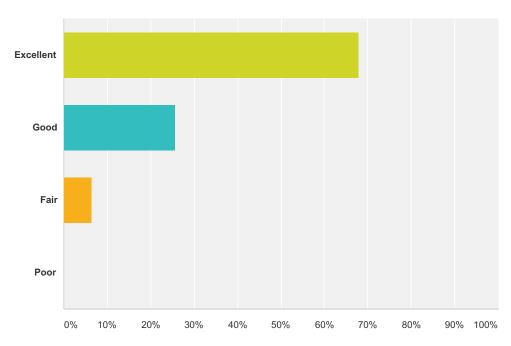
#### Q1 Do you feel the fifth Annual Long Island Natural History Conference was a successful event?

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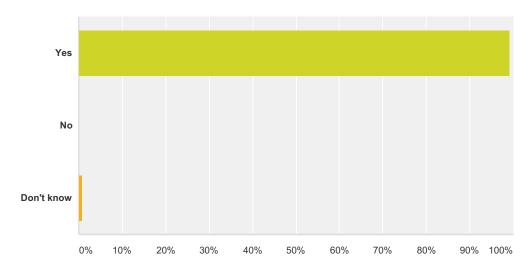
Answer Choices	Responses	
Excellent	67.89%	74
Good	25.69%	28
Fair	6.42%	7
Poor	0.00%	0
Total		109

#	Comment	Date
1	Well organized. Content was interesting and timely	4/12/2017 4:06 PM
2	Well-run event.	4/6/2017 3:37 PM
3	The best yet!	4/5/2017 4:51 PM
4	Overall, probably the best panel of speakers of any of the 3 conferences that I have attended	4/5/2017 1:38 PM
5	THANK YOU FOR ORGANIZING SUCH A GREAT EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY!	4/5/2017 1:35 PM
6	It is always great to hear the thoughtful presentations that are given with a Long Island focus	4/4/2017 5:32 PM
7	This was the first one I attended but I really enjoyed it.	4/3/2017 8:09 PM
8	between good and perfect.	4/3/2017 12:10 PM
9	It was wonderful to get so many knowledgeable and caring people together in one place. The layout of the informational tables wasn't great for connecting with people.	4/3/2017 11:06 AM
10	There were definitely a lot of people and booths, but the presentations did not quite meet expectations.	4/3/2017 10:31 AM

11	This was my 1st time, and I'm glad I attended. Nearly all the speakers were really good - a better rate of performance than most conferences I have attended.	4/3/2017 10:23 AM
12	Always great to see the variety of colleagues and topics.	4/3/2017 9:03 AM
13	Well attended, and I learned something from ever talk.	4/3/2017 9:00 AM
14	Yes. I was able to connect with folks who are already helping me move a project forward.	4/3/2017 8:47 AM
15	16 power point programs certainly supplied me with tons of information. However, I'd prefer BALANCE with some presentations less scientific. It seems that the program committee is committed to PhD presenters. Finejust not so many. balance it with natural history that is personal, lyrical, with some feeling	4/3/2017 8:06 AM
16	Yes! very successful.	4/2/2017 7:49 PM
17	An interesting, informative two days. I enjoyed both the official presentations and the lobby displays	4/2/2017 6:59 PM
18	Very GOOD!	4/2/2017 6:56 PM

#### Q2 Did you feel the speakers were knowledgeable?





Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	99.08%	108
No	0.00%	0
Don't know	0.92%	1
Total		109

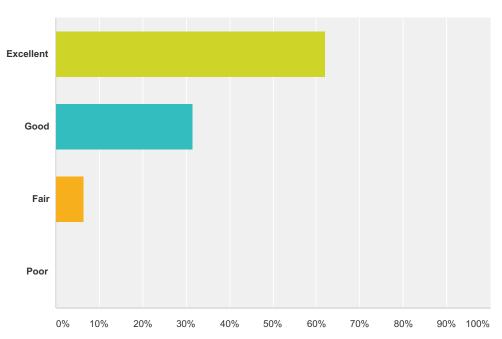
#	Comment	Date
1	very interesting	4/12/2017 4:06 PM
2	Knowledgeable on their topics.	4/6/2017 3:37 PM
3	The bunker death speaker was too PhD and complicated. The salt marsh speaker was wrong about phragmites.(They don't do well in tidal salt marshes - thank God.)	4/5/2017 3:12 PM
4	Sixto Portilla's presentation was not well done on 3/24.	4/5/2017 1:38 PM
5	This was my first conference. I expected workshops to be more like the horseshoe crab session than the ones that showed many graphs to prove a point. I am an outdoor educator and met quite a few fellow outdoor educators there, but don't know the general demographics of the attendees. For me, hearing the results of studies and how they affect the flora and fauna is more valuable than multiple graphs. The alewife program was informative toohow we can help the fish!	4/3/2017 8:16 PM
6	Every speaker was top notch.	4/3/2017 8:09 PM
7	They were knowledgeable but many could have been more concise.	4/3/2017 4:06 PM
8	For the most part, yes. I think it would be worthwhile to focus the presentations on natural history, rather than speculative research results.	4/3/2017 11:06 AM
9	Absolute majority of the speakers were very knowledgeable. But one particular speaker, Judith S. Weis, was showing her very biased opinions without presenting compelling evidence. I think her talk really misguided many in the audience.	4/3/2017 9:46 AM
10	the salt marsh "bullet" presentation was certainly sobering, too much information is just as bad as too little. I'd suggest the committee screen their potential presenters on how they sound and actually look at their power point presentations ahead of time. TOO MANY BULLETS	4/3/2017 8:06 AM

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11	with 2 exceptions	4/3/2017 8:05 AM
12	Absolutely.	4/2/2017 7:49 PM
13	Although the speakers were knowledgeable of their topics, some were better able to speak to the audience with a wide range of backgrounds. I would recommend putting the speakers with more scientific data to share on earlier in the day when people in general are more alert.	4/2/2017 7:05 PM
14	Speakers were well selected in that they all seemed expert on their topic.	4/2/2017 6:59 PM
15	Except for the last take on Friday. The fish kills were caused by low dissolved oxygen not a change in temperature.	4/2/2017 6:55 PM

## Q3 How would you rate the speakers' topics?





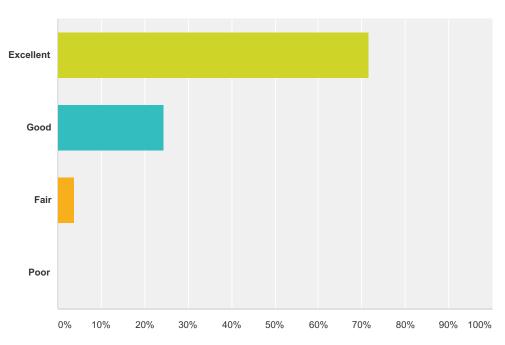
Answer Choices	Responses
Excellent	<b>62.04%</b> 67
Good	<b>31.48</b> % 34
Fair	<b>6.48%</b> 7
Poor	<b>0.00%</b> 0
Total	108

#	Comment	Date
1	I enjoyed the variety.	4/12/2017 4:06 PM
2	Too general in some instances; more research topics appreciated.	4/6/2017 3:37 PM
3	fish kill talk interesting	4/4/2017 3:20 PM
4	Perhaps an emphasis on the big picture rather than minute detail in data would interest the crowd more.	4/4/2017 11:11 AM
5	I attended on Friday only. I was looking for information I could use to teach children, but only some of the programs provided that.	4/3/2017 8:16 PM
6	Thye covered a very varied series of topics so little redundancy.	4/3/2017 8:09 PM
7	The topics were good but the presentation of the material ranged from very general to very specific. Since this is a natural history conference that covers many topics, for a wide knowledge level of audience members, it might be best to ask the speakers to keep the presentation data/graphics light.	4/3/2017 4:06 PM
8	Might be good to have a little more variety of topics - there was some redundancy between speakers/info covered	4/3/2017 2:11 PM
9	I was only able to attend Friday. The presentations were too long and several put me to sleep. Much of the information can be dry, so it's important to have speakers who can communicate their important fields of study in a more interesting way. More enthusiasm (perhaps anecdotes?) and fewer graphs.	4/3/2017 11:24 AM

