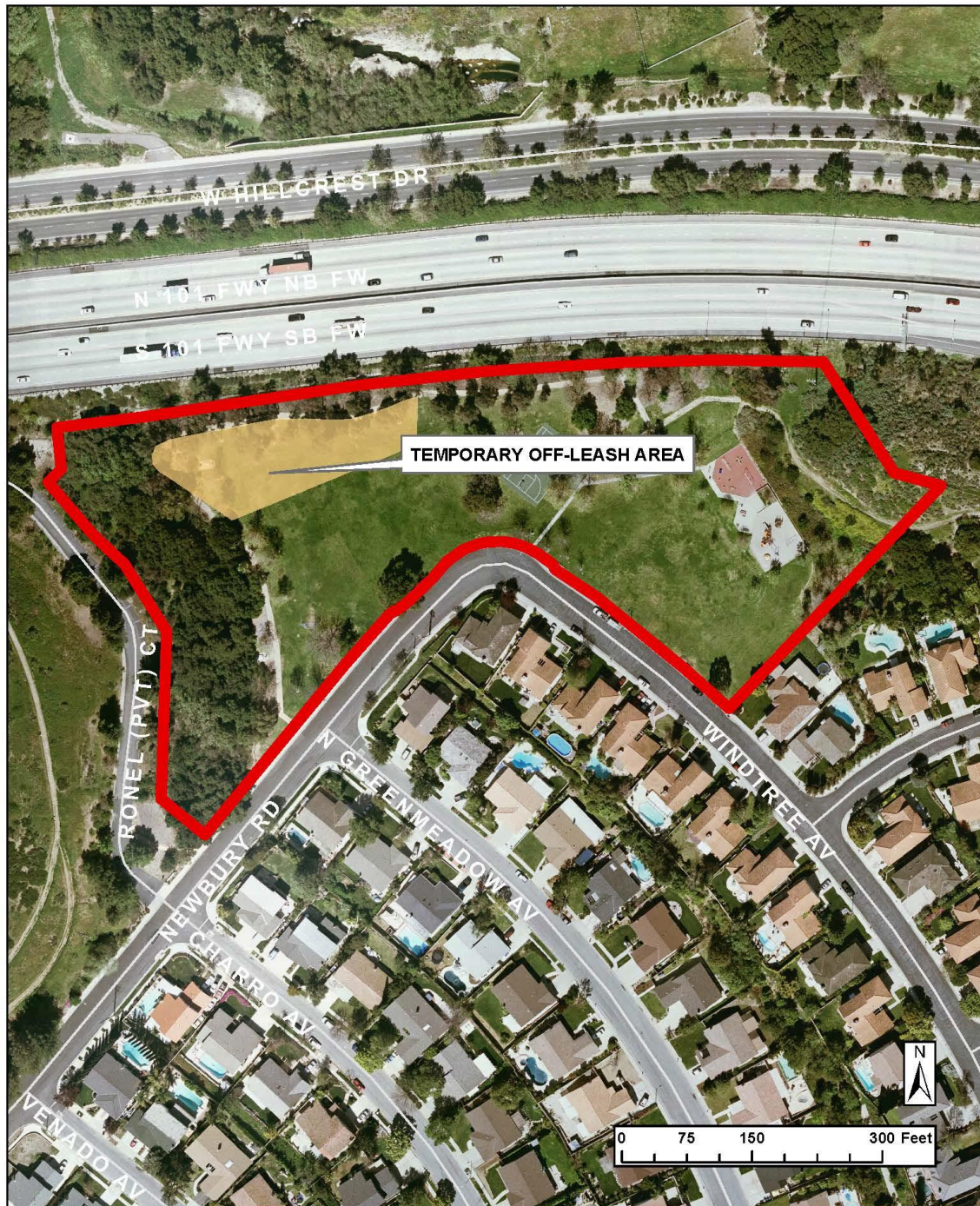
KIMBER PARK

TEMPORARY OFF-LEASH AREA



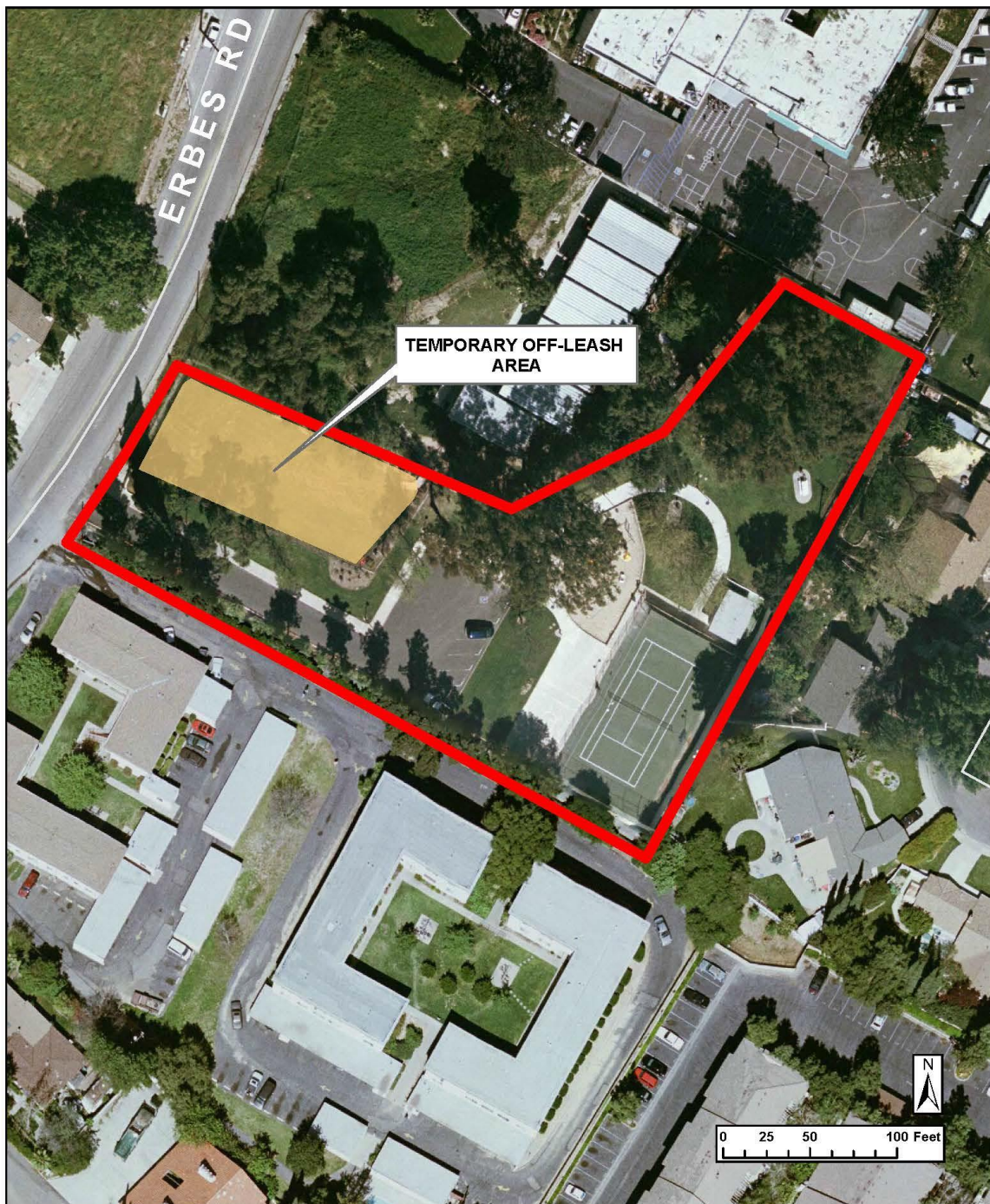
WALNUT GROVE PARK

TEMPORARY OFF-LEASH AREA



ESTELLA PARK

TEMPORARY OFF-LEASH AREA



EMAIL 10/6/15

Thank you for this dog park , my family and I visit the Kimber dog park at least, Three times a week it always a great walk for my family and our dog and helps out our community. Thank you very much.

Mark Owens

EMAIL 10/5/15

Dear Tom Hare,

As a longtime resident of Bear Creek Drive, my wife and I have seen the "Park" progress from an over grown weed infested eyesore a/k/a "Future Park Site" to a beautiful well maintained asset to our neighborhood (circa 1978-2001) As the park matured, the newly planted trees and vegetation have grown splendidly. Existing venues kept in good repair and new items added (namely the OLA).

So why would we want to take a step backward when it is so hard to get improvements in the first place. I definitely enjoy having an OLA within walking distance and not having to waste gas and time traveling to the previously solitary OLA up on Las Floras. Not to mention the money already spent on adding fencing and dual gates.

