



Vision Theme A: Strong Rural Lands & Economy

Strategy A1: Continue and Expand Land Conservation Efforts

Recommended Strategy	Recommended Actions	
<p>Continue and strengthen the County’s Rural Land Conservation programs, while continuing to monitor and measure progress. Focus efforts on preserving the most important land for farming in the most cost-efficient manner. In addition to maintaining the existing low-density sliding scale zoning regulations, focus on continuing and providing assistance for the voluntary programs such as Purchase of Development Rights, Conservation Easement donations, and Ag and Forestal Districts.</p>	A 1.1	Maintain sliding scale zoning
	A 1.2	Continue Purchase of Development Rights Program
	A 1.3	Continue assistance with conservation easements; Refine the evaluation criteria to put clear priority on actively farmed land
	A 1.4	Continue use value assessment
	A 1.5	Continue Ag and Forestal Districts
Benefits/Outcomes	Measuring Success	
<p>Having enough good and affordable farmland available for farmers is the most fundamental strategy for preserving the rural environment and supporting a viable local agricultural economy. To the extent the farmland base is maintained or expanded, benefits are expected to include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stable cost of farmland • Maintain available land resources for the farming industry • Preserve scenic quality of the rural landscape • Support for concentrating population growth in the Service Districts • Maintain or improve local air and water quality through the preservation of forest cover, open land, and permeable surfaces • Maintain the critical mass of farming activity necessary for an agricultural culture and economy 	<p>The success of this strategy and actions will be measured through criteria such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The amount of land in agricultural production • The amount of land in forest cover • The average value of farmland • The economic return to individual farm operations • The number of new residential lots created and the number of new houses built in the rural areas • The low rate of conversion of farmland to other uses • Local air and water quality 	



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Strategy A2: Expand the Local Foods and Agri-tourism Sectors

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<p>With six million people within a 50-mile radius of the County, and a rise in the local food movement regionally and nationally, Fauquier is well positioned to expand into this market with specialized products and direct sales and marketing, including new types of products, new markets, and new methods of marketing, to create greater “value-added” activities for agricultural enterprises, including farm co-ops, farmers markets, CSAs, a regional food hub* and various forms of agri-tourism. Fauquier County has the best geographic position and the strongest, most diverse farm economy of the localities within the Washington metro area.</p> <p>* A regional food hub is a business or organization that actively manages the aggregation, distribution, and marketing of source-identified food products primarily from local and regional producers to strengthen their ability to satisfy wholesale, retail, and institutional demand.</p>	A 2.1	Promote the production of farm products suited for local and direct sales to regional customers, including residents, restaurants, stores, co-ops, and markets
	A 2.2	Strengthen the Local Foods Policy Council to promote and coordinate efforts to expand local markets and agri-tourism, including establishing a regional food hub and a coordinated promotion and “branding” of the County as a unique agricultural area
	A 2.3	Promote the creation of direct marketing initiatives such as farmers markets and Community Supported Agriculture (CSAs)
	A 2.4	Refine zoning regulations to balance the opportunities for agri-tourism with concerns about intensity of traffic and other non-farm activities in rural areas
	A 2.5	Continue and expand collaboration with marketing assistance with Virginia Tech Cooperative Extension, and cooperation with RRRC’s Regional Marketing Program
	A 2.6	Continue and expand the annual Fall Farm Tour; explore collaboration with regional neighbors

Benefits/Outcomes	Measuring Success
<p>In order for agricultural to remain a competitive and viable land use within a large and growing metropolitan area, farms need to become more economically productive by increasing per-acre revenue and/or lowering production costs. Benefits from these kinds of improvements include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Higher farm revenues and incomes • Greater stability and sustainability within the agricultural sector • Greater economic diversification within the ag sector • Greater regional identity of Fauquier County as a place for agriculture, direct farm purchases, and agri-tourism 	<p>The success of this strategy and actions will be measured through criteria such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Average net farm incomes • Gross revenue per acre • More acreage in specialty crops and products • Lower average age of farmers • Number and gross revenues of direct sales entities (farmers markets, CSAs, etc.) • Percentage of total farm products that are sold directly to end users rather than to commodity markets