10	A nice mix of environments, and all very relevant to Long Island.	4/3/2017 11:06 AM
11	A lot of the presentations were fish-based. It was clear that speakers were knowledgeable about topics, but some didn't quite present them in a way that held attention or were easy to understand	4/3/2017 10:31 AM
12	Although that is based on my interest level- I think there was something for everyone.	4/3/2017 9:03 AM
13	THE FISH KILL - this presentation was more suited to a group of scientists. I attended as a person interested in science, but some of the presentations went a little over the top. the fish guy had personality. loved that one.	4/3/2017 8:06 AM
14	Good selection of speakers from a wide range of topics.	4/2/2017 10:23 PM
15	I particularly enjoyed the salt marsh and vernal pool talks. Also the talk plankton to whales!	4/2/2017 9:11 PM
16	Some of the topics were a little bit similar and many were fish-related.	4/2/2017 8:49 PM
17	The choice of topics was excellent. Some of the speakers were less than compelling, but most were really engaging and interesting.	4/2/2017 7:58 PM
18	Very informative.	4/2/2017 7:49 PM
19	I especially liked the LI geology, the vernal pond and the reptiles	4/2/2017 7:04 PM
20	I learned something new from every speaker, and it was all of interest to me.	4/2/2017 6:59 PM
21	VERY GOOD	4/2/2017 6:56 PM

## Q4 How would you rate the organization of the Conference?





Answer Choices	Responses
Excellent	<b>71.70%</b> 76
Good	<b>24.53%</b> 26
Fair	3.77% 4
Poor	0.00%
Total	106

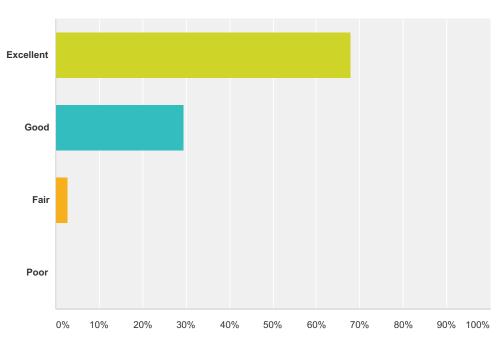
#	Comment	Date
1	Needs more advertising to get more/new people interesting. Encourage municipalities to allow their employees that work in natural resource/environment ti attend conference.	4/14/2017 3:52 PM
2	I did not receive an email with instructions prior to the conference. I knew the routine from prior years, but others might have been confused.	4/6/2017 5:24 PM
3	As stated above, it was a well-run event.	4/6/2017 3:37 PM
4	The only comment I have is that next year make it clear that participants should bring their lunch.	4/6/2017 9:09 AM
5	Only attended Saturday, not Friday, so I wasn't aware that I needed to bring a bagged lunch until I was already at the conference. That should have been noted somewhere on the website, agenda or confirmation	4/5/2017 1:27 PM
6	Only organizational quirk would be more space for the visitors with table displays	4/4/2017 10:29 AM
7	I think there should be more time for questions. The presentations could be shortened slightly to allow for more questions. It would be best to keep speakers on track as far as timing so that at least 5 questions could be asked by the audience.	4/3/2017 4:06 PM
8	The booths and presenters were great, but there needed to be more talk about the posters. They were hidden in a back room and I don't think anyone knew they were there until it was mentioned at the end of the conference during the closing panel.	4/3/2017 10:31 AM

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9	Friendly and effecient.	4/3/2017 9:03 AM
10	Breakfast - no cream cheese for bagels - I did like the alternatives to standard bagels.	4/3/2017 9:00 AM
11	A note should have been included in the conference agenda that lunch was not includedI would have packed something!	4/3/2017 8:35 AM
12	Providing lunch would have made things more convenient especially since the event was paid. Also, I could only attend the first day so I think you should split the fee for the conference into payment per day instead of just one fee for both days.	4/3/2017 8:11 AM
13	i appreciate that the schedule ran tight.	4/3/2017 8:06 AM
14	Very well organized. Many thanks to the organizers.	4/2/2017 10:23 PM
15	Without a doubt very organized!	4/2/2017 7:49 PM
16	I did not know that we were to bring our own lunch. I assumed it would be available at the conference. This should be emphasized in the future.	4/2/2017 7:13 PM
17	You should not have run out of coffee for Sunday	4/2/2017 7:04 PM
18	well organized - time periods were sufficient for the topics,and allowed enough time for questions	4/2/2017 6:59 PM
19	I would have preferred to have all of the speakers on Thursday with either 20 minute sessions or two speakers every session and we choose which one we want to see.	4/2/2017 6:55 PM

#### Q5 How would you rate the quality of the venue?





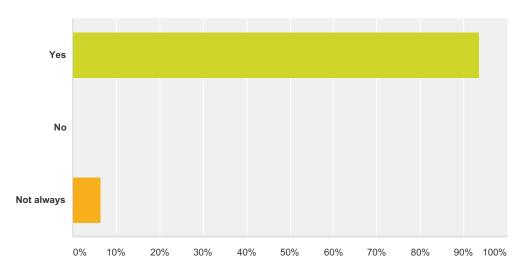
Answer Choices	Responses
Excellent	<b>67.89%</b> 74
Good	<b>29.36%</b> 32
Fair	<b>2.75%</b> 3
Poor	0.00%
Total	109

#	Comment	Date
1	It would have been excellent except of the two sets of Ladies' rooms containing a total of 5 toilets, only 3 were working, and sometimes there was a long wait. Also, it would be nice if they could open the cafeteria on Saturday.	4/6/2017 5:24 PM
2	Good venue for this type of event.	4/6/2017 3:37 PM
3	There could be more space provided for posters (which there were many!) and better preparation from Brookhaven for the levels of attendance at lunch.	4/5/2017 9:27 PM
4	It would be better if food services could be organized for Friday & Saturday. I'm sure if the venue opened food services for Saturday they would make enough and more to cover the cost of opening.	4/4/2017 3:59 PM
5	but having at least one more choice per session would be favorable.	4/3/2017 8:16 PM
6	Easy access to the area and well designed auditorium.	4/3/2017 8:09 PM
7	something has to change in the main hall- put all ingestibles in the same place, including coffee, etc, and put the sponsors tables in another place it was so crowded there i avoided it, not what the presenters and sponsors would want.	4/3/2017 12:10 PM
8	I wish there would've been a tour. Or maybe a representative from brookhaven to give a short speech.	4/3/2017 11:53 AM
9	needed to find a way to get more emphasis on the posters	4/3/2017 11:34 AM

The auditorium is excellent- lots of room and good sound system/visuals. the extra room for food and posters is good, although a bit off the beaten track.  It would belo if all of the large chairs were removed - it would give more room for tables. Half a table meant we left	4/3/2017 9:03 AM
It would help if all of the large chairs were removed - it would give more room for tables. Half a table meant we left	
items in the car as we didn't have enough room.	4/3/2017 8:28 AM
the displays - it would have helped if I had a printed list of all the displayers for future reference	4/3/2017 8:06 AM
Lunch	4/2/2017 7:57 PM
The venue was very impressive.	4/2/2017 7:49 PM
Cafeteria should be open. At least I didn't see that we were supposed to bring our own.	4/2/2017 7:11 PM
with exception of cafeteria	4/2/2017 6:56 PM
	the displays - it would have helped if I had a printed list of all the displayers for future reference  Lunch  The venue was very impressive.  Cafeteria should be open. At least I didn't see that we were supposed to bring our own.