Our vote is to keep the OLAs. We hope to make the meeting on Oct. 15th

Joe & Eileen Alber

EMAIL 10/5/15

Fantastic neighborhood addition. I live down the street in Fairhaven Court. Love coming here with my dog.

Best regards,
Boris

EMAIL 10/4/15

Hi,

I'm writing as one of the ambassadors at the Wendy/Kimber dog park. I frequent the park with my own dog, and whenever I go to the dog park, there are at least 10 other dogs there and owners. In addition to having a place to allow our dogs to be off leash legally, the dog park is a great place for community socializing. I've met several of my neighbors I didn't know before the dog park opened.

We love the dog park and request that the CRPD/city council vote to make it a permanent fixture in Newbury Park.

I know I speak for at least 50 other people who frequent the dog park and enjoy socializing with their neighbors and dogs.

Thank you,
Tracy Marcynzsyn

EMAIL 10/4/15

Hello,

I'm in favor of keeping the dog park. Thank you.

Respectfully,
Frank Richter

EMAIL 10/3/15

Mr. Hare,

My name is Tim Foy. I am a Newbury Park resident. I moved here 6 years ago with my family. We waited until we were living in a house with a yard to get a family dog. We got a puppy on 6/13/15. We went for a walk to Kimber Park one day and to our surprise a temporary Off Leash Dog Park was set up. Our dog loves this park. We take him there at least 10 times a week. This allows him to get his exercise as well as socialize with other dogs. It is great to see all the other breeds of dogs that come to the park as well. While there are benefits for our dog, we get benefits from this park as well. We have met many great people that also bring their dogs to the park. We have also met some of our neighbors on the walk from our house to the park. This Off Leash Area is a great community asset. I hope to see it turned into a permanent facility.

Tim Foy

EMAIL 10/2/15

I am writing to ask that you please keep Kimber/Wendy Dog Park. We love bringing our dog there. It is not only great for our dog, but it is great outdoor family time.

Thank you for your consideration.

Amy McMaster

EMAIL 10/1/15

Hi Mr. Hare,

We are attaching an article about off leash dog research and have highlighted a few areas which demonstrate the positive impacts, both perceived and observed.

Some of the main points include:

--dog parks provide a means to meet neighbors and develop a sense of community

--there is a perception of increased public safety

--they provide physical health to dog owners

--residents in the study, although a smaller number, found dog parks were beneficial to property values

The research seems to indicate the dog parks get greater usage if located in residential areas. We believe the same findings would be found in Newbury Park. We have observed the aforementioned behaviors myself. As far as property value, we would definitely use the proximity of the dog park as one of the positive selling points of our property.

Many thanks for your attention,

Everett and Karen Lilly

EMAIL 9/30/15

Dear Mr. Hare,

I write to urge you in the strongest terms to support permanently retaining the neighborhood off-leash area at Kimber and Wendy in Newbury Park.

My teenage son and I bring our dog there about five evenings a week. Each evening there are about 10-15 dogs there, sometimes more, rarely fewer. Even now that the area has been open for some six months, new people and dogs continue to come. It is, as my daughter once said of another dog park, "the happiest place in town." Small as well as large dogs come, and the dogs have a wonderful time running and playing together, while their owners chat and enjoy watching and petting one another's dogs. Since we started bringing him there in March, our dog has developed from a timid, inactive animal with his tail between his legs, into an active, playful dog who runs and jumps with the others, tail in the air.

An unintended benefit of the off-leash area has been the formation not only of a canine but of a human community. People of widely different backgrounds, ages, and walks in life, who would never have come together otherwise, meet on friendly terms with a common interest (dogs), and the "regulars" have gradually gotten to know each other. Everyone cooperates in keeping an eye on the dogs, providing water, making sure poop gets picked up, and so on.

The off-leash area is an unmitigated delight and a great enrichment to life in Newbury Park. PLEASE do not let it be taken away from us.

Thank you, Eric Perl

EMAIL 9/30/15

To Whom It May Concern:

Just wanted to convey how much our dog, Clark, loves the dog park! Either my husband or myself take him there every evening. There are always plenty of dogs and they get along great!

We are so appreciative of the park's location on Wendy and Kimber rather than having to drive all the way over to Las Flores.

