

POTENTIAL REINFELD - SCHANZENFELD SEWER PROJECT SURVEY RESULTS

Fall 2019



Blueprint Inc. was retained in Fall 2019 to conduct this community survey at arm's length. The survey was conducted between September 1 and 30, 2019. All survey results, including detailed comments have been received and reviewed by the RM and a brief, high-level report with analysis of key findings and how the RM is responding to community input is available at www.rmofstanley.ca/sewerproject.

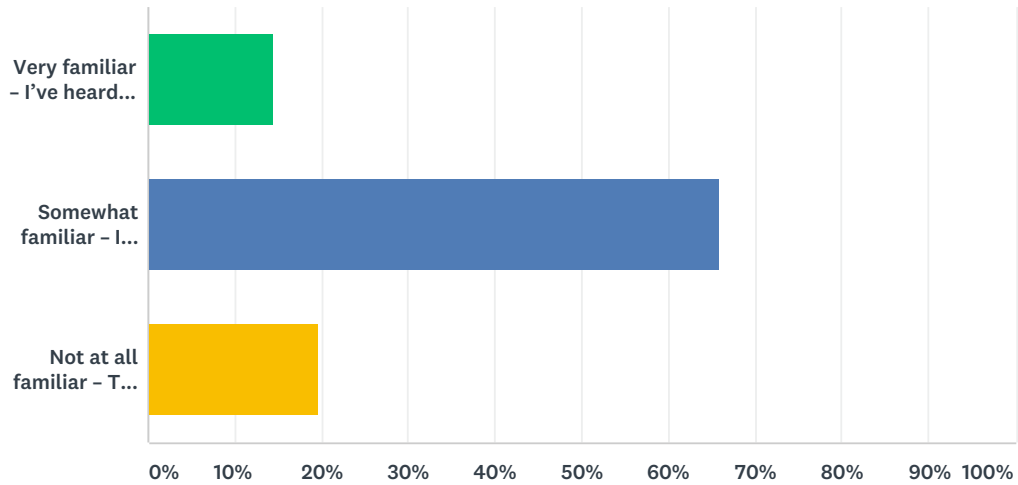
This document includes the raw report of results so residents can see how the communities responded. Detailed comments are not being reported in this document to ensure the anonymity/non-attribution of respondents is protected, as committed by the RM when the survey was launched.

For up to date project information, to sign up for email updates and to see the full survey results, please visit [**www.rmofstanley.ca/sewerproject**](http://www.rmofstanley.ca/sewerproject).

We welcome your thoughts and questions at any time. If you have comments or questions about any aspect of the proposed sewer initiative, please contact the RM office at any time: 204-325-4101, or by email at [**info@rmofstanley.ca**](mailto:info@rmofstanley.ca).

Q1 Before today, how familiar were you with the Schanzenfeld and Reinfeld Sewer Project?

