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APPENDIX A

PLANNING

COMMISSION

RESOLUTION



AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF ROANOKE COUNTY, VIRGINIA, HELD AT THE ROANOKE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION CENTER, TUESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2024

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING ADOPTION OF THE ROANOKE COUNTY 200 PLAN AS THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR ROANOKE COUNTY, VIRGINIA

WHEREAS, § 15.2-2223 of the Code of Virginia requires that the local planning commission of every jurisdiction shall prepare and recommend a comprehensive plan for the physical development of the territory within its jurisdiction and every governing body shall adopt a comprehensive plan for the territory under its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the Roanoke County 200 Plan ("200 Plan") is a major update to the County's existing comprehensive plan, which was last updated in 2005; and

WHEREAS, the 200 Plan name has been coined because the plan represents the community's vision for the future growth and development of the County by the year 2038, when the County will be celebrating its 200th anniversary; and

WHEREAS, the 200 Plan is a public document, developed with a great deal of public participation, including: a series of twelve (12) community meetings in the Fall of 2021 to gather initial public input from citizens on the future of the County, a series of seven (7) community meetings in the Spring of 2022 to gather feedback from citizens on draft recommendations, six (6) planning meetings in Winter 2023 for citizens to review the Draft Roanoke County 200 Plan Countywide Summary Document and Draft Community Planning Area

documents based on the feedback received throughout the community engagement process, and two (2) Planning Commission public hearings in March and April 2023 to receive feedback from residents; and

WHEREAS, the 200 Plan expresses an overarching community vision as well as unique goals for eleven (11) community planning areas within the County, and provides guidance for public policies about natural and cultural resources, community facilities, transportation, and land development; and

WHEREAS, the 200 Plan includes a main document as well as eleven (11) Community Planning Area documents; and

WHEREAS, the 200 Plan is intended to replace the County's 2005 Comprehensive Plan with a new plan reflecting the current social and economic conditions of the County and providing updated goals and objectives for guiding the growth anticipated in the County over the next 15-20 years; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held a public hearing on the 200 Plan on August 6, 2024, after posting, advertisement and notices as required by § 15.2-2225 and § 15.2-2204 of the Code of Virginia.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Planning Commission of Roanoke County, Virginia, as follows:

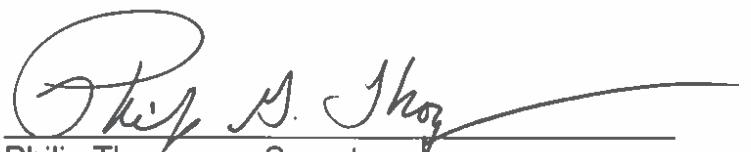
- 1) The Commission recommends that the Board of Supervisors adopt the Roanoke County 200 Plan as the comprehensive plan of Roanoke County.

- 2) Pursuant to § 15.2-2225 of the Code of Virginia, the Secretary to the Planning Commission shall certify this Resolution to the Board of Supervisors by providing a copy of it to the Clerk to the Board.
- 3) Pursuant to § 15.2-2225 of the Code of Virginia, the Secretary to the Planning Commission shall also post this Resolution on the Commission's website.

Commissioners absent	None
Votes in favor	McMurray, Woltz, Henderson, Bower, James
Votes against	None
Abstentions	None

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned secretary of the Roanoke County Planning Commission does hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, complete and correct Resolution adopted by a vote of the majority of the Roanoke County Planning Commission held on August 6, 2024, at which a quorum was present and acting throughout, and that the same has not been amended or rescinded and is in full force and effect as of the date of this certification, August 6, 2024.



Philip Thompson, Secretary
Roanoke County Planning Commission

APPENDIX B BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RESOLUTION



AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF ROANOKE COUNTY, VIRGINIA, HELD AT THE ROANOKE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION CENTER, TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2024

RESOLUTION 092424-8 ADOPTING THE ROANOKE COUNTY 200 PLAN AS THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR ROANOKE COUNTY, VIRGINIA

WHEREAS, § 15.2-2223 of the Code of Virginia requires that every governing body shall adopt a comprehensive plan for the territory under its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the Roanoke County 200 Plan ("200 Plan") is a major update to the County's existing comprehensive plan, which was last updated in 2005; and

WHEREAS, the 200 Plan name has been coined because the plan represents the community's vision for the future growth and development of the County by the year 2038, when the County will be celebrating its 200th anniversary; and

WHEREAS, the 200 Plan is a public document, developed with a great deal of public participation, including: a series of twelve (12) community meetings in the Fall of 2021 to gather initial public input from citizens on the future of the County, a series of seven (7) community meetings in the Spring of 2022 to gather feedback from citizens on draft recommendations, six (6) planning meetings in Winter 2023 for citizens to review the Draft Roanoke County 200 Plan Countywide Summary Document and Draft Community Planning Area documents based on the feedback received throughout the community engagement process, and two (2) Planning Commission public hearings in March and April 2023 to receive feedback from residents; and

WHEREAS, the 200 Plan expresses an overarching community vision as well as unique goals for eleven (11) community planning areas within the County, and provides guidance for public policies about natural and cultural resources, community facilities, transportation, and land development; and

WHEREAS, the 200 Plan includes a main document as well as eleven (11) Community Planning Area documents; and

WHEREAS, the 200 Plan is intended to replace the County's 2005 Comprehensive Plan with a new plan reflecting the current social and economic conditions of the County and providing updated goals and objectives for guiding the growth anticipated in the County over the next 15-20 years; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held a public hearing on the 200 Plan on August 6, 2024, after posting, advertisement and notices as required by § 15.2-2225 and § 15.2-2204 of the Code of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, on August 6, 2024 the Planning Commission approved a resolution recommending adoption of the 200 Plan as the Comprehensive Plan for Roanoke County; and

WHEREAS, the Board held a public hearing on the adoption of the 200 Plan as the Comprehensive Plan for Roanoke County on September 24, 2024.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Roanoke County, Virginia, as follows:

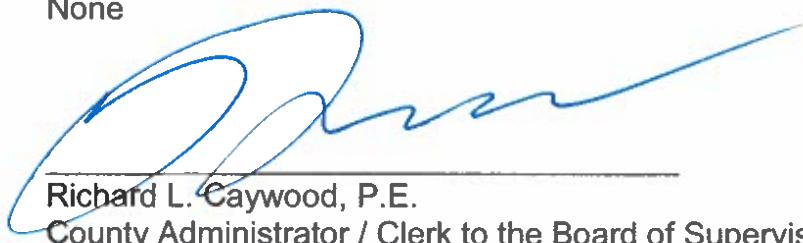
- 1) The Roanoke County 200 Plan is hereby adopted as the Comprehensive Plan for Roanoke County, Virginia.
- 2) This Resolution is effective upon its adoption.

On motion of Supervisor Hooker to adopt the resolution; seconded by Supervisor Radford and carried by the following roll call and recorded vote:

AYES: Supervisors Radford, Hooker, Mahoney, Shepherd, North

NAYS: None

A COPY TESTE:



Richard L. Caywood, P.E.
County Administrator / Clerk to the Board of Supervisors

CC: Philip Thompson, Director of Planning

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FUTURE LAND USE GUIDE





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Future Land Use is one component of the Roanoke County Comprehensive Plan. The Future Land Use Guide is a policy framework for future land use decisions within the County. Used in conjunction with the Future Land Use Map, this Guide serves as a reference for citizens on the most desirable locations for future land use activities throughout the County.

Future Land Use Designations should be used by Roanoke County citizens and property owners when evaluating alternative uses for their land and will be used by Roanoke County staff, the Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors in the evaluation of requested land use amendments.

Future Land Use Designations

The following designations are used to identify areas around the County where certain activities occur or are anticipated. The types of land uses that are desirable within each designation are also described.

This section also includes **land use determinants** - factors that are used to evaluate requested changes to the Future Land Use Map. The careful examination of these factors will determine which land use designation is most appropriate for an area or parcel of land.

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CONSERVATION

A future land use area of environmental sensitivity due to topography (greater than 33%), existence of unique land characteristics, conservation/open space/greenway easements, soil types or location with respect to other State or Federally preserved lands. Typical resources would include wetlands, ridgelines, mountainsides, scenic views from the Blue Ridge Parkway and Appalachian Trail, identified greenway corridors, productive agricultural lands, historical and cultural resources and threatened or endangered species habitats.

Land Use Types

Agricultural Production - Production of crops, plants, vines, trees, livestock, poultry and eggs and associated services such as soil and crop preparation, landscape and horticultural care.

Forest and Wood Products - Tree farms, forest nurseries and reforestation services.

Parks - Large regional park facilities that are designed and developed to preserve the environmentally sensitive nature of the land.

Public Lands - Includes land that is owned by a public entity. Examples include, but are not limited to, Haven's Wildlife Management Area, Spring Hollow Reservoir, Carvin's Cove watershed, Appalachian Trail, Blue Ridge Parkway, Forest Service lands and publicly owned land on Green Ridge Mountain. Activities on these sites should be in accordance with their appropriate management plan.

Conservation Easements - Includes private lands that are protected by a conservation easement (includes scenic, agricultural, greenway and open space easements) held either by a private land trust or a state agency.

Rural Residential - Low density single-family homes in accordance with the underlying zoning.

Land Use Determinants

Existing Land Use Pattern - Locations where unique and important natural, agricultural, historical and cultural resources exist that deserve to have the highest level of protection.

Resource Protection - Locations where valuable and irreplaceable resources such as open space, public water supply impoundments, rivers, streams, lakes, productive agricultural land, woodlands, critical slopes, ridgelines, historical and archeological sites and unique natural areas exist.

Access - Locations that are accessible by existing improved or unimproved rural roads.

Rural Sector - Locations not served by urban services.



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CORE

A future land use area where high intensity urban commercial and high-density residential developments are encouraged. Land uses within core areas may parallel the central business districts of Roanoke, Salem and Vinton. Core areas may also be appropriate for larger-scale highway-oriented retail uses and regionally based shopping facilities. Due to limited availability, areas designated as Core are not appropriate for tax-exempt facilities.

Land Use Types

General Retail Shops, Restaurants and Personal Services - Planned shopping centers and clustered retail uses are encouraged. These centers should incorporate greenways, bike and pedestrian trails into their designs and link them to surrounding neighborhoods.

Office and Institutional - Planned office parks and independent facilities in park-like settings are encouraged.

Limited Industrial - Low intensity industrial uses that should not have an adverse impact on air or water quality.

Multi-Family Residential - Multi-family residential developments up to 24 units per acre.

Mixed-Use - Developments that combine retail, service and other commercial uses with office and/or residential uses in the same building or on the same site.

Land Use Determinants

Existing Land Use Pattern - Locations where commercial uses have been developed or will likely be developed.

Existing Zoning - Locations where commercial zoning exists.

Access - Locations served by an arterial street system.

Population Center - Locations within close proximity to the projected population concentrations.

Urban Sector - Locations served by urban services.

DEVELOPMENT

A future land use area where most new neighborhood development will occur, including large-scale planned developments which mix residential with retail and office uses. Innovation in housing design and environmental sensitivity in site development is a key objective. Clustered developments are encouraged as is the use of greenways and bike and pedestrian trails.

Land Use Types

Conventional Residential - Single-family developments in conventional lots. Includes attached, detached and zero-lot line housing options. Greenways and bike and pedestrian trails are encouraged.

Cluster Residential - Single family developments with similar gross density of conventional subdivisions but individual lot sizes may be reduced to accommodate the clustering of housing while allocating common open space. Includes attached, detached and zero-lot line housing options. Greenways and bike and pedestrian trails are encouraged.

Multi-family - Developments of 6-12 units per acre. Clustering is encouraged as are greenways and bike and pedestrian trails.

Planned Residential Development - Mixed housing types at a gross density range of 4-8 units per acre. Includes conventional housing, cluster housing, zero lot-line housing, townhouses and garden apartments. Greenways and bike and pedestrian trails are encouraged.

Planned Community Development - Planned residential development mixed with office parks, neighborhood shopping centers and supporting retail development. The majority of the development is residential with a maximum limit set on the retail land. Greenways and bike and pedestrian trails are encouraged.

Community Activity Centers - Facilities which serve the neighboring residents including parks, schools, religious assembly facilities, parks and recreational facilities and community clubs and meeting areas. These activity centers should be linked to residential areas by greenways, bike and pedestrian trails.

Land Use Determinants

Public Facilities Capacity - Locations where public facilities are adequate to handle the increased population concentration. This includes schools, parks and recreation facilities and fire and rescue facilities.

Utility Availability - Locations where water and sewer services exist or are scheduled to serve the area

Environmental Capacity - Locations where natural land features, including topography, provide optimum opportunity for urban residential development.

Access - Locations which have or can provide direct access to a major street.

Urban Sector - Locations served by urban services.



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EXPLORE PARK

A future land use area that would guide a mix of commercial, tourist-related and limited industrial uses related specifically to a regional park destination. Explore Park areas are applied to lands owned or leased by the Virginia Recreational Facilities Authority or the County of Roanoke associated with Explore Park and adjacent lands that could potentially be expansion areas for compatible development. The designation discourages uses that may conflict with or detract from the regional park.

Land Use Types

Family Destination Resort - Various agricultural, civic, office, commercial, and limited industrial uses as defined in the Explore Park zoning district and associated with the operation of regional park destination. A high degree of architectural design and creative site design are encouraged.

Existing Land Use and Zoning - For lands designated Explore Park that are outside the park property, uses permitted in the existing zoning districts are encouraged until such time that rezoning to Explore Park zoning district is sought. Rezoning to other zoning districts should be carefully examined for compatibility with the regional park activities.

Land Use Determinants

Existing Land Use Pattern - Locations where Explore Park development has occurred or is planned.

Existing Zoning - Locations where Explore Park zoning exists.

Expansion Areas - Locations where the Explore Park zoning could potentially expand.

Access - Locations served by the Blue Ridge Parkway/Roanoke River Parkway for visitor access, and Rutrough Road and surrounding connecting public streets for safety and service access.

Topography - Locations that can be developed in an environmentally sensitive manner and that are outside of the designated floodplain.

Urban Services - Locations where public water and sanitary sewer exist or are planned.



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GLENVAR VILLAGE

A future land use area intended to serve as focal point for the Glenvar Community. This stretch of West Main Street is home to community identifiers such as the new Glenvar Library, Richfield Retirement Community, Fire and Rescue Station, Fort Lewis Elementary, entrance to Glenvar Schools Complex, Pleasant Grove and Fort Lewis Baptist Church. Because of the importance to the community, a high degree of architectural and creative site design is encouraged to enhance the rural and historic character of the area as well as pedestrian and vehicular connectivity between properties.

Land Use Types

A mix of uses on a parcel and/or along the West Main Street Corridor is encouraged in the Glenvar Village designation. Land use types for the Glenvar Village designation include:

Community Activity Centers - Public and private facilities serving surrounding residents including parks, schools, community meeting areas connected to residential areas by sidewalks, bikeways and greenways.

Commercial - Planned small-scale or clustered commercial such as local target area shopping centers with specialty businesses, personal services and sit-down or family-style restaurants. Such facilities should be designed to complement the character of the community.

General Retail Shops and Personal Services - Planned shopping centers and clustered retail uses are encouraged. These centers should incorporate greenways, bike and pedestrian accommodations into their designs to link to surrounding development.

Office and Institutional - Planned office parks and independent facilities in park-like surroundings are encouraged. Such developments should be designed to enhance the rural character of the area.

Limited Industrial - Low intensity industrial uses are encouraged to locate south of Route 11/460; such development should be clustered and should not have an adverse impact on air or water quality, the natural environment or scenic viewsheds.

Mixed Use - Developments that combine retail, service and other commercial uses with office and/or residential use in the same building or on the same site.

Parks and Outdoor Recreation/Ecotourism - Public and private recreation from small-scale community-based facilities to regional attractions with greenway linkages and bike and pedestrian accommodations. Also encouraged are eco- and sustainable tourism businesses.

Residential - Townhouse, low density multi-family, single-family attached and two-family dwellings. Clustering and connectivity are encouraged.

Land Use Determinants

Existing Land Use Pattern - Locations where commercial or industrial uses have been developed or will likely be developed.

Existing Zoning - Locations where commercial or industrial zoning exists.

Access - Locations served by arterial street system.

Utility Availability - Locations where water and sewer service exist.



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MIXED USE

The Mixed Use designation recognizes the existing mixture of uses and zoning districts and provides for a mix of uses to preserved and developed. This future land use designation allows for more choice and/or opportunity in how the land can be [re]developed. A high degree of architectural and creative site design is encouraged to enhance the rural and historic character of the area as well as pedestrian and vehicular connectivity between properties.

Land Use Types

Community Activity Centers - Public and private facilities serving surrounding residents including parks, schools, community clubs and meeting areas connected to residential areas by sidewalks, bikeways and/or greenway.

Commercial - Planned small-scale or clustered commercial including specialty businesses, personal services and sit-down or family-style restaurants. Also included are small, highway-oriented retail establishments providing goods and services to passing motorists. Such facilities should be designed to complement the character of the community.

General Retail Shops and Personal Services - Planned shopping centers and clustered retail uses are encouraged. These centers should incorporate greenways, bike and pedestrian accommodations into their designs to link to surrounding development.

Limited Industrial - Low intensity industrial uses are encouraged. Such development should be clustered and should not have an adverse impact on air or water quality, the natural environment or scenic viewsheds.

Mixed Use - Developments that combine retail, service or other commercial uses with office and/or residential use in the same building or on the same site.

Office and Institutional - Planned office parks and independent facilities in park-like surroundings are encouraged. Such developments should be designed to enhance the rural and historic character of the area.

Parks and Outdoor Recreation/Ecotourism - Public and private recreation from small-scale community-based facilities to regional attractions with greenway linkages and bike and pedestrian accommodations. Also encouraged are eco- and sustainable tourism businesses.

Residential - Townhouse, low density multi-family, single-family attached and two-family dwellings. Clustering and connectivity are encouraged.

Land Use Determinants

Existing Land Use Pattern - Locations where commercial or industrial uses have been developed or will likely be developed.

Existing Zoning - Locations where commercial or industrial zoning exists.

Access - Locations served by arterial street system.

Utility Availability - Locations where water and sewer service exist or can be provided.

NEIGHBORHOOD CONSERVATION

A future land use area where established single-family neighborhoods are delineated, and the conservation of the existing development pattern is encouraged.

Land Use Types

Single-Family Residential - Attached and detached housing at a reasonable density that is not significantly higher than the existing neighborhood. Infill lots or community re-development should be designed to be sensitive to the surrounding neighborhood but can be at reasonably higher density. New single-family residential developments should incorporate greenways and bike and pedestrian trails. Cluster developments are encouraged.

Neighborhood Institutional Centers - Uses that serve the neighborhood residents including parks, schools, religious assembly facilities, recreational and park facilities, community meeting areas and clubs. These facilities should be linked to the residential areas by greenways, bike trails and pedestrian paths.

Neighborhood Commercial - Low impact services to serve the local neighborhood that are consistent with design guidelines.

Land Use Determinants

Existing Land Use Pattern - Locations where limited density residential subdivisions have been platted and developed.

Existing Zoning - Locations where limited density residential zoning has been established.

Expansion Areas - Locations where the expansion of the existing development pattern is logical.

Infill Development - Locations where infill areas complement the surrounding development pattern.

Access - Locations served by a local street system.

Urban Sector - Locations served by urban services.

PRINCIPAL INDUSTRIAL

A future land use area where a variety of industry types are encouraged to locate. Principal Industrial areas are existing and planned regional employment centers and are distributed throughout the county, convenient to major residential areas and suitable highway access. Due to limited availability, areas designated as Principal Industrial are not appropriate for tax-exempt facilities.

Land Use Types

Agricultural - Industries which involve the manufacturing, storage, marketing and wholesaling of agricultural products. These industries may also be located outside of the Principal Industrial areas, within the rural designations, where agricultural skills may be found.

Small Industries and Custom Manufacturing - These industries typically serve a local market and may involve the on-site production of goods by hand manufacturing.

Mining and Extraction - These facilities locate according to the availability of natural resources.

Industrial - Conventional freestanding industrial uses, warehouses, wholesalers, storage yards.

Industrial Parks - Large tracts of land that are subdivided, developed and designed according to a unified plan. These parks are employment centers and may include mixed land uses including supporting retail services. These types of industries are encouraged to develop in Principal Industrial areas. Planned industrial parks should incorporate greenways, bike and pedestrian paths into their designs and link these features to surrounding neighborhoods where appropriate.

Land Use Determinants

Existing Land Use Pattern - Locations where industry has historically developed.

Existing Zoning - Locations zoned industrial.

Economic Opportunity Areas - Locations identified by Roanoke County as an economic opportunity area.

Employment Centers - Locations where labor-intensive industries exist.

Topography - Locations that can be developed in an environmentally sensitive manner and that are outside of the designated floodplain.

Resource Protection - Locations that can be developed in such a way as not to threaten valuable natural resources.

Water And Sewer Service and Supply - Locations where water and sewer service exist or can be provided in the near future.

Access - Locations served by an adequate public street system that does not direct traffic through existing residential neighborhoods.

Transportation Centers - Locations within close proximity to rail, airport and major street systems.

Urban Sector - Locations served by, or in close proximity to urban services.

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RURAL PRESERVE

A future land use area of mostly undeveloped, outlying lands. These rural regions are generally stable and require a high degree of protection to preserve agricultural, forestal, recreational, and remote rural residential areas.

Land Use Types

Agricultural Production - Production of crops, plants, vines, trees, livestock, poultry and eggs.

Agricultural Services - Services that support agricultural production such as soil and crop preparation, veterinary services and landscape and horticultural care.

Forest and Wood Products - Tree farms, forest nurseries and reforestation services.

Parks and Outdoor Recreation Facilities - Large regional parks and other recreation facilities that are designed to preserve environmentally sensitive lands and protect them from more intense land uses.

Rural Residential - Single-family residential generally averaging a gross density of one unit per three acres. Cluster developments are encouraged.

Rural Institutional - Limited intensity uses such as religious assembly facilities and clubs serving the local rural population base.

Mining and Extraction Operations - Those uses that locate according to the availability of natural resources. There are strict limitations on these industries in the Rural Preserve designation due to potentially harmful effects on farming and resource protection and conservation areas.

Land Use Determinants

Existing Land Use Pattern - Locations where agricultural, recreational, and forestal uses are predominant and are encouraged to expand.

Existing Zoning - Locations where agricultural zoning is in effect.

Rural Residential and Institutional Areas - Locations where limited, very low density residential and institutional uses are allowed.

Resource Protection - Locations where valuable and irreplaceable resources such as open space, public water supply impoundments, rivers, streams, lakes, agricultural land, woodlands, critical slopes, ridgelines, historical and archeological sites and unique natural areas exist.

Access - Locations that are accessible by existing improved or unimproved rural roads and, to a lesser extent, rural arterial highways.

Rural Sector - Locations outside the urban service area.



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RURAL VILLAGE

A future land use area where limited development activity has historically occurred and where suburban or urban development patterns are discouraged. These rural community and farming areas are generally in between the intense suburban development patterns already established in the County and the designated Conservation and Rural Preserve areas.

Land Use Types

Rural Housing - Low-density single-family residential generally averaging one unit per acre. Cluster developments are encouraged.

Rural Community Centers - Nonresidential uses which serve rural residents such as outdoor recreation and park facilities, religious facilities, schools, fire and rescue stations and clubs.

Agricultural Production and Services - Livestock, orchards and crop productions, landscape and horticultural services, veterinary services, farm labor and farm management services. Generally including all activities that support land-based uses.