I must say the park seems to be well used with responsible dog owners. The dogs play well together and the owners are attentive. I think the socialization is good for the dogs as I have not seen an aggressive dog there. We have been going since the park opened. I do hope there are plans to keep the dog park. It would be a huge loss to the area if it closed.

Many thanks for providing a safe place for the dogs to play.

Karen

EMAIL 9/28/15

I actually misread the flyer. It stated to email you our feedback about the Off Leash Area that we use. I go to the Wendy / Kimber Park in Newbury Park. I take my dogs in the morning, mostly and on a regular basis there are several people and their dogs enjoying the park. I feel that it is a great benefit to the community and a necessity. I don't always want to drive over to the dog park on Avenida De Las Flores, so it's very convenient to walk right down the street and use that OLA. I do walk my dogs around the walking trail at the park there too and it's nice to let them loose to play and socialize after we're done with our exercise.

I feel that it helps build a sense of community as well. I meet and talk to people there that I wouldn't otherwise, so that's a great benefit.

Please make the temporary off leash area at Wendy / Kimber a permanent dog park. It's a fun place to go and enjoyed by many Newbury Park (and probably some Thousand Oaks) residents. It would be nice if the fence line could even extend a bit farther back as well since there is more unused space beyond the current fence line. It would also be nice to have a shade cover over the table there and some kind of water fountain for people and dogs. I know that conserving water is a must, but the dogs do drink quite a bit of the water that people have been bringing themselves. People are currently filling gallon size plastic bottles with water and leaving them there and have brought water bowls as well. What I worry about is the sun beating down on the plastic water bottles all day and then dogs drinking the water. I don't think that's very healthy at all.

Lysa Renee Pavlowich

EMAIL 9/28/15

Keep the park! It's wonderful to have a dog park so close! Keep Kimber/Wendy dog park!!!

EMAIL 9/27/15

Please keep all off leash dog parks.

Pat A. Steinle

EMAIL 9/27/15

Hi Tom,

My dog Zoey and I have been visiting the Kimber Park OLA since about May of this year. She will be 2 years old in October so she has plenty of puppy energy. She is the only dog in our household so we find that the park is a great place for her to run and play with other dogs like herself. I estimate that we go to the park 2-3 times a week in the evenings. She plays for 30 minutes to 1 ½ hours depending on how active the park is.

What is great about having smaller neighborhood parks is that patrons get to know their fellow neighbors and their pets. We share information relating to our dog's welfare such as vets, groomers and the like. As there is no water available in the park itself, patrons are good about bringing in water for the benefit of the dogs. It is one example of the people taking 'ownership' of the park.

I am hopeful the CRPD Board will decide to change the Kimber Park OLA from temporary to permanent.

Thanks,
Karen Hoffman

EMAIL 9/26/15

I go to the park about 4-6 times a month. It is a good manageable size for dogs to play. I would like to see it stay.

Michael

EMAIL 9/26/15

Hello Tom,

I'm writing to you to voice my whole-hearted support for the Kimber Park OLA as we ramp up to your October 15th meeting.

We've got a young puppy & have only been able to use the park for the last 3 weeks, but it's truly been a lifesaver in helping our little "Lady" both socialize with other dogs as well as burn off some of her endless energy.

During those few weeks, we've been there every day and on a few occasions we've even gone twice a day, so I can speak firsthand to how important a part this park plays to local dog owners.

On each & every hourly visit, we've encountered a number of wonderful neighbors & their dogs and was amazed to count almost 20 dogs there last Saturday nite! Equally amazing was just how well all the dogs interacted with each other. I've also witnessed caring dog owners playing with and picking up after their dogs as well as a warm sense of community.

The siting of the OLA at Kimber seems to be perfect, too, as it looks like it would have been an unused part of the park, anyway.

I will be attending the meeting, and look forward to making these parks permanent parts of the community.

Sincerely,
Rick Byrnes

EMAIL 9/26/15

My wife and I both vote to keep the Kimber/Wendy and Walnut Grove dog parks. We use the parks on a daily basis.

Rick and Maria Elena Taylor

EMAIL 9/26/15

I plan on attending the October 15 dog park meeting. I take my dogs to the Wendy / Kimberly dog park. There was a flyer there that said to email CRPD if you plan on attending.

See you there,
Lysa Renee Pavlowich

EMAIL 9/25/15

Dear Sir,

My dog and I have enjoyed the dog park on a daily basis since it opened. I don't think we have missed more than four days. We go in the morning and there are usually at least three to five other dogs there too. The owners and the dogs are all very friendly and all seem to enjoy the park as much as we do.