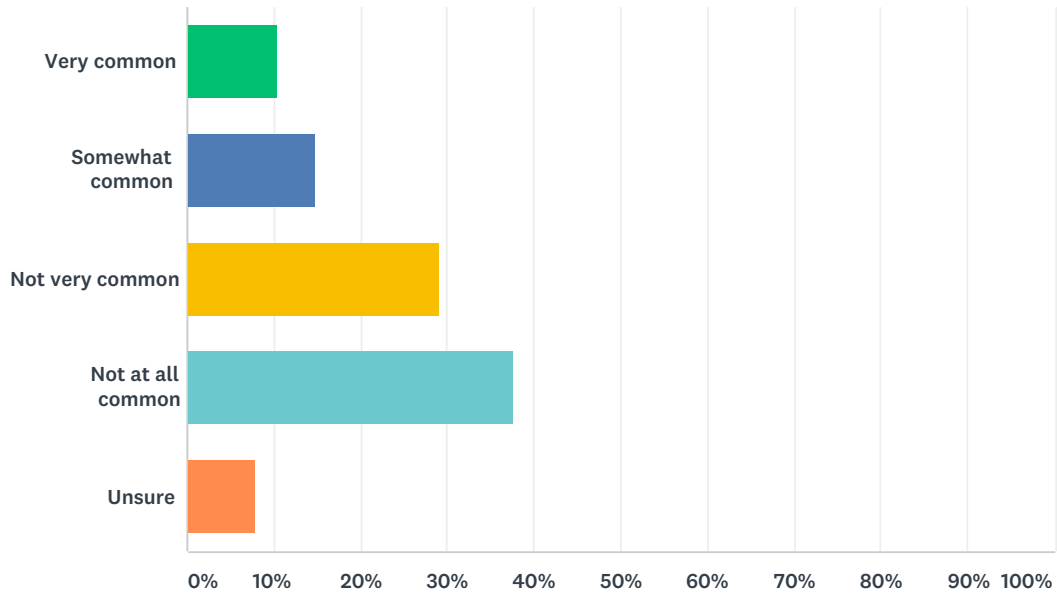
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Very familiar – I've heard quite a bit about it	14.33%	45
Somewhat familiar – I've heard something about it, but don't know many details	65.92%	207
Not at all familiar – This is the first I'm really hearing about it	19.75%	62
TOTAL		314

Q2 Based on what you see and hear, how common are problems with septic fields in your community?

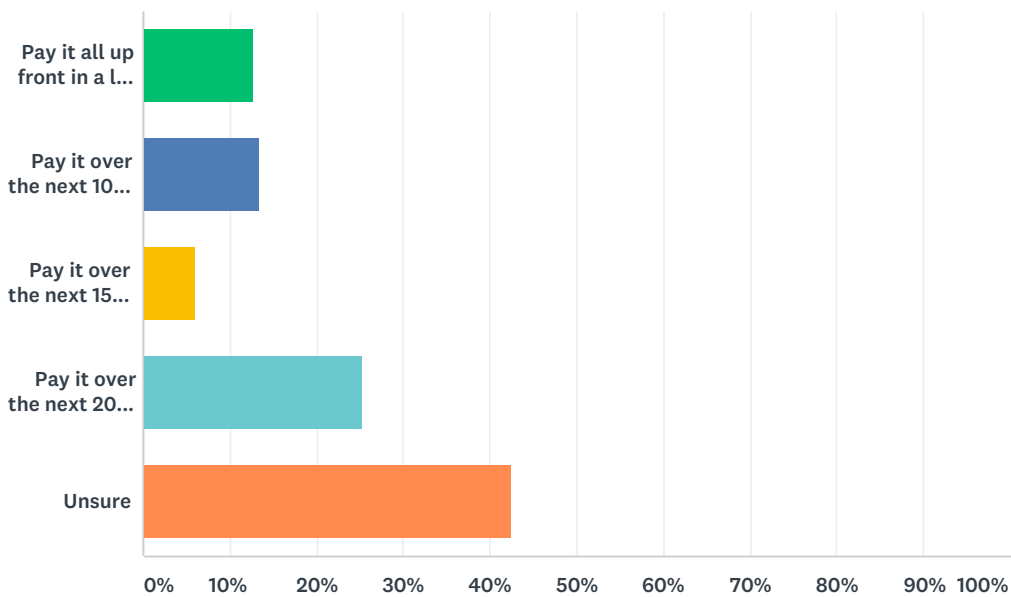
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Very common	10.44%	33
Somewhat common	14.87%	47
Not very common	29.11%	92
Not at all common	37.66%	119
Unsure	7.91%	25
TOTAL		316

Q3 Presuming the RM is successful in having the majority of project costs paid by the federal and provincial governments, we expect the cost to each property owner will be in the range of \$6,000 to \$9,000 for installation of the sewer system throughout the community. In addition, property owners will be expected to cover the cost of work on your own property to connect your home to the system, and a basic quarterly sewer bill for ongoing system operation once complete. We continue to seek out funding and grants to reduce the costs for our community and individual property owners, but we also want to create payment options that work for you. It's early in the process, but we'd like to get a sense how property owners may prefer to pay for their portion of the project costs when they connect. Would you be most likely to...(please choose your top option.)