Forest and Wood Products - Includes the operation of timber tracts, tree farms, forest nurseries and the gathering of forest products. Excludes sawmills and large-scale timber cutting operations.

Small Scale Commercial - Limited commercial operations that serve the local, rural community. Included would be personal services and retail convenience stores.

Rural Parks and Outdoor Recreation - Parks and recreational facilities that are designed to preserve the environmentally sensitive character of the rural landscape.

Land Use Determinants

Existing Land Use Pattern - Locations where very low density residential, institutional and limited agricultural uses have developed.

Existing Zoning - Locations where rural residential and agricultural zoning have been established.

Rural Residential Expansion Areas - Locations where small scale, very low density rural residential housing is desirable.

Agricultural - Locations where existing agricultural uses and activities are present.

Access - Locations served by an existing improved rural road and, to a lesser extent, rural arterial highways.

Rural Sector - Locations outside the urban service area.



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SUBURBAN VILLAGE

A future land use area that represents the focus of surrounding, generally lower intensity commercial, institutional and residential growth for a broad mixture of surrounding development. New neighborhood development occurs in close proximity to institutional, office and retail uses. Cluster developments and greenways are encouraged in conjunction with formerly rural land uses focusing on environmental and building and site design innovation.

Land Use Types

Agricultural Production and Services - Services supporting the remaining agricultural community such as farm management, horticultural and veterinary services.

Parks and Outdoor Recreation/Ecotourism - Public and private recreation from small-scale community-based facilities to regional attractions with greenway linkages as appropriate. Also encouraged are ecotourism businesses that supply a niche market, usually outdoor oriented.

Residential - Suburban densities (up to six units per acre) of single and two-family housing, attached, detached, zero-lot line, cluster, low density multi-family, townhouses and garden apartments.

Community Activity Centers - Public and private facilities serving surrounding residents including schools, religious assembly centers, community clubs and meetings areas with linkages to residential areas by greenways, bike and pedestrian paths wherever possible.

Commercial - Convenience retail establishments supplying limited goods and services to village residents. Planned small-scale or cluster retail such as local target area shopping centers with specialty businesses and personal services. Also found are small highway retail establishments providing goods and services to passing motorists. Such facilities should be designed to complement the suburban surroundings.

Land Use Determinants

Existing Land Use Pattern - Locations where low- to middle-density residential, institutional and commercial uses are established, connected to existing, sometimes transitional rural residential, agricultural and open space uses.

Rural/Suburban Sector - Locations on the fringe of the urban service area.

Access - Locations served by an arterial highway and a well-defined secondary street.

Environmental Capacity - Locations where physical land characteristics, especially topography, have and continue to provide the opportunity for suburban development.

Utility Availability - Locations where public water and sewer are in close proximity to the urban service area and expansion of these services is likely.



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TRANSITION

A future land use area that encourages the orderly development of highway frontage parcels. Transition areas generally serve as developed buffers between highways and nearby or adjacent lower intensity development. Intense retail and highway oriented commercial uses are discouraged in transition areas, which are more suitable for office, institutional and small-scale, coordinated retail uses.

Land Use Types

Office and Institutional - Planned office parks and independent facilities in park-like surroundings are encouraged. A high degree of architectural design and environmentally sensitive site design is encouraged.

Retail - Small-scale planned and clustered retail uses.

Multifamily Residential - Garden apartments at a density of 12 to 24 units per acre

Single-Family Attached Residential - Planned townhouse communities of 6 or more units per acre.

Parks - Public and private recreational facilities. These facilities should be linked to residential areas by greenways, bike and pedestrian trails.

Land Use Determinants

Existing Land Use Pattern - Locations where limited commercial uses exist.

Existing Zoning - Locations where commercial zoning exists.

Access - Locations where properties have direct frontage and access to an arterial or major collector street.

Surrounding Land Use - Locations which serve as a logical buffer strip between conflicting land use patterns.

Orientation - Locations which are physically oriented toward the major street.

Urban Sector - Locations served by urban services.

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UNIVERSITY

A future land use area that would guide a mix of educational, institutional, limited commercial, recreational, and open space uses related to a college or university campus. University areas are applied to lands owned by Hollins University and integral to the central campus. Other lands owned by the University may be included in other future land use designations that are more appropriate to their existing or future land uses. Proposed land uses adjacent or in close proximity to the University designated areas are encouraged to compliment the Hollins University architectural and land design themes, and university activities.

Land Use Types

University Campus - Various agricultural, open space, recreational, civic, office, and limited commercial uses associated with the operation of a college or university. A high degree of architectural design and creative site design is encouraged. Historic structures should be preserved and used as a design theme for future development.

Special Events and Recreation - Various school-sponsored and community-based sports and recreational opportunities.

Land Use Determinants

Existing Land Use Pattern - Locations where Hollins University development has occurred or is planned.

Existing Zoning - Locations where existing zoning permits educational facilities.

Surrounding Land Use - Locations where surrounding land uses are complimentary to, and compatible with a university campus.

Historic Areas - The central core of Hollins University contains 6 buildings on the National Register of Historic Places, and other structures that could be designated on the Historic Register.

Access - Locations served by an arterial street system.

Topography - Locations that can be developed in an environmentally sensitive manner and that are outside of the designated floodplain.

Urban Services - Locations where public water and sanitary sewer exist or are planned.

Special Events - Locations that have adequate physical facilities for various school and community special events.



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VILLAGE CENTER

A future land use area which serves as the commercial and institutional focal point of surrounding rural residential and farming establishments. Here, the highest level of rural land use activities may occur. By nature, the majority of commercial and institutional activities in Village Center areas are designed, scaled and marketed to best serve the product and service needs of the residents from the surrounding rural areas.

Land Use Types

Agricultural Production and Services - Services which support the surrounding agricultural community.

Parks and Outdoor Recreation - Small-scale facilities that serve the rural neighborhoods or are used for community purposes. These recreation facilities should be linked to the residential areas by greenways, bike trails and pedestrian paths.

Eco-tourism - Facilities that serve a niche market and are often outdoor, sports oriented. Designed in an environmentally sensitive way to protect the valuable natural resources of the rural areas.

Residential - Development at relatively high rural densities, generally not exceeding 6 units per acre and including single-family and two-family housing.

Rural Community Centers - Includes institutional uses such as schools, religious assembly facilities, clubs and meeting rooms that serve the needs of the surrounding rural village residents.

Convenience Retail - Establishments that provide retail goods and services to the surrounding rural village residents.

Rural Highway Retail - Small-scale, rural establishments that provide retail goods and services to the passing motorists. These uses should be clustered in a village design that complements the rural surroundings.

Land Use Determinants

Existing Land Use Pattern - Locations where very low density residential, institutional and limited agricultural uses have developed.

Existing Zoning - Locations where rural residential and agricultural zoning have been established.

Rural Residential Expansion Areas - Locations where small scale, very low density rural residential housing is desirable.

Agricultural - Locations where existing agricultural uses and activities are present.

Access - Locations served by an existing improved rural road and, to a lesser extent, rural arterial highways.

Rural Sector - Locations outside the urban service area.

APPENDIX D

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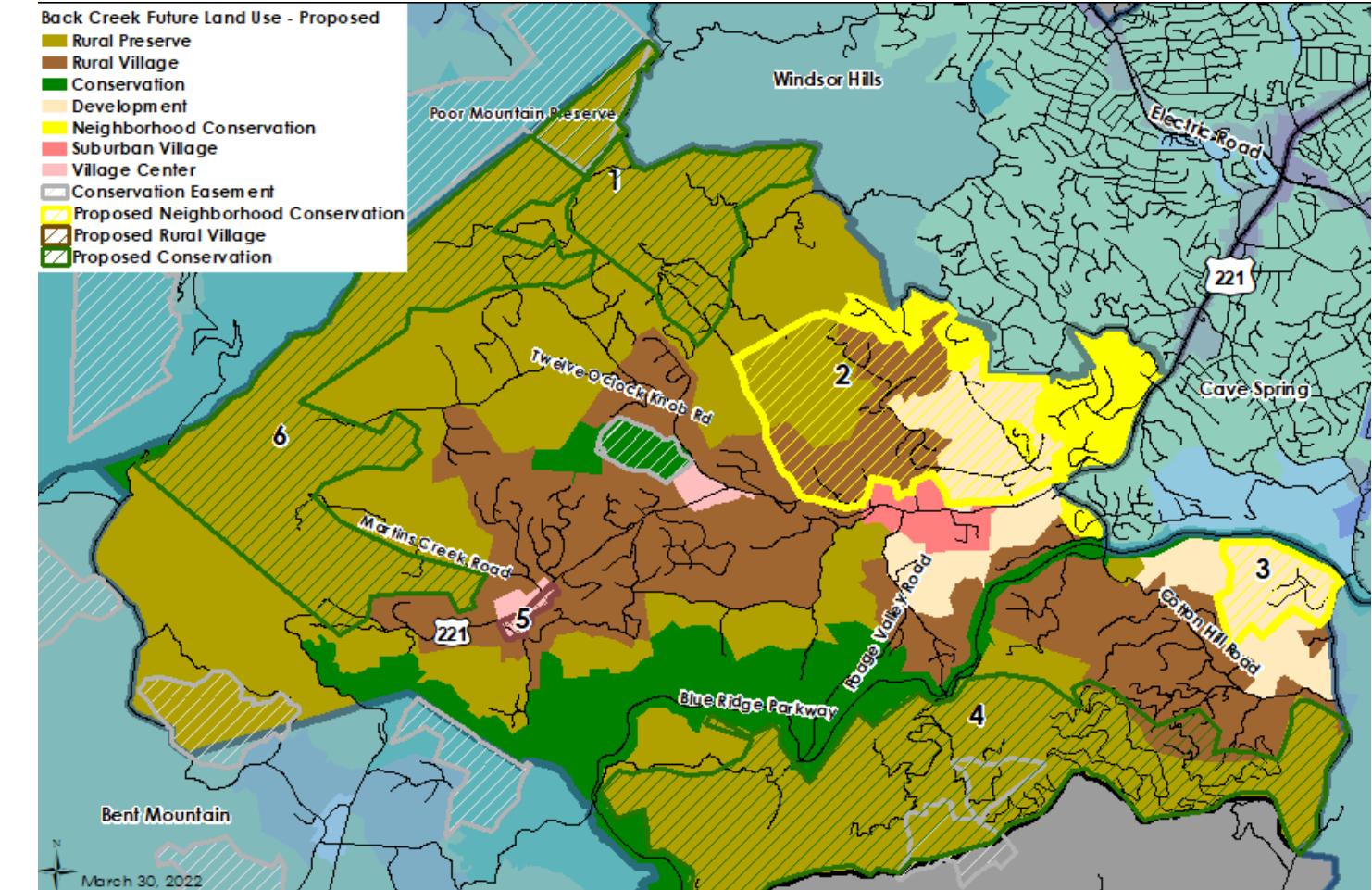
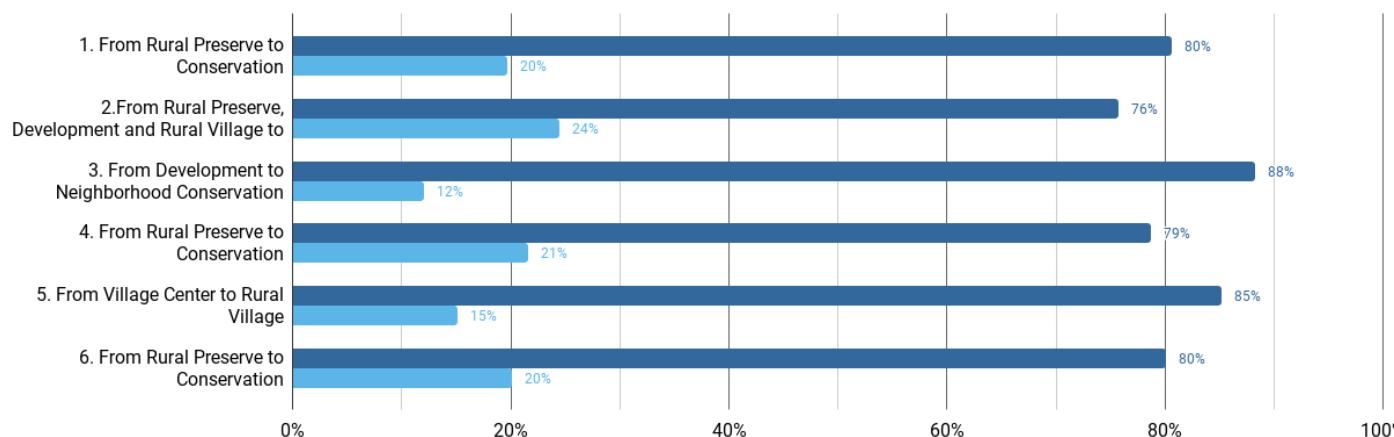
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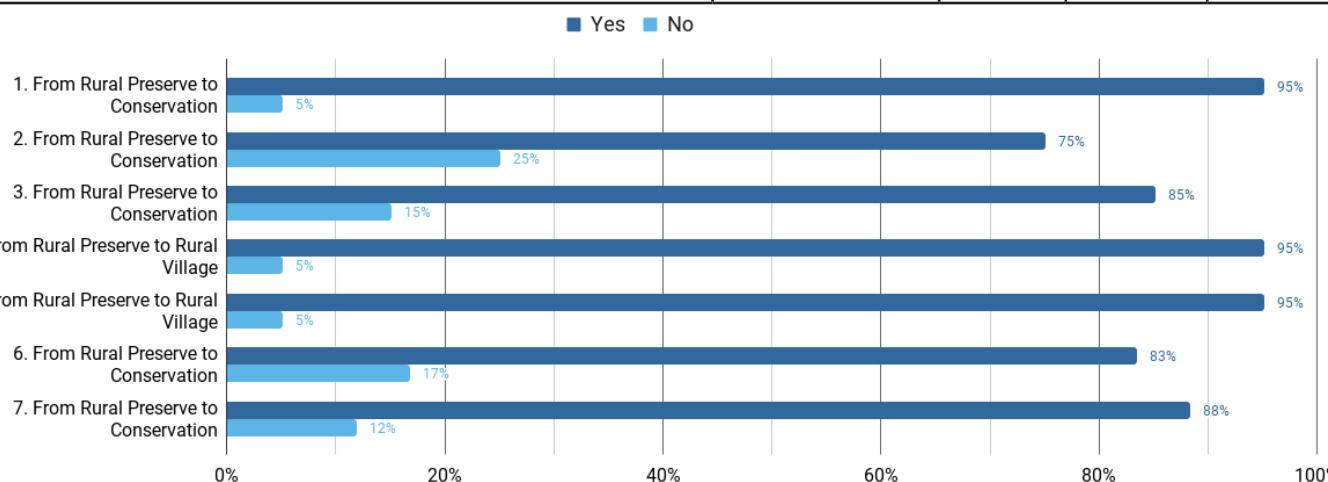
Back Creek Proposed Future Land Use Changes	Changed?	Acres	Number of Responses	
			Yes	No
1. From Rural Preserve to Conservation due to steep slopes >33% and Poor Mountain Preserve	Yes	646	33	8
2. From Rural Preserve, Development and Rural Village to Neighborhood Conservation due to existing residential neighborhood	Yes	474	31	10
3. From Development to Neighborhood Conservation due to existing residential neighborhood	Yes	207	37	5
4. From Rural Preserve to Conservation due to steep slopes >33%	Yes	2,468	33	9
5. From Village Center to Rural Village due to floodplain	No	23	34	6
6. From Rural Preserve to Conservation due to steep slopes >33%	Yes	2,181	32	8

■ Yes ■ No

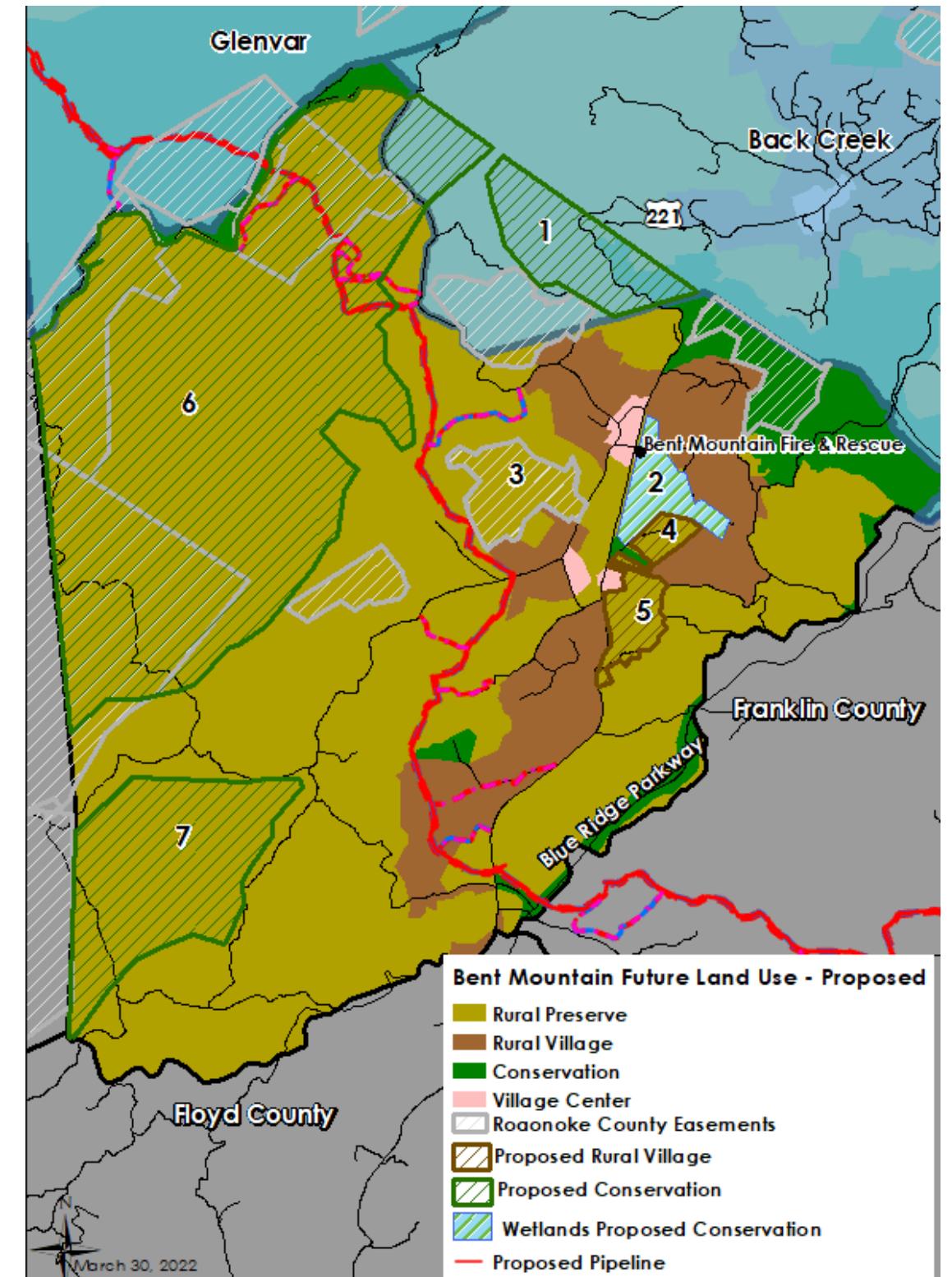


Proposed Future Land Use		
Land Use Designation	Total Acreage	Percentage of CPA
Conservation	6,707.6	45.4%
Development	732.7	5.0%
Neighborhood Conservation	1,140.0	7.7%
Rural Preserve	3,153.5	21.3%
Rural Village	2,782.3	18.8%
Suburban Village	160.6	1.1%
Village Center	97.1	0.7%

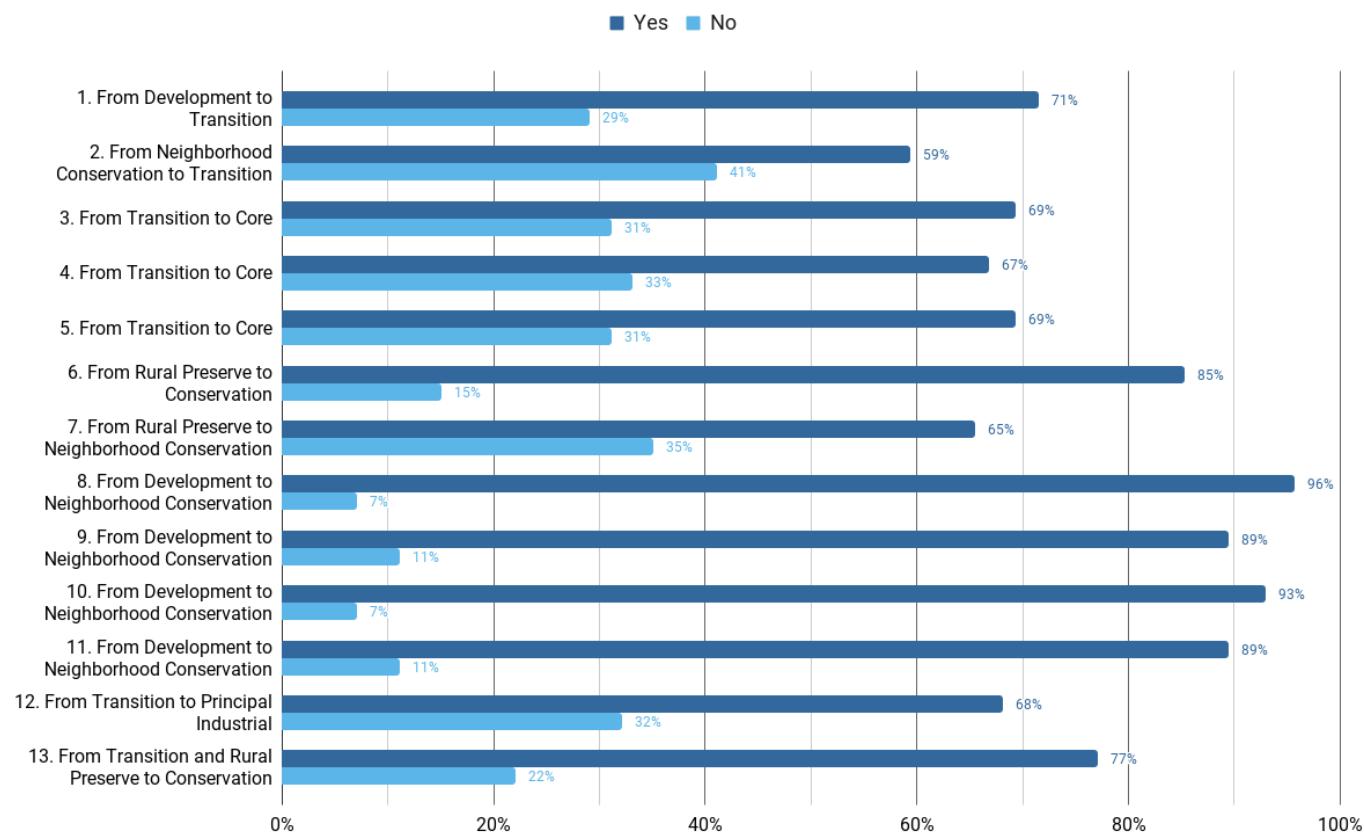
Bent Mountain Proposed Future Land Use Changes	Changed?	Acres	Number of Responses	
			Yes	No
1. From Rural Preserve to Conservation due to steep slopes >33%	Yes	525	19	1
2. From Rural Preserve to Conservation due to wetlands	Yes	137	15	5
3. From Rural Preserve to Conservation due to conservation easement	Yes	202	17	3
4. From Rural Preserve to Rural Village to match existing Agricultural/Village Center zoning	Yes	61	19	1
5. From Rural Preserve to Rural Village to match existing Agricultural/Village Center zoning	Yes	114	19	1
6. From Rural Preserve to Conservation due to steep slopes >33%	Yes	4,258	15	3
7. From Rural Preserve to Conservation due to steep slopes >33%	Yes	864	15	2