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Strategy A3: Expand Agricultural Infrastructure and Capacity

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<p>Improvements in local agricultural infrastructure could help farmers capture some of the value-added opportunities in farming. Such infrastructure improvements could include small-scale livestock processing facilities, cold storage facilities, saw mills, and farm equipment sales, service, and rental, as well as strategic improvements to rural roads and traffic management to improve safety in moving farm equipment and handling customers for direct farm sales.</p>	<p>A 3.1</p>	<p>Review and refine zoning regulations to streamline permitting and approval procedures so that value-added facilities can be added to farming operations with a minimum of “red-tape”</p>
	<p>A 3.2</p>	<p>Promote the establishment and expansion of equipment co-ops for sales, service, rental, and sharing</p>
	<p>A 3.3</p>	<p>Work with VDOT and law enforcement to make strategic improvements along key rural roads and in traffic protocols to improve the safety of moving farm equipment</p>
	<p>A 3.4</p>	<p>Provide technical assistance and support to landowners to meet erosion and sediment control requirements and state conservation programs</p>
Benefits/Outcomes	Measuring Success	
<p>With stronger infrastructure to support the farm economy, farmers will have more optimism about the future, lending stability to the industry and reducing the “impermanence syndrome.” The County could see future benefits such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More diversity in types of products and farm operations • Greater capture of economic value produced locally before it is shipped outside the County • Greater economic returns from expansion of the overall rural economy through tourism, gross sales, etc. 	<p>The success of this strategy and actions will be measured through criteria such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The number of new agricultural infrastructure elements • The number of new agricultural and ag-related enterprises • The number of different kinds of farm products produced and sold in the County • The size (in dollars) of the total economic base of the rural economy including farm sales and exports 	



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Strategy A4: Expand Agricultural Education and Outreach

Recommended Strategy	Recommended Actions	
<p>Providing expanded opportunities for education of both producers and consumers will help strengthen the diversity and resiliency of the local industry. Increase the level of outreach efforts to promote the County's direct sales and agri-tourism sectors.</p>	A 4.1	Continue Beginner Farmer Training Program and the Farm Link Program
	A 4.2	Provide assistance to farmers in planning the succession of their farm enterprises
	A 4.3	Provide education and training related to farming through the public schools and Lord Fairfax Community College
	A 4.4	Promote Fauquier County as a regional resource for direct sales of agricultural products and visitation for agri-tourism
	A 4.5	Educate general public about the importance of agriculture to the County economy
Benefits/Outcomes	Measuring Success	
<p>With greater awareness and understanding of the agricultural industry on the part of all participants – farmers, potential future farmers, general public, direct customers, etc. - farm producers will be able to expand and diversify their operations, leading to benefits such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greater understanding of farming on the part of local non-farm residents, reducing conflicts between property owners • Greater participation in the agricultural economy by non-farm residents, through farm tours, direct sales, and agri-tourism • Greater continuity between generations of farmers so that younger farmers come on line as older farmers retire • Greater economic returns from expansion of the overall rural economy through tourism, gross sales, etc. 	<p>The success of this strategy and actions will be measured through criteria such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The size (in dollars) of the total economic base of the rural economy • The number of students at all levels enrolled in some kind of agricultural course or program • Reduction in the number of reported complaints against farming operations from non-farm neighbors • A lower average age of farmers • Increased awareness among the public in the region about Fauquier as an agricultural County • Number and volume of direct marketing enterprises • Number and volume of agri-tourism businesses 	