## Q6 Were the audio and video adequate to clearly hear and see the presentations?





Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	93.52%	101
No	0.00%	0
Not always	6.48%	7
Total		108

#	Comment	Date
1	One presentation, plum island had trouble with audio	4/12/2017 4:06 PM
2	Especially for us who were manning tables that we were able to hear & see program on TV	4/6/2017 9:09 AM
3	But I have bad hearing.	4/5/2017 3:12 PM
4	As long as the speakers were using the mics correctly, and didn't stand in front of their slides.	4/5/2017 2:13 PM
5	you are not asking very good questions. how the heck does this help you improve the QUALITY of the presentations?	4/3/2017 8:06 AM
6	With out a doubt, absolutely,	4/2/2017 7:49 PM
7	For the most part	4/2/2017 6:56 PM

# Q7 Please rate the breaks:a. Were they long enough?b. Was the food sufficient?c. Was the food of good quality?d. Would you suggest something else? If so what would you like to see served?

Answered: 83 Skipped: 26

#	Responses	Date
1	a. Yes, perhaps a break is needed between that last 3 talks on Saturday afternoon? b. Yes, snacks were sufficient. c. Yes - good variety, including fruits, nut bars, eggs, yogurt, bagels and danishes. d. It would be helpful if there were small, tall tables spaced around so that it is easier to eat the food while standing. I wonder if small bottled drinks (iced tea?) could be available.	4/14/2017 4:08 PM
2	a. yes b. yes, ty c. yes the fruit and nature bars were nice d. the coffee ran out alot	4/12/2017 4:12 PM
3	Breaks were fine, good length of time. Morning coffee and snacks very good, ample amount. Ability to utilize the cafeteria is good for the Friday session. Having to bring your own lunch for Sat. wasn't a problem, and there was plenty to eat from the morning goodies to hold one over til dinner	4/9/2017 6:27 PM
4	A-breaks were suffice B-pastries and muffins were nice, lunch was a bit limited as Cafeteria was not open C-breakfast spread was good, lunch NA	4/7/2017 8:27 PM
5	Breaks did not seem long enough to eat snacks, use restroom, check out posters and tables, buy books, socialize, etc. But I guess you can't have them much longer without taking time away from the talks!	4/7/2017 12:41 AM
6	Excellent food.	4/6/2017 5:27 PM
7	A long time to sit.	4/6/2017 3:44 PM
8	Breaks were long enough. Food was sufficient, although difficult to find in the AM. You weren't directed to the food room during sign-in. Fine quality for light food/refreshments for this type of event.	4/6/2017 3:42 PM
9	Food was fine, as well as the amount of time allotted.	4/6/2017 1:48 PM
10	The breaks were long enough. The food was sufficient, however, it would have been nice to be able to purchase food on Saturday (and I know the organizers mentioned that they did try to have the cafeteria open). The food was good quality and there were plenty of choices.	4/6/2017 12:11 PM
11	Add afternoon break. Food just ok.	4/6/2017 10:32 AM
12	Breaks were fine. Choices available were sufficient for most tastes. More attention to coffee & hot water for tea would be helpful.	4/6/2017 9:13 AM
13	I found the food that I liked (fresh salad) but the wait at the cash register was too long. Everything else was fine.	4/6/2017 6:45 AM
14	a) Yes, they were long enough b) Coffee and food needed to be more plentiful c) The quality of the food was good. d) One of the coffee machines was disconnected during the morning session, having someone checking that coffee is plentiful and warm would be great.	4/5/2017 9:30 PM
15	If the hot water could have been replaced often it would have been a hit.	4/5/2017 7:57 PM
16	The breaks were just right. No need to have one in the afternoon. Food was fine. Too bad the cafeteria was only serving on Friday.	4/5/2017 4:58 PM
17	Yes all good with breaks	4/5/2017 4:44 PM
18	Yes, to all of the above. There seemed to be some kind of backup at the registers on Saturday, but the lines went quickly enough, once we figured out where the end of the line was.	4/5/2017 4:02 PM
19	Yes, the breaks were long enough, especially since there was time during lunch and before the sessions started in the mornings to view the exhibits. The food was fine - standard fare for BNL events. I was surprised that any food was available on Saturday, now hat the cafeteria is closed on Saturdays. The coffee and milk/cream ran out fairly early on Friday.	4/5/2017 3:22 PM
20	Ran out of coffee!	4/5/2017 3:18 PM

21	Yes - all good. Lines for lunch on Friday were long but I'm not sure what can be done about that!	4/5/2017 3:18 PM
22	a. yes b. Food-I was no aware that food was not available on Saturday. c. good	4/5/2017 2:49 PM
3	Everything was excellent	4/5/2017 2:43 PM
24	Breaks were fine. Food was fine. I don't come for the food. Looks like the number of exhibitors has increased. Can more space be devoted to exhibitors? Cramped during breaks.	4/5/2017 2:17 PM
25	A. Yes B. Ideally, no, but given the practical realities, it was fine. However, hot water for tea ran out early on Saturday and was never replenished C. Again, fine under the circumstances, it was fine D. Anything else would probably create logistical problems	4/5/2017 1:43 PM
26	a., b., c. were all sufficient. I would not suggest anything new.	4/5/2017 1:39 PM
27	Yes, Yes, Yes. Can't think of anything.	4/5/2017 1:39 PM
28	A. Yes B. No food provided Saturday C. No food provided Saturday D. Inform guests that food isn't available on Saturday before they arrive at the conference without food and have to search for a local place	4/5/2017 1:34 PM
29	Seemed fine to me!	4/5/2017 11:08 AM
30	Breaks were sufficent	4/4/2017 6:22 PM
31	A) Yes B) Yes C) Yes D) No	4/4/2017 5:35 PM
32	The breaks were long enough with sufficient and quality food. See my comment on food services.	4/4/2017 4:11 PM
33	Great food and breaks! Liked that each was long and time in the morning for a break was appreciated	4/4/2017 11:15 AM
34	All great. Break duration even accommodated lines in cafeteria.	4/4/2017 11:01 AM
35	Yes, almost too long Yes Yes Allergy friendly options, gluten free etc	4/4/2017 8:30 AM
36	fine as is	4/3/2017 8:33 PM
37	No afternoon break Fri afternoonsurprisingly. Food was good and inexpensive.	4/3/2017 8:18 PM
38	The breaks were great and food selection quite good. I personally prefer the crunchy rather than chewy granola bars.	4/3/2017 8:15 PM
39	Breaks were fine. Would like to see low sugar yogurt. If it was there, it must have gone quickly as I didn't see it.	4/3/2017 5:10 PM
40	a. yes b. yes c. yes d. no	4/3/2017 4:09 PM
41	Yes, the breaks were long enough. I didn't take advantage of the food, so have no opinion on the subject.	4/3/2017 4:03 PM
42	The breaks were sufficient, food was fine.	4/3/2017 4:02 PM
13	Lines were very long. I would go offsite next year.	4/3/2017 3:39 PM
44	-The breaks were a good amount of time, but there was a lot to see (vendors, exhibits, posters) so found myself running late a few times to the next talk because I was having an engaging conversation with an exhibitor! -The food was ok - this conference was held on a Friday during Lent, so non-meat options were a little limited (fish is ok!). The portion size of the hot food, for the price, wasn't greatThe line to check out was TREMENDOUS. Spent a large majority of the lunch break on line!	4/3/2017 2:42 PM
45	lunch break saturday too long, since we didn't have to wait on line in the cafeteria. food was fine. nothing exciting, but served its purpose not about the food, but the cafeteria needs to get all hands on deck with the cashiers. the line was crazy.	4/3/2017 12:30 PM
46	how about a break in the afternoon - short	4/3/2017 12:04 PM
17	Breaks were perfect. Food on Friday was great. Wish there was even a small vender of food for Saturday.	4/3/2017 11:55 AM
18	a. yes b. yes c. yes	4/3/2017 11:38 AM
49	a.) The breaks could've been a bit longer. b. & c.) The food was tasty and plentiful. A nice variety.	4/3/2017 11:37 AM
50	a. yes b. yes c. yes d. Big bottleneck at checkout. Lines were WAY too long - maybe next year have half the auditorium go first, and the other half go 10 minutes later?	4/3/2017 11:34 AM
51	Ok, Nice that you offer snacks of any kind.	4/3/2017 10:53 AM
52	A. The breaks in between presentations were long enough, but I feel that the lunch break was way too long. Almost 2 hours was a little much. I'd rather have an extra small break between presentations than a longer lunch break. B. Food was sufficient. C. Food was of good quality. D. Keep the food as it was, just shorten the lunch break.	4/3/2017 10:34 AM

