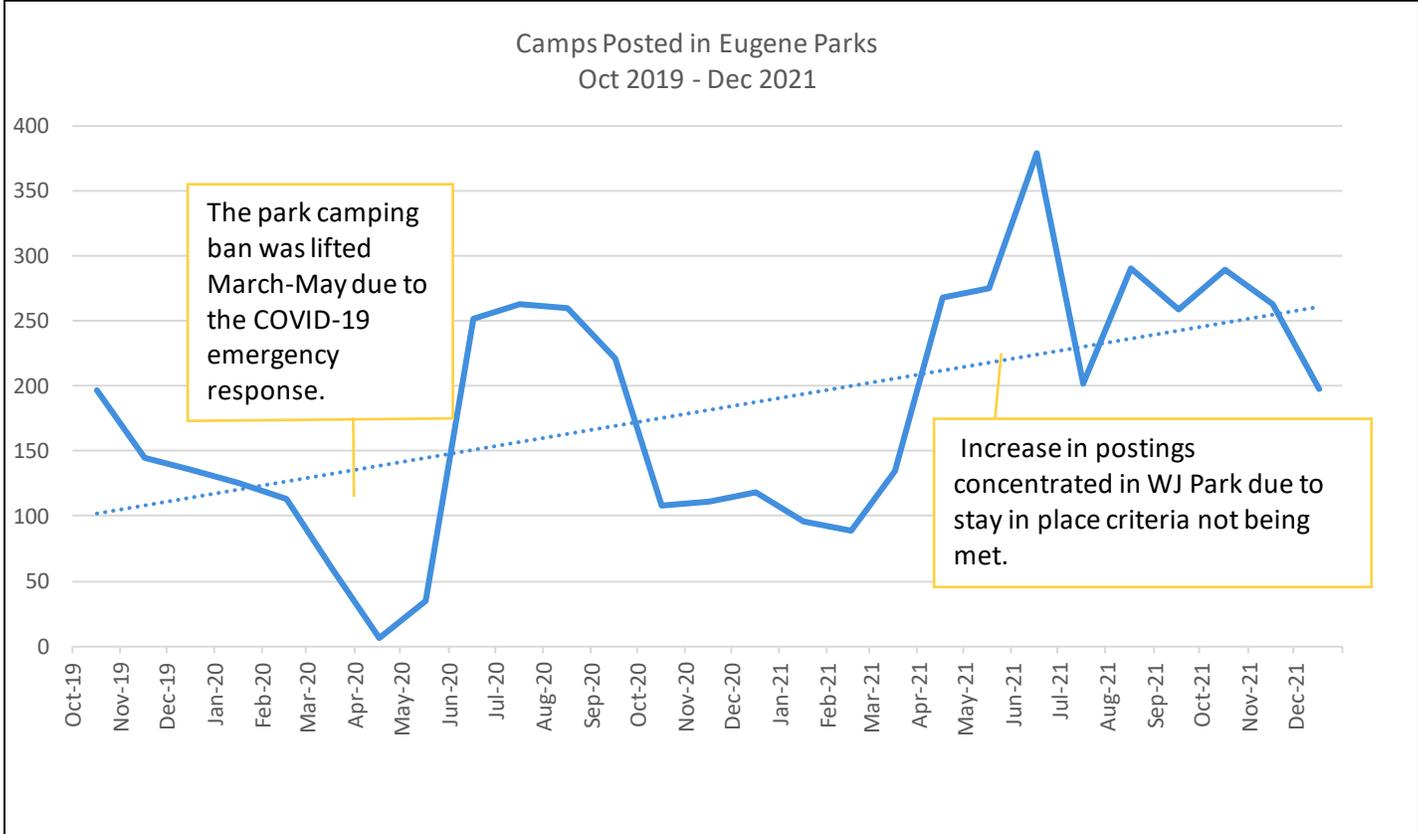
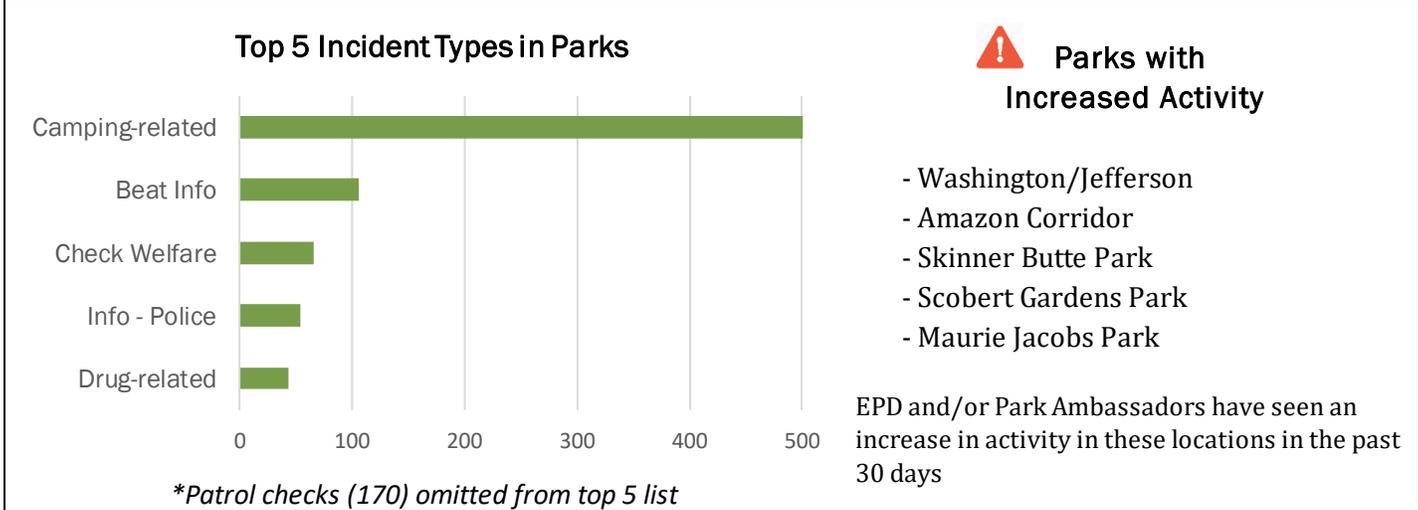