Vision Theme B: Expanded Business and Industry

Strategy B1: Create Dynamic Business Centers

Recommended Strategy	Recommended Actions	
<p>Create dynamic centers of business within service districts. Encourage business growth by supporting the development of commercial centers that offer full public utility service, premium communication technologies, and direct access to effective transportation corridors. Focus this growth in well-defined areas that promote efficient service provision and encourage collaboration between businesses.</p>	<p>B 1.1</p>	<p>Make public water and sewer utilities accessible to the business areas of all service districts. Consider supporting agreements with property owners to phase infrastructure expansion within the business areas of service districts</p>
	<p>B 1.2</p>	<p>Support the expansion of broadband and cellular infrastructure to ensure complete service coverage of high speed internet and cell service</p>
	<p>B 1.3</p>	<p>Consider revising parking standards to support desired traditional development forms (mixed use and walkable)</p>
	<p>B 1.4</p>	<p>Evaluate commercial zoning regulations to ensure that they are compatible with the County's vision and the needs of targeted industries</p>
	<p>B 1.5</p>	<p>Support public "seeding" programs to rehabilitate strategically located but underused commercial structures or sites in service districts in order to encourage purchase and use</p>
Benefits/Outcomes	Measuring Success	
<p>The establishment of business centers in the County's service districts will not only provide existing and potential business owners with the space and services they need to support their operations, but will also clearly demonstrate the County's commitment to supporting appropriate business growth. This growth may provide numerous benefits, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased number of local jobs • Increased business tax revenues • Decreased commuter traffic • Enhanced ability to establish and expand industry clusters 	<p>The success of this strategy and actions will be measured through criteria such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The number of service districts with access to public water and sewer • Commercial structure and property vacancy rates • Internet coverage and available internet speeds • Square footage of new compatible commercial space in service districts 	



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Strategy B2: Encourage the Growth and Addition of New Businesses

Recommended Strategy	Recommended Actions	
<p>Encourage the growth and addition of new businesses in the County by supporting interested parties with administrative services and financial incentives. Focus these efforts specifically on matters of interest to the County’s targeted industries. Remove or minimize time-consuming business establishment processes that may lead potential businesses to locate in other communities.</p>	B 2.1	Develop a “user-friendly” business establishment process that offers strong support and guidance for potential new businesses
	B 2.2	Increase the size and number of the County’s “enterprise centers” to provide office space, resources, and strategic guidance for new and small businesses
	B 2.3	Update and refine the County’s list of targeted industries
	B 2.4	Continue the efforts of the Department of Economic Development to identify services and resources attractive to the County’s targeted industries
	B 2.5	Continue the tax incentive program for targeted industries
	B 2.6	Promote shovel ready sites to entice the establishment of targeted industries. Refine the inventory of sites to ensure currency
	B 2.7	Establish a regular reporting process for business performance in the County
Benefits/Outcomes	Measuring Success	
<p>The ability of Fauquier County to market itself to its desired target industries, as well as to provide those businesses with the information and administrative support needed to easily establish their operations in the County, will be critical in supporting strong and desirable business growth. Benefits will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diversification of employment and industry base • Growth in overall number of businesses • Increased business tax revenues • Increased competitive position for business attraction in the northern Virginia region 	<p>The success of this strategy and actions will be measured through criteria such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The number of newly registered businesses • The size and number of enterprise centers • The composition of County businesses according to industry classification • Business tax revenues • The number of shovel-ready acres available for targeted industries and businesses • Growth in targeted industries • Growth in employment and wages • The growth of the number of new jobs relative to the number of new homes • The ratio of County revenue from business taxes versus property taxes • The growth of the County’s GDP relative to state and regional GDP growth 	



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Strategy B3: Enhance Workforce Education Programs

Recommended Strategy	Recommended Actions	
<p>Support the growth of County businesses by developing a local workforce that possesses the specific skills and knowledge needed for the County's targeted industries. Develop education and training programs that address the skill needs of local businesses.</p>	<p>B 3.1</p>	<p>Conduct a thorough study of local businesses and industries to accurately identify education and training needs that may be provided by local schools and Lord Fairfax Community College</p>
	<p>B 3.2</p>	<p>Facilitate a strong partnership between Lord Fairfax Community College and local businesses</p>
	<p>B 3.3</p>	<p>Support the expansion of course offerings in technical and trade programs in local high schools as relevant to targeted businesses and industries, especially in relation to the needs of students who do not plan to attend college</p>
	<p>B 3.4</p>	<p>Support the establishment of a business apprenticeship program for local students and residents</p>
Benefits/Outcomes	Measuring Success	
<p>The availability of a skilled workforce can be a major draw to businesses who are considering locating in the County. It supports both businesses and residents alike through outcomes such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased employment opportunities for local residents • Decreased employee training costs for local businesses • Enhanced ability to attract industry clusters related to workforce skills 	<p>The success of this strategy and actions will be measured through criteria such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The number of official business partnerships with education programs • The percentage of the County workforce that lives in Fauquier County • The percentage of the County's residents that are employed in Fauquier County • Educational attainment levels • Employment rate in the County • Median income of resident households 	