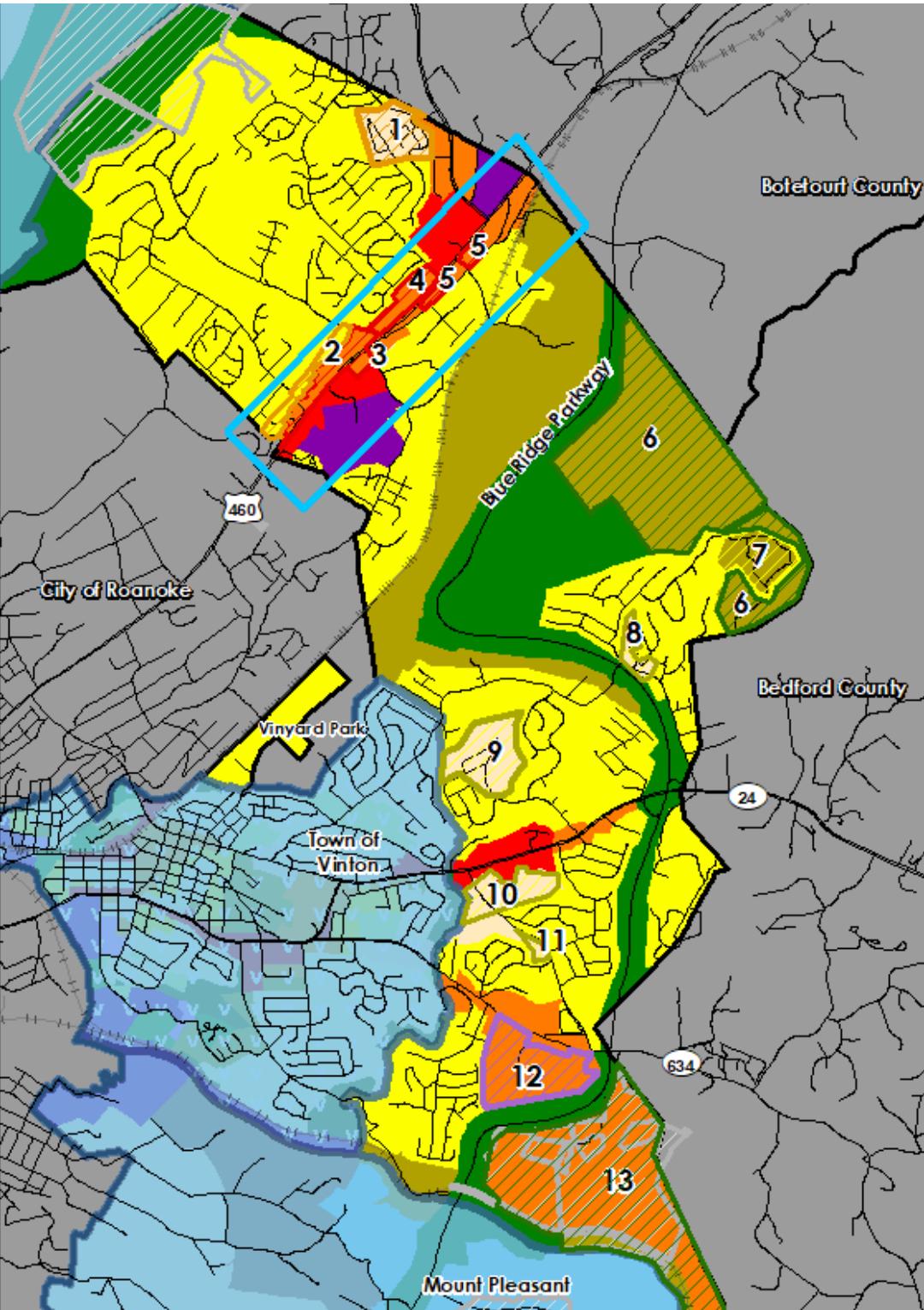
Proposed Future Land Use		
Land Use Designation	Total Acreage	Percentage of CPA
Conservation	6,663.3	48.3%
Rural Preserve	5,464.8	39.6%
Rural Village	1,593.9	11.6%
Village Center	74.6	0.5%



Bonsack-Vinton Proposed Future Land Use Changes	Changed?	Acres	Number of Responses	
			Yes	No
1. From Development to Transition due to exiting use	Yes	91	20	8
2. From Neighborhood Conservation to Transition to match existing zoning	Yes	22	16	11
3. From Transition to Core to match existing zoning	Yes	41	18	8
4. From Transition to Core to match existing zoning	Yes	23	18	9
5. From Transition to Core to match existing zoning	Yes	13	18	8
6. From Rural Preserve to Conservation due to steep slopes >33%	Yes	457	23	4
7. From Rural Preserve to Neighborhood Conservation due to existing residential neighborhood	Yes	63	17	9
8. From Development to Neighborhood Conservation due to existing residential neighborhood	Yes	16	25	2
9. From Development to Neighborhood Conservation due to existing residential neighborhood	Yes	72	25	3
10. From Development to Neighborhood Conservation due to existing residential neighborhood	Yes	45	26	2
11. From Development to Neighborhood Conservation due to existing residential neighborhood	Yes	6	25	3
12. From Transition to Principal Industrial due to location of Vinton Business Center	Yes	97	19	9
13. From Transition and Rural Preserve to Conservation due to Conservation Easement and steep slopes >33%	Yes	431	21	6

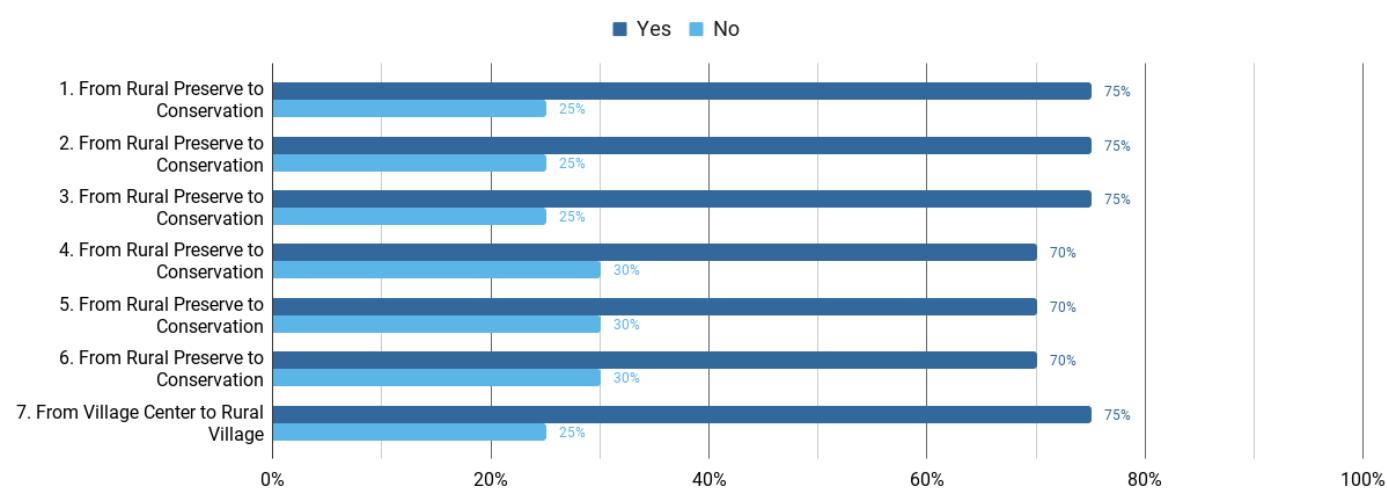
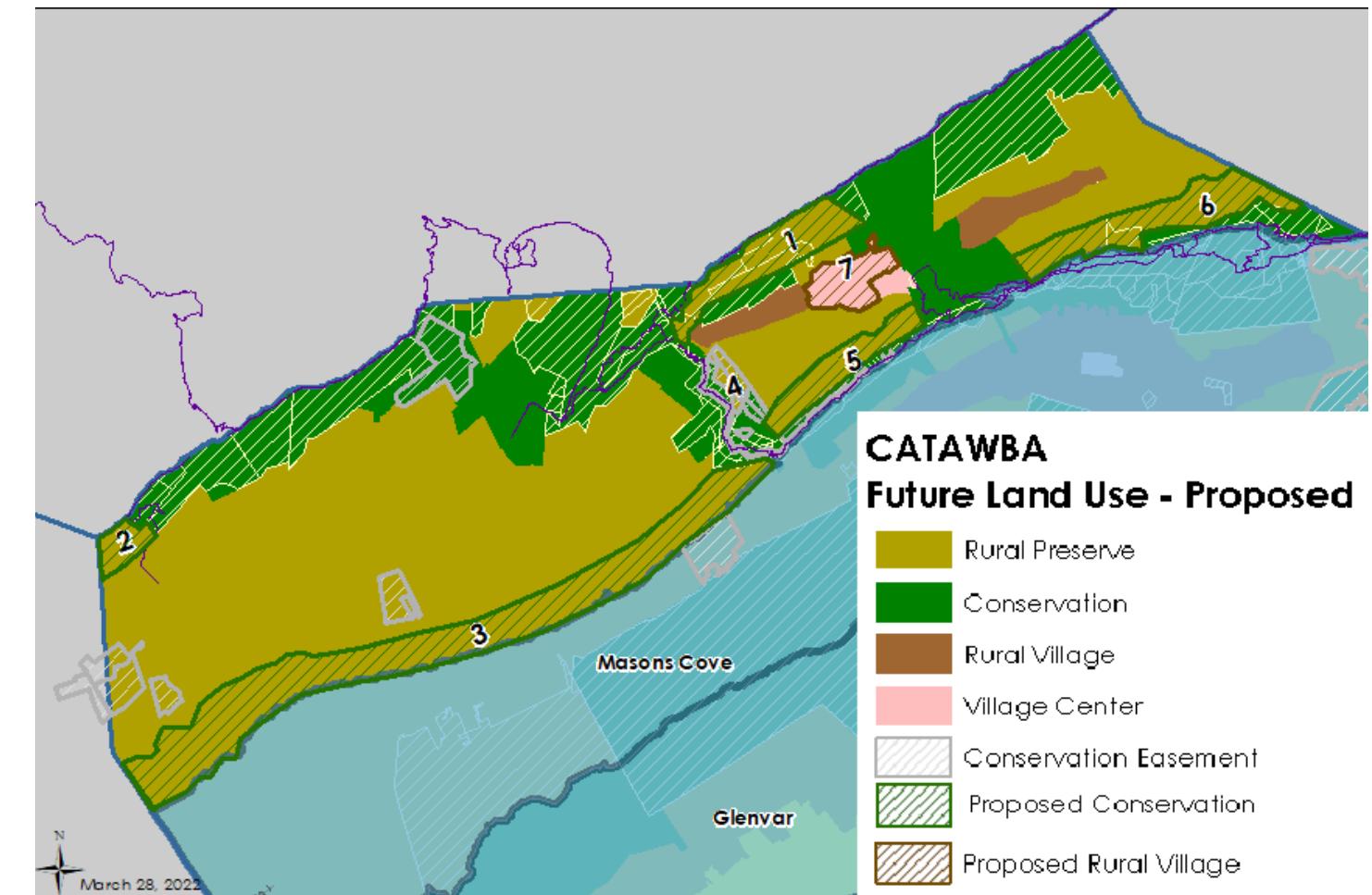


Proposed Future Land Use		
Land Use Designation	Total Acreage	Percentage of CPA
Conservation	1,962.7	29.1%
Core	295.4	4.4%
Development	22.9	0.3%
Neighborhood Conservation	3,378.0	50.0%
Principal Industrial	223.2	3.3%
Rural Preserve	631.8	9.4%
Transition	239.1	3.5%



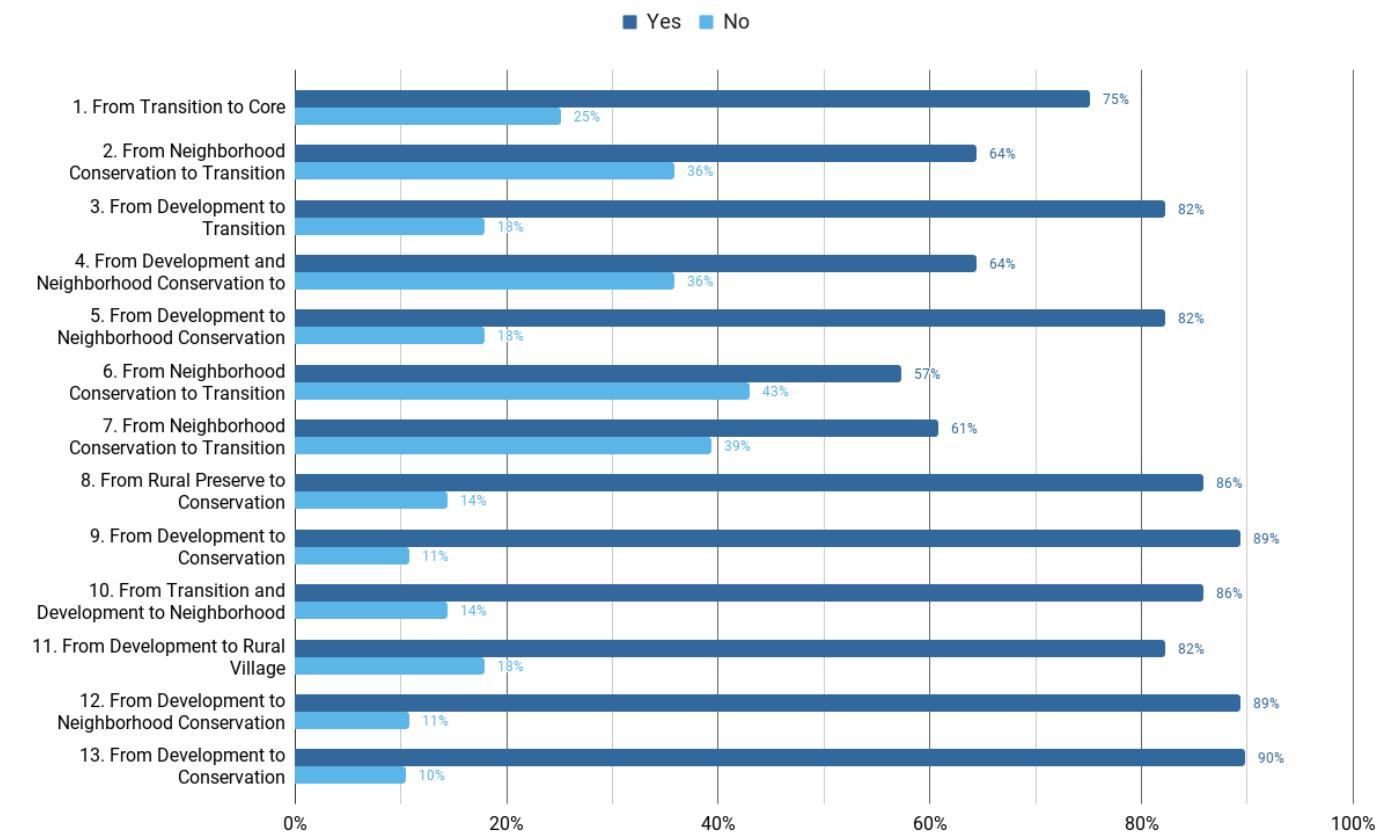
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Catawba Proposed Future Land Use Changes	Changed?	Acres	Number of Responses	
			Yes	No
1. From Rural Preserve to Conservation due to steep slopes > 33%	Yes	562	15	5
2. From Rural Preserve to Conservation due to steep slopes > 33% and ownership by the United States Forest Service	Yes	134	15	5
3. From Rural Preserve to Conservation due to steep slopes > 33%	Yes	2,028	15	5
4. From Rural Preserve to Conservation due to an existing Department of Conservation and Recreation Easement	Yes	91	14	6
5. From Rural Preserve to Conservation due to steep slopes > 33%	Yes	453	14	6
6. From Rural Preserve to Conservation due to steep slopes > 33%	Yes	688	14	6
7. From Village Center to Rural Village in order to create a properly sized area to encourage growth of a vibrant Village Center for the Catawba community	Yes	259	15	5

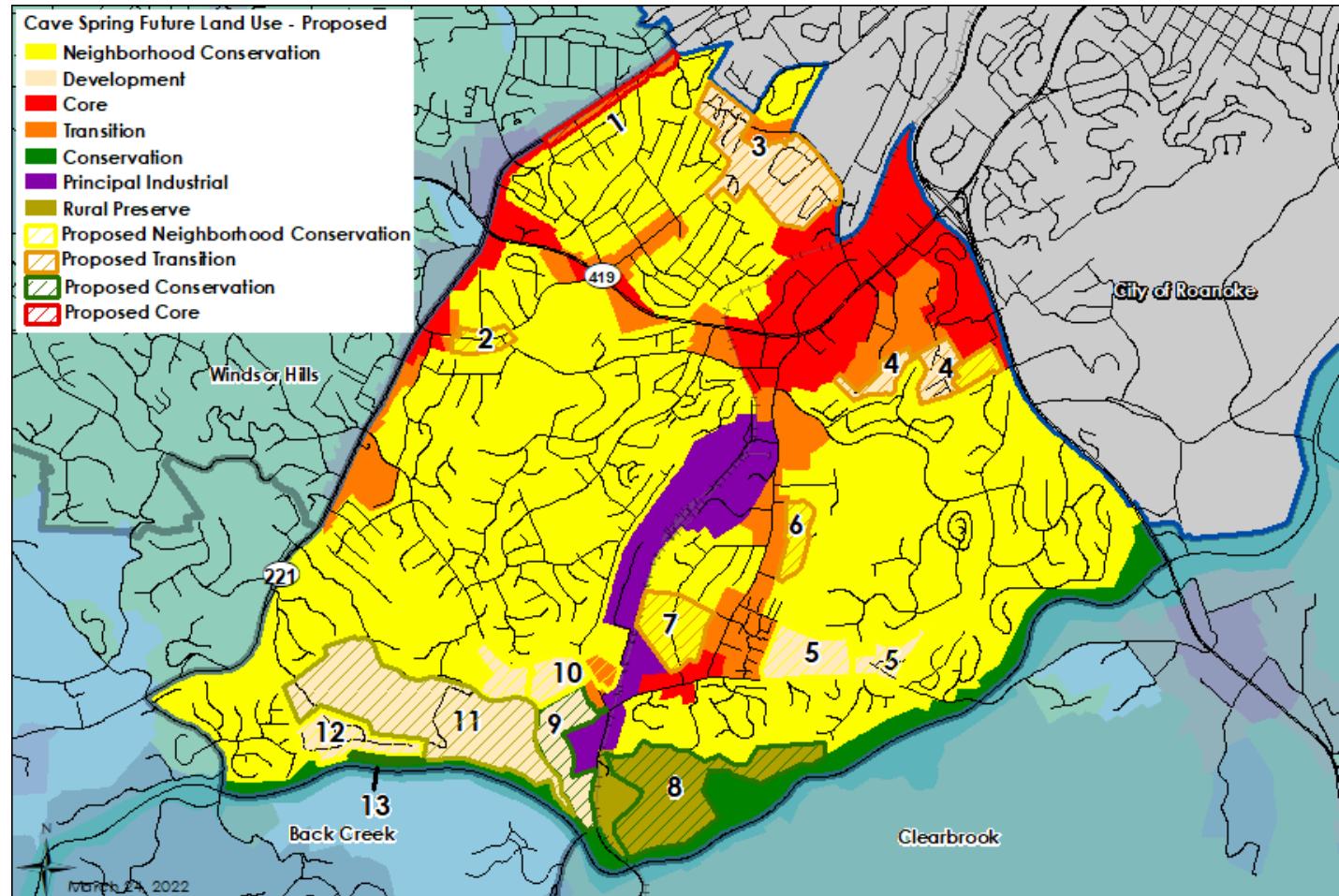


Proposed Future Land Use		
Land Use Designation	Total Acreage	Percentage of CPA
Conservation	10,048.6	47.4%
Rural Preserve	10,315.6	48.6%
Rural Village	771.3	3.6%
Village Center	79.4	0.4%

Cave Spring Proposed Future Land Use Changes	Changed?	Acres	Number of Responses	
			Yes	No
1. From Transition to Core due to existing commercial uses and zoning	Yes	16	21	7
2. From Neighborhood Conservation to Transition to match existing zoning	Yes	15	18	10
3. From Development to Transition due to Multi-Family Residential zoning and existing multi-family residential uses	Yes	107	23	5
4. From Development and Neighborhood Conservation to Transition due to Multi-Family zoning and existing multi-family residential uses	Yes	52	18	10
5. From Development to Neighborhood Conservation due to existing neighborhoods	Yes	67	23	5
6. From Neighborhood Conservation to Transition due to Commercial and Multi-Family Residential zoning and existing uses	Yes	27	16	12
7. From Neighborhood Conservation to Transition to match existing zoning	Yes	21	17	11
8. From Rural Preserve to Conservation due to steep slopes >33%	Yes	122	24	4
9. From Development to Conservation due to floodplain	Yes	50	25	3
10. From Transition and Development to Neighborhood Conservation due to existing elementary school, library and neighborhood uses	Yes	56	24	4
11. From Development to Rural Village due to Agricultural Residential zoning and existing uses	Yes	203	23	5
12. From Development to Neighborhood Conservation due to existing neighborhood	Yes	47	25	3
13. From Development to Conservation due to Blue Ridge Parkway ownership	Yes	6	26	3



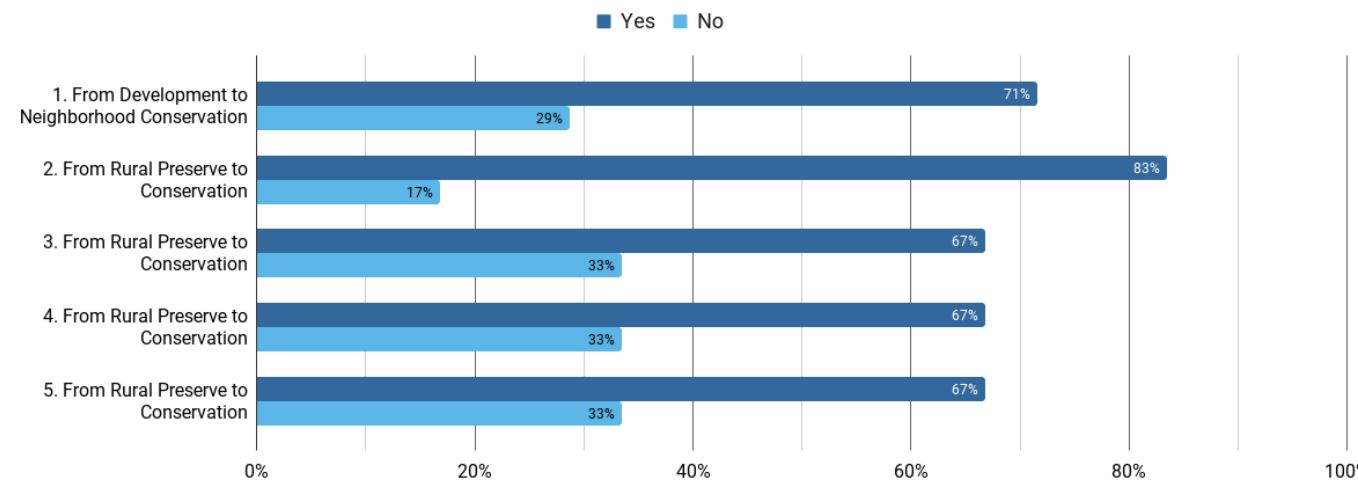
Proposed Future Land Use		
Land Use Designation	Total Acreage	Percentage of CPA
Conservation	399.9	7.8%
Core	473.8	9.2%
Development	4.8	0.1%
Neighborhood Conservation	3,244.1	63.3%
Principal Industrial	202.6	4.0%
Rural Preserve	27.7	0.5%
Rural Village	204.4	4.0%
Transition	567.9	11.1%



