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## **Imagine Mounds Lake - Popular with Public**

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ANDERSON, Ind. – This past week, Imagine Mounds Lake public visioning sessions were held in Anderson, Chesterfield, Daleville, and Yorktown. The thousands of visitors were provided feasibility study information about Mounds Lake and a survey to measure public opinion concerning the project. Over 1,200 survey responses were received.

The survey, provided by the Corporation for Economic Development (CED), was distributed online and at each public visioning session in Anderson, Chesterfield, Daleville, and Yorktown. The survey data will be analyzed and a full report will be made available by the beginning of September. However, one question was already measured. Respondents were asked whether they support or oppose the Mounds Lake Project. With 1,230 survey responses **74.3% of respondents support the project**, 13.6% did not have an opinion, and **12.1% oppose the project**.

The idea behind Mounds Lake is to construct a dam that would create a 2,100-acre lake spanning from the western edges of Delaware County - touching Daleville and Yorktown - into the heart of Madison County connecting Chesterfield and Anderson. The primary objectives of this project are to provide a regional source of much needed water for the future and to foster community and economic development.

Studies show serious potential water shortages in the next 15-35 years. Past droughts have shown the critical nature of water availability in the area and due to population growth, water need has more than doubled over the past 50 years. The proposed lake would control water levels and flooding in the affected areas. The proposed lake is one of several options that were examined but is actually the most cost effective method of providing an imminently needed source of fresh water.

Full survey results will be released at the beginning of September.

For more information about the proposed Mounds Lake, visit [www.moundslake.com](http://www.moundslake.com), or contact Rob Sparks at 765-642-1860 or at [robspark@cedanderson.com](mailto:robspark@cedanderson.com).

The Corporation for Economic Development of Anderson/Madison County is a 501c3 non-profit that was incorporated in 1983. Their mission is to plan and undertake activities leading to steady job growth, increasing economic diversity, and a strengthened employer base, which enhances the quality of life in Madison County, Indiana.

For recent updates on the Mounds Lake Project follow them on Twitter @MoundsLake.

Photos of the project can be found here:

[https://www.dropbox.com/sh/8wuqpgtbgai1uwi/AAC0mveokOaVtn9U\\_IN9Vb-Ga?dl=0](https://www.dropbox.com/sh/8wuqpgtbgai1uwi/AAC0mveokOaVtn9U_IN9Vb-Ga?dl=0)