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Strategy B4: Respond to the Needs and Practices of the New Rural Economy

Recommended Strategy	Recommended Actions	
<p>Support the businesses and communities in Fauquier County’s rural areas by updating policies and programs to better respond to the needs and practices of the new rural economy. Clearly define the types of businesses and commercial developments that are appropriate for the County’s rural areas in a way that respects the needs of new business models while maintaining the integrity of the County’s rural vision.</p> <p>* The new rural economy denotes new agricultural techniques, value-added farm products, and on-site events, sales, and services that allow rural land-owners to diversify their sources of income and engage niche agricultural and tourism markets.</p>	B 4.1	Identify businesses and services that support the rural economy
	B 4.2	Refine list of targeted uses for rural areas
	B 4.3	Evaluate village and rural agriculture zoning regulations to ensure that they are compatible with the County’s vision and the needs of targeted rural uses
	B 4.4	Support public “seeding” programs to rehabilitate and repurpose strategically located but underused commercial structures or sites in rural areas in order to encourage purchase and use
	B 4.5	Create a comprehensive list of shovel-ready sites for targeted uses in rural areas

Benefits/Outcomes	Measuring Success
<p>Maintaining the rural heritage of Fauquier County is a central element of the community’s vision. This effort will require the preservation of the rural landscape, but also the continued operation of farms and other rural industries. This can provide many benefits to the County, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expanded tourism opportunities including agri-tourism and heritage tourism An increase in the number and diversity of jobs The preservation of farms and farm landscapes New economic opportunities for long-time County residents 	<p>The success of this strategy and actions will be measured through criteria such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The number of new rural businesses Growth in targeted industries Growth in rural employment Vacancy rates of rural commercial properties and structures



Vision Theme C: Thriving Communities and Services

Strategy C1: Concentrate Growth in Service Districts

Recommended Strategy	Recommended Actions	
<p>Continue and strengthen the County’s Service Districts concept. Conduct outreach to raise awareness of the Service District growth policy. Continue to direct future growth into Service Districts while ensuring that there will be adequate public facilities and infrastructure in each Service District appropriate to its anticipated pace of growth. Focus efforts on developing each Service District as a livable community through “placemaking” initiatives such as enhancing its pedestrian and bicycle connections, parks, civic spaces and building a strong sense of place. Ensure that the Service Districts are far more economical and appropriate for new growth than the rural areas.</p>	C 1.1	Continue to support Service District concept and policy implementation measures
	C 1.2	Foster “placemaking” initiatives countywide
	C 1.3	Clarify role and character of each Service District within the Comprehensive Plan
	C 1.4	Conduct educational outreach on the County’s Service District growth concept
	C 1.5	Evaluate Service District boundaries to consider removing areas that are not planned for water and sewer service
Benefits/Outcomes	Measuring Success	
<p>91 percent of Fauquier County’s population growth between 2000 and 2010 was within the Service Districts and less than 9% in the rural areas. Maintaining the concentration of future growth in the Service Districts will benefit the County through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protecting productive farmland and open space in the County from residential growth pressures • Building stronger communities with more well-rounded community services and facilities in the Service Districts • Supporting industry clusters such as knowledge and high tech whose youthful work forces prefer communities with a sense of place 	<p>The success of this strategy and actions will be measured through criteria such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The amount of future residential growth in the Service Districts versus rural areas • The provision of placemaking amenities in Service Districts such as bicycle and pedestrian networks, parks and civic spaces • The provision of infrastructure and services within new communities timed according to their growth and development 	



Vision Theme C: Thriving Communities and Services

Strategy C2: Incentives for Traditional Neighborhood Design (TND)