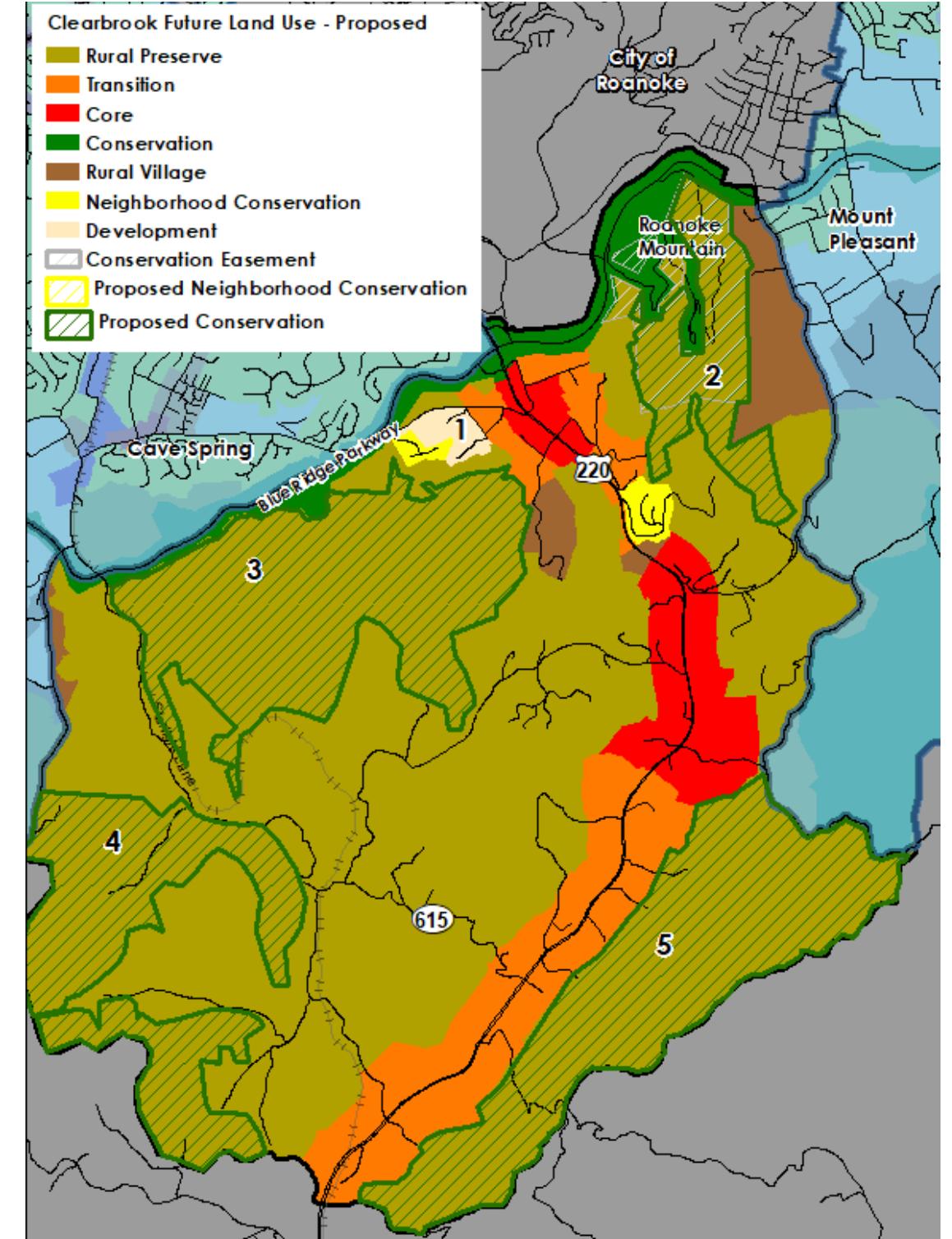
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Clearbrook Proposed Future Land Use Changes	Changed?	Acres	Number of Responses	
			Yes	No
1. From Development to Neighborhood Conservation due to existing neighborhood	Yes	62	5	2
2. From Rural Preserve to Conservation due to steep slopes >33% and conservation easement	Yes	593	5	1
3. From Rural Preserve to Conservation due to steep slopes >33%	Yes	1,455	4	2
4. From Rural Preserve to Conservation due to steep slopes >33%	Yes	688	4	2
5. From Rural Preserve to Conservation due to steep slopes >33%	Yes	1,368	4	2

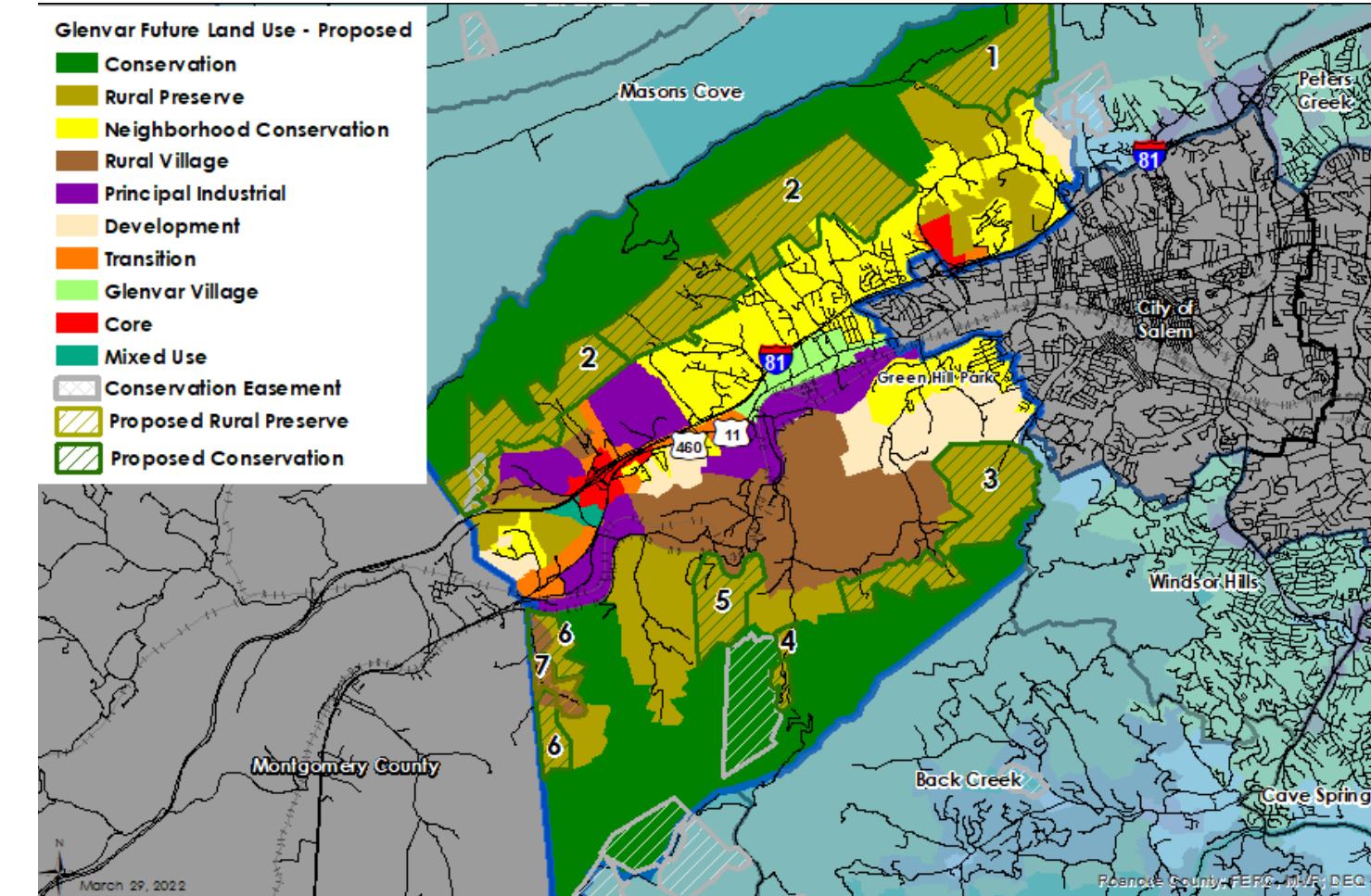
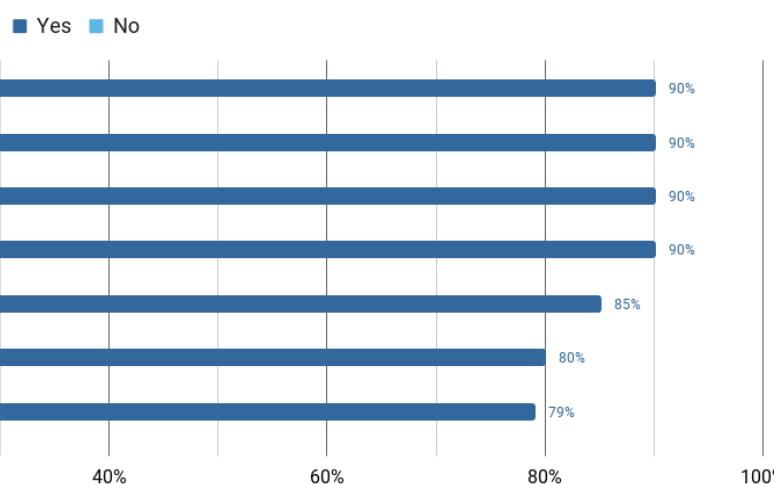


Proposed Future Land Use		
Land Use Designation	Total Acreage	Percentage of CPA
Conservation	4,885.4	41.2%
Core	563.2	4.7%
Development	0.3	0.0%
Neighborhood Conservation	139.9	1.2%
Rural Preserve	4,765.3	40.1%
Rural Village	384.6	3.2%
Transition	1,130.4	9.5%



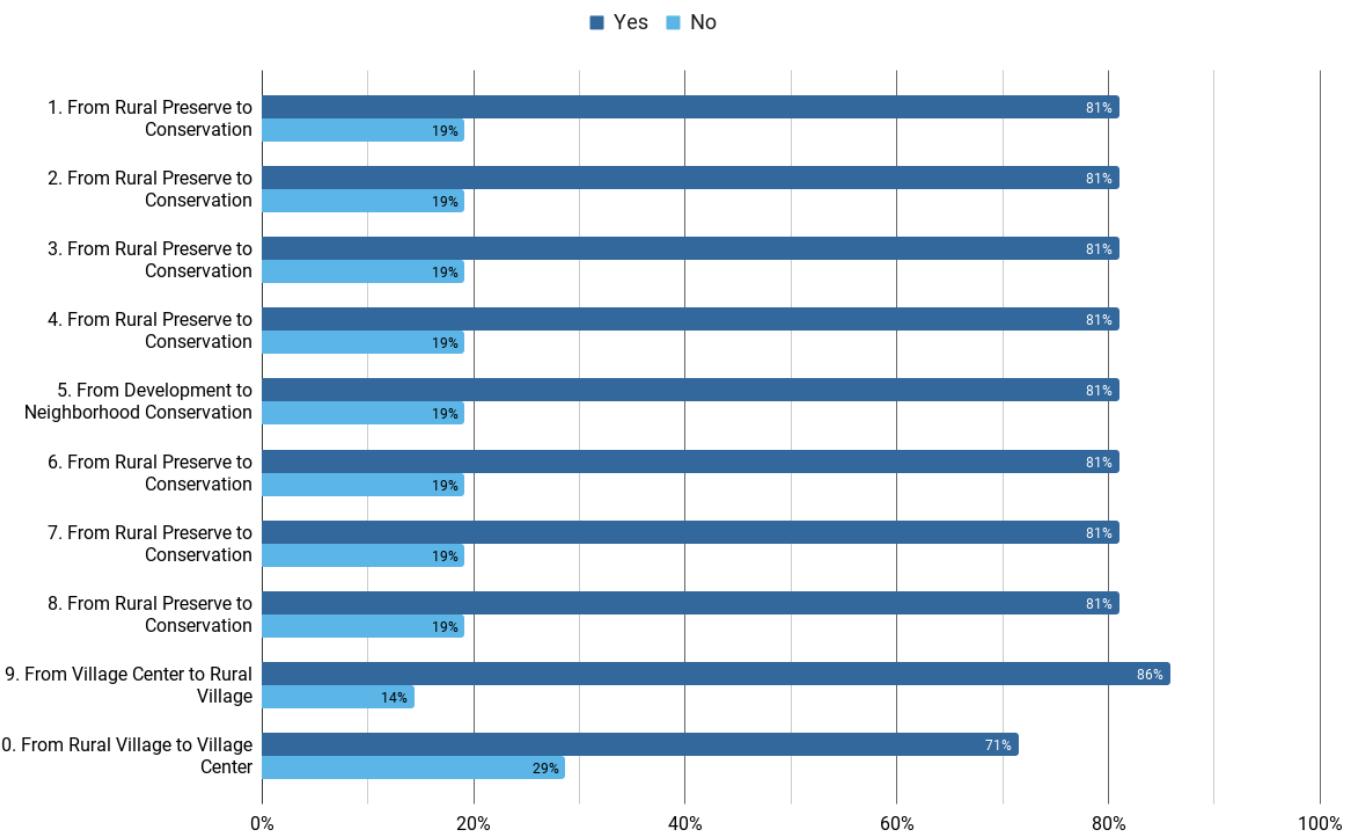
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Glenvar Proposed Future Land Use Changes	Changed?	Acres	Number of Responses	
			Yes	No
1. From Rural Preserve to Conservation due to steep slopes > 33%	Yes	2,548	18	2
2. From Rural Preserve to Conservation due to steep slopes > 33% and an existing Department of Conservation and Recreation Easement	Yes	2,949	18	2
3. From Rural Preserve to Conservation due to steep slopes > 33%	Yes	1,287	18	2
4. From Rural Preserve to Conservation due to steep slopes > 33%	Yes	127	18	2
5. From Rural Preserve to Conservation due to steep slopes > 33%	Yes	527	17	3
6. From Rural Preserve to Conservation due to steep slopes > 33%	No	379	16	4
7. From Rural Village to Rural Preserve to match current Agricultural/Rural Preserve zoning	Yes	163	15	4

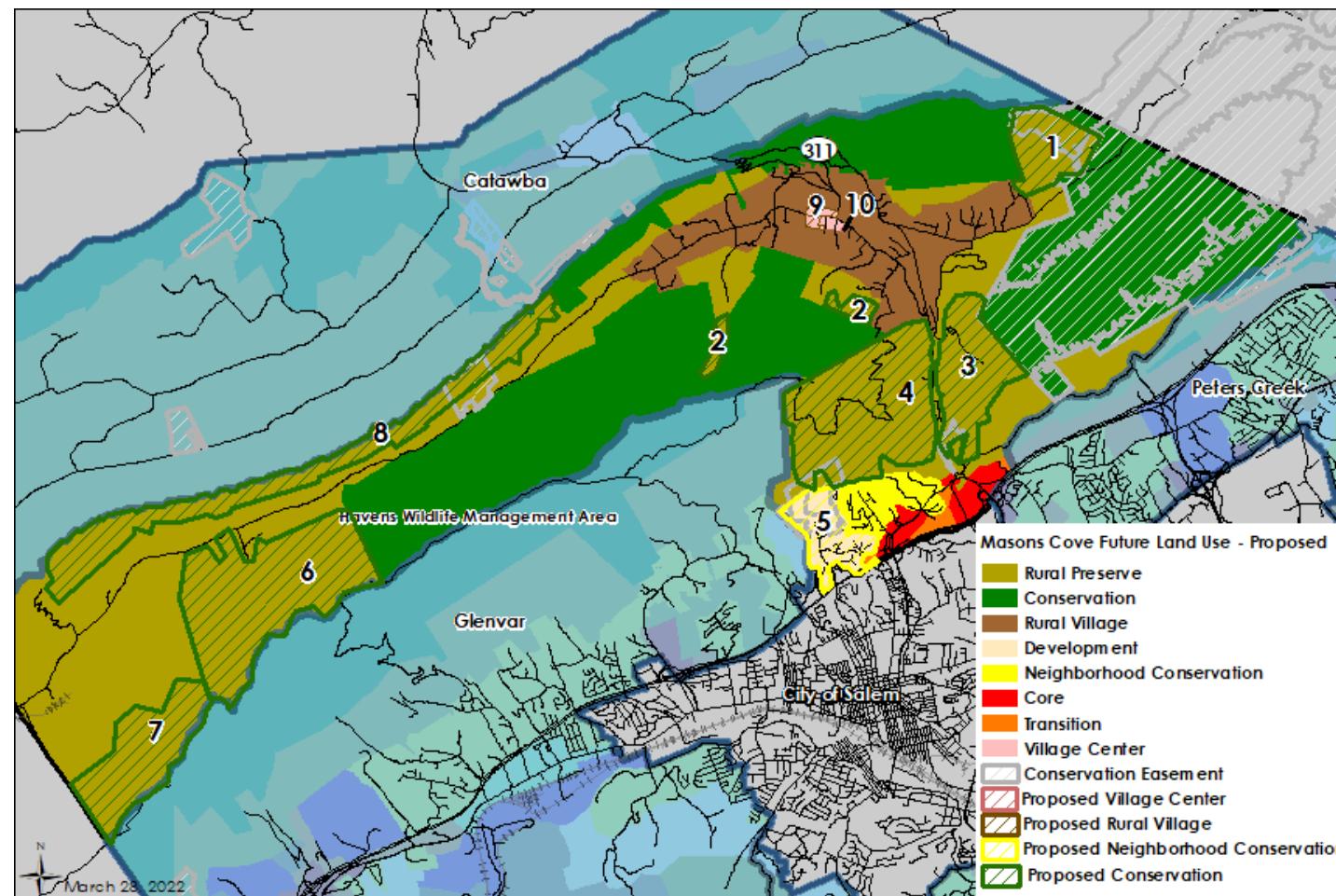


Proposed Future Land Use		
Land Use Designation	Total Acreage	Percentage of CPA
Conservation	15,836.7	50.1%
Core	354.7	1.1%
Development	1,453.7	4.6%
Glenvar Village	376.9	1.2%
Mixed Use	83.0	0.3%
Neighborhood Conservation	4,158.3	13.2%
Principal Industrial	1,971.7	6.2%
Rural Preserve	3,706.6	11.7%
Rural Village	3,121.9	9.9%
Transition	539.9	1.7%

Masons Cove Proposed Future Land Use Changes	Changed?	Acres	Number of Responses	
			Yes	No
1. From Rural Preserve to Conservation due steep slopes >33% and an existing conservation easement	Yes	590	17	4
2. From Rural Preserve to Conservation due to steep slopes >33%	Yes	146	17	4
3. From Rural Preserve to Conservation due to steep slopes >33%	Yes	849	17	4
4. From Rural Preserve to Conservation due to steep slopes >33%	Yes	1,595	17	4
5. From Development to Neighborhood Conservation due to existing residential neighborhood	Yes	219	17	4
6. From Rural Preserve to Conservation due to ownership by the Commonwealth of Virginia for Havens Wildlife Management Area	Yes	1,723	17	4
7. From Rural Preserve to Conservation due to steep slopes >33%	Yes	816	17	4
8. From Rural Preserve to Conservation due to steep slopes >33%	Yes	1,168	17	4
9. From Village Center to Rural Village to match current Agricultural/Residential zoning	No	61	18	3
10. From Rural Village to Village Center to match current Agricultural/Village Center zoning	Yes	2	15	6