PARK WATCH REPORT

4th Quarter 2021
(October - December)



Bags of Camper Garbage Removed	11,178	
Sheriff Work Crew Hours	288	
EPD Incidences in Parks	1,580	



Public Comments on Camping via Park Watch - 256 comments*

*See back for highlights.

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

12/4/21 Arrowhead Park

Campers in tree grove of Arrowhead City Park. I walk the area at least one a week, and lately have found bags of dumped trash. Which is odd due to the location of the dumping spots. Today, I noticed two tents in the tree grove, with another one looking to be set up in a large split tree. These tents border the playground there but are hidden from the view. While chatting with a couple that was playing with their kids, we heard yelling coming from the area. To find the tents, approach the park while making a right turn on Arrowhead off Irvington. Park next to the playground sign. Kids on a teeter totter. From there just walk straight across park to tree line. You should see various small paths that led into the trees, where the tents are. One is a large canopy tent. When it starts raining, these tents will be in the creek/ponds that form there.

12/1/21 Meadowlark Prairie

More tents in protected wetlands - this time what appears to be multiple tents in a cluster, a larger green one (or with a green tarp over it) and one or two smaller ones, gray/black in color.

11/26/21 Razor Park

Another new camper in Razor Park. This park is exempt from the current Urban Camping Allowance in Eugene. Businesses and homes around the park have been broken into several times in the last month, including on Thanksgiving night. Camper are leaving garbage and human waste in the park.

11/16/21 Skinner Butte

Tents are starting to pop up within 300 ft. of Riverplay playground and along the bike path near park. Our tax dollars pay for these public parks and it would be nice to have a safe place for our kids to play.

11/2/21 Amazon Park

There is an influx of homeless folks camping in sleeping bags (not so many tents) throughout Amazon Park. I've seen drug activity and do not feel safe walking my dog there early in the morning. We bought a home in this area to use the park and its starting to feel unsafe. Make homeless camping and public drug use illegal and mandate prison or drug treatment. Hint: Addicts are addicted - they don't need housing or parking lots, they need to have drug addiction treated and mental illness managed. Having homeless folks sleep, use heroine and meth, and defecate at the park is unacceptable

10/2/21 West Bank

Couple has tent set up and dug a hole for fire pit. Using gas for the fire. We biked past them today and they were sitting in the path using meth.