53	All was well-planned, except for Saturday lunch-time. We couldn't go home overnight (distance), so bringing our own lunch on Saturday was difficult. Would it be possible to arrange with BNL to have the cafeteria open on Saturday?	4/3/2017 10:27 AM
54	no prob	4/3/2017 10:20 AM
55	a. long enough b. sufficient c. good quality d. I was satisfied with the food	4/3/2017 9:48 AM
56	The breaks were long enough and the food was great.	4/3/2017 9:32 AM
57	a. Yes, lunch was a bit long on Saturday b. N/A c. N/A d. N/A	4/3/2017 9:12 AM
58	Yes	4/3/2017 9:11 AM
59	All good. Like the boiled eggs and fruit selection.	4/3/2017 9:05 AM
60	Breaks were well placed. I was only able to attend on Friday and brought my own food.	4/3/2017 8:53 AM
61	a. yes b. no: I appreciated the hard boiled eggs and bagels at breakfast, but was not prepared for purchasing lunch c. the food available at the cafeteria was less than inspiring	4/3/2017 8:40 AM
62	The breaks were fine	4/3/2017 8:34 AM
63	Cafeteria food was not that good. It would have been really nice to have fresh coffee available all day long, especially on Sunday when cafeteria was closed. I went to get some after lunch on Sunday and there was nothing left.	4/3/2017 8:22 AM
64	a. yes b. no, lunch should have been served c. the breakfast food was fine d. no	4/3/2017 8:15 AM
65	this question does not, in my opion, have very much to to with the QUALITY OF THE PRESENTATIONS	4/3/2017 8:11 AM
66	Yes for all	4/2/2017 11:36 PM
67	Cups of grapes were good in the morning. Good quality teas and coffee. Perhaps allow for advanced purchase of boxed sandwich on days when cafeteria is closed.	4/2/2017 10:36 PM
68	A. Yes B. I only attended on Saturday, I did hope there would be lunch (but wasnt sure what to expect). Next time I recommend just mentioning whether there will be food or not on the website to insure folks are prepared. C. Didnt see any good. D. N/a	4/2/2017 9:14 PM
69	I think the lunch break could probably be a little shorter since many people did not go off campus. It would be nice if the cafeteria could serve food on Saturday as well as Friday. I know this was asked but they were unable to accommodate this request again this year. I thought the pastries, coffee, tea, and water was sufficient. Maybe some fruit?	4/2/2017 8:57 PM
70	The breaks were welcome but could have been longer. Not enough time to see the posters and speak with the vendors/exhibiters. Food was fine. The ability to fill our drinking bottles with delicious flavored water was most welcome. How about some variety in the teas served to include some green and herbals?	4/2/2017 8:44 PM
71	The breaks were sufficient, but not as much time for lunch is necessary. Food was good but a bit chaotic because it was so crowded. If food was provided/catered for the conference specifically it would have been much better, even if ticket prices were a little more. Food should have been available both days.	4/2/2017 8:07 PM
72	(a) Yes, (b) Oh yes, (c) Very good quality, especially the fish. (d) not that I can think of.	4/2/2017 8:07 PM
73	Breaks were fine. Too bad there was no lunch on Saturday. Even a sandwich station would have been nice. Food was fine Soup, sandwich or salad is what most people like for lunch	4/2/2017 8:03 PM
74	Breaks were fine, a few minutes longer would have been good to give people a chance to talk. Food was of good quality, but a choice of some healthier food would be appreciated (such as clementines or apples).	4/2/2017 8:01 PM
75	herpetologist	4/2/2017 7:46 PM
76	Breaks and food was good.	4/2/2017 7:25 PM
77	7. a. Yes b. Yes c. Yes d. Lunch	4/2/2017 7:18 PM
78	All OK.	4/2/2017 7:16 PM
79	Food conference provided was very good, but not enough - should have had enough coffee and hot water (really, water?) for Sunday. The breaks were sufficient. The cafeteria food was terrible.	4/2/2017 7:11 PM
80	Lunch was a bit too long. Also the cafeteria was not prepared for the number of customers.	4/2/2017 7:09 PM
81	a. breaks were long enough and well spaced. b. There seemed to be enough. c.l enjoyed the morning bagels/pastries, fruit and beverages. d. Everything was good.	4/2/2017 7:09 PM
82	Long. Food not so great.	4/2/2017 6:58 PM

83	I would have liked a short maybe 10 minute breaks in the afternoon. Everything else was good.	4/2/2017 6:58 PM
0.2	Lyayd haya likad a shart mayba 10 minyta braska in the afternoon. Even thing also was good	4/2/2017 G.E.S. DM
		4/2/2017 0.36 PIVI

## Q8 What was the best part of the Conference?

Answered: 72 Skipped: 37

#	Responses	Date
1	There were many very good speakers this year; a good mix of speakers from academic, public agency and private company backgrounds. The whole environment of the conference is inviting and exciting. I liked the photos that were shown between speakers, but did not start to pay attention to them until the second day.	4/14/2017 4:08 PM
2	the lectures! the networking!	4/12/2017 4:12 PM
3	The gathering of knowledge about the topics discussed.	4/9/2017 6:27 PM
4	All well done, very informative, learned a lot. Varied program. Most of the talks were excellent. Enjoyed the field trips.	4/7/2017 12:41 AM
5	I love hearing speakers from all different disciplines pertaining to natural history.	4/6/2017 5:27 PM
6	geology	4/6/2017 3:44 PM
7	Research-based presentations and the organization of the event.	4/6/2017 3:42 PM
8	I loved the geology of Long Island, can't get enough! Vernal Pool, Great White Shark and Long Island Fishes was interesting too. I found Plum Island interesting too.	4/6/2017 1:48 PM
9	From Plankton to Whales and Geomorphology were my favorites. The opportunity to come together with like minded colleagues is tremendous.	4/6/2017 12:11 PM
10	A few talks were excellent. Local focus excellent. Meeting people from all across the island is invaluable.	4/6/2017 10:32 AM
11	Programs & tables with great information & handouts.	4/6/2017 9:13 AM
12	I preferred the topics of the second day over those of day one.	4/6/2017 6:45 AM
13	The line-up of talks, great diversity of topics!	4/5/2017 9:30 PM
14	The speakers	4/5/2017 7:57 PM
15	I enjoyed everything, especially the fish and geology. I liked seeing a lot of data but some people will no doubt complain. Please don't discourage speakers from presenting data.	4/5/2017 4:58 PM
16	This was my first one. And I enjoyed it greatly	4/5/2017 4:44 PM
17	I enjoyed the Geology and the Vernal Pools presentations the best. Had I not had other commitments, I would have joined in on the Field Trips as well, for sure!	4/5/2017 4:02 PM
18	I enjoyed it all, including the field trips.	4/5/2017 3:22 PM
19	The presentation by Christopher Paparo ("fish guy photos") about local marine life was fantastic great slides & videos especially the sea robin! And the presentation by Mathew Burne on vernal pools was also great!	4/5/2017 3:18 PM
20	I think it's a great event! I wish more people were aware of the conference. A highlight was the Fish Guy talk-it was informative and he had great photos of marine species that are found around and on Long Island. You had a great line up of speakers both days! I like that you have the book store selling local books & cards.	4/5/2017 2:49 PM
21	The opportunity to learn about different organizations before the presentations and during breaks was great.	4/5/2017 2:43 PM
22	I really enjoyed the LI geology talk. Scientific, yet not too thick. I have a better understanding of the glacial activity that created LI's landscape. Plum Island presentation was great. I didn't really know much about the history, and proposed plan.	4/5/2017 2:17 PM
23	Chris Paparo's photos; best talk, Long Island's freshwater fish	4/5/2017 1:43 PM
24	Lobby tabling.	4/5/2017 1:39 PM
25	Both the talks along with seeing many other LI Naturalists	4/5/2017 1:39 PM
26	The talks (at least on day 2 when I was there) were all interesting and informative.	4/5/2017 11:08 AM

