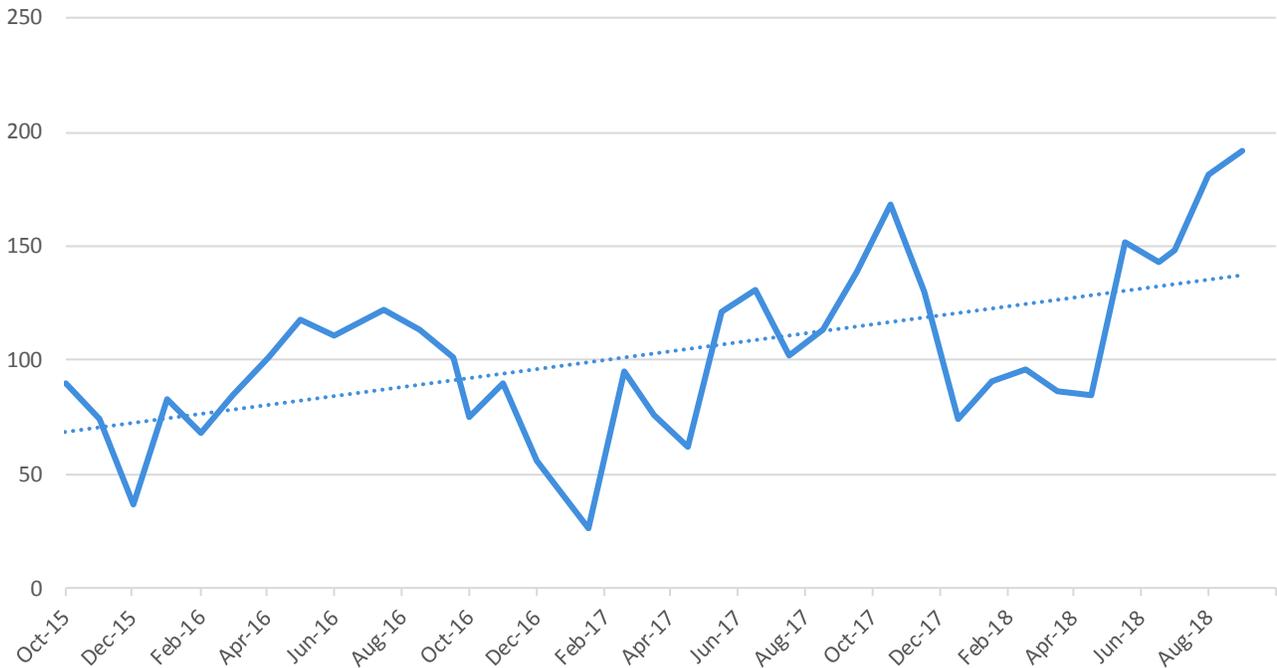


PARK WATCH REPORT

3rd Quarter 2018
(July 1 - September 30)

Camps Posted in Eugene Parks, October 2015 - September 2018

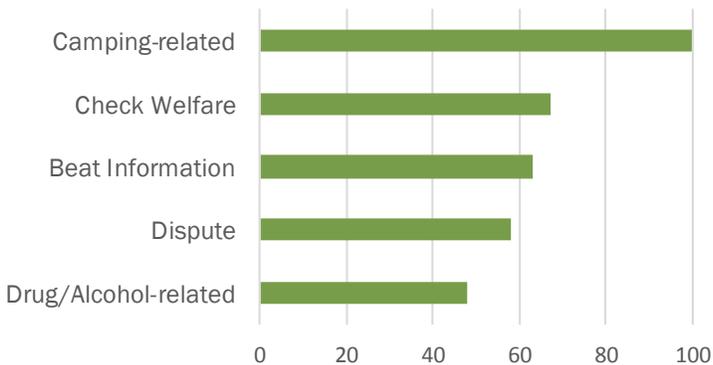


A seasonal increase in camp postings and EPD incidences is expected but the concurrent decreases in needles removed and sheriff work crew hours in the last quarter suggest positive progress from the introduction of the "illicit activities" crew and the continued work of the Park Ambassadors.

Bags of Camper Garbage Removed	3,726
Needles Removed	510
Sheriff Work Crew Hours	952
EPD Incidences in Parks	1,355



Top 5 Incident Types in Parks



Parks with Increased Activity

- Fern Ridge Path, near Commercial St and Commerce St
- Amazon Park
- South side of Skinner Butte Park
- Trainsong Park

EPD and/or Park Ambassadors have seen an increase in activity in these locations in the past 30 days

*Patrol checks (377 in 2018 Q3) omitted from top 5 list

Public Comments on Camping via Park Watch (2018 Q3) - 60 comments*

**PARK WATCH REPORT:
PARTIAL LIST OF CITIZEN COMMENTS ON ILLEGAL CAMPING**

9/28/2018 AMAZON PARK

From running path on east side of ash woodland, saw bike part (forks), and Styrofoam garbage. A path into woods leads to a garbage strewn area and tent.

9/15/2018 LONE OAK PARK

Several groups of homeless and accompanying trash spread around park edges. A couple of these people yelled at me for trying to pick up trash and remove an empty cart that was nowhere near them. Also several trash packed vehicles in both the parking lot and the dead end of Lone oak that is used as parking. We have the grand opening of the dog park here tomorrow. It would be wonderful if the residents both felt safe and had places to park for the event. I felt unsafe enough to leave today.

9/6/2018 AMAZON CORRIDOR: CHAMBERS ST. TO TERRY ST.

There has been at least one person camping in a structure made out of various items for the past three days in this location. He is partially on the bike path, but mainly on the adjacent land among the large concrete blocks. During the day there are many people that congregate around this camp. They frequently obstruct traffic when they are practicing their skateboarding, creating art on the path with found objects or just stumbling around in a state of inebriation.

9/4/2018 WEST BANK PARK LAND

Man camping along river the past few day in a very hidden spot. Witnessed him dumping trash into the river about 10:00 AM today. The garbage floated and was dumped from a pail into the river.

8/14/2018 LINCOLN SCHOOL PARK

2 adult campers on the south west boundary next to the chainlink fence and behind the berm; using the fence line for a toilet and smoking. Departed before 10 AM.

7/20/2018 MEADOWLARK PRAIRIE: MEADOWLARK PRAIRIE OVERLOOK

There is a large illegal camp with obviously stolen property on the fern ridge bike path. Starting from the fern ridge path beginning, head east, take the first right, cross two bridges, right after the second bridge and before the railroad tracks there is a path that leads to a large camp.

7/10/2018 SKINNER BUTTE PARK

Orange tent set up. I've been approached by loose dog growling and guarding this area before as well. Location is on skinner butte side of river approx. across from mcmennimans closer to bridge.