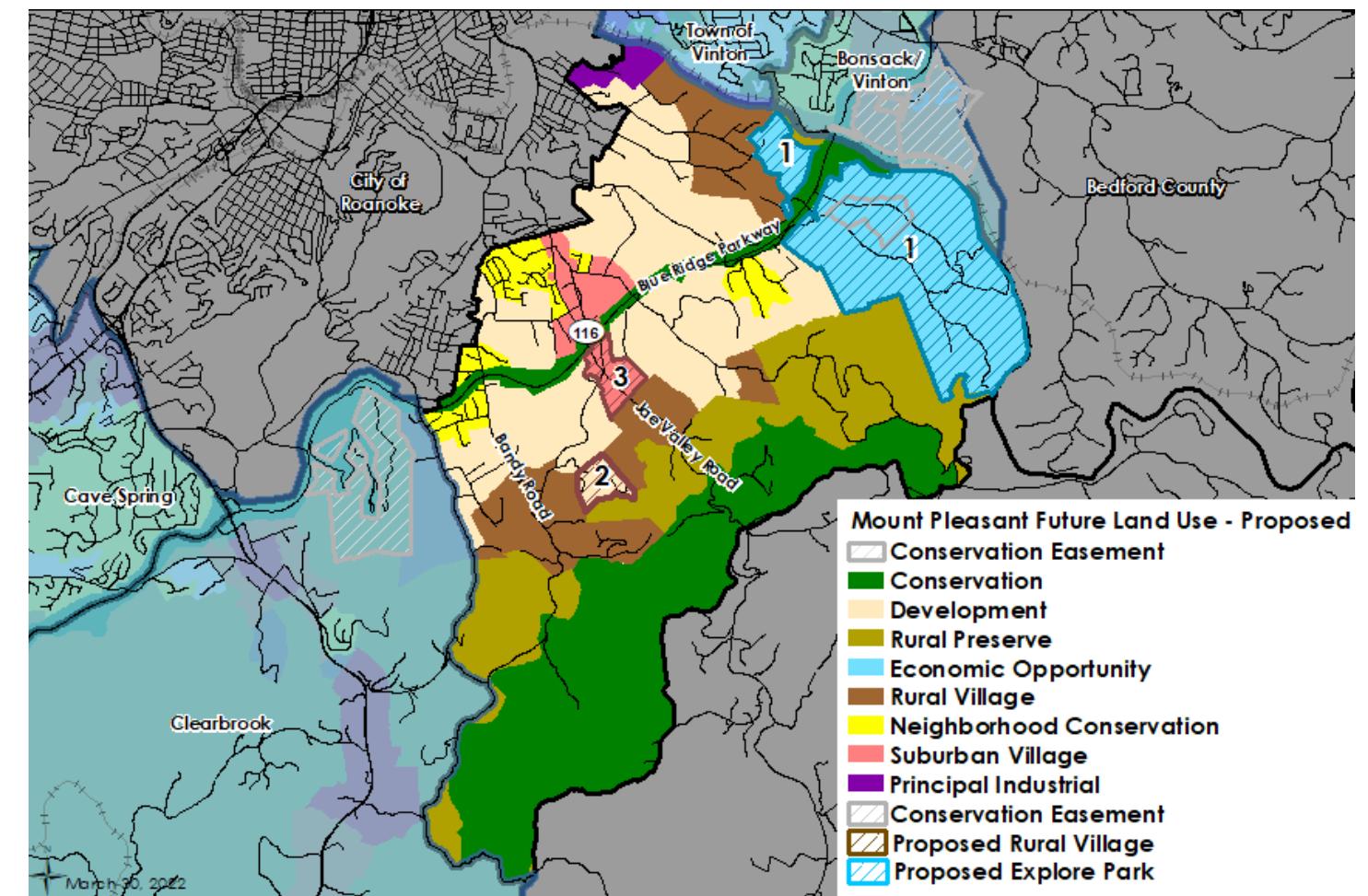
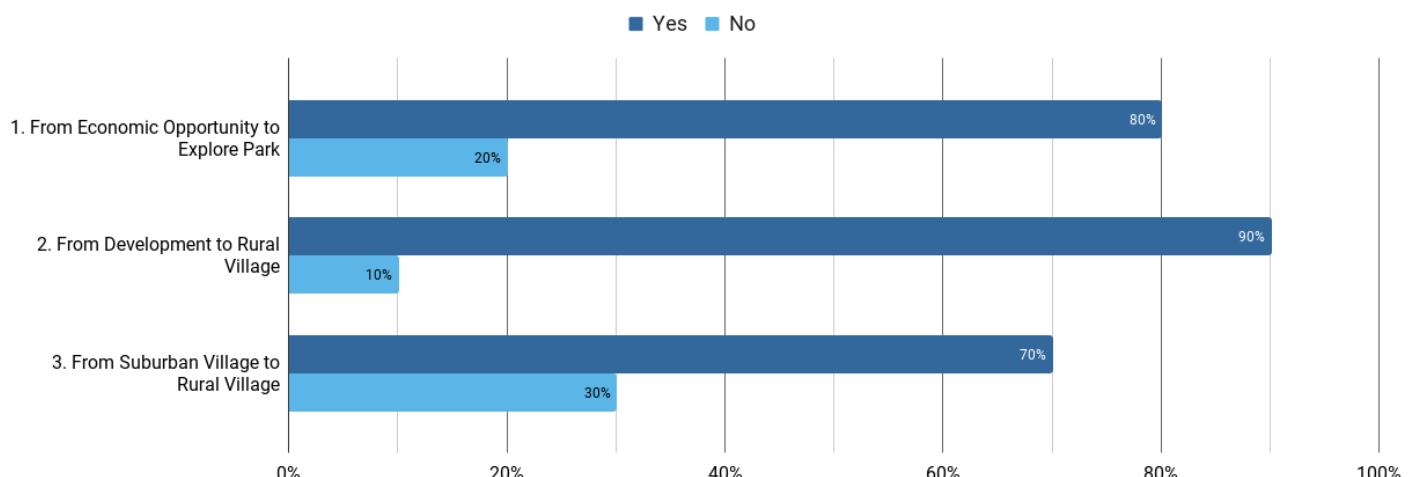
Proposed Future Land Use		
Land Use Designation	Total Acreage	Percentage of CPA
Conservation	17,420.9	62.4%
Core	323.5	1.2%
Development	204.5	0.7%
Neighborhood Conservation	609.7	2.2%
Rural Preserve	6,714.9	24.0%
Rural Village	2,454.5	8.8%
Transition	141.3	0.5%
Village Center	62.4	0.2%



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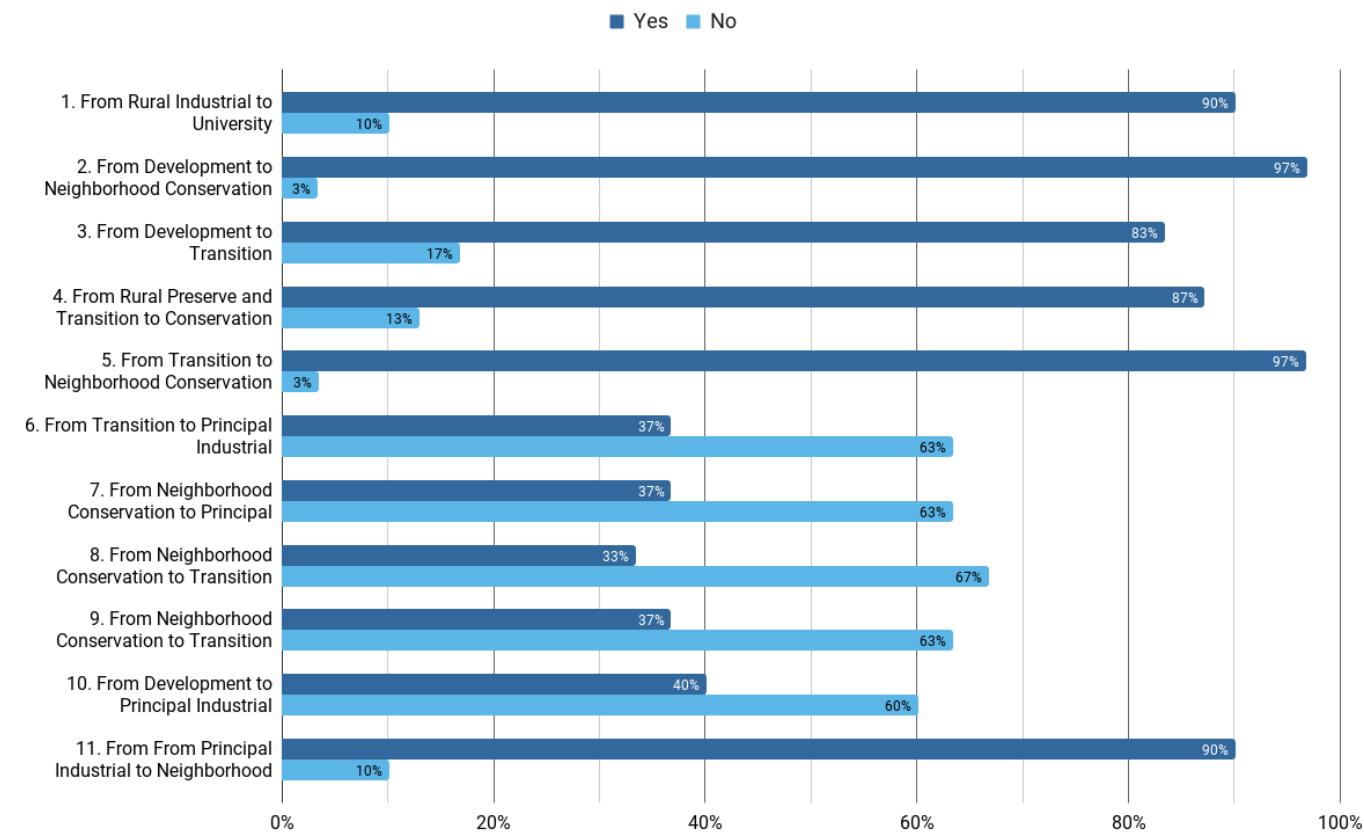
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Mount Pleasant Proposed Future Land Use Changes	Changed?	Acres	Number of Responses	
			Yes	No
1. From Economic Opportunity to Explore Park due to land use designation name change	Yes	1,376	8	2
2. From Development to Rural Village to match existing Agricultural/Village Center zoning	Yes	84	9	1
3. From Suburban Village to Rural Village to match existing Agricultural/Village Center zoning	Yes	99	7	3

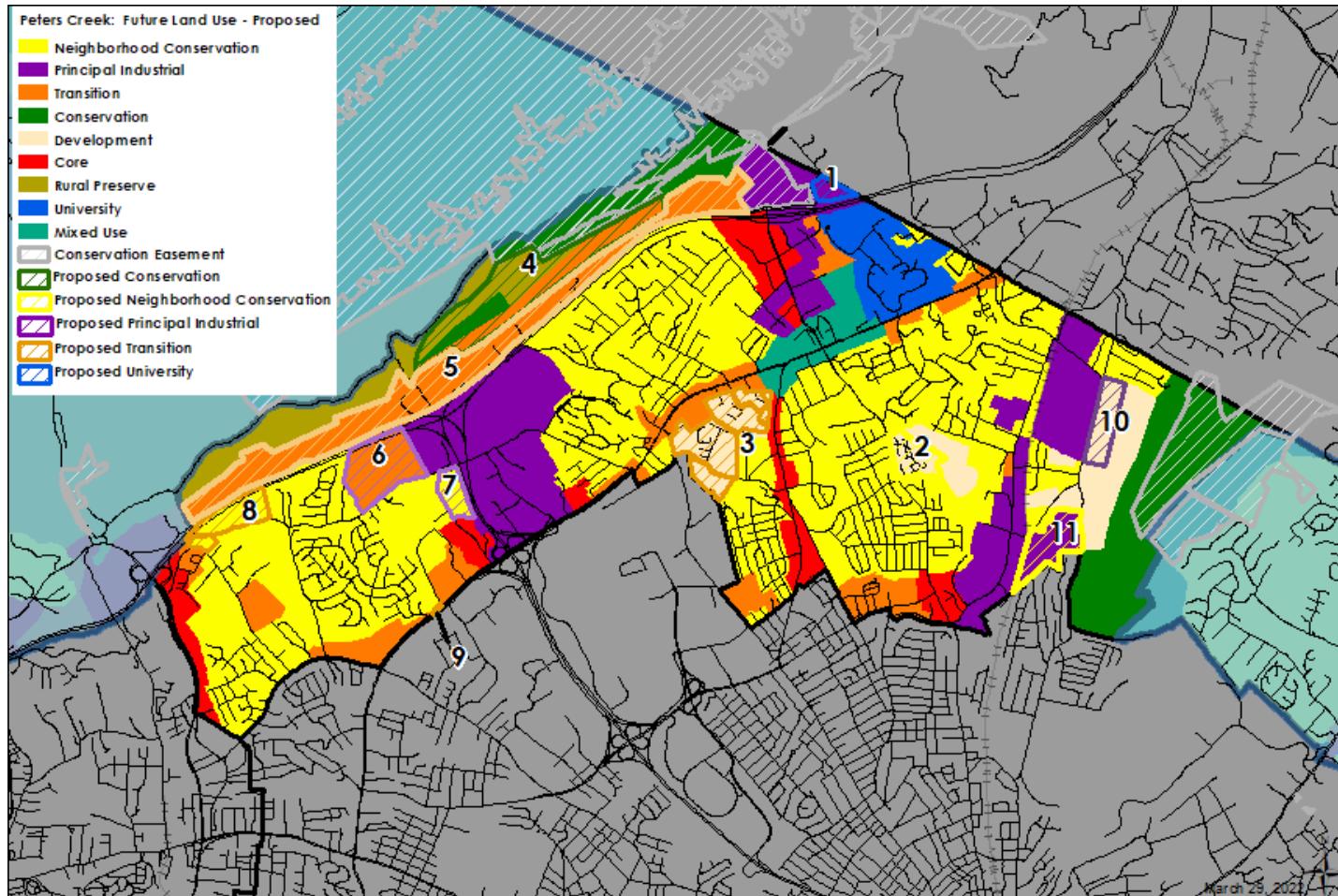


Proposed Future Land Use		
Land Use Designation	Total Acreage	Percentage of CPA
Conservation	2,831.5	27.7%
Development	2,268.9	22.2%
Explore Park	1,393.6	13.6%
Neighborhood Conservation	391.4	3.8%
Principal Industrial	102.1	1.0%
Rural Preserve	1,723.3	16.8%
Rural Village	1,311.4	12.8%
Suburban Village	216.8	2.1%

Peters Creek Proposed Future Land Use Changes	Changed?	Acres	Number of Responses	
			Yes	No
1. From Principal Industrial to University due to ownership and existing land use (Tinker Creek and Tinker Creek Greenway)	No	29	27	3
2. From Development to Neighborhood Conservation due to existing residential neighborhood and Low-Density Residential zoning	Yes	50	30	1
3. From Development to Transition due to existing land uses and High Intensity Commercial and Medium Density Multi-Family Residential zoning	Yes	176	25	5
4. From Rural Preserve and Transition to Conservation due to steep slopes >33% and current Agricultural/Residential zoning	Yes	191	27	4
5. From Transition to Neighborhood Conservation due to residential existing land use and current Agricultural/Residential zoning	Yes	526	29	1
6. From Transition to Principal Industrial due to existing land use and Planned Technology Development District zoning	Yes	120	11	19
7. From Neighborhood Conservation to Principal Industrial due to proximity to Core and Principal Industrial areas and Interstate highways	Yes	36	11	19
8. From Neighborhood Conservation to Transition to match existing zoning	Yes	67	10	20
9. From Neighborhood Conservation to Transition due to existing land use and High Intensity Commercial zoning	Yes	4	11	19
10. From Development to Principal Industrial to match existing zoning	Yes	58	12	18
11. From Principal Industrial to Neighborhood Conservation due to Low Density Residential zoning and development	Yes	80	27	3



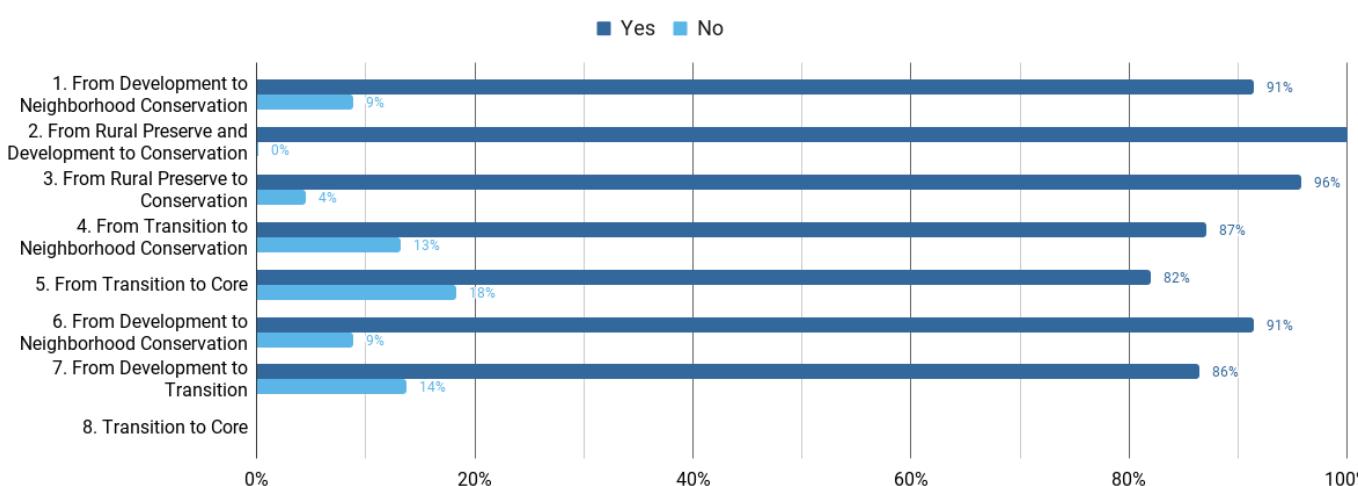
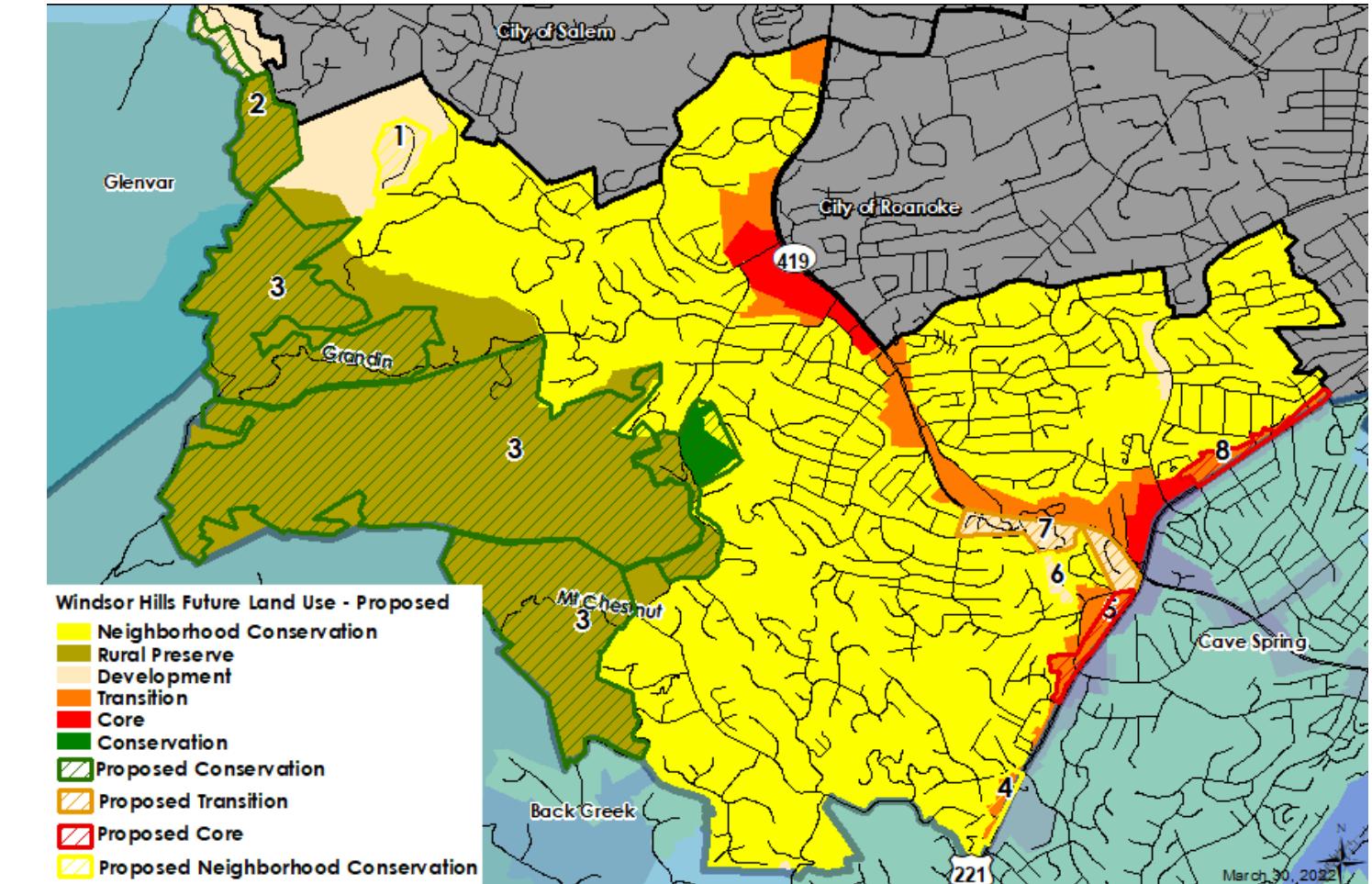
Proposed Future Land Use		
Land Use Designation	Total Acreage	Percentage of CPA
Conservation	804.1	8.6%
Core	475.8	5.1%
Development	271.3	2.9%
Mixed Use	196.9	2.1%
Neighborhood Conservation	4,737.7	50.9%
Principal Industrial	1,529.4	16.4%
Rural Preserve	18.7	0.2%
Transition	999.0	10.7%
University	277.4	3.0%



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Windsor Hills Proposed Future Land Use Changes	Changed?	Acres	Number of Responses	
			Yes	No
1. From Development to Neighborhood Conservation due to existing residential neighborhood	Yes	32	21	2
2. From Rural Preserve and Development to Conservation due to steep slopes >33%	Yes	66	23	0
3. From Rural Preserve to Conservation due to steep slopes >33%	Yes	1,450	22	1
4. From Transition to Neighborhood Conservation due to existing low density neighborhood uses	No	13	20	3
5. From Transition to Core due to existing commercial uses and High Intensity Commercial District zoning	Yes	23	18	4
6. From Development to Neighborhood Conservation due to existing neighborhood	Yes	9	21	2
7. From Development to Transition due to existing land uses and zoning districts	Yes	51	19	3
8. Transition to Core due to existing commercial uses and High Intensity Commercial District zoning	Yes	22	19	3



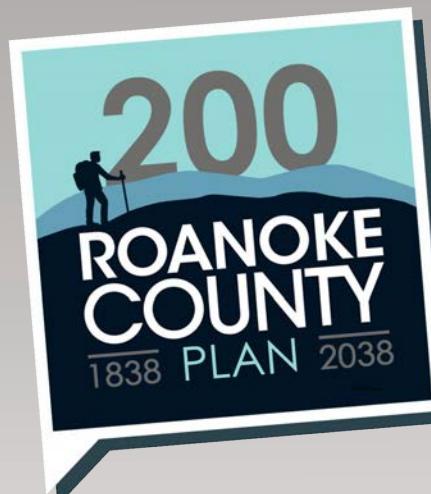
Proposed Future Land Use		
Land Use Designation	Total Acreage	Percentage of CPA
Conservation	1,715.7	27.8%
Core	167.6	2.7%
Development	176.4	2.9%
Neighborhood Conservation	3,677.7	59.6%
Rural Preserve	171.8	2.8%
Transition	262.5	4.3%



FALL 2021

Community Meeting

Summaries



Back Creek

Meeting: Back Creek Elementary School - Thursday, October 28, 2021
Attendee Count: 17

Staff present:

Planning	Long Range	Transportation	Zoning	GSPRT
Philip Thompson	Bailey Howard-DuBois Alex Jones Cecile Newcomb	Megan Cronise Brian Epperley	Becky James Alyssa Dunbar	George Assaid

Land Use

Meeting Exercise: Place post-it note comments on the map.

1. Where are current issues with land uses?
2. Where are there zoning enforcement issues?
3. What types of development are desired?
4. Where should new development go?
5. Where should redevelopment happen?

Meeting Exercise Comments:

- Keep the character of the area the same as it is now.
- Like the convenience of living about a 7-minute drive to retail areas.
- Like living in the area; it is rural, but convenient to commercial areas.
- Several residents inquired about the future of the Poage Farm. They want to know if the School Board plans to sell it. They are concerned about it being sold to a developer, and what that might mean. If the School Board does not plan to sell it they would like to know if there are any plans for the property.
- If the Poage Farm is sold, it should not be densely developed. Would like to see some small-scale community retail there.
- Develop the Poage Farm into a park with renovated farm buildings.
- Keep the future land use map designations as they are. The Village Center and Suburban Village areas on the map would be good for Mom & Pop, small-scale businesses.
- Do not allow high-density residential development in Back Creek Community Planning Area.
- Concern about future development on Old Mill Road.

Community Facilities

Meeting Exercise: Tell us about the facilities that you use.

Leave a suggestion or comment about issues or needs for community facilities.

Meeting Exercise Comments:



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- More unique indoor and outdoor PRT recreation amenities are needed in southern Roanoke County, similar to the amenities at Green Ridge Recreation Center and Explore Park. Renovate and/or expand Brambleton Center.
- Requests were made for aquatic options on this side of Roanoke County, similar to the Green Ridge Recreation Center's Splash Valley Water Park and indoor pools. Citizens want to see the Brambleton Center remain open.
- More recycling drop-off locations are needed closer to the Back Creek and Bent Mountain communities. The locations should be larger and better maintained than the existing facilities near the Brambleton Center and Tanglewood Cox Communications building. There is frustration that the existing Roanoke County recycling bins are often full.
- Connect Happy Hollow Gardens and Poor Mountain Preserve via hiking trails or bike trails.
- Overall, more small commercial development (mom and pop shops) along Route 221 is desired, with connections to Back Creek Elementary School and other public amenities.
- Add overlooks near or at Happy Hollow Gardens or Poor Mountain Preserve.
- Improve and expand the Back Creek Elementary School track. It is very heavily used.
- More flexibility and availability for the public to rent out and use community facility spaces at Back Creek Fire & Rescue Station and Back Creek Elementary School is needed. Improve the Roanoke County website to reserve spaces.
- More on-road and off-road bike lanes/trails are needed in and around Back Creek and all of Roanoke County.