Please vote to keep the park open!

Thank You, Sheila Wonders

EMAIL 9/25/15

Hi,

I would like to tell you about our wonderful off-leash area in the Kimber/Wendy Park. My dogs and I have been going to this area since it opened and it has changed so many things for us.

To begin with the benefits of good exercise have become a positive for all 3 of us. Before the OLA I would walk my dogs for an hour or more each day but it would never be enough and my dogs would always come home still full of energy. Now we can play for half an hour in the OLA, chasing balls and running with doggy friends and the dogs will come home exhausted. A half hour at the OLA as opposed to an hours walking the neighborhood has also meant that I now have time to work out, and am feeling the benefit of time spent on my cross-trainer or exercise bike. Walking is of course good for me but my dogs were never speedy so the exercise benefits to me were not great.

Socially, the OLA has made a huge difference. I have two rescue dogs; Bella is a 6 year old collie/pointer cross and Fay is a 3 year old collie/lab cross. Both dogs have sweet loving temperaments however Fay was very insecure and to begin with could sound and sometimes behave aggressively towards other dogs. She would never bite another dog but she would growl at dogs who came too close to her, the fur along her back raised. Going to the OLA was very stressful at first. I have never known her bite anyone or any other dog but I was always worried that this might change. The support of the other dog owners changed all that. We go to the OLA at a regular time each day and so we have gotten to know the other dogs and their owners. The other dog owners saw that Fay's behavior was all bravado and stemmed from her insecurities (she would always stay close to me and did not like dogs who came too close to either me or her). They encouraged me to stay in the park for an extra few minutes when Fay started to 'misbehave', and to step back and allow the dogs to work things out. Very gradually Fay's behavior started to change. Now I can go to the OLA without worrying. Fay plays with the other dogs, running up and down, chasing her ball. Now and again she will 'explain' to another dog that it is her ball, but there is no hint of aggression and I feel no concern about her behavior. In addition to this I can take her elsewhere and expect this improved behavior. We recently took the dogs to a dog beach.

This is one of Fay's favorite places in the whole world and she would always pull at her leash, barking uncontrollably to be allowed off to play. This time she walked calmly down the beach at my side until I was ready to let her off her leash. Again, other dogs on the beach were of no concern and our time on the beach was a joy. To really emphasize how important a change this I have to tell you that about 12 months ago I was considering having Fay re homed because her behavior was so stressful to me. I love both my dogs and the thought of re homing one is just not me at all, but even as she got older I could see no improvement in her behavior and was really beginning to despair. Today she is a different dog.

I have to say enormous thanks to the CRPD for opening our OLA and more importantly, to our 8am doggy friends: Henry, Lila, Sammy, Roxy, Rooby and new addition Lady, and also to our 8:30 friends (if we are running late): Annie, Kayla, & Bingo. Please keep the Kimber/Wendy OLA open.

Thanks,
Debbie Adamson, Bella and Fay

EMAIL 9/24/15

Hello Tom,

I am very sorry I will be out of town for the CRPD meeting on the 15th to discuss temporary dog parks. I am a big supporter of those parks. I go daily to either the Kimber Park or the Walnut Creek Park. My dogs and I love them both. It's so nice to have both of those parks closer to home so I can either walk or take a short drive to one or other. It's so much better than having to drive 20 minutes each way from my house at the west end of Newbury Park to the original dog park on Ave. de las Flores. These temporary parks save me time, wear and tear on my car as well as not adding to the traffic congestion on the freeways.

The people and dogs who use these new parks seem to be doing a great job of "policing" the area. I never see dog waste on the ground and both parks look neat, even though they are well used. I think the location of both parks is well thought out, no close neighbors and yet convenient to neighborhoods for people who simply want to walk their dog to a designated off leash area. Parking seems more than adequate at both, I've never had a problem finding convenient parking at either Park.

If at all possible a way to make these parks even better for the dogs and dog owners would be to expand them a bit to make them somewhat larger and to add a permanent water source for the dogs. People have been very creative in bringing water jugs and leaving dog dishes for thirsty dogs, but a fountain would be even better. The current areas where people leave dog bowls for water is also well policed by the attendees and I never see any debris or mess. I think the users of these parks and the volunteer association that has been such a support in this effort are doing a great job helping with the parks, keeping them in great shape while be respectful of the surrounding neighbors and the other users of both parks.