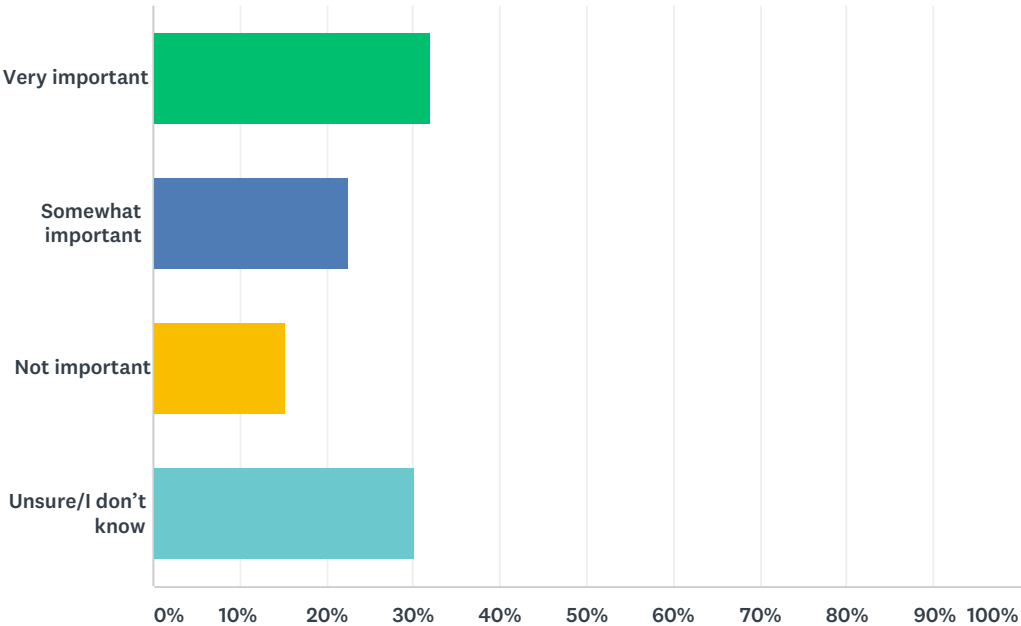
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Pay it all up front in a lump sum (in the range of \$6000 - \$9000), arranging my own financing if needed	12.67%	37
Pay it over the next 10 years through an additional property tax levy (in the range of \$740 - \$1100 annually)	13.36%	39
Pay it over the next 15 years through an additional property tax levy (in the range of \$540 - \$810 annually)	6.16%	18
Pay it over the next 20 years through an additional property tax levy (in the range of \$442 - \$662 annually)	25.34%	74
Unsure	42.47%	124
TOTAL		292

Q4 If you are more likely to finance over time through a property tax levy, how important would it be to you to have an option to pay off the amount early, say at the midpoint of the loan?