27	I believe the best part of the conference is that many of the speakers and presenters in the lobby are involved in local environmental issues and that attending the conference provides people with not only the opportunity to learn about these issues but in many cases also the opportunity to volunteer or otherwise become involved with these organizations.	4/4/2017 5:35 PM
28	The speakers presentations were very good and varied well from topic to topic. Presenting talks in one room rather than two works really well.	4/4/2017 4:11 PM
29	The presentations!	4/4/2017 11:15 AM
30	the dialogue between speakers in Q&A	4/3/2017 8:33 PM
31	I enjoyed the talk on glacial geology of LI the most.	4/3/2017 8:15 PM
32	Presentations	4/3/2017 5:10 PM
33	Networking	4/3/2017 4:09 PM
34	The programs I enjoyed most were: Freshwater Fishes of LI, Long Island's Geologic History, From Plankton to Whales, and Vernal Pools.	4/3/2017 4:03 PM
35	My first time attending and each program were informative.n	4/3/2017 4:02 PM
36	I enjoyed the conference on the horseshoe crabs.	4/3/2017 3:39 PM
37	Interacting with the exhibitors was great! The talks were well done - especially Javier Izquierdo, who was very engaging with his presentation and research.	4/3/2017 2:42 PM
38	seeing friends. experiencing presenters who are so passionate about their work. learning all kinds of things i never knew. love the whole thing. saturday was more accessible to a lay person. i don't mind the technical talks, but they are more tiring. maybe mix the technical and more general up in the order they speak. bnl is the perfect location.	4/3/2017 12:30 PM
39	networking	4/3/2017 12:04 PM
40	The people who had video clips within their presentations or who were interesting speakers.	4/3/2017 11:55 AM
41	connecting with colleagues and networking.	4/3/2017 11:38 AM
42	This is a very hard question to answer. Many of the talks were excellent; The story-telling and depth of knowledge made for fascinating presentations. It was a great chance to connect with people.	4/3/2017 11:37 AM
43	Javier Izquierdo was great - just need to shorten presentation. I heard Saturday was much better than Friday!	4/3/2017 11:34 AM
44	Great atmosphere and excellent circles of people that share info.	4/3/2017 10:53 AM
45	I really loved all of the booths that were in the lobby the first day of the conference (I was not able to make it for any of the other days)	4/3/2017 10:34 AM
46	the presentations	4/3/2017 10:27 AM
47	Stony Brook prof's talk re local sea life	4/3/2017 10:20 AM
48	I enjoyed Javier's presentation the best.	4/3/2017 9:32 AM
49	I love the topics.	4/3/2017 9:12 AM
50	The morning speakers	4/3/2017 9:11 AM
51	Seeing my peeps!	4/3/2017 9:05 AM
52	I was only there on Saturday - all of the speakers were top notch - but I think Plum Island was the really speaking to all of us as probably everyone has been woking to make it happen.	4/3/2017 8:34 AM
53	Enjoyed all of it	4/3/2017 8:22 AM
54	The different presentations	4/3/2017 8:15 AM
55	DAY ONE	4/3/2017 8:11 AM
56	Tobey Curtis, Enrico Nardone, Chris Paparo, Brad McHale, Chart Guthrie	4/3/2017 8:07 AM
57	All was great!	4/2/2017 11:36 PM
58	The speakers	4/2/2017 9:14 PM
59	I really enjoyed the amphibian talks and horseshoe crab talk. Chris Paparo always does a great job and his photos are remarkable.	4/2/2017 8:57 PM

60	The focus on natural history. The speakers integrated scientific information with just enough data to give the audience background on the topic. I look forward to the conference each year as a way to learn more about Long Island and the non-human life on the Island. I have a doctorate in biology and have been to plenty of scientific meetings; however my favorites by far are the LINO conferences. I liked the fact that I did not have to choose which talk to attend they were all in the same place and the moderators kept the speakers to the time allotted.	4/2/2017 8:44 PM
61	The talks were all interesting	4/2/2017 8:07 PM
62	The presentations, an eye opener.	4/2/2017 8:07 PM
63	Topics were very interesting. Speakers varied with their abilities to present Fish Guy awesome tuna not so muchfew like to hear about regulations for 40 minutesSharks, geology, horseshoe crabs, vernal pools (although he was not really talking about long Islan), all greatalso info on LI dams was of great interest. We loved talking with the different organizations I am going to keep in touch with a number of them.	4/2/2017 8:03 PM
64	Learned a lot from the talks.	4/2/2017 8:01 PM
65	Geologist and veral pool talk	4/2/2017 7:46 PM
66	I enjoyed the technical presentation more than anything else. I am a resident on the East End with an extreme interest in our natural environment. I don't work in an environmental field. I am not at the conference to network. I am there to learn about the issues that mean so much to me.	4/2/2017 7:25 PM
67	All of the presentations were interesting and informative.	4/2/2017 7:18 PM
68	The talks especially the very enthusiastic vernal pools presenter.	4/2/2017 7:16 PM
69	LI Geology	4/2/2017 7:11 PM
70	The topics	4/2/2017 7:09 PM
71	Don't know if there was one thing. The presentations were great, lobby displays/handouts informative. If I had to pick one thing, though, it would be being able to talk with presenters throughout the day and speaking with other conference participants. Networking at its best.	4/2/2017 7:09 PM
72	I enjoyed the presentation on freshwater fishes.	4/2/2017 6:58 PM