I want to be sure to add my voice in support of turning these parks into permanent off leash dog parks. It would add so much to our community. I hope the CRPD will move to make this happen.

Thanks so much for the opportunity to express my opinion and support.

Maureen Celusta

EMAIL 9/23/15

Tom,

Thanks for this update. I frequent the Kimber off-leash area and can tell you that there are a good number of us who come there regularly. Most evenings there are a couple of dozen dogs and owners who show up at least for a little while.

I was there this week and folks were really wondering about this upcoming vote and hoping that the OLA will be made permanent at Kimber. We've been told that some of the other OLAs may have more vocal and more visible group of users, and that has made some people worry that Kimber is somehow being threatened to not be made permanent.

The group of people who use the dog park at Kimber have mostly met each other since the OLA was established -- we weren't all users of the park before, and we're not close friends outside of the park. It's a very diverse group of users, with a lot of variety in ages and stages -- from young kids who come with their parents to senior citizens.

We don't want to be overlooked because we haven't somehow been making enough noise about how much we appreciate the OLA.

Can you tell me if there seems to be any opposition to the OLA being made permanent at Kimber? And is there something users could/should be doing to express our support for it?

Thanks for your help,
Tammy Ditmore

EMAIL 9/23/15

Hello Tom,

My dogs and I have made daily use of either the park at Kimber or the one at Walnut Grove. I am a big supporter of turning these parks into permanent dog off leash parks. But (as usually seems the case for these meetings) I am out of town for the Oct 15 public meeting. I would still like to lend my support. Is there a name or org. I can either write to or e mail to show my support? I'd like to do that in order to have my opinion counted.

Also, I have some concerns about the temporary dog parks as they are now. I don't want in any way to distract the need to make them permanent by raising my (minor) concerns. Who can I address those to? The biggest one, and might be one the committee should hear, is that the Kimber park is far too small, and there's plenty of room for expansion to the south west it seems. Because it's so small the park has turned into nothing but dirt, and so it is rather unpleasant and therefore not heavily used. Neither park has a water source for the dogs, but I am sure that would be addressed if the parks are made permanent.

Please let me know how I can get my support known to the proper sources, and best of luck,

Maureen Celusta

EMAIL 9/21/15

We love the off-leash dog parks. We usually go to the one near Kimber Dr. because it's closer. We have lived in Newbury Park since 1972 & always have had a dog who loves to run & hike.

Los Flores proved to be a problem with owners sitting at the picnic table & paying little if any attention to the dog's poop and issues with aggressive behavior.

Camarillo @ Springville has all park benches that face center, & the dogs are visible. Plus the people are more responsible that way. This seems like a better idea.

Thank you very much for providing this service. I hope it's possible to keep off-leash dog parks in Newbury Park. It's better for the dogs & owners, too!

Sandi & Phil Patterson

EMAIL 9/17/15

Hi, I just wanted to say how much I love having the off leash park so close by. I live in the mobile home park off Ventu and as you know they won't allow us to have fenced yard, so being able to bring our dogs to the park is great. Love the area! Thank you again.

EMAIL 9/12/15

Dear Tom,

I am writing to request that your board continue to offer the Kimber Dog Park in addition to the other two parks that have opened up in NP. My dog Ruby and I use it often (perhaps 2 or 3 times a week) after long work days. It is not only a great way for her to get some doggie time but an opportunity for me to socialize with other dog owners after a stressful work week.

I plan to try to make the meeting on the 15th, but in case I am not able, I wanted to write a quick note to voice my appreciation for this new dog park.

Kindly,
Monique Abbett

EMAIL 9/8/15

Tom,

I can't thank your team for the extra efforts on the off leash dog parks. Going to both Kimber and Walnut parks have been great for my two dogs.

Hopeful soon they become permanent OLA, as without watering the areas they become ALL dirt... other areas in the park continue to be taken care and watered. The fenced in OLA have just been neglected. Shame.

I been to both parks about 4 to 5 times a week since they have opened... I bring extra water and clean up what I can. Others do as well.

If these OLA remain with no grass, sand or ground cover... then it is just dirt... not a place I want to take my pets.

We all know that money and budgets rule... so when these areas become permanent hopeful they will get the funding too.

Your job has challenges no doubt... and I would be happy to be on any committee.