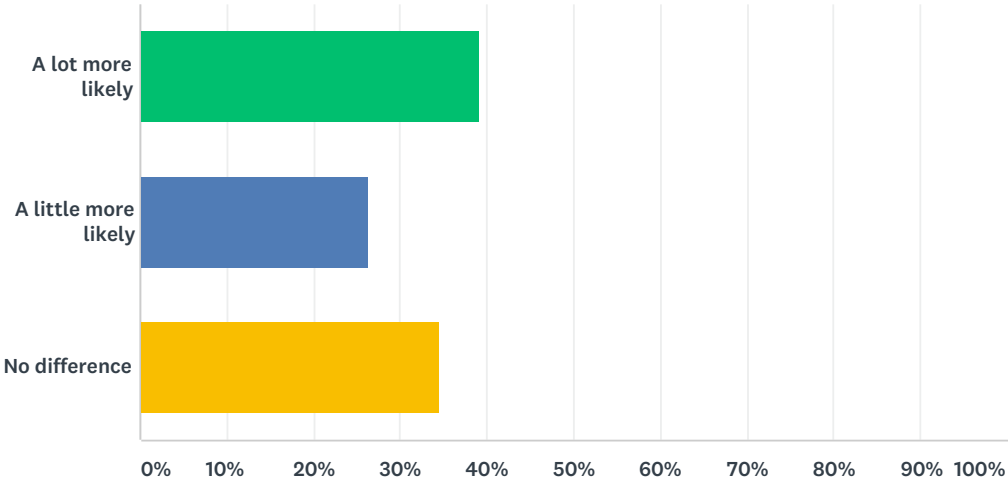
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Very important	31.94%	92
Somewhat important	22.57%	65
Not important	15.28%	44
Unsure/I don't know	30.21%	87
TOTAL		288

Q5 Let’s say the RM offered an early connection discount to encourage property owners to hook up right away to the sewer system. Would this make you more likely to connect right away, or would it make no difference?

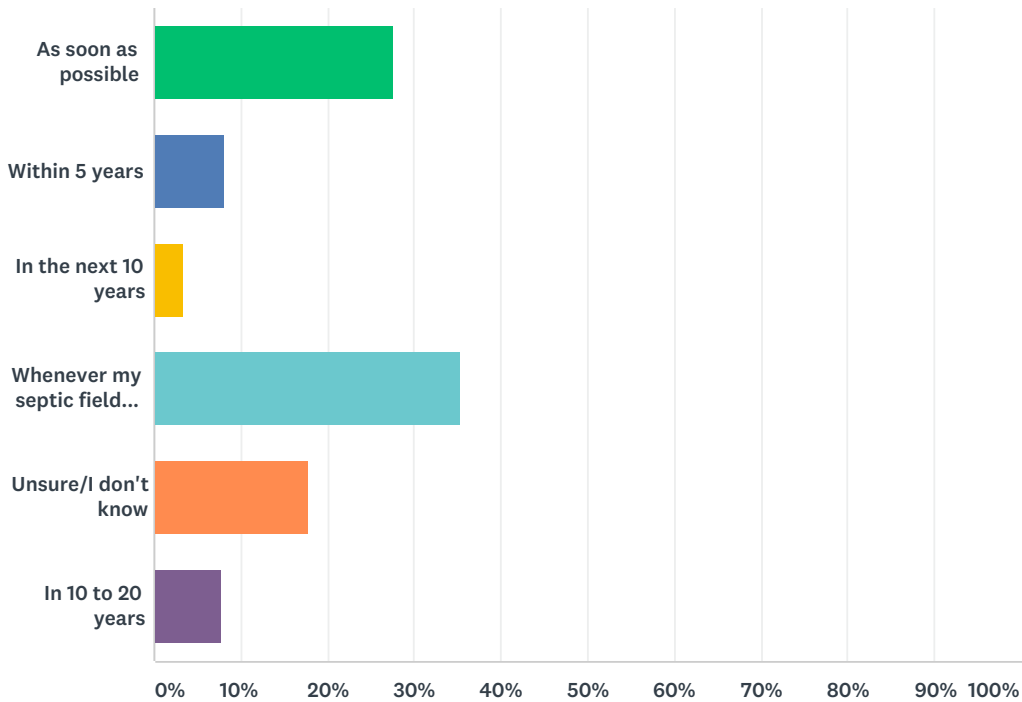
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
A lot more likely	39.10%	113
A little more likely	26.30%	76
No difference	34.60%	100
TOTAL		289

Q6 We know that connecting to the new sewer system will be mandatory due to current provincial regulations. However, when you connect may be more flexible, and the RM is working with the Province right now to explore this further. Once the new sewer system is installed in your community, how soon would you be interested in hooking up to it?