General Comments:

- Any new private or public development should reflect the "natural" characteristics of the community; it should not be too modern.
- More places to eat or buy food are needed in the area. Could the public schools partner with private community gardens?

Transportation

Meeting Exercise: What are the transportation needs in this area?

Leave a comment about: Road safety issues, Pedestrian, bicycle and/or transit needs.

Meeting Exercise Comments:

Route 221

- Lower the Route 221 speed limit to 45 MPH until the top of Bent Mountain.
- Would like guardrail placed in front of 7180 Bent Mountain Road since four cars have ended up in the front yard (look at the houses with banks [on this side of the road]).
- On Route 221 between Mt. Chestnut Road and Twelve O'Clock Knob Road the ditches are too close to the edge of the road and create hazards for drivers.
- Continue to maintain ditches along Route 221.

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- Consider left turn lanes at Route 221 and Poage Valley Road, Poage Valley Road Extension, Old Mill Road (eastern entrance) and at Back Creek Elementary.
- Route 221 bridges over Back Creek need to be swept due to gravel building up.
- Would like vehicles on Route 221 in the left turn lane to turn onto Cotton Hill Road to not drive slowly in the left lane.
- Worried about bicycles riding on Route 221.
- Would like bicycle and pedestrian accommodations along Route 221 to the Cave Spring Corners area.
- Would like bicycle lanes on Route 221 from Cave Spring Corners to Back Creek Elementary.

Twelve O'Clock Knob Road

- On Twelve O'Clock Knob Road just east of Lost Mountain Road a paving patch over a culvert has settled and has created a dip in the pavement.
- Continue to maintain ditches along Twelve O'Clock Knob Road.

Protection and Preservation

Meeting Exercise: Leave a comment about natural and cultural resources on the map.
Tell us what this map is missing? What's valuable to you and why? What is impacted or needs improvement?

Meeting Exercise Comments:

- Several attendees stated that they deeply value the rural character of Back Creek. They enjoy the area's isolation and natural landscape. We should protect and preserve the natural landscape of Back Creek.
- Ensure the protection of Poor Mountain Natural Preserve.
- Encourage more land preservation in the area, especially in Blue Ridge Parkway viewsheds.
- Protect views from the Blue Ridge Parkway, especially at overlooks. Tree clearing at the roadside is needed to restore overgrown views.
- The County should consider development standards which address the replanting of native trees and landscaping, especially in residential subdivisions, when trees are removed.
- Property owners and residents need support for stream clean-ups after flood events. Clarification and education about which agency is responsible when natural debris is blocking the waterway is needed.
- Protect the Back Creek stream from development impacts.
- Support a new survey of potentially eligible historic sites for the National Register.

Staff Observations

Land Use

- Residents of Back Creek appreciate living in the country with the convenience of a short drive to suburban amenities. Residents love the character of the Back



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Creek community and rural landscape. They are concerned about the future of the Poage Farm. Some residents would like to see small-scale, local retail nodes along Route 221 in keeping with the Future Land Use Map, while others want to see the area remain as it is.

Community Facilities

- Citizens in the Back Creek community planning area want more indoor and outdoor recreation options in southern Roanoke County, similar to those found at Green Ridge Recreation Center and Explore Park. There is a large demand for better and more recycling options in Back Creek.
- Overall, Back Creek citizens are satisfied with the community facilities and services in the area, but would like to see more options and financial support that other parts of Roanoke County have received in recent years to create a greater sense of community. Citizens would like to see more public and private investment along Route 221, creating places to gather/socialize both indoors and outdoors.

Transportation

- Bicycles were a topic of discussion at the Back Creek meeting. Several attendees are concerned about cyclists riding on Route 221, particularly in the curvy areas where cars can come up quickly behind slower cyclists. There was also a desire from a few residents for bicycle accommodations along or in the vicinity of Route 221 to the Cave Spring Corners area, where bicycle lanes are striped. The (future) Back Creek Greenway was also an item of interest.
- Most attendees were not aware of the CORTRAN program. One younger woman took an information sheet to pass on to a family friend who is eligible and one gentleman completed a survey.

Protection and Preservation

- Attendees were concerned about preservation of the landscape of Back Creek and wanted to encourage higher development standards to protect natural spaces. Viewsheds were a common interest, especially from the Blue Ridge Parkway. There is a strong sense of connection to the area's history and early settlers in this area; protection and recognition of historic resources was mentioned by several attendees.

Bent Mountain

Meeting: Bent Mountain Center - Thursday, November 4, 2021

Attendee Count: 77

Staff present:

Planning	Long Range	Transportation	GSPRT
Philip Thompson Cecelia Monnin	Bailey Howard-DuBois Alex Jones Cecile Newcomb	Will Crawford Megan Cronise	Lindsay Webb

Land Use

Meeting Exercise: Place post-it note comments on the map.

1. Where are current issues with land uses?
2. Where are there zoning enforcement issues?
3. What types of development are desired?
4. Where should new development go?
5. Where should redevelopment happen?

Meeting Exercise Comments:

- Need incentives for businesses (restaurants and retail).
- More residential development is needed to maintain property values.
- A clinic or doctor's office is desired where doctors from Roanoke Valley can hold appointments for our residents so that they do not have to drive to Roanoke every time they need medical care.
- Keep development on Route 221.
- Would like to see Welcome to Bent Mountain signs.
- Keep future development in the suburban areas of the county, this area should remain rural and agricultural.
- Preserve the area as it is now.
- No more development.
- Do not want any more development here. Our water needs to be protected because citizens rely on wells. The MVP pipeline has already compromised this area too much.
- MVP pipeline should be on the maps and it should be acknowledged that it completely limits land uses along its corridor.
- Consider adjusting the Bent Mountain CPA boundary on the northeast side to follow the Bent Mountain ridgeline.
- The Future Land Use Map should remain as it is now for Bent Mountain.
- The Rural Preserve designated areas on the Future Land Use Map should be changed to Conservation. This makes more sense because of the topography, the waterways and their riparian buffers, and other uses that are established. The waterbodies and wetlands need this higher degree of protection.



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- Having both Conservation and Rural Preserve Future Land Use designations does not really make sense, why have both?

Community Facilities

Meeting Exercise: Tell us about the facilities that you use.
Leave a suggestion or comment about issues or needs for community facilities.

Meeting Exercise Comments:

- Full-time 24/7 staffing is needed at the Bent Mountain Fire and Rescue Station. Many citizens expressed that this was their top concern for the community.
- Several citizens expressed their willingness to volunteer at the Bent Mountain Fire and Rescue Station if longer hours are kept in operation.
- The Bent Mountain Fire and Rescue Station is critical due to the aging population and new families in the community.
- Roanoke County needs to better maintain and support the Bent Mountain Branch Library and extend operation hours.
- Roanoke County needs to better maintain and support the Bent Mountain Center.
- Need rural broadband / internet access in the entire Bent Mountain community.
- Internet and cell service is a major problem, especially for K-12 students and citizens working from home.
- The towers on Poor Mountain do not serve this community.
- Mill Creek and Bottom Creek need to be protected from future development. Could potentially create greenways or trails along both areas for walking options off of the roadways.
- Would like to keep the area quiet, with the current community facilities that they have, without losing anymore existing services. Citizens are still frustrated with the closure of Bent Mountain Elementary School.
- The area needs a recycling drop-off location in the Bent Mountain Center or Fire & Rescue Station area. If Bent Mountain cannot get a drop-off location, the Back Creek Elementary area would be ideal.
- More playground options for kids at the Bent Mountain Center and Bent Mountain Branch Library property.
- Expand and improve the existing walking trail at the Bent Mountain Center, including repairing the Eagle Scout boardwalk, since both are so heavily used.
- Tree debris and the entire area around the picnic shelter area needs cleaned up.
- Connect the walking trail to the picnic area at the Bent Mountain Center.
- Better general cleanup efforts are needed on the Bent Mountain Center property.
- County needs to insure support and maintenance of the Bent Mountain Post Office; assist with staffing issues.
- Continue trash pick-up service; do not eliminate any services.
- The County should have nature and wildlife education classes at the Bent Mountain Center, like the classes offered at Explore Park.

- More Roanoke County Police patrol is needed in the entire area, specifically along Poor Mountain Road and the Bent Mountain Road incline/curves. Excessive speeding, illegal hunting, illegal littering, etc. are all growing problems within the community.
- Roanoke County Police response times need to be improved. It can take a long time for a police officer show up after a call.
- The Bent Mountain Center and Bent Mountain Branch Library should be a source for environmental education for Roanoke County Public Schools field trips, including opportunities to teach about solar, wind, natural, geothermal energy, etc.
- More Roanoke County Parks, Recreation & Tourism classes are needed at the Bent Mountain Center, including dance, yoga, exercise, arts, etc.
- A dog park would be great at Bent Mountain Center. Citizens would volunteer to help keep the park cleaned if Roanoke County Parks, Recreation, and Tourism would install the park.
- The walking trails and park areas should be safe for new families.
- Add dirt trails.
- The school should be used as a resource center for environmental education. It should be a place for school field trips, STEM classes and camps.
- Maintain walking trails near Bent Mountain Center. Extend trails possibly into wetlands.

Transportation

Meeting Exercise: What are the transportation needs in this area?
Leave a comment about: Road safety issues, Pedestrian, bicycle and/or transit needs.

Meeting Exercise Comments:

Route 221

- People drive too fast on Route 221. Lower the speed limit and provide police to enforce it, from the top of the mountain near Airport Drive, through Bent Mountain community proper, to Tinsley Lane.
- Citizens are working with VDOT to get solar-powered lighted signs to help during fog. It is often very foggy and difficult to drive.
- Need police enforcement on the curves going up the mountain, people drive too fast and boulders fall into the shoulder.
- Route 221 at Ivy Ridge Road speeding at blind curve makes it hard to turn right or left onto Route 221.
- Could a flashing light be installed on Route 221 near Ivy Ridge Road?
- There is heavy traffic down Route 221 due to the closure of the Blue Ridge Parkway.
- Need speed reduction and signage warning of curves and fog on Route 221.
- Dim lights at VDOT station Area Headquarters on Route 221.
- Make Route 221 four lanes.



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- Need two lanes coming down the mountain on Route 221 at the three lane section.
- Add flashing yellow lights going down mountain on Route 221 near Look Out Lane.
- More guardrails going down the mountain on Route 221.
- Better fog lighting reflectors going down Route 221.
- Reduce speed limit near post office on Route 221.
- Boulders along Route 221 in the curves coming up the three lane section are a hazard to drivers, cyclists and motorcycles.
- Would like more reflectors on Route 221 to help with driving in fog.

Bicycle/Pedestrian Accommodations

- Concern over safety of cyclists using Route 221. The road is narrow with sharp curves.
- There should be a safe route for cyclists to ride from the Blue Ridge Parkway into Bent Mountain central area so that they do not have to ride on Route 221.
- Loop for bikes: Bottom Creek Road to Bottom Creek Lane to Patterson Drive to Bottom Creek Road.
- Bicycle accommodations are needed on 7-mile circle (Patterson Drive, Bottom Creek Road and Bottom Creek Lane).
- Provide better access to the Blue Ridge Parkway for cyclists.
- Bike route – Blue Ridge Parkway to Slings Gap Road to Route 221 across from the Bistro and Mercantile would provide supplies for cyclists.
- Bicycle accommodations are needed to link natural areas.
- Would like to see bicycle access from the Blue Ridge Parkway into Bent Mountain so that cyclists do not have to ride on Route 221. That way cyclists who are touring on the parkway can safely come into Bent Mountain to experience the community, get supplies, eat, etc.
- Better connections for hikers and bikers to Blue Ridge Parkway.

Bottom Creek Road

- Middle of Bottom Creek Road between Patterson Drive and Rocky Road has potholes next to fixed patches.
- Slow traffic on Route 221 and on Bottom Creek Road.
- Consider a centerline on Bottom Creek Road.
- There is more traffic, speeding on Bottom Creek Road since the pandemic.

Other Roads/Miscellaneous

- Need better police enforcement in Bent Mountain area for speeding.
- Repair and reopen the Blue Ridge Parkway.
- Consider a school bus warning sign near the Post Office near Howard Thompson's house (9996 Bent Mountain Road).
- Better speed limit enforcement is needed on rural roads.
- May be better for Ivy Ridge Road to remain unpaved as Ivy Ridge gets little sun and freezes often.
- Roadside mowing on secondary roads needs to happen more often.

Poor Mountain Road

- Poor Mountain Road has wash out areas and potholes that need maintenance.
- Repair Poor Mountain Road near Route 221.

Protection and Preservation

Meeting Exercise: Leave a comment about natural and cultural resources on the map.
Tell us what this map is missing? What's valuable to you and why? What is impacted or needs improvement?

Meeting Exercise Comments:

- The wetlands are not being maintained the way they should be. Whose responsibility is this?
- All surface waters are at risk from the Mountain Valley Pipeline stream crossings – there is an additional risk to the Roanoke River.
- There is community interest in better protection of Mill Creek; there is some property owner interest in establishing a conservation easement on private property.
- Need to identify wetlands and floodplain that is not currently mapped on GIS – it is significant.
- The County must protect waters (including Tier III stream) and test wells before and after the Mountain Valley Pipeline is operational.
- Consider testing of well water before the Mountain Valley Pipeline is operational and afterwards.
- Protect waterways and wetlands on Bent Mountain.
- Support a new historic properties survey to update the 1992 potentially eligible properties for the National Register.
- Need to show the historic road network identified as part of the historic districts.
- The County needs to map and include all (rural) historic districts recognized by the Virginia Department of Historic Resources.
- Bent Mountain maps should include the Mountain Valley Pipeline route.
- The County needs to keep public record/mapping of conservation easements (they are not publically available now).
- Staff should work with Preserve Bent Mountain as a stakeholder in the 200 Plan.
- Stream labels are not accurate on Bent Mountain (specifically tributaries).
- The County should help get the Blue Ridge Parkway fixed more quickly.

Staff Observations

Land Use

- Residents of Bent Mountain love it the way it is. Some did not want new development at all, while others are amenable to limited development and new uses. There is interest in growing locally owned and operated activities in the community proper, like outdoor recreation and agricultural products and



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services, as well as a brewery and restaurant. They would like the Community Center/former school to be used for more educational activities and family recreation/park/trail facilities. Residents and landowners are hopeful that the future land use map, as it is now, provides new opportunities for commerce and community activities in the Rural Village and Village Center areas, while protecting the mountains, forests and waterways.

Community Facilities

- Residents were very concerned about keeping their existing community facilities open and operating at longer hours. They do not want to see their Fire and Rescue Station, Community Center, or Library closed like their former elementary school. Residents would like to see more funding, support, and operating hours at all three of these facilities. They believe the County should better utilize the Bent Mountain Center with RCPS field trips and PRT programming.
- Citizens would like to see the area remain quiet, but feel like they are not getting the same services as other County citizens. The community really would like to see more police presence, maintenance crews and recycling options. The community wants more transparency, funding and support from the County in terms of internet and cell phone access, especially with students and parents working from home.

Transportation

- This community is very tight knit and are very concerned with the safety of the community and roadways within the community. Most of the conversation was around the safety of Route 221 and the many accidents that have occurred in this area due to speeds on Route 221. The majority of people I spoke to were pushing for decreased speed limits and increased signage warning of fog and sharp curves.
- I received several questions about the closure of the Blue Ridge Parkway and when it was anticipated to reopen. I did not have any information to share as the National Park Service has not communicated with us about the slope failure. I also talked with several people about the fantastic current bicycle routes and the lack of accommodations. Cyclists want to access the existing Bottom Creek loop and the Blue Ridge Parkway but do not want to contend with the speeds and drivers on Route 221. There were also many comments about Route 221 on the curves and on top of the mountain, how traffic drives too fast and how crashes are severe. There is a great sense of community in Bent Mountain as everyone seems to know each other. I spoke with many people about CORTAN and only three were previously aware of the program. Four CORTAN surveys were completed at the meeting.

Protection and Preservation

- Most attendees were deeply concerned about the arrival of the Mountain Valley Pipeline and the impact it would have on their wells and streams. Several people commented or agreed that it would be helpful for the County or another agency to test their wells before the pipeline is operational in order to help make

a case if water quality declines. Others commented that they appreciated the County's assistance in the past when residents attempted to oppose the pipeline but want to know that there will be continued support after its construction.

Miscellaneous

- The attendees were very excited that we came directly to their community and gave them the chance to comment on the plan.



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Bonsack-Vinton

Meeting: Charles R. Hill Community Center - Thursday, September 30, 2021

Attendee Count: 42

Staff present:

Planning	Long Range	Transportation	Zoning	Economic Dev.
Philip Thompson	Bailey Howard-DuBois	Megan Cronise	Becky James	Marshall Stanley
Cecelia Monnin	Alex Jones	Isaac Henry		Engineering
		Will Crawford		David Henderson

Land Use

Meeting Exercise: Comment about land use or development.

- 1. Where are current issues with land uses?
- 2. Where are there zoning enforcement issues?
- 3. What types of development are desired?
- 4. Where should new development go?
- 5. Where should redevelopment happen?

Meeting Exercise Comments:

- Minimize non-taxable land use.
- Restrict the number of tobacco stores that are taking good real estate.
- Secure tenants and incentivize the Vinton Business Center.
- Consider an indoor dog park/center.
- Need gathering places so you do not have to go downtown (Roanoke).
- Nice sit-down restaurants are needed in the Bonsack area.
- Would like to see patio home types of living situations on the Route 460 corridor.
- Would like assisted living facilities on this side of the County.
- Desire responsible development in opportunity areas like the Route 460 corridor, while also being respectful of residents.
- Roanoke County should adopt a building maintenance code to assist Vinton in improving housing stock.
- Consistency is needed between the County and Town of Vinton on sign regulations for businesses.
- Would like more entertainment/restaurants like Dave & Busters, Macados and Twin Creeks.
- Would like an office supply store in the Vinton area.
- Would like to see higher density and mixed use development in the Town of Vinton.

Community Facilities

Meeting Exercise: Tell us about the facilities that you use.

Leave a suggestion or comment about issues or needs for community facilities.

Meeting Exercise Comments:

- Excited to hear that a new Bonsack Fire Station is being planned for the Route 460 corridor and expect the new facility to improve response times and overall service.
- Add pickleball courts to the community, specifically near Bonsack. Citizens questioned if there was space to install pickleball courts at Bonsack Elementary School, Stonebridge Park, and nearby Hollins Park. A citizen later commented that there are public pickleball courts at Bonsack Baptist Church and they are eager to advertise this to the public.
- Citizens overall feel safe in the community, but would like to see faster response times from the police department and more patrolling in East County other than Route 460/Challenger Avenue.
- The greenway being planned in Vinyard Park will be very popular and residents are excited to hear that it is one step closer to becoming a reality. Overall everyone seemed excited to learn more about the 2018 Roanoke Valley Greenways Plan.
- Upgrades to Stonebridge Park are needed as it is really showing its age. The park would really benefit from the softball field and picnic shelter being cleaned up and a new playground being constructed.
- More paved walking trail connections to the school campuses are wanted to promote walking to school more, specifically at Bonsack Elementary School. Citizens questioned whether a pedestrian path could be constructed on the backside of Bonsack Elementary School where a dirt "cow path" already exists.
- Would like to see more Roanoke County recycling drop off location options, specifically closer to Bonsack and the Mount Pleasant ends of the community. Would also like to see the William Byrd Middle School location expanded as it is always full. Citizens questioned why the recycling drop-off locations are not better marked with instructions and a phone number to call when the bins are full and overflowing.
- Smaller parks and facilities should be advertised more online to educate the citizens what each park and/or facility has to offer depending on the season. Citizens complimented great marketing and attendance at Explore Park, but would like to see the same for other park options.
- Expand Western Virginia Water Authority water lines into the community more. Those who do get service sometimes have issues with service.
- Need better access to the Blue Ridge Parkway (including from Hardy Road) and would like to see it open more. Many citizens mentioned the constant closures and confusion of how to get to Explore Park when the road is closed.
- Do not want cell phone towers within the community like the one that was proposed for Stonebridge Park. Understand that cell phone service is needed, but questioned why future towers could not be installed on top of existing buildings or towers or within industrial land as long as they are not blocking important viewsheds.
- Consider a stormwater utility fee.



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General Comments:

- Would like to see more mountain biking options and recommend expanding the Explore Park facility.
- A BMX pump track would be popular at Explore Park and unique to the region.
- Citizens support the Explore Park Adventure Plan and would like to see the park continue to grow, thrive, and bring tourism into the area.

Transportation

Meeting Exercise: What are the transportation needs in this area?

Leave a comment about: Road safety issues, Pedestrian, bicycle and/or transit needs.

Meeting Exercise Comments:

Route 24 (Washington Avenue)

- Washington Avenue going into Spring Grove Drive, west of William Byrd schools is heavily congested and a dangerous intersection.
- Washington Avenue: convert from 4 lanes to 2 with center turn lane and bike lanes.

Route 460 (Challenger Avenue)

- Trucks entering Lowe's think it is a route to I-81. Possibly move signage further East down Challenger Avenue.
- Connect Carson Road to Bonsack Road, then connect Bonsack Road to Cloverdale Road to bypass Route 460.
- Add Bike lanes along Route 460.
- Want traffic signal at Bonsack Road and Route 460 or at least signage alerting drivers "caution incoming traffic".
- Provide dedicated sidewalk on either side of Route 460.

Berkley Road/Ruddell Road (Town of Vinton)

- Berkley Road/Ruddell Road intersection is blind. Dangerous with hairpin turn and topography change. Cars will bottom out, trailers cannot make the hairpin turn, people using as cut through.
- Berkley Bottom curve needs improvements. Site distance is bad, cannot see cars coming up the hill.

Carson Road

- Very narrow bridge over creek on Carson Road. Two cars cannot pass at the same time.
- People speed on Carson Road, particularly going north. Sometimes they run off road at Carson Road and Derby Drive. Delineator signs at curb would help.

Daladier Drive

- Daladier Drive needs pavement maintenance.

Feather Road

- Look at speed limit on Feather Road, straighten blind curve or clear trees around curve.

Finney Drive

- Mark lanes on Finney Drive at Hardy Road/Finney Drive intersection. It is wide enough for two lanes turning onto Hardy Road from Finney Drive.

Greenways/Trails/Bicycle Lanes

- Additional trailhead parking is needed on north side of Read Mountain.
- Bike lanes anywhere and everywhere we can accommodate.
- Small parking area on end of Wolf Creek Greenway on east side of Blue Ridge Parkway – explore using that [area] for Wolf Creek Greenway access.
- Desire for more greenways, especially in Vinyard Park.

Hardy Road

- Sidewalk along Hardy Road needed to get access to Wolf Creek Greenway.
- Extend bike lane and sidewalk on Hardy Road from Town limit to Roanoke County east corporate limit.

Huntridge Road

- Huntridge Road - eastbound on Route 460 into Huntridge Road gets congested from right on red light at Lowe's and Cloverdale Road.