## Q9 What could we improve about the Conference?

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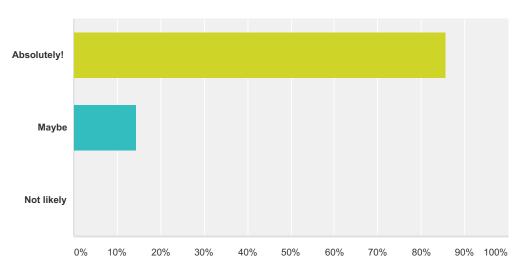
#	Responses	Date
1	Getting more people to come. Young people that are in high school or college, graduate students, government employees, retired folks, garden clubs, civic associations, etc.	4/14/2017 4:08 PM
2	time delays always happen. never cut off speakers as it is rude and to cut someone off right when they are getting to heart of their presentation. Field trips are a great idea. It is great that the field trips do not overlap the lectures. A field trip with SoMAS would be great!	4/12/2017 4:12 PM
3	I believe it is done very well under the current way of going about it, don't change a thing. WAIT!! Actually, the only area that might need improvement is to get more youth and people with less of a link to the nature community involved. As it stands, it seems like many of the attendees "already get the message", because we understand much of the nature concerns and the science behind it. Getting more of your "average Joe" citizens to attend, who know little of the environmental and nature concerns facing Long Island, would be helpful and beneficial.	4/9/2017 6:27 PM
4	Just do it again!	4/7/2017 12:41 AM
5		4/6/2017 3:44 PM
6	Having more research-based presentations as opposed to general topics.	4/6/2017 3:42 PM
7	I liked it when there were workshops where we were able to join in to help. ie. threading seaweed into burlap mats.	4/6/2017 1:48 PM
8	Networking time. Organized small sessions by topic for attendees to meet & exchange information in a meaningful way. Add a reception.	4/6/2017 10:32 AM
9	See previous comments	4/6/2017 9:13 AM
10	. Not much. I liked it. (Perhaps the cafeteria checkout?)	4/6/2017 6:45 AM
11	More advertising and better sound.	4/5/2017 7:57 PM
12	I thought it was almost perfect this year and can't think of any improvements.	4/5/2017 4:58 PM
13	I truly have nothing to add.	4/5/2017 4:44 PM
14	I loved how last year there was a participatory nature drawing workshop - and we spent time outdoors for that, too - to break up all the sitting and listening - and he was great! Jan Porinchak. I missed that this year.	4/5/2017 4:02 PM
15	Strictly LI subject matter. More hands on, what individuals can do, practical lectures. Web site (?) follow-up articles or maybe forums, if possible, about subjects covered. Field trips great idea.	4/5/2017 3:18 PM
16	The presentation on plankton blooms & cold stunned fish (by Sixto Portilla) was excellent but he should have been allowed to go a little over his allotted time. He gave a very thorough presentation, that built on itself, and just as we got to the conclusions, he was cut off. He was the last presenter, so there was plenty of time.	4/5/2017 3:18 PM
17	Maybe add some more field trips.	4/5/2017 2:49 PM
18	Nothing, it was excellent.	4/5/2017 2:43 PM
19	Conference is eastern/south shore-centric. Need a broader reach. For instance, although Plum Island is not an "eastern" issue, the value to all Long Islander's wasn't stressed enough. Why should someone from Hicksville care if Plum Island does or doesn't become a golf course. I'd like to see some politicians attend. Maybe they do, incognito.	4/5/2017 2:17 PM
20	Nothing comes to mind	4/5/2017 1:43 PM
21	Cannot think of anything	4/5/2017 1:39 PM
22	Need more involvement by students from LI universities, colleges, and high schools - more student research posters!	4/5/2017 11:08 AM
23	Again see my comment on food services.	4/4/2017 4:11 PM
24	More collaborative projects would be appreciated, perhaps offering mini talks that organizations can give about the work they're doing and how citizens can help. Although I understand that there is a time limit, I think having the speakers have a count down clock on the podium would be helpful. It was awkward to watch people pushing the speakers offstage on the last talk of Friday's presentation.	4/4/2017 11:15 AM

25	Add more speaker interaction, maybe a panel after each series of presentations	4/3/2017 8:33 PM
26	Vendors and exhibitors should have been listed on the website. There should have been a specific time for the posters and they should also have been listed on the website. Maybe should have extended the meeting into Friday eveneing for the posters and chance tos socialize more with other people.	4/3/2017 8:15 PM
27	Leave time after presentations for more questions.	4/3/2017 4:09 PM
28	No suggestions come to mind.	4/3/2017 4:03 PM
29	If time permits (and there are enough presenters), it would be nice to have a designated time for a poster session. I spent time reviewing the posters at different points, and had some questions I would have liked to ask, but the presenters were not necessarily at their posters at those times. I know this option was offered this year, but making a push for student poster presenters (high school, college, etc.) would be great as well!	4/3/2017 2:42 PM
30	the three speakers in a row after lunch is challenging. shorter lunch, then a break somewhere after lunch?	4/3/2017 12:30 PM
31	Not sure having the 2nd day on a sat. works?	4/3/2017 11:38 AM
32	The layout of the information tables made it really difficult to find the people that you wanted to connect with, let alone find a place to stand and have a conversation. While I appreciate the abundance of information, things needed to be spread out more, and a large central space should be available so people could gather without disappearing.	4/3/2017 11:37 AM
33	Get Carl Safina back! Need more interesting speakers who know how to communicate better with theaudience.	4/3/2017 11:34 AM
34	Friday session was a bit too dense for afternoon and had a non plus ending as presenter was a bit long winded. I was not able to attend Sat and that was a personal drawback for myself ( not on you)	4/3/2017 10:53 AM
35	More recognition of posters (include summaries in the itinerary along with the presentation summaries)	4/3/2017 10:34 AM
36	spread the word for more student posters.	4/3/2017 10:27 AM
37	some talks not concise, e.g. talk on fishkills could have made the point much quicker and not have to rush things at the end.	4/3/2017 10:20 AM
38	I believe that a program with abstracts of all of the posters being presented would be nice.	4/3/2017 9:32 AM
39	Um, nothing comes to mind.	4/3/2017 9:05 AM
40	As a sponsor with a booth - the layout was not the best - it made it very crowded. Tables should not be in a semicircle - a straight line or a curve.	4/3/2017 9:04 AM
41	Enjoyed topics very much just creature comfort and wanting coffee!	4/3/2017 8:22 AM
42	Possibly stagger where the conference is held. I work in western Nassau and it was a long drive to get to Brookhaven National Lab. It is a Long Island conference so maybe having it in different areas of LI would make it more accessible.	4/3/2017 8:15 AM
43	INCLUDE SOME SOFTER content, like SECRETS OF SAMPAWAMS CREEK	4/3/2017 8:11 AM
14	Nothing	4/2/2017 11:36 PM
45	Question and answer time could have been managed better. At times, participants were sent back to their seats after waiting at the microphone for their turn to ask a question. If you are only going to allow two questions say so before participants get to stand at the microphones. Also those seated near the standing microphones were able to get there first, resulting in the same people asking a question after every presentation. The conference is about our natural history and it is important that participants are able to ask questions.	4/2/2017 10:36 PM
46	Hosting it on weekend days only. Overall it was excellent!!! Thank you so much.	4/2/2017 9:14 PM
47	Having presenters include fewer graphs and more photos and focus on a segment of their research that relates to their topic.	4/2/2017 8:57 PM
48	Keep on integrating what we can do citizen science efforts and the like. Be explicit about who and when to contact these people to get involved in activities like the herring survey. Is there an online site we can consult to learn more about a topic? Maybe include a reading list or a list of relevant web sites. Perhaps include one panel discussion about a timely topic? A chance for more give and take among the speakers?	4/2/2017 8:44 PM
49	Provide food both days	4/2/2017 8:07 PM
50	Can't think of anything.	4/2/2017 8:07 PM
51	If this were advertised better the turnout would have been much better. I know so many people who later said they would have come if they had known about it	4/2/2017 8:03 PM
52	Nothingit was very well organized and a great conference.	4/2/2017 8:01 PM

53	no recommendations other than having the cafeteria open on Saturday.	4/2/2017 7:46 PM
54	Make sure conference attendees know to bring lunch or have the cafeteria open.	4/2/2017 7:16 PM
55	Conference was pretty much East End natural history. Long Island includes Nassau and technically, Queens. There was not much west of Stony Brook.	4/2/2017 7:11 PM
56	Time placement of the speakers. Save some of the more dynamic speakers for the end to maintain the attention and interest of the audience.	4/2/2017 7:09 PM
57	Can't think of anything. I really enjoyed it.	4/2/2017 7:09 PM
58	More effort to involve students perhaps	4/2/2017 6:58 PM

#### Q10 Would you participate in a future event?





Answer Choices	Responses	
Absolutely!	85.57%	83
Maybe	14.43%	14
Not likely	0.00%	0
Total		97