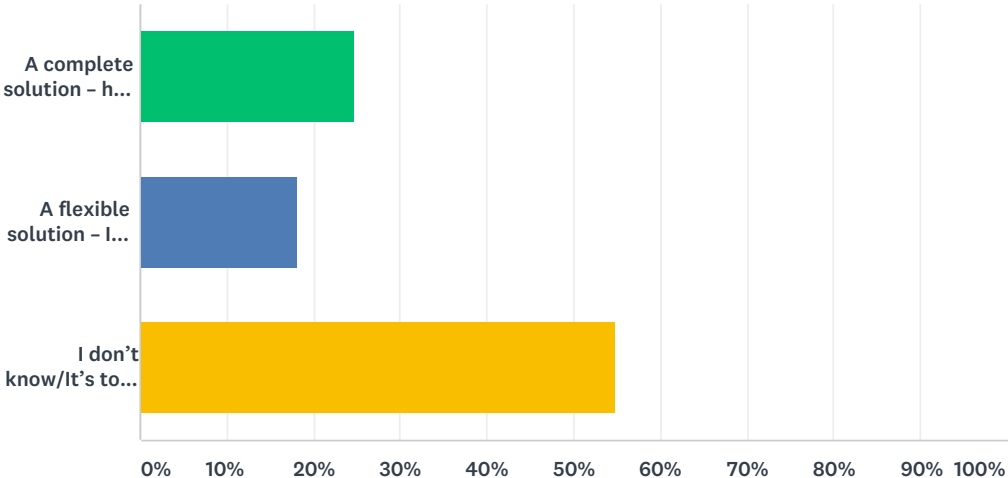
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
As soon as possible	27.61%	82
Within 5 years	8.08%	24
In the next 10 years	3.37%	10
Whenever my septic field fails	35.35%	105
Unsure/I don't know	17.85%	53
In 10 to 20 years	7.74%	23
TOTAL		297

Q7 We'd like to get a sense whether property owners would value assistance from the RM when it comes to the construction work needed to connect your property to the new sewer system. Which of the following two options do you prefer?

