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Feedback notes from group session

Here is some of the feedback we garnered from the group discussion session

Bonus Feature Ideas:

- Finer grain user control for date range
 - This could be implemented as a brushing technique on the year bar.
 - Perhaps the brush could 'snap' to months to make ranges into whole months.
 - This would eliminate need for a separate month control

Refinement on existing feature ideas:

- User can use map to multiselect for the comparison process rather than using a separate side list
 - In this way clicking on the map node selects, clicking a second time de-selects
 - List that currently is used for comparison becomes a 'bin' list that is used to display all the currently selected parks.
- User can use the bubble chart to modify what type of data is shown in the bar chart on the right hand side instead of just visitation data.
 - User can then compare activities of any kind for all of the parks they are interested in, this better suites the targeted goal of helping people compare parks together

Concerns expressed and possible resolutions:

- A question was raised as to how we planned to ensure that our visualization accomplished the goal of answering the questions we posed in our design phase.
 - We opted to make a refinement to the bubble chart feature that would hopefully allow us to explore in more depth, the results of comparisons between parks. Initially we stayed away from this idea because of the worry that the type of data we got from some of the more specialized park specific reports may not interact well or be comperable in a bar chart. We plan to find a happy medium between inadvertantly comparing apples to oranges and allowing users a deeper level of comparison between activities.