#	Comment	Date
1	Sure, I'm likely to attend but I'm somewhere between maybe and absolutely!	4/6/2017 3:42 PM
2	Thank you Mike and crew! Great job!	4/5/2017 3:18 PM
3	I look forward to attending each year. The early Spring date seems to be a good change.	4/5/2017 2:17 PM
4	Depends on topics.	4/3/2017 8:18 PM
5	As long as I can justify it - keep having marine topics!	4/3/2017 11:37 AM
6	we're retired.	4/3/2017 10:27 AM
7	T.Y.	4/3/2017 10:20 AM
8	Would prefer if the 2-day event was on weekdays as Saturday was problematic to attend. Another option would be to have 2 presentations running concurrently.	4/3/2017 10:16 AM
9	This is one of my favorite conferences of the year	4/3/2017 9:12 AM
10	Again, travel concerns.	4/3/2017 8:15 AM
11	it's about reconnecting with like-minded people. It is amazes me that although i live with 2 million other long islanders, that we have such a deep bunch of committed people that are trying to make the situation better.	4/3/2017 8:11 AM
12	Please put out a save the date as soon as the dates are finalized.	4/2/2017 8:44 PM
13	Yes.	4/2/2017 8:07 PM
14	And bring more people with me	4/2/2017 8:03 PM

## Q11 What topics would you like to see covered in future Long Island Natural History Conferences?

Answered: 60 Skipped: 49

#	Responses	Date
1	Life of birds, especially crows/ravens and turkeys. Sea turtles. Natural history authors and illustrators presenting on their work and discussing their experiences. Citizen science projects that we can get involved in (previous examples are project bud burst, a day in the life, River Herring Revival). Maybe getting someone from Cornell Lab of Ornithology to present on their work/projects. A representative from one of the trails societies or preserve managers (TNC, Suffolk County Parks, NYS Parks) discussing the different and interesting parks, preserves and trails available on Long Island. Someone from Fire Island National Seashore and/or Sagamore Hill discussing environmental history of the sites. Perhaps a short, educational natural history movie to replace a speaker and maybe with the creator of the movie available to discuss.	4/14/2017 4:08 PM
2	lichens mycology insect migrations giant moths	4/12/2017 4:12 PM
3	Special ecological communities. Plant and wildlife surveys. Insect life.	4/7/2017 12:41 AM
4	The topics tend to be heavily weighted toward Eastern LI. Perhaps some more outreach towards Western LI issues.	4/6/2017 5:27 PM
5	Research topics on ecology specific to Long Island. There was a presentation on coyotes previously, and given the recent activity/sightings, it might be beneficial to hear this topic again.	4/6/2017 3:42 PM
6	It might be interesting to see what measures are being taken on curbing water and air pollution on Long Island and even across the country. Also, what measures and ideas are out there ( to help stop any pollution) that have not been incorporated yet. I would also like to hear some updates. ie. How did we do with reseeding clams in the bay? How did we do with replanting seaweed around Long Island? Results of some of the surveys taken.	4/6/2017 1:48 PM
7	Farming. Climate change. Indigenous LI presentations.	4/6/2017 10:32 AM
3	How local hiking clubs can help trail maintenance & invasive species removal.	4/6/2017 9:13 AM
9	- beach erosion mega mansions constructions and their impact in the environment sewage disposal in eastern long island fields/water.	4/5/2017 7:57 PM
10	birds, clean water, evolutionary biology	4/5/2017 4:58 PM
11	In the two years past, there was always one 'out of left field' presentation that spoke to me more 'spiritually' - these were Kerissa Battle's presentation on networked phenology, and Carl Safina's presentation on 'do animals think & feel?' That sort of a more holistic connection is a very important component for me. Without it, natural history can sometimes feel like a lot of disembodied data sets. It's a little difficult for me to put my finger on - it's more 'I know it when I feel it' - but I'd like to see at least one of these in every conference lineup. Something that connects more with heart, spirit, community, ethics, moralitynot quite sure what to call it. For instance, someone like the ethnobotanist, Robin Wall Kimmerer at SUNY ESF in Syracuse, would be a very fine example.	4/5/2017 4:02 PM
12	This is the second year I attended, and I welcomed the diversity of topics and speakers both years.	4/5/2017 3:22 PM
13	Deer control strategies.	4/5/2017 3:18 PM
14	Because of attendance of schoolteachers on Saturday, I suggest a presentation given by an experienced environmental educator for example, Anita Wright. She could take the audience on a virtual field trip, showing the audience what the kids see when she takes them out on the East End.	4/5/2017 3:18 PM
15	Topics that would be interesting- animals that are making a come back to Long Island. Eagles, Otters, Skunks. Bat talk, Owls of Long Island	4/5/2017 2:49 PM
16	More wildlife topics.	4/5/2017 2:43 PM
17	More talks on Western LI/North Shore, LI Sound. Pressure for open space in western Suffolk to be developed, continued affects of sprawl/over-development. Conservation strategies preserving wetlands, marshes, reptiles, especially. Maybe have some of the exhibitors give presentations on their struggles - what strategies have worked, where they have been most and least successful and why. What are the best current strategies.	4/5/2017 2:17 PM
18	State of winter flounder stocks, possibility/strategy for recovery	4/5/2017 1:43 PM

19	Rabies & its history on LI LI Plants: edible & medicinal historical uses? Bats: white nose update Jellyfish of LI Snowy Owls or Owls on LI & distribution Scallops, Leeches, Tickborne Illnesses	4/5/2017 1:39 PM
20	More on the Geology and physical environment of Long Island.	4/5/2017 11:08 AM
21	Varied topics in L.I. and Northeastern Natural Science are very good and inform the broad interests of the attendees. Hopefully there are enough speakers out there to continue that format.	4/4/2017 4:11 PM
22	everything is interesting!	4/3/2017 8:33 PM
23	More naturalists as instructors - beach, pond, forest, field, etc.	4/3/2017 8:18 PM
24	Shorebirds, eelgrass	4/3/2017 4:09 PM
25	Some topic ideas: (i) Overview of Mammals on Long Island; (ii) programs on certain specific mammals or groups of mammals (such as Woodchucks, Muskrats, Voles, Shrews); (iii) Insect Sounds on LI (cicadas, katydids, tree crickets); (iv) Mollusks of Long Island; (v) Dragonflies of LI (perhaps Steve Walter to present); (vi) Life Histories of local Echinoderms (e.g., Common Sand Dollar, Purple Sea Urchin, Green Sea Urchin, Sea Stars).	4/3/2017 4:03 PM
26	A program on the return of the American Eagle to Long Island and the rebound of the Osprey. Maybe programs that might be of interest to children.	4/3/2017 4:02 PM
27	Might be nice to have a broad scope talk about Long Island natural history, in addition to the talks about specific organisms.	4/3/2017 2:42 PM
28	would love to see more about geology. more about mammals, but not just a survey of li species. more botany, maybe in terms of how the geology determines the botany, or how we have all these arctic plants that are a direct result of our geologic history. the porcupine guy Roze - he taught biology at a long island college, he would be a great presenter. (mike b and i spoke about him) enjoyed the specifics - the talk about dams on long island, the shark nursery.	4/3/2017 12:30 PM
29	trend in bay water quality coyotes SLR affecting LI and what has happened over the years	4/3/2017 11:38 AM
30	There was some discussion at the end about whether advocacy presentations should be a new focus. I would argue that a conference focused on local natural history is a unique and precious thing these days. While often our understanding of the natural history leads us to be advocates, requiring every presentation to have a strong foundation of natural history will maintain the quality of this conference. The tables are a wonderful opportunity to find out about ways that one can get involved in local outreach and advocacy.	4/3/2017 11:37 AM
31	Climate change effect on Long Island	4/3/2017 11:34 AM
32	Array you have is awesome. The student science component is always good thought it almost begs another day, which Mel and Co.usually fill in at OSSP day.	4/3/2017 10:53 AM
33	More mammal and forest health/plants presentations or information.	4/3/2017 10:34 AM
34	surprise me	4/3/2017 10:20 AM
35	Geology, marine science	4/3/2017 10:16 AM
36	Botany	4/3/2017 9:48 AM
37	I would love more of habitat and continue on fisheries.	4/3/2017 9:12 AM
38	I love hearing about new research and initiatives. The river herring topic was great, and sharks are always of interest. I was only there on Friday.	4/3/2017 9:05 AM
39	I would love to hear a followup to past research - where are the coyotes now, how are the river otters doing, is the USGS study of the effects of Sandy finished?	4/3/2017 9:04 AM
40	More discussions about water quality and resiliency plans in the face of climate change and sea level rise.	4/3/2017 8:40 AM
<b>1</b> 1	Impact of wind energy development on LI coastal ecosystems	4/3/2017 8:39 AM
12	I would recommend Laura from the National Park Service - ask her to give her talk on the Bald Eagle.	4/3/2017 8:34 AM
13	Interested in topics relating to wildflowers, insects, seashore, trees(not just pine barrens), more geology	4/3/2017 8:22 AM
14	More about habitat restoration and conservation. These should be stressed as why research is done in the first place.	4/3/2017 8:15 AM
15	THE SECRETS OF SAMPAWAMS CREEK see tomstock.org for preview	4/3/2017 8:11 AM
46	Topics dealing with marine and diadromous fish and invertebrates.	4/3/2017 8:07 AM
47	Inter- related sciences cutting across multi- disciplines connected to local writers and our LI culture.	4/2/2017 11:36 PM
48	Will get back to you on this	4/2/2017 10:36 PM