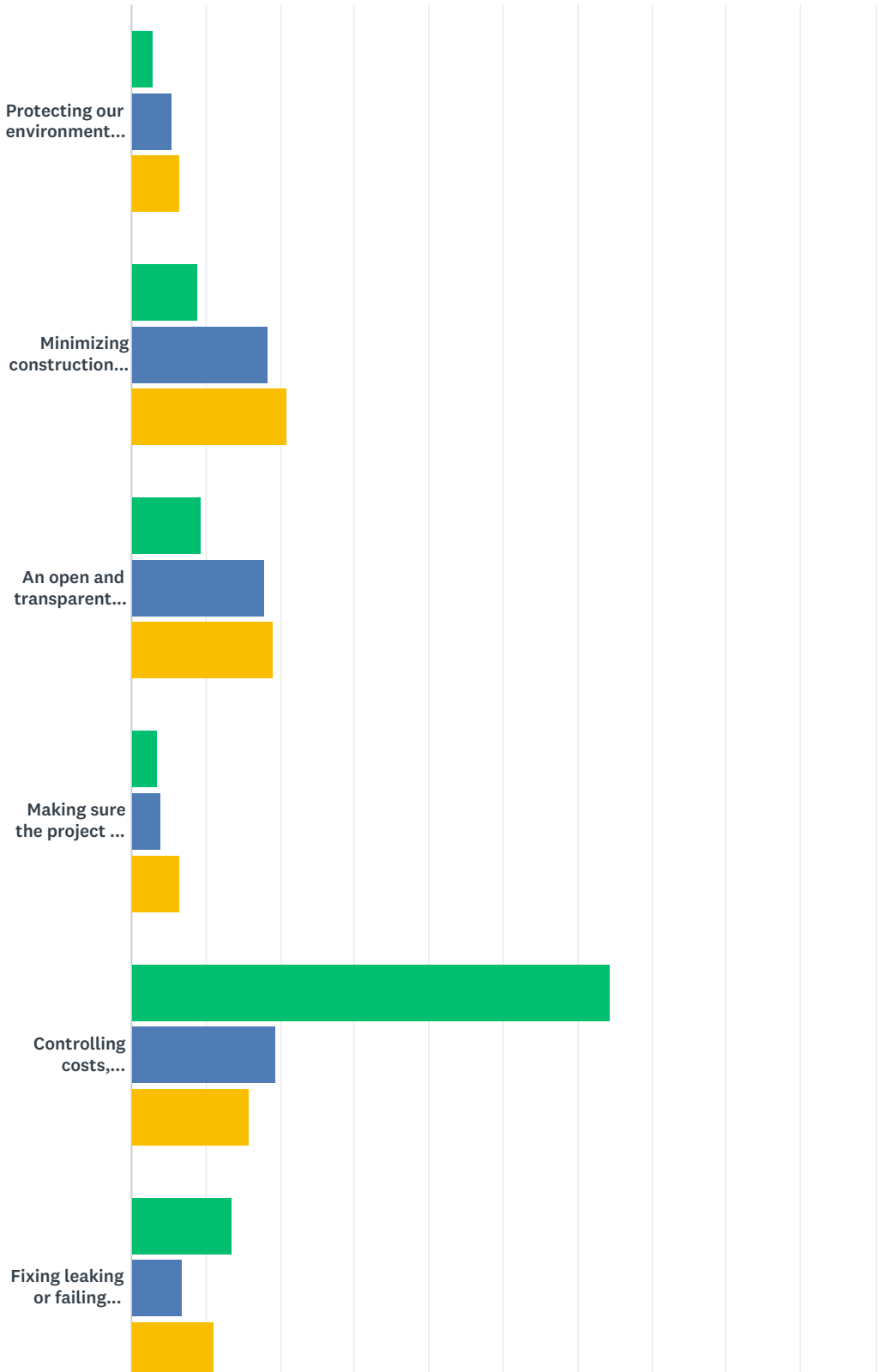
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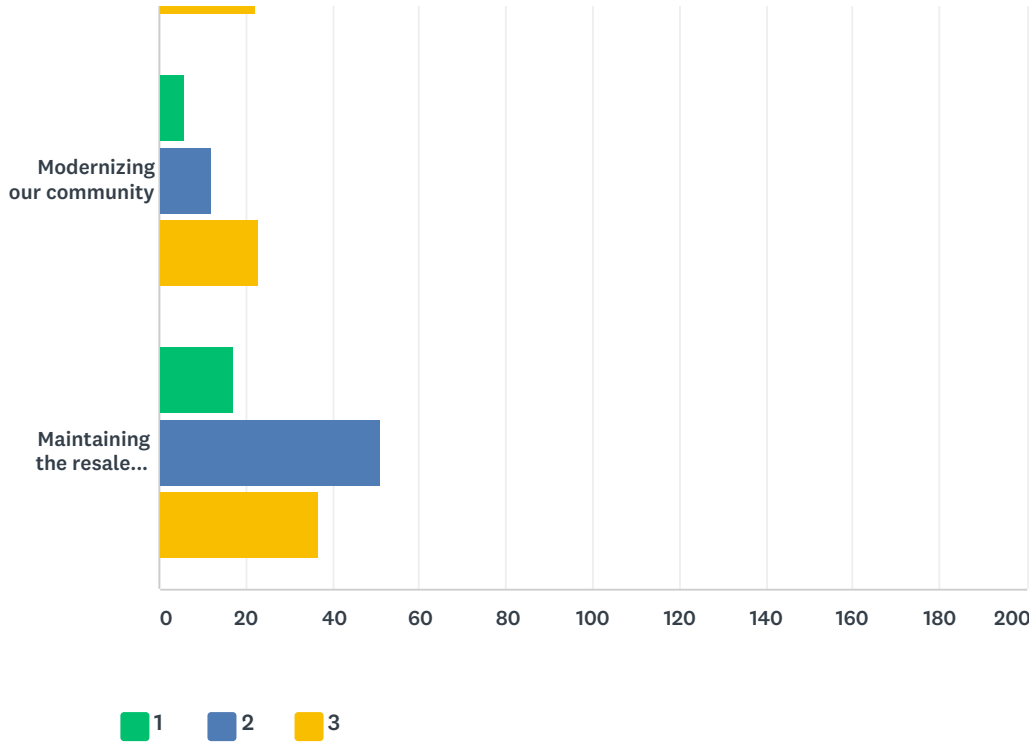
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
A complete solution – have the RM contract and manage the install on my property	24.75%	73
A flexible solution – I want to hire an RM-approved contractor of my choice and manage the process myself	18.31%	54
I don't know/It's too early to say	54.92%	162
TOTAL		295