Recommended Strategy	Recommended Actions	
<p>Traditional Neighborhood Design is a way of designing neighborhoods and communities that are more walkable with a mix of land uses, transportation choices and parks and civic spaces. Incentives for this development option should be created through new comprehensive plan policies, zoning changes and grants or funding to build public amenities in the heart of existing and new communities in the County.</p>	C 2.1	Add new TND policies in the Comprehensive Plan
	C 2.2	Add TND policies to Service District plans as they are updated
	C 2.3	Modify the zoning ordinance to establish a TND overlay zone that would apply in Service Districts
	C 2.4	Add form standards to existing multifamily and commercial zoning districts to promote mixed land use and walkability
Benefits/Outcomes	Measuring Success	
<p>Many communities throughout the nation have realized the benefits of supporting TND policies. As more new development adopts these principles, the County could see future benefits such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New development that is closer to the look, feel and character of traditional historic neighborhoods • More attractive and walkable town and village centers and neighborhoods • Healthier living as active transportation options (biking and walking) become possible to meet daily needs in new communities • Less dependence on autos and lower pollution and traffic levels as average trips become shorter because uses and services are closer together 	<p>The success of this strategy and actions will be measured through criteria such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The inclusion of new TND policies in the County’s policy documents and new TND incentives in its development regulations • The amount of new development that exercises voluntary TND options such as overlay districts • The extent of active biking and walking networks in new development • Continued or improved tourist visitation in historic communities that have fostered TND-style infill development within their traditional core areas • Walk score improvements within the Service Districts* <p><small>*WalkScore is an online tool that provides a score by address based on what is near the address that can be accessed by walking.</small></p>	



Vision Theme C:

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Strategy C3: Diversify the County’s Housing Stock

Recommended Strategy	Recommended Actions	
<p>Enable and encourage a wider variety of housing types in the Service Districts including townhomes, apartments, and live/work units. Allow by right development of townhomes and apartments within the Service Districts where those housing types are compatible with the neighborhood and where water and sewer service will support the higher density. Provide housing for farm workers, many of whom are seasonal employees, on farms.</p>	C 3.1	Examine the zoning district standards and ensure that they facilitate diversification of the housing stock
	C 3.2	Develop design standards for multi-family and higher density housing to ensure compatibility with existing neighborhoods
	C 3.3	Review locations for planned higher density zoning to ensure integration into diverse mixed use and mixed density communities
	C 3.4	Provide incentives, such as a density bonus, for developers that include affordable housing in their projects
	C 3.5	Review zoning to allow for on-farm housing for farm workers
	C 3.6	Extend sufficient water and sewer capacity to areas within the Service Districts where the County desires higher density residential and commercial development, and consider extending these services into other areas that may be appropriate for inclusion in a Service District . (see C 5 for additional related actions)

Benefits/Outcomes	Measuring Success
<p>About 70 percent of the housing units in the Service Districts, and 83 percent in the County, are single family detached housing. Less than 6 percent of the land in Service Districts is zoned to allow by right the higher density housing uses of the R4 zone, which includes single family homes on quarter-acre lots, garden apartments, and townhouses. The County could see the following benefits as it encourages more development of higher density housing types:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More affordable housing options for the County’s workforce • Affordable housing for students at Lord Fairfax Community College that would like to live in Fauquier County, but now must commute to find affordable housing • Higher density of development within the Service Districts that helps make new business development viable while alleviating pressure to develop rural areas • Reduce commuting by providing more housing options for the County’s workforce and student population • Provide more housing for farm workers • Greater walkability 	<p>The success of this strategy and actions will be measured through criteria such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acres of land that is zoned to allow higher density single family housing, apartments, and townhomes • Number of housing units built in the Service Districts that are affordable to households making less than 80 percent of the area median income • Percent of new housing units built in the Service Districts • Support for zoning amendments to allow for compatible, higher density development where appropriate



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Strategy C4: Provide More Transportation Choices in the Service Districts