Mountain View Road

- The Town of Vinton is going to rebuild Mountain View Road and add bike lanes and possibly sidewalks. Will mimic County alignment as closely as possible.

West Ruritan Road

- West Ruritan Road needs pedestrian accommodations.

General Comments:

- Expand Valley Metro in East County.
- Explore Safe Routes to Schools Program for Elementary Schools (W.E. Cundiff, Herman L. Horn) and other schools (William Byrd Middle & High Schools) to connect neighborhoods to schools and Wolf Creek Greenway.

Protection and Preservation

Meeting Exercise: Comment about natural and cultural resources.

Tell us what this map is missing? What's valuable to you and why? What is impacted or needs improvement?

Meeting Exercise Comments:

- Several citizens commented that we should preserve the existing green areas as natural spaces.
- There is interest in a future Read Mountain Greenway/City of Roanoke connection.
- Several people stated that they value the Read Mountain Preserve.
- The Wolf Creek tributary north of the Blue Ridge Parkway and east of Falling Creek Road is eroded by frequent washes coming down the mountain. This portion of the stream has experienced regular, bad flooding.
- The streambank restoration projects that have been completed are valued by the community.
- Viewsheds from the Blue Ridge Parkway should be protected.
- The Stewart Knob Trail needs better signage. It is too hard to identify the trailhead.
- Residents value the Wolf Creek Greenway.

Other Comments

- Town of Vinton (TOV) residents commented that they want to better understand the implications of this plan for TOV residents. What is the relationship between planning for the Bonsack/Vinton CPA and recommendations in the TOV Comprehensive Plan?

Staff Observations

Land Use

- Some attendees asked for more entertainment/recreation/nightlife elements to be added to the area, as well as requesting that some dilapidated structures either be kept up to code, have a stricter code so structures do not reach that state of dilapidation, or redevelop the properties.
- One individual mentioned that a business in Vinton has to follow different signage requirements compared to a business in the County, so some businesses have neighbors across the County/Town line that can have larger, more distinguishable signage.
- Participants wanted to see coordination of regulations and restrictions between the Town of Vinton and the Bonsack/Vinton area. Greater consistency could be helpful for businesses and developers, as well as communicating with the public.

Community Facilities

- Citizens seemed to be excited for the variety of major Roanoke County projects including the new Bonsack Fire Station, potential greenway expansions, and the Explore Park Adventure Plan.
- There were concerns over recycling drop-off issues, police response times, and cell phone towers potentially being built in the community.
- Citizens would like to see more unique recreation options (i.e. pickleball courts, playgrounds, paved walking trails) at some of the smaller parks and biking facilities expanded at nearby Explore Park.

- Citizens did not believe that maintenance of community stormwater ponds should be the responsibility of the homeowners but maintained by a public entity.
- The County needs recycling and needs to minimize waste going to the landfill.
- Stream restorations are a good program and citizens like the projects that have been constructed in Vinyard and Goode Park.

Transportation

- Attendees were eager to learn about transportation projects on Route 460.
- One attendee felt that widening Route 460 would be absolutely necessary in the future and another insisted that a traffic signal be installed at Route 460 and Bonsack Road.
- Many people were concerned about traffic at the Route 460/West Ruritan Road intersection, with Chick-fil-A and the LewisGale ER that is being constructed, and were thus especially interested in the project planned for the Route 460/West Ruritan Road intersection.
- A few attendees were unaware of the CORTRAN program. Nine CORTRAN surveys were completed during the meeting.
- A strong theme was the need for more pedestrian and bike accommodations in the area.

Miscellaneous

- Some citizens asked if there would be information that was specific to just the Town of Vinton, and were disgruntled when told that most of the information was grouped together.



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Catawba and Masons Cove

Meeting: Masons Cove Elementary School - Thursday, September 9, 2021

Attendee Count: 50

Staff present:

Planning	Long Range	Transportation	Zoning	Economic Dev.
Philip Thompson Cecelia Monnin	Bailey Howard-DuBois Alex Jones	Megan Cronise Isaac Henry Will Crawford Paula Benke	Becky James Alyssa Dunbar	Marshall Stanley

Land Use

Meeting Exercise: Place post-it note comments on the map.

1. Where are current issues with land uses?
2. Where are there zoning enforcement issues?
3. What types of development are desired?
4. Where should new development go?
5. Where should redevelopment happen?

Meeting Exercise Comments:

- Concerns about new brewery on Blacksburg Road (appropriateness, traffic, noise).
- Review Village Center Future Land Use designation in Masons Cove CPA – designation not needed.
- Keep area rural/country - leave as is - low density.
- Encourage placemaking around Route 311 Roundabout – make it a designed/planned node with appropriate land uses. Make it a central focal point other than convenience commercial. Make it the gateway to the Catawba Valley.
- Keep Catawba Agricultural and Conservation.
- Vacant building across from fire department is old and unattractive.

Community Facilities

Meeting Exercise: Tell us about the facilities that you use.

Leave a suggestion or comment about issues or needs for Catawba's and Masons Cove's community facilities.

Meeting Exercise Comments:

- Have Roanoke County Parks, Recreation, & Tourism programs at the Catawba Center, such as yoga classes.
- More reliable restrooms and water at Whispering Pines Park.
- There is a conflict between bikes, hikers, and horses using Timberview Road and nearby parks - causing traffic jams for residents.

- Would be nice for Masons Cove to receive a new park or significantly enhance Whispering Pines Park (pine tree maintenance needs to be looked at by PRT).
- Keep Masons Cove and Catawba Fire & Rescue facilities open if a new Roanoke County Fire & Rescue facility is built closer to Route 419/Interstate 81.
- Safety signs and/or a crosswalk should be added at Appalachian Trail crossings, especially on Blacksburg Road. Is there an opportunity for a visible trailhead and/or parking for the AT at the Blacksburg Road crossing?
- Roanoke County Public Library needs to better serve the area with more options such as a storefront facility in Masons Cove or Catawba (or utilize the MCES Library) or new Little Free Libraries. Add a Roanoke County Book Mobile with weekly pickup options at a Masons Cove/Catawba school or park.
- Recycling bins or drop off at or near the Route 419/311 intersection - BP Station or Roanoke County Kessler Mill GSPRT facility seems like good spaces.
- Internet café or library hotspots at the Catawba Center or somewhere else in the Catawba Village.
- More funding for permanent staffing at Catawba Fire Station and more marketing for volunteering at the station.
- A new Roanoke Outdoors/Roanoke County Parks, Recreation, & Tourism/Virginia's Blue Ridge kiosk or welcome center at the new Route 419/311 intersection - advertise it to Interstate 81 travelers.

General Comments:

- Senior citizen services needed; work with Social Services to provide and market more options helping the elderly read/complete forms, mow lawns, etc.
- Water & Sewer expansion needed.
- Shentel at Masons Cove Elementary School. Expansion of broadband needed in the CPA.
- Need more parks in CPA – especially picnic shelters. One in Bennett Springs – need some in other areas.
- How are funds being used for infrastructure?
- How can wifi service be provided to under- or un-serviced areas?
- Wifi needed on Timberview Road.
- AEP is not available on Keffer Road to the east of Catawba Hospital. Electric is provided by Craig-Botetourt co-op and is extremely expensive in fees. County water is not available in this area. Want future plans for a waterline.
- Want water and sewer to remain as well & septic. No public water or sewer.
- Additional rescue squad needed to service area equally.
- Want to see public sewer system where public water exists.
- Require internet and fiber (underground) in all new subdivisions. No internet or cell service when it storms – causes problems if there is an emergency.
- Need more police patrols, faster response times.
- Improve emergency response times closer to the Montgomery County line.
- Service vehicles for Smith Gap Landfill need to use appropriate roads.
- Develop recreational plans at Hinchee Park – want to see the park and trails improved.



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- Internet completed on Newport Road – questioning project status and internet availability.
- Want access to public water & public sewer – wells are drying up due to low water table.
- Internet service is poor in the area.
- Need library at Masons Cove with internet access.

Transportation

Meeting Exercise: What are the transportation needs in this area?

Leave a comment about: Road safety issues, pedestrian, bicycle and/or transit needs.

Meeting Exercise Comments:

Route 311

- 311 southbound approaching Absalom Smith Road – something to slow traffic there?
- Route 311 – speed is too fast between Carvins Cove Road and Bradshaw Road. Reduce speed limit or add turn lanes?
- Route 311 at Bradshaw Road – reduce speed or add turn lane for people turning onto Bradshaw Road. Huge safety issue!
- Cyclists shouldn't ride side-by-side on Route 311.
- Improve Traffic along 311.
- There are parking issues on Route 311 at AT crossing.
- Additional parking lot is needed at McAfee Knob.
- Move 40 mph speed limit signs (posted at 311 & Old Catawba - not sure which road this is supposed to refer to)
- End school zone side (posted on 311 between Oakey Dolin and Sagewood Cir, not sure what exactly this means or where it is supposed to refer to)
- Speed limit on Route 311 should be posted.

Route 311/419 Roundabout

- 4-Lane 419 and Thompson Mem. Dedicate one lane to turn on to 311.
- Light at Hanging Rock is timed wrong in morning.

Route 419

- 419 traffic signals need to be coordinated, especially at rush hour.
- Allstate has very few employees now. Can traffic signal be flashing yellow?

Bendermeer Road

- Bendemeer Road gets washed out with major flooding. Cones have been there for 4 years. No asphalt left, only gravel.

Blacksburg Road

- Blacksburg Road needs more Biker Safety signage. Share the Road Signage.

Bradshaw Road

- 3-way stop needed at Bradshaw Road approaching Alltree Trail at gas station.
- Consider reducing speed limit on eastbound Bradshaw Road at curve near Alltree Trail.
- Asphalt bump at patch at Bradshaw Road and Hickory Hill Drive.
- Take care of wet weather spring on Bradshaw Road just east of Hickory Hill Drive.
- Need new drainage ditches on Bradshaw Road.
- Bike lane on Bradshaw Road.
- Agree with Bradshaw Road bike lane comment. It is currently very dangerous for bikes and cars.
- Overcrowding on Bradshaw Road due to bicycles; bicycles causing safety issues for drivers on Bradshaw Rd.
- Drivers can be safer on Bradshaw Road.
- Erosion issues on road shoulder (posted near Bradshaw/Hidden Cove/Hideaway - not sure if this is supposed to be general or correspond to a specific location)
- Pavement on Bradshaw Road is bad.
- Potholes, rough roads (posted near Bradshaw in the middle of the map - not sure if this is supposed to be general or correspond to a specific location)

Carterdell Road

- Paving on Carterdell Road needs work, especially in middle of road.
- Consider one-way circulation on Carterdell Road due to narrow width, consider widening.
- Fix flooding at culvert under middle of Carterdell Road.
- Pavement on Carterdell Road is bad.

Carvins Cove Road

- Speed limit on Carvins Cove Road should be posted.

Duck Pond Road

- Duck Pond Road has a private bridge that won't accommodate heavy vehicles/rescue vehicles today without improvements.

Dutch Oven Road

- Open Dutch Oven Road bridge to light traffic or emergency vehicle access.
- Potential for Hinchee Trail parking/access on north end of Dutch Oven Road?



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- Hard to turn out of Dutch Oven Road onto 419 at morning and evening rush hour due to Allstate and AEP.

Newport Road

- Wider shoulders needed along Newport Road to decrease crashes.
- AT crossing at Newport Road - People park there when there isn't space.
- Hikers walk from Four Pines to the convenience store along Newport Road with no shoulder.

Old Catawba Road

- Make Old Catawba Rd one-way. Widen it in places and use it for parking.
- Blind turn at Carterdell Road and Old Catawba Road where school bus gets in other lane and blocks road.
- Old Catawba Road floods at first curve north of Carterdell Road. Floods leave gravel behind and culverts are clogged. Bus turnaround needs to be paved and warning signs are needed.
- Speeding an issue on Old Catawba Rd.

Timberview Road

- Limited access parking by WVVA sticker at Timberview trailhead.
- Bicycles on Timberview Road causing traffic problems (driving at slow speeds). Can property owners have more representation on issue?

Miscellaneous Comments

- Mark Catawba Sustainability Center land on maps.
- Chain across Forest Acre state road w/ Private, No Trespassing sign prohibiting access.
- Triple Bennett Springs parking lot capacity.
- Carvins Cove use fee is not transparent, would like it to go to trails.
- Riding Hinchee Trail to Carvins Cove – how to charge?
- Post all speed limit signs so speed limits will be < 55 mph

General Comments:

- Staff spoke with many people about the 311/419 Roundabout and most had positive feedback. I also talked with many people about McAfee Knob proposed bridge, trailhead parking issues to include Old Catawba Road parking issues, and explained what the County has done and may do in the future to help the overcrowded parking lot.
- More signage is needed about cyclists on roads.
- Bicycles are causing safety problems for drivers and drivers are being penalized for it.

CORTAN Comments:

- Out of the individuals staff spoke with regarding CORTAN, only two had heard of the service.
- Information/applications were shared with 25 individuals.
- Five CORTAN surveys were returned from the meeting.

- General comments - \$5 fare is too much, individuals have not seen the Via vans around town, most are still driving and do not need the service. Overall, individuals thought it was great that the County had the program.

Protection and Preservation

Meeting Exercise: Leave a comment about natural and cultural resources on the map.
Tell us what this map is missing? What's valuable to you and why? What is impacted or needs improvement?

Meeting Exercise Comments:

- Protect viewsheds, ridgeline protection, trails, greenways.
- Mapping should show the historic railroad bed near Carterdell Road.
- Several comments were made to protect Virginia Tech's Catawba Sustainability Center.
- There was a WWII POW camp in Catawba.
 - Staff research: at what is now the site of the Roanoke Valley Baptist Association's Ward Haven retreat (off Bradshaw Road in Catawba). From 1943 until 1946, the camp housed 150 German POWs who worked in nearby orchards. It was built by the Civilian Conservation Corps in 1933.
- Note the historic origins (a mineral springs resort) of the Bennett Springs community.
 - Staff research: (a summer retreat for families in the early 1900s which included a swimming pool and a tennis court, surrounded by cottages). Nothing remains today of the former retreat.
- There was a poorhouse associated with the Smith-Horne Cemetery.
 - Staff research: "The earliest area poorhouse was operated by Roanoke County in the Masons Cove area. Later, that facility moved to a tract in Glenvar where it eventually became Mercy House, forerunner of today's Richfield Retirement Center.)." – Roanoke Times, The Poorhouse Stigma, 2019. According to RVHS 1986, "the old Roanoke County Poor House was here, and the [Smith-Horne] graveyard contained many pauper burials."
- Need to remove the "Siry" Trail line near Bending Oak in Catawba; this is not a public access trail for the AT.
- Need to add Hinchee Park boundary to map.
- Need to add Audie-Murphy Monument as a landmark to the Catawba map on Brush Mountain.
- Many dilapidated barns in the Catawba area are at risk.
- The Homeplace should be preserved.
- Protect Carvins Cove as a natural resource (not just recreational).
- More parking is needed at McAfee Knob trailhead; bathrooms are also needed. A dedicated route for day hikers could be located on the fire road.
- The GIS does not accurately show the western property acquisition that expanded Havens Wildlife Management Area. The limits should be approximately two miles further west and one mile deep from Bradshaw Road.
- Havens Wildlife Management Area trails should be added to maps.

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- The private driveway that crosses 3049 Forest Acre Court in Masons Cove in order to access Havens Wildlife Management Area should not be restricted by a chain.
- Bendameer Road floods across the road and bridge when it rains.
- There are increasing incidents of bears on residential properties near Mason Creek in Masons Cove.

General Comments:

- 5800 block on Bradshaw Road – cutting of 100 acres caused creek to rise.
- Graffiti on concrete slabs near Route 311 and AT crossing – would like to have mural on concrete slabs instead. Hillside off of Old Catawba Road is a dumping ground for trash.
- Trash along roadways – need to pick up trash along Route 311 and along Old Catawba Road.
- Trash is coming out of the top of trash trucks (going to the landfill).
- More parking is needed at McAfee Knob trailhead along with bathrooms. Need dedicated route for day hikers on fire road.
- What are the future uses of Carvins Cove property in the city?

Miscellaneous Comments

- Land Use Assessment Process – application process/fees required too often (annually) – easy to miss application process.

Cave Spring

Meeting: South County Library - Monday, October 18, 2021

Attendee Count: 56

Staff present:

Planning	Long Range	Transportation	Zoning	Economic Dev.
Philip Thompson Cecelia Monnin	Bailey Howard-DuBois Alex Jones Cecile Newcomb	Megan Cronise Isaac Henry Will Crawford	Becky James	Jill Loope Marshall Stanley GSPRT
				George Assaid

Land Use

Meeting Exercise: Place post-it note comments on the map.

- Where are current issues with land uses?
- Where are there zoning enforcement issues?
- What types of development are desired?
- Where should new development go?
- Where should redevelopment happen?

Meeting Exercise Comments:

- Enjoy seeing progress and development.
- Make sure there is suitable infrastructure for any new residential development.
- Prioritize infill and redevelopment over new development.
- Developers should be required to build sidewalks in new development and redevelopment projects.
- Do not allow any more developments like South Peak. Protect the mountains and ridges. This is why people move here. The retaining wall and development at South Peak are undesirable.
- Like open-air commercial developments.
- Restrict/limit development on steep slopes and in the floodplain.
- Development aesthetics need to be included in the Comprehensive Plan: architectural design, preserving trees, replanting trees, reduce paved and impervious areas.
- Preserve the waterways in the industrial areas as they grow (the Future Land Use Principal Industrial areas in Cave Spring – Back Creek, Crystal Creek, in and through the Penn Forest and Starkey area).
- Protect existing residential areas from rezonings.
- The existing Civic uses and properties in the Penn Forest area should remain as they are (the parks, school, and library). The Future Land Use designations of Transition and Development on these properties should be changed.
- The mountain property adjacent to Starlight Lane, the railroad and the Blue Ridge Parkway is designated Rural Preserve on the Future Land Use Map. The zoning is R-2. This zoning should be changed to match the Rural Preserve designation.

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- Keep the Crystal Creek area as it is now.
- There is confusion with the Colonial Avenue Corridor Guidelines. Hard to find any information about signage.
- Reduce the noise from industrial properties.
- The Roanoke County Planning Commission is fair-minded and does a good job of conveying regulations to the development community.
- Happy with the way things are.
- Attract industrial businesses or partners to expand job base and provide tax revenue (countywide).
- Need more high-end retail at Tanglewood/419 Town Center.
- Would like to have franchises such as Firebirds, P.F. Chang, and Cheesecake Factory locate here.

Community Facilities

Meeting Exercise: Tell us about the facilities that you use.

Leave a suggestion or comment about issues or needs for community facilities.

Meeting Exercise Comments:

- More unique indoor and outdoor PRT recreation amenities are needed in southern Roanoke County, similar to the amenities at Green Ridge Recreation Center and Explore Park. Renovate and/or expand Brambleton Center.
- Requests were made for aquatic options on this side of Roanoke County, similar to the Green Ridge Recreation Center's Splash Valley Water Park, and indoor pools. Citizens want to see the Brambleton Center remain opened, renovated, and expanded due to its central and visible location.
- Want to know when pre-pandemic programs are going to return to the Brambleton Center, specifically pottery. Frustrated and curious why the Brambleton Center keeps losing space to non-recreation uses such as an election polling place and CORTRAN's new headquarters.
- More recycling drop-off locations are needed closer to the Penn Forest, Starkey, and Hunting Hills communities. The locations should be larger and better maintained than the existing facilities near the Brambleton Center and Tanglewood Cox Communications building. There is much frustration that the existing Roanoke County recycling bins are often full.
- Curbside recycling is needed countywide, however, could it be implemented in the highly populated suburbs of Penn Forest and Hunting Hills first?
- County citizens need to be educated on their recycling options with better signage at the drop off locations, a designated how-to website, and RVT-3 videos.
- Community gardens should be built at the South County Library or in one of the nearby parks. Community gardens should be built at Cave Spring High School and Cave Spring Middle school as an educational opportunity and citizens could care for the gardens during the summer months.

- There needs to be more police enforcement of automobile noises, specifically loud exhausts and music. Problem locations are along Colonial Avenue, Brambleton Avenue, and Electric Road.
- Police patrols have drastically disappeared in the residential neighborhoods in between Brambleton Avenue and Colonial Avenue since the Roanoke County Police Substation was moved to Cave Spring Middle School. More patrol is needed in the neighborhoods and not just on Brambleton Avenue and Electric Road.
- The South County Library staff and facility have been a great addition to the Cave Spring community prior to and during the pandemic. There is a desire for pre-pandemic programming to return as soon as possible.
- The South County Library wetland boardwalk trail is great. Several attendees reiterated this comment. A better paved marked greenway/trail is desired from Darrell Shell Park – Penn Forest Elementary – South County Library – Starkey Park North – Starkey Park South – Merriman Soccer Complex parking lot. Many recommendations for a greenway away from the sports fields along Back Creek through the parks that could provide a bicycle only connection to the Blue Ridge Parkway on the southside of the Merriman Soccer Complex.
- Would like to see pedestrian connections made from South County Library to Cave Spring Middle School, Cave Spring High School, and the Tanglewood/419 Town Center area.
- Fenced in dog park and pickleball courts are wanted in or near the Starkey area parks.
- Would like to see more greenspace required as part of new commercial, residential, and mixed-use developments, especially around Tanglewood. Create design guidelines or financial incentives for developers who exceed the minimum greenspace requirements.

General Comments:

- Attendees feel that certain areas of the county (Explore Park, Green Ridge Recreation Center, Green Hill Park, Greenway expansions, etc.) keep receiving funding for park expansion or recreational programs but that has not been true in Southwest County.
- Businesses would like more promotions to "adopt a Greenway" for maintenance, similar to adopting a highway, CRMP area, or park.

Transportation

Meeting Exercise: What are the transportation needs in this area?

Leave a comment about: Road safety issues, Pedestrian, bicycle and/or transit needs.

Meeting Exercise Comments:

Route 220

- Do not support the elimination of through movements across Route 220.
- Do not like the elimination of through traffic across Route 220.
- Would like trees replanted at the slope failure area along Route 220.

- Dislike the Route 220 Corridor Improvements at Southern Hills Drive/Valley Avenue and Crossbow Circle/Pheasant Ridge Road. I do not like that you will not be able to go straight across Route 220.

Route 419

- Cars turning right onto Route 419 often cause all other signals to turn red. Dedicated right turn lanes on sides streets or shortened signal phases for these movements would help.
- Traffic signals on Route 419 (Chaparral Drive intersection is a good example) turn green for left turns even if there are no cars in the left turn lane. There should be sensors to detect cars and skip the left turn signal phase if there are no cars in the left turn lane.
- At the Route 419/Starkey Road traffic signal, there is not enough green time for going straight on Starkey Road across Route 419.
- The Route 419/Route 220 Diverging Diamond Interchange project is not worth the money.
- Electric Road throughout Tanglewood and Cave Spring should be better maintained by VDOT and the County. More trees, landscaping, etc. should be including within the new transportation projects.

Bicycle/Pedestrian Amenities

- People walk on Penn Forest Boulevard, which is very dangerous without sidewalks. Build sidewalks on Penn Forest Boulevard.
- Build a sidewalk, crosswalk, and bicycle lane on Ogden Road, and a crosswalk on Starkey Road connecting Old Country Plaza to Tanglewood Mall.
- Build a sidewalk on the west side of Ogden Road. Lots of people walk from the apartments on Ogden Road to Tanglewood Mall.
- Lots of people walk to work at Kroger Teeter on Old Cave Spring Road, Farmington Drive, and Cave Spring Lane. This is dangerous without sidewalks. Build sidewalks on these streets.