Q8 Now, thinking about the sewer project more broadly, which priorities are most important when the RM is planning and managing this project? Please read the list below and pick your top three, in order of importance.

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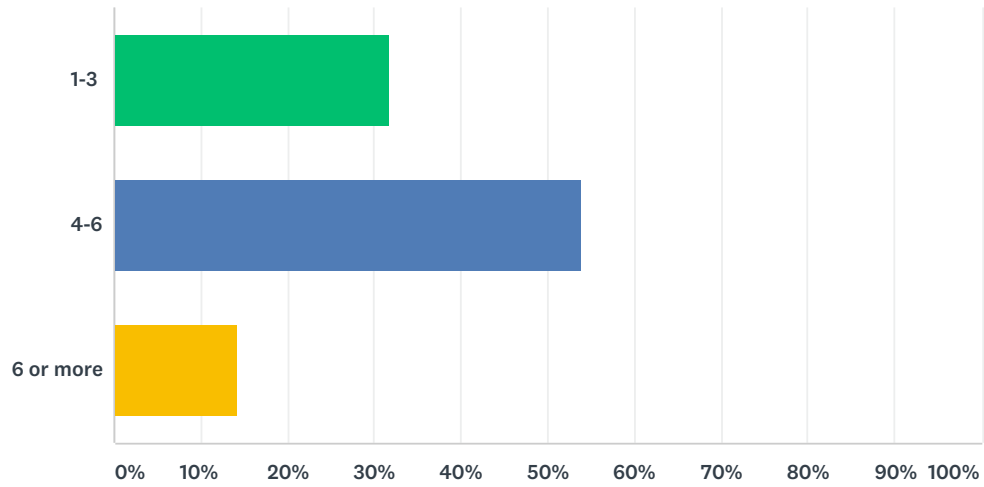
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	1	2	3	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Protecting our environment from contamination from household wastewater	20.00% 6	36.67% 11	43.33% 13	30	0.00
Minimizing construction disruptions to properties and the community	18.56% 18	38.14% 37	43.30% 42	97	0.00
An open and transparent process where property owners are kept in the loop at every stage	20.43% 19	38.71% 36	40.86% 38	93	0.00
Making sure the project is completed on time	25.00% 7	28.57% 8	46.43% 13	28	0.00
Controlling costs, especially costs to property owners	64.50% 129	19.50% 39	16.00% 32	200	0.00
Fixing leaking or failing septic systems once and for all	42.86% 27	22.22% 14	34.92% 22	63	0.00
Modernizing our community	14.63% 6	29.27% 12	56.10% 23	41	0.00
Maintaining the resale value of properties in our community for the long-term	16.19% 17	48.57% 51	35.24% 37	105	0.00

Q9 How many people currently live in your household?