49	I would like to see more topics on coyotes, insects, honey bees, and native plants.	4/2/2017 8:57 PM
50	More plant topics. I enjoyed learning about the dwarf pines and would like to visit the sites this summer. My focus on LI is the LI Sound. I want to learn more about the terrestrial habitats. The field trip (river otters) was a wonderful way to complement the two days of talks. I wish there had been a presentation on the river otters this year and then the field trip to apply it like there had been with the vernal pools. Mike is an amazing field naturalist!	4/2/2017 8:44 PM
51	More current research and relevant topics	4/2/2017 8:07 PM
52	As a naturalist, I can't think of any other topics/	4/2/2017 8:07 PM
53	These were all great	4/2/2017 8:03 PM
54	Bird topics, more plant topics, education/outreach topics	4/2/2017 8:01 PM
55	Some update on progress on previously discussed subjects.	4/2/2017 7:25 PM
56	Not sure at this time.	4/2/2017 7:16 PM
57	more botany, geology	4/2/2017 7:11 PM
58	Love all of the topics over the past couple of years.	4/2/2017 7:09 PM
59	More of the same, and continuing an advocacy element such as the Plum Island presentation. I'd also like brief updates on topics from the previous years.	4/2/2017 7:09 PM
60	Birds, oysters, plants	4/2/2017 6:58 PM

#### Q12 Have anything else to tell us?

Answered: 46 Skipped: 63

#	Responses	Date
1	Thank you!!! Please announce the scheduled date for next year's conference as soon as you possible can so that people can plan accordingly.	4/14/2017 4:08 PM
2	Thank you so much. It was very interesting and educational.	4/12/2017 4:12 PM
3	Thanks for the opportunity to provide wonderful discussions about Long Island nature subject matter.	4/9/2017 6:27 PM
4	Really good job! Thanks!	4/7/2017 12:41 AM
5	Nope.	4/6/2017 3:42 PM
6	I hope these conferences keep up as they keep us informed of things going on around Long Island.	4/6/2017 1:48 PM
7	Thank you!	4/6/2017 12:11 PM
8	No, but thank you.	4/6/2017 6:45 AM
9	Thank you for an excellent conference! This was my first one, and I look forward to attending many more in the future and bringing students from my institution to be part of it as well.	4/5/2017 9:30 PM
10	no.	4/5/2017 7:57 PM
11	Well done!	4/5/2017 4:58 PM
12	Keep up the good work! And thank you SO MUCH for all that you do to bring something this BIG to us on the East End. I can't imagine all the hard work, time, money, resources, skills, etc. that goes into this production. We all thank you!!	4/5/2017 4:02 PM
13	Keep up the good work.	4/5/2017 3:18 PM
14	I appreciate all the work you put into this. It is always worthwhile, educational and enjoyable. Thank you! - Judy Christrup	4/5/2017 3:18 PM
15	Great conference-Thanks for organizing it!	4/5/2017 2:49 PM
16	Great job, I love attending and hope to next year!	4/5/2017 2:43 PM
17	Great job. Thanks so much for all your hard work.	4/5/2017 2:17 PM
18	Great job! Thanks again!	4/5/2017 1:39 PM
19	Keep up the good work!	4/4/2017 4:11 PM
20	Thank you!	4/4/2017 11:15 AM
21	I liked that there were vendors, and that they sold merchandise that aligned with different conference topics. I wouldn't mind seeing more of those in the future! Thank you for putting together a nice conference!	4/3/2017 2:42 PM
22	you need more parking.	4/3/2017 1:50 PM
23	thank you for all the work you all do.	4/3/2017 12:30 PM
24	Thank you!	4/3/2017 11:37 AM
25	Thanks for organizing again, but this was my least favorite. Good luck with next year's event!	4/3/2017 11:34 AM
26	Very much appreciate the conference and all your work to deliver. Missed last year and was so glad to get to take day to attend this year. Thanks again. J.O.K	4/3/2017 10:53 AM
27	the scope of presentations was good.	4/3/2017 10:27 AM
28	Absolute majority of the speakers were very knowledgeable. But one particular speaker, Judith S. Weis, was showing her very biased opinions without presenting compelling evidence. I think her talk really misguided many in the audience.	4/3/2017 9:48 AM
29	My favorite lectures were the LI geology, sharks and tuna.	4/3/2017 9:12 AM
30	Keep up the good work!	4/3/2017 9:05 AM

31	Thank you so much for pulling this together. So much work! It is so appreciated!	4/3/2017 8:53 AM
32	Suggest starting a newsletter that covers the topics in detail.	4/3/2017 8:39 AM
33	Thank you!!	4/3/2017 8:34 AM
34	Thank you!	4/3/2017 8:22 AM
35	skip the question and answer	4/3/2017 8:11 AM
36	Great job! This has become my favorite local conference.	4/2/2017 11:36 PM
37	Thank you for all of the hard work that went into making this a success!	4/2/2017 10:36 PM
38	Thanks again! I learned a lot and the speakers presented their material in an engaging and easy to understand way.  The sound system and facility were excellent!	4/2/2017 9:14 PM
39	Very enjoyable and informative; will be back again next year!	4/2/2017 8:57 PM
40	I would like to see more on the web site. Links to other trips offered by other groups on the Island. Periodic field trips throughout the year offered by LINO. The Plum Island presentation was a bit too strident for my tastes. She was repetitious in the information she shared. A trip to Plum Island would be a great way to continue the momentum started at the conference. The idea of advocacy is so important and necessary in this age of the Orange Guy in the White House and idiots in cabinet positions. My complaint is about the speaker, not the inclusion of advocacy. Could there be a directory of members who wish to be included? A good way to continue the networking begun at the conference. I really like the fact that previous presentations are archived. Is there a directory on the web site so that one can see what has been presented when?	4/2/2017 8:44 PM
41	I feel it was an honor to sit in with such dedicated and hard working Professionals, who are thriving in these difficult times, to make corrections to our failing environment. I thank them from the bottom of my heart, I love our Earth deeply and I would like to see more done to protect it. Thank you, Sincerely, Sue Stowers	4/2/2017 8:07 PM
42	Great job, see you next year!	4/2/2017 8:01 PM
43	There was some discussion as to whether to include more advocacy information at next year's conference. While I am okay with the encouraging the audience to take part in activities to enrich and preserve our environment, I am against it if it diminishes the technical aspect of the conference. I don't want to see presentations on advocacy.	4/2/2017 7:25 PM
44	No.	4/2/2017 7:16 PM
45	You need better publicity	4/2/2017 7:11 PM
46	THANKS!	4/2/2017 6:58 PM