OLA Needs: Both parks

- 1) Ground cover... just dirt makes for tons of dust in all areas of these parks.
- 2) Water source for pets... also to clean bowls...ect
- 3) New fencing as talked prior

Thank you for your time.

Paul Meder

EMAIL 7/11/15

Dear Ed and James,

"Off Leash Dog Parks are a Joke" the caption read in the Acorn. That article didn't surprise me one bit. We have to be coming up on the six month off leash dog park trial period and I was wondering where it stood. I attached the letter I wrote to Ed last year, not sure if you read it or not, and not trying to throw it in your face but nearly everything I said has come true.

I haven't spoke up about the dog park yet because I've been hoping that you would reach out to see how it's going after the meetings we had and the multiple conversations, emails, complaints, etc... Are my wife and I going to have a say in this dog park going forward or not? Please don't go forward without us having a say in it.

I hope so because it's been everything I thought it would be. The article in the Acorn speaks for itself. For my wife and I it's been the normal dogs off leash in the middle of the park, as I expected, and nobody from CRPD, Police, Animal control has regulated that so the entire park is pretty much an off leash dog park. This doesn't bother us because they're not nearly as close as the off leash dog park the CRPD put in next to my house. Guys, it's way too close to my house and we're not happy about it. Numerous occasions I've been woken up by barking dogs well before 7:00am. I have recordings to prove it. I've had people over for BBQ's and it's nice and peaceful over a dinner then all of a sudden the barking begins over our conversations. I heard a very small dog has been mauled by a large dog because there's no division. There's trash and cigarette butts in the park. It's close enough to smell the cigarettes and marijuana. It's a dusty eye soar, it's close enough to hear people's conversations. IT'S RUINED MY PEACEFUL BACKYARD.

PLEASE UPDATE ME ON THE STATUS OF THE DOG PARK.

Thank you
Jayson Merrill

EMAIL 7/3/15

Hello,

We want to express our support for the Off-Leash Area at Kimber Park. We live in Newbury Park, and we have 3 dogs. We used to have to travel to the OLA in Thousand Oaks so our dogs could have the opportunity to run around and interact with other dogs. Due to how far it was, we only drove there about once a month. We now walk to the OLA at Kimber Park several times a week. We hope the OLA will remain after the trial period.

Thank You,
Debbie Dreese

EMAIL 6/19/15

Mr. Friedl,

I hope that Conejo Recreation and Parks can make this "TEMPORARY" off leach area permanent. It is a wonderful addition to you marvelous facilities in the Newbury Park area. Your program of water conservation in the Park is good.

Thanks you for all of your great facilities in this area.
Roger Fulmer

EMAIL 6/2/15

Hi Tom,

Thanks for the complaint forward from Kimber. I hadn't heard that one. The only complaints I've gotten have been from small dog owners. They have issues with mixing large and small dogs in the same space.

The neighborhood OLAs are too small to divide up. But we were thinking that maybe we could post small dog hours at each of them. Sort of the same concept as adult time at the pool. Small dogs can come any time but certain times of the day (eg half hour morning, noon and evening) is only for small dogs.

Let me know what you think. If it's a go, we'll trial it first at Kimber which seems to have a lot of small dog traffic outside of the OLA, then Walnut. Estella doesn't get enough use to warrant specific hours.

Monica

EMAIL 6/2/15

Dear CRPD Board,

I am writing to you as an Ambassador of the Wendy/Kimber Off-Leash Area - Dog Park. I have been volunteering at the Off Leash Area since March 2015 when it first opened. I walk my dog daily to the park for exercise for both of us.

After thoughtful consideration I would like to tell you that the Off Leash Area is not located in the correct spot. The OLA is much too close to existing homes.

I live in the cul-de-sac that backs to the OLA, South Dewey Ave. and I can tell you that for the past few month the dogs in our neighborhood are much more agitated, barking more in response to the increased noise and activity at the OLA. The OLA is disturbing our neighborhood!

The OLA was never on the master plan for the Wendy/Kimber Park. The areas the bordered houses and the church were designated as passive areas.

Do I like the idea of the OLA, yes!! I think we need more OLA's for the residents of the Conejo, however the locations must be carefully thought out in order to not negatively impact the existing neighbors.

At the end of the temporary period I implore the board to search for more appropriate location for an OLA that does not back to houses 25 feet away.

Thank you,

Kimbra Philbrook