Recommended Strategy	Recommended Actions	
<p>Identify obstacles to walkability and bikeability within the Service Districts. Make walkable/bikeable streets a high transportation priority within the Service Districts. Seek state funding through Smart Scale, Transportation Alternatives or other funding sources to improve walk and bike access and target local funds towards making the streets friendly to pedestrians and bicycles. Provide transit alternatives for people traveling between the County and the Washington metropolitan area.</p>	C 4.1	Map pedestrian and bike comfort and safety for all streets in Service Districts using available data
	C 4.2	Launch a traffic calming program with dedicated funding for reducing traffic speeds on residential streets and in business districts, with an emphasis on those streets with low pedestrian/bike comfort and safety
	C 4.3	Map the sidewalk and bike facility network in each Service District
	C 4.4	Identify high priority sidewalk or bike facility improvements and gaps to address with a dedicated funding source
	C 4.5	Require sidewalks on both sides of all new streets in the Service District
	C 4.6	In limited cases where new sidewalks are not feasible or too far from other developed areas, allow fees in lieu of sidewalks and trails into which developers can contribute towards new and improved sidewalks in the Service Districts
	C 4.7	Plan in the short term for better transit service within the County while planning in the long-term for increasing VRE access to County residents

Benefits/Outcomes	Measuring Success
<p>Walkable and bikeable neighborhoods and communities are in high demand. Walkability supports property values. It also can alleviate pressure on local streets and highways to accommodate more vehicles. Walkable streets that support vibrant towns with a mix of housing, jobs, and services are places where people can make shorter or fewer vehicle trips. Walkable and bikeable streets also support public health by providing places for people to exercise. The County could see the following benefits as it improves walkability:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relatively less congested streets as people choose to walk or bike to work, social engagements, and shopping • More business for local shops and services from people walking in business districts • Healthier residents who walk or bike more each week • More social engagement 	<p>The success of this strategy and actions will be measured through criteria such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Miles of new sidewalk built in the Service Districts • Higher Walk Score in Service Districts • Miles of new bike facilities (including dedicated lanes and signing/striping to accommodate cyclists) countywide • Percent of residents that report walking or biking to work • Observed traffic speeds in business districts. • Transit ridership and VRE boardings from Fauquier County



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Strategy C5: Provide Sufficient Water and Wastewater Treatment for Service Districts

Recommended Strategy	Recommended Actions	
<p>Identify water sources sufficient to support the growth in Service Districts. Expand water sources to provide sufficient water. Upgrade or expand wastewater treatment to accommodate future needs. Institute best practices to reduce stormwater runoff and filter water naturally to improve water quality in the Service Districts. Coordinate the County’s land use policies with the Water and Sanitation Authority’s investment policies.</p>	<p>C 5.1</p>	<p>Coordinate the County’s growth and development policies in the comprehensive plan with the Water and Sanitation Authority’s improvement and expansion planning</p>
	<p>C 5.2</p>	<p>Develop a joint County and Water and Sanitation Authority strategic investment policy and phasing / funding plan for integration into future County Capital Improvement Programs</p>
	<p>C 5.3</p>	<p>Identify additional water sources to accommodate needs of anticipated growth in the Service Districts</p>
	<p>C 5.4</p>	<p>Develop County policy and a strategic plan for addressing failing septic systems</p>

Benefits/Outcomes	Measuring Success
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<p>The County has a long-standing policy of focusing growth and development in its Service Districts. This policy relies on sufficient water and wastewater treatment in these areas. In the absence of sufficient water and wastewater treatment capacity, growth pressures may spread into rural areas if Service Districts cannot meet water and wastewater demands. The County could see the following benefits as it improves its provision of water and wastewater in its service districts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Growth is adequately accommodated in Service Districts • Clean water supplies • Attraction of target industries and businesses that need sufficient water and wastewater treatment • Improvements in groundwater recharge and quality as sustainable management practices are implemented 	<p>The success of this strategy and actions will be measured through criteria such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sufficient water and wastewater treatment capacity in the Service Districts • Integrated planning among community development, economic development, and water/sanitation departments • Future indicators of ground and surface water quality and aquifer recharge as development occurs • Number of failing septic systems remedied in the County
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