

City of Alpena

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CITY OF ALPENA AND ALPENA COUNTY JOINT COMMUNITY RECREATION SURVEY

As part of the planning processes being undertaken by the City of Alpena and Alpena County to update their respective Community Recreation plans, the Alpena County and City of Alpena Community Recreation Survey will be published as an insert in the *Alpena News* on Saturday, September 20, 2008.

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An important component of the recreation planning process is public input. To further reach out to residents, the City and County have chosen to distribute this joint recreation survey in order to acquire comprehensive input on how our local recreation facilities are being utilized. This is being done in recognition of the fact that residents from one community often use recreation facilities in adjacent communities.

Recreation plans contain a description of each community recreational facility, along with information describing the community and its administrative structure. Recreation plans also list important goals and objectives, and identify how each community intends to work toward meeting these goals and objectives over the next five years. Plans also contain and prioritize specific projects/improvements, cost estimates, as well as a general timeline for intended improvements.

Residents are asked to complete the survey and mail it to the MSU Extension office, 603 S. Eleventh Avenue, Alpena, MI 49707. Completed surveys can also be dropped off at Alpena City Hall or the Alpena County Courthouse (Treasurer's Office). Copies of the survey can also be downloaded from the City (www.alpena.mi.us) and County (www.alpenacounty.org) web sites. Deadline for returning the recreation survey is Friday, October 3, 2008.