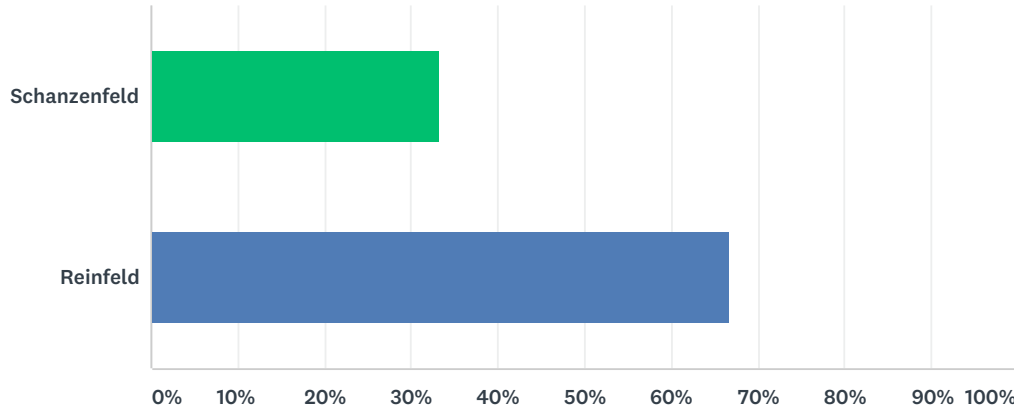
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
1-3	31.86%	94
4-6	53.90%	159
6 or more	14.24%	42
TOTAL		295

Q10 Is your property in Schanzenfeld or Reinfeld?

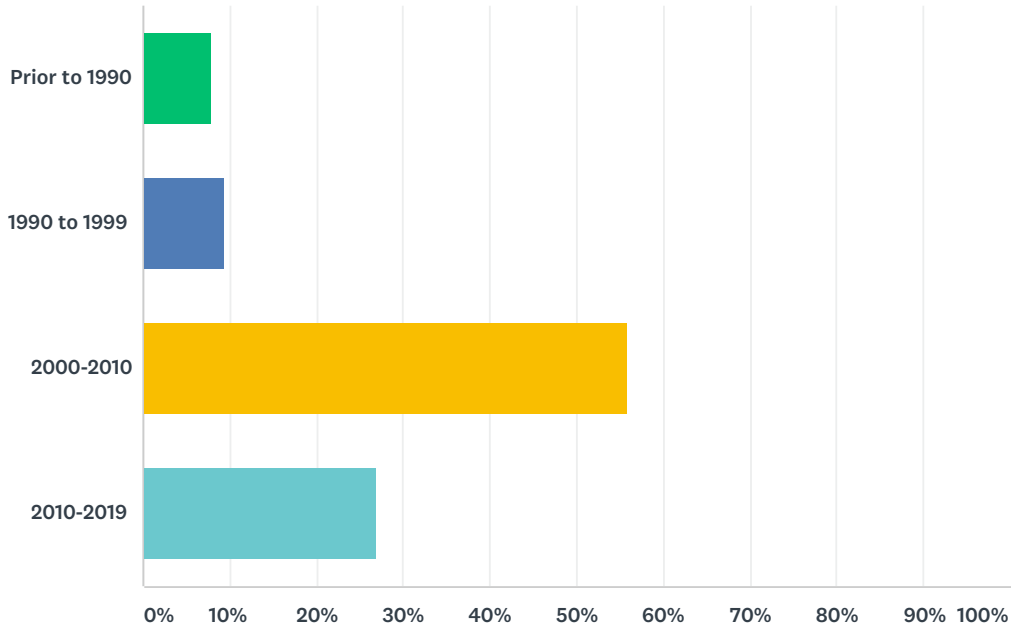
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Schanzenfeld	33.33% 99
Reinfeld	66.67% 198
TOTAL	297

Q11 To help us understand the age of your current septic field, can you tell us when it was constructed? If not, can you tell us when your house was built?

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Prior to 1990	7.93%	23
1990 to 1999	9.31%	27
2000-2010	55.86%	162
2010-2019	26.90%	78
TOTAL		290