Brambleton Avenue Intersection

- There is a lot of congestion at the Brambleton Avenue/Colonial Avenue/Old Cave Spring Road intersection and this, combined with the side entrance into Kroger Teeter on Colonial Avenue, causes dangerous situations.

Crystal Creek Drive

- Make Crystal Creek Drive one-way. Implement a weight limit on Crystal Creek Drive.

Hunting Hills Drive/Hunting Hills Subdivision

- Sight distance is very bad at the Hunting Hills Drive/Buckhorn Road intersection, especially when vehicles speed. Intersection improvements are needed.
- Trucks use Hunting Hills Drive to cut through from Starkey Road to Route 220.
- Add curbs to roads in Hunting Hills. People are frequently driving on yards in Hunting Hills.

Merriman Road

- Crosswalk is needed across Merriman Road between the wetland boardwalk and Penn Forest Elementary.
- Lots of people use Merriman Road to Knowles Drive to Arlington Hills Drive as a cut-through to Route 221.

Speeding/Noise

- Speeding on Manassas Drive at the curve near Kenmore Avenue is dangerous. This danger is made worse by people pulling out of Kenmore Avenue.
- People park their cars at the gas station on Colonial Avenue and Thompsons Lane and play their stereos obnoxiously loud until 11 or 12 at night.
- Slow speeding traffic on Meadowlark Road.
- Police enforcement of speed limits along Penn Forest Boulevard and Meadowlark Road.

Starkey Road

- Train crossing on Starkey Road may continue to cause delays even after Starkey/Buck Mountain roundabout is constructed.
- Would like Starkey Road to be widened to four lanes between Route 419 and Terminal Road. Lots of fuel trucks enter and exit at Terminal Road.

General Comments:

- It would be helpful to have a second arterial besides Route 419 to get people around South County to Route 221.
- Teach drivers how to correctly drive through roundabouts. Need better signage at roundabouts.
- Want more sidewalks and pedestrian safety infrastructure. Require new development to build sidewalks. Do not build crosswalks where there are not any sidewalks.
- The more bike lanes, the better!
- Add designated bike lanes on greenways and fully separated bike lanes on roadways.
- Greenways are valued by the community. A Salem connection to the Roanoke River Greenway as well as a connection to Tanglewood is needed.
- For future greenways, separated paths for biking, skating and walking would be desirable.

Protection and Preservation

Meeting Exercise: Leave a comment about natural and cultural resources on the map. Tell us what this map is missing? What's valuable to you and why? What is impacted or needs improvement?

Meeting Exercise Comments:



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- Value the neighborhood trees in this community.
- Property owners need support for debris that washes down their creeks, especially when it washes from other residential areas.
- The residential wash from Hunting Hills down a Back Creek tributary to the Rockbridge Road condominiums needs attention. Property owners have to clean up non-natural debris from Hunting Hills.
- Would like to see green spaces incorporated into development at Tanglewood and the 419 Town Center.
- Viewshed protection on the Blue Ridge Parkway is important. Consider a development buffer from the Parkway.
- Toby's Lodge and the historic home behind the library is missing from the 1992 Virginia Department of Historic Resources (VDHR) inventory of potentially eligible historic sites for the National Register.
- Littering is a major concern.
- Protect residents' mountain views.

General Comments:

- Landscaping is needed at County gateways, in medians and development to improve the aesthetic value of our community.
- Landscaping sponsorships along major roadways has value to businesses that should be communicated more widely.
- When trees are removed by VDOT for road projects they must be replanted.
- Residential deer control is needed across the County.
- The County should encourage the restoration of riparian areas through native tree plantings, especially in flood-prone streams and areas.
- Better collaboration is needed between organizations, agencies and citizens that are interested in improving our sustainable energy resources and recycling efforts.

Staff Observations

Land Use

- Meeting attendees were enthusiastic to learn about the exhibits and give their feedback. Comments were generally positive and people were genuinely interested and concerned about how the County is planning for the future and potential growth.
- Cave Spring residents who came to the meeting generally supported future development if it is done with environmentally sensitive practices and in areas that have existing infrastructure and development. They are supportive of the 419 Town Center Plan. They want to preserve waterways, mountains and ridgelines; and retain and protect public parks, facilities and neighborhoods.

Transportation

- Many residents of the Hunting Hills neighborhood expressed a variety of transportation concerns including intersection sight distance issues, speeding, cut

- through traffic and the VDOT slope repair along Route 220. In general, attendees were interested in the transportation projects we displayed. Several people were unaware of the CORTAN program.
- With the continuing population and development growth in the area, citizens expressed frustration with non-stop traffic congestion and not being able to pull out of private residences or businesses along Starkey Road, Buck Mountain Road and Merriman Road.

Protection and Preservation

- Residents were concerned about keeping a higher standard for greenspace and trees in commercial areas as the community continues to grow. Several attendees stated that the most densely developed areas in the 419 Town Center and along Route 419 or Route 220 must have requirements for interior and roadside landscaping for aesthetic value as well as stormwater management.



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Clearbrook

Meeting: Clearbrook Elementary School - Thursday, October 7, 2021

Attendee Count: 15

Staff present:

Planning	Long Range	Transportation	Economic Dev.
Philip Thompson	Bailey Howard-DuBois	Megan Cronise	Marshall Stanley
Cecelia Monnin	Alex Jones	Isaac Henry	
	Cecile Newcomb	Will Crawford	

Land Use

Meeting Exercise: Place post-it note comments on the map.

1. Where are current issues with land uses?
2. Where are there zoning enforcement issues?
3. What types of development are desired?
4. Where should new development go?
5. Where should redevelopment happen?

Meeting Exercise Comments:

- Shooting is occurring off of Morningside Drive that is disruptive, frightening and injurious to quality of life for residents along Back Creek Road. Several pages of correspondence with County staff regarding the matter were provided by the resident.

Community Facilities

Meeting Exercise: Tell us about the facilities that you use.

Leave a suggestion or comment about issues or needs for community facilities.

Meeting Exercise Comments:

- There is an interest in more indoor community rental spaces for private events or Parks, Recreation, and Tourism programs.
- More unique indoor and outdoor PRT recreation amenities in southern Roanoke County are desired, similar to the amenities at Green Ridge Recreation Center and Explore Park. Renovate and/or expand Brambleton Center?
- Attendees want more recycling drop-off locations closer to the Clearbrook and Penn Forest communities. Locations should be larger and better maintained than the existing facilities near the Brambleton Center and Cox Communications.
- The internet and cable options in this area are inadequate and too expensive.
- Attendees were supportive of the new lights proposed in the CIP for Clearbrook Park. Other desired improvements include a paved walking trail, more parking, and upgrades to the playgrounds.



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General Comments:

- Private rental information for parks should be provided in the Parks, Recreation, and Tourism mailers and advertised on social media.

Transportation

Meeting Exercise: What are the transportation needs in this area?

Leave a comment about: Road safety issues, Pedestrian, bicycle and/or transit needs.

Meeting Exercise Comments:

Route 220

- Crossover from Willow Branch Road to Spotswood Drive on Route 220 is good but hard to see and hard to get into. Would like a left turn lane on Route 220 onto Spotswood Drive.
- Slow speed limit from 45 to 35 on Route 220 in northern portion of CPA.
- I am concerned Route 220 improvements will reroute traffic through neighborhoods, particularly Clearbrook Lane.
- Route 220 backs up in the northern portion of the CPA.
- I am strongly opposed to the Route 220 intersection improvements as planned.
- Add a traffic light at car dealerships on Route 220 in northern portion of CPA.
- Make traffic light at Route 220 and Old Rocky Mount Road right turn only (i.e. prohibit left turn onto Route 220 from Old Rocky Mount Road).
- Add a traffic light at Route 220 and Hunting Hills Drive.

Hilltop Road (Suncrest Heights Subdivision)

- Currently not in the State System. Explore bringing into the state system. Concern over road getting plowed after it snows.

Protection and Preservation

Meeting Exercise: Leave a comment about natural and cultural resources on the map.

Tell us what this map is missing? What's valuable to you and why? What is impacted or needs improvement?

Meeting Exercise Comments:

- The County should ensure water quality standards for Back Creek.
- Continue to educate the public about how to protect streams from residential pollutants.
- Property owners on the creek need a solution for natural debris and manmade (construction) waste/debris and everyday household items, which wash down and clog the creek. This problem should not be the sole responsibility of property owners. Property owners on the creek need support for stream clean ups.



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- VDOT needs to be more proactive regarding stormwater. Cooperation between VDOT and the County is needed to support property owners impacted by road flooding.
- Pavement under Route 220 North, south of Yellow Mountain Road, has been washed out by the stream passing underneath. There is material sitting in the creek.

General Comments:

- The County should clarify how to report violations to DEQ (when VDOT or other construction material washes into the creek).

Staff Observations

Community Facilities

- There is frustration about the limited internet and cable options in Roanoke County. Better and cheaper alternatives should be offered to County residents.

Protection and Preservation

- Several residents agreed that support is needed for property owners who live along creeks and deal with debris from flooding. Major flooding incidents cause a lot of hardship to property owners, who may not wish to simply cut up natural debris and let it float down the stream but do not have the means to haul it out of the creek. There was significant interest in support for stream clean ups.

Transportation

- Attendees were primarily concerned with the intersection improvements planned for Route 220. They tended to support the idea of improving traffic flows on Route 220, but not support the elimination of through movements across Route 220.
- One resident who lives off Route 220 expressed the need for additional traffic signals to help side street movements onto Route 220, and another desired a left turn lane on Route 220 approaching his turn to be able to more safely turn off Route 220. That gentleman was also unaware of the COTRAN program and is interested in learning more to help his mother-in-law who lives with him and his wife get to her destinations, as she is wary of driving.

Miscellaneous

- Residents expressed a lot of interest in what the County might be planning for the future of their area.

Glenvar

Meeting: Fort Lewis Elementary - Monday, November 8, 2021

Attendee Count: 56

Staff present:

Planning	Long Range	Transportation	Zoning	Economic Dev.
Philip Thompson Cecelia Monnin	Bailey Howard-DuBois Alex Jones Cecile Newcomb	Megan Cronise Will Crawford	Becky James Alyssa Dunbar	Wade Taylor

Land Use

Meeting Exercise: Place post-it note comments on the map.

1. Where are current issues with land uses?
2. Where are there zoning enforcement issues?
3. What types of development are desired?
4. Where should new development go?
5. Where should redevelopment happen?

Meeting Exercise Comments:

- Would like this community to stay how it is.
- There are jobs everywhere; we do not need any more.
- Would like to see restaurants near the I-81 Dixie Caverns exit on Route 460 near the hotel/motel.
- Water/sewer along West River Road.
- Public/private development partnerships and incentives are needed.
- The County should allow commercial vehicles in residential areas.
- Consider allowing a nice truck stop a Dixie Caverns that is managed well.
- Have design standards for new development along Route 460.

Community Facilities

Meeting Exercise: Tell us about the facilities that you use.

Leave a suggestion or comment about issues or needs for community facilities.

Meeting Exercise Comments:

- A venue space/festival space is desired at Green Hill Park (comment received at Masons Cove/Catawba meeting).
- More paved walking trails at Green Hill Park to alleviate traffic on the Roanoke River Greenway in the park.
- More dirt walking/hiking trails at Green Hill Park. Unique to the park and close to many suburbs unlike most surrounding hiking trails.



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- More recreation programming at Green Hill Park and Camp Roanoke. Would like to see more newer programs and infrastructure at both facilities, similar to Explore Park.
- Keep Green Hill Park natural in character. It does not need to be converted into a sports-only complex. Keep wooded areas, greenspaces, and walking trails. More historical education along the walking paths and Roanoke River Greenway would be beneficial to school field trips to the park.
- There needs to be more recycling drop-off locations in the Glenvar area. Recommended locations included Fort Lewis Elementary School, Green Hill Park, or a large business. The existing recycling drop-off locations in the County need to be marketed better and have better instructions/signage at each facility.
- A small Roanoke County Parks, Recreation, and Tourism/Virginia's Blue Ridge visitor center and museum would be great at Green Hill Park. The visitors center could be Interstate 81's version of the Blue Ridge Parkway-Explore Park visitor center. The visitor center could have a museum designated to local history, including Native Americans, and a small private event rental space for the community since there is no indoor recreation center near Glenvar.
- Skate park at a safe, well lit and secure area in Glenvar or anywhere in Roanoke County.
- More rural broadband options and connections; particularly around Blue Ridge Beverage and on Barley.
- Allow more public recreation at the Spring Hollow Reserve property. Market tours better. Could non-swimming recreation be allowed in parts of the reserve? Frustrated that Carvins Cove is open to the public, but Spring Hollow is not.
- Love the Glenvar Library. Hope programming continues to be supported at the facility. The library needs pedestrian connections to the Route 460/11 sidewalks and more outdoor walking trails and places to gather, read books, or host classes.
- Green Hill Park needs more trash receptacles and for them to be emptied more often throughout the park.

General Comments:

- Continue to expand Roanoke County parks, greenways, and blueways to attract younger populations and economic development projects to Roanoke County and the region.
- There needs to be an emphasis on Career and Technical Education and the Burton Center for Arts and Technology. More funding, marketing, and support from Economic Development, the RCPS School Board, and the Roanoke County Board of Supervisors. The Burton Center is one of the biggest economic drivers in the county to keep high school graduates in the region.

Transportation

Meeting Exercise: What are the transportation needs in this area?

Leave a comment about: Road safety issues, Pedestrian, bicycle and/or transit needs.

Meeting Exercise Comments:

Interstate 81

- Sound barriers needed along Interstate 81 from Dixie Caverns to Salem Line.
- Need pedestrian lights at Exit 132.
- Exit 137 ramp has many accidents. The ramp is too short.

Route 460/West Main Street

- Stoplight needed at Route 460/Dow Hollow Road.
- Add rest area on West Main Street heading south at intersection of Exit 132.
- Consider a commercial truck stop to help alleviate truck issues at Atlas and at other businesses.

Greenways/Blueways

- Roanoke Valley Greenway Plan Map Number 36 perimeter trail showing connection to west of Havens Wildlife Management Area needs to be shown in a different location and not on David Shelor's property (Fort Lewis Mountain Company LLC).
- More greenways, bike lanes, blueways, boat launch shelters, restaurants and pedestrian walkway improvements at Wayside Park.
- Challenges with trespassing and theft on private property from the Roanoke River by floaters (Barley Drive vicinity).

Little Bear Road

- There is a culvert on Little Bear Road that overflows during heavy rains, and the water makes gullies down both sides of the road.

Pedestrian Accommodations

- Increase safety for pedestrians and bikers on new projects, particularly in scenic areas.
- Put sidewalks on Daugherty Road.
- Sidewalk needed connecting to Glenvar High School.
- Need sidewalk connections from Glenvar schools to the library.
- Need a pedestrian connection from the sidewalk along West Main Street to the library.

West River Road/West Riverside Road

- Low water bridges on West River Road need higher sides and railings.
- Need improvements on West Riverside Road near low water bridge.

Protection and Preservation

Meeting Exercise: Leave a comment about natural and cultural resources on the map.
 Tell us what this map is missing? What's valuable to you and why? What is impacted or needs improvement?



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Meeting Exercise Comments:

- Protect water assets (Roanoke River, Spring Hollow Reservoir) from the Mountain Valley Pipeline.
- Fort Lewis Baptist Church is pre-civil war and has a lot of history.
- There is a littering problem along E Main Street.
- Like the area as it is.
- Would like to see the forests preserved.
- The map is missing a cemetery off of Sawmill Branch toward Havens Wildlife Management Area. Anyone off of Wildwood has burial rights at this cemetery.
- Concerned about water runoff into local creeks from the new drainage pipes at Glenvar High School causing yard and road flooding nearby.
- Protect viewsheds/preserve views from Green Hill Park.
- Preserve wooded areas north of Interstate 81 and limit further residential development of large neighborhoods.
- Fix the western boundary of the Havens Wildlife Management Area on the map.
- Value the rural character of Glenvar (north of Interstate 81). It is a quiet and peaceful community.
- There should be a museum about the Native Americans in Glenvar. It would be historically fascinating to know about them.
- The mercury content in the Roanoke River is bad. You cannot eat the fish if you catch them.
- Value the Roanoke River as a recreational/tourism asset. Need to emphasize communication of information such as water level, put-ins and trash receptacles.
- Value the Poor Mountain Preserve and Green Hill Park as natural assets accessible to the public.

Staff Observations

Land Use

- There was not a consistent, common theme among the land use comments received from Glenvar residents. Some wanted the area to remain exactly as it is, while others want to see modest commercial additions, improvements and opportunities. Many people came to the meeting to learn, but did not comment right away (they may do so in the survey).

Community Facilities

- Overall, citizens are pleased with community facilities in the Glenvar area, but would like more funding to go towards their existing facilities. Green Hill Park is viewed as a tourism destination and economic development driver for the area due to its size and proximity to Interstate 81, so citizens would like some new amenities at the park similar to Explore Park. Citizens want to see more recycling options and Roanoke County Parks, Recreation, and Tourism programming courses in Glenvar.
- Residents of Glenvar see it as a leader for the region due to high quality schools and the parks within easy driving distance of Roanoke and the New River Valley

for families who work in both areas. They want to see rural broadband efforts expanded upon to make more of the community a realistic choice to live for younger families.

Transportation

- There was a lot of positive interest in all of the projects we had on display. I had several great comments about the West Main Street sidewalk project under construction. Attendees were also excited about the West Roanoke River Greenway being constructed in the near future. There was also interest in the Diuguids Lane Bridge closure coming up, the Wayside Park improvements, the Dry Hollow Road project and all of the widening projects funded on Interstate 81, which attendees said were desperately needed. I again spoke with many people about the CORTRAN program and most had not heard of it before. Three CORTRAN surveys were completed at the meeting.

Miscellaneous

- Most of the people were positive about this meeting; however, there were a few who thought that this meeting was designed for no public input.



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Mount Pleasant

Meeting: Mount Pleasant Elementary School - Thursday, September 23, 2021

Attendee Count: 30

Staff present:

Planning	Long Range	Transportation	Zoning	Economic Dev.
Philip Thompson	Bailey Howard-DuBois	Megan Cronise	Becky James	Wade Taylor
Cecelia Monnin	Alex Jones	Isaac Henry		GSPRT
	Cecile Newcomb	Will Crawford		Mark Courtright
		Brian Epperley		

Land Use

Meeting Exercise: Place post-it note comments on the map or write comments on the pad.

- 1. Where are current issues with land uses?
- 2. Where are there zoning enforcement issues?
- 3. What types of development are desired?
- 4. Where should new development go?
- 5. Where should redevelopment happen?

Meeting Exercise Comments:

- I would like to see patio homes for older residents.
- I like the residential areas that are in the County now.
- Schools are important to the Mount Pleasant area.
- I would like to see Explore Park continue to develop and bring in revenue from the businesses.
- There is an E.C. Pace landfill off of Pitzer Road that is causing problems. There is potential pollution running into Back Creek and the landfill truck traffic is causing a lot of wear and tear on the road. I am concerned about the future use of the property.
- I want more recreation: bike lanes, trails etc. I want this area to stay rural. Development should happen in urban areas only, such as the 419 Town Center area. Leave undeveloped areas as they are.
- I do not like the Loblolly Mills development plan – do not allow this type of development in the future.
- The rezoning process for Loblolly Mills was pushed through, the public input was squelched and limited, while the developer was given everything he wanted. Citizens were treated like pawns. The Board of Supervisors members were laughing and acting unprofessional during the public hearing.
- Keep building more greenways, outdoor recreation and developing Explore Park. People love the trail connections and getting outside and being next to the Roanoke River.
- In the Highland Road area keep development as it is.
- Contractors should not have signs up at construction sites, they are eye sores.
- There is a lot of garbage at construction sites.

- The Dark Skies Initiative should be followed throughout the County.
- Patio homes are wanted.
- Include community use in Suburban Village future land use designation.
- More residential housing is needed in affordable price range (\$150,000 – \$250,000).
- Do not let Mount Pleasant Park become residential. I would like to see improvements to the Park; more trails and an off-leash section for dogs.
- The residential area bounded by Mayfield, Indian Rock, Bandy Road and the Blue Ridge Parkway should remain as is. Change the future land use designation from Conservation to Development.
- Keep Mount Pleasant as undeveloped natural countryside and agricultural.

General Comments:

- We need more tolerance and acceptance of everyone. Appreciate diversity and enforce laws to keep everyone safe.
- Outdoor recreation and tourism is the way to grow; the County should support this.
- Focus on Explore Park.
- I support the Explore Park Adventure Plan.

Community Facilities

Meeting Exercise: Tell us about the facilities that you use.

Leave a suggestion or comment about issues or needs for community facilities.

Meeting Exercise Comments:

- Parking at Mount Pleasant Park is inadequate during summer sports and forces users to park on the road.
- A southern connection to Explore Park would benefit local residents. There is an access road that some use to connect to the end of Rutrough Road which is not appropriate for most vehicles.
- There is a lot of interest and frustration with internet/broadband service and reliability in the community. Citizens expressed many issues with COX and DSL being the only options as the service provided is weak and the cost is expensive.
 - Bandy Road, Brookridge Road, Rutrough Road, and Pitzer Road are major areas of concern.
- Citizens requested more litter cleanup efforts in the community by VDOT or the Sheriff's Department inmate crews.
- Citizens would like to see a recycling drop off location in the Mount Pleasant village area. Many citizens felt like the community's residents need to be educated on the recycling options that currently exist in the County. Multiple citizens recommended a recycling facility at Mount Pleasant Library.
- Mount Pleasant Park would be better utilized by the community if it received improvements or an expansion. Citizens would like to see more picnic shelter



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options, more small paved walking trails, and recreation sports for all ages (kid, teen, and adult leagues).

- Citizens would like to see more athletic fields. If there is not space at Mount Pleasant Park, elsewhere in the community would be great.
- Cell phone service is not available in many parts of the community, including Explore Park by many carriers. Citizens questioned whether the County could increase cell service at Explore Park which would help the surrounding neighborhoods as well.
- Brookridge Road and Coopers Coopers Cove Road received broadband expansion, but there is still a missing gap on the southside of Back Creek that needs improvements. The Roanoke County GIS maps online say broadband is available here, but it is not.
- Jae Valley Park has been a great amenity added to the Mount Pleasant Area. Many citizens appreciate the new park. However, the parking lot often floods or gets washed out which makes it unusable. Citizens suggested paving the parking lot. Also, citizens would like to see a "beach", kayak launch improvements, more trail improvements. Also, with more amenities, keeping in mind the need for Fire & Rescue to have large enough access onto the property and down to the creek.
- Many citizens requested Glo-Fiber in the community, similar to how other areas in the County have received this service.
- Mount Pleasant Library Branch needs longer hours and more overall improvements.
- Citizens questioned if a small park, like Jae Valley Park, could be built along Back Creek off of Bandy Road.
- I would like to see an alternate internet provider besides Cox.
- Internet access at the end of Brookridge Road is needed.
- Either do Mount Pleasant Library right or tear it down.
- I cannot get in the library; pave the parking lot.
- I would like to see the Mount Pleasant Library expanded.

General Comments:

- Broadband, cell phone service, and recycling seem to be the biggest concerns in the community.
- Citizens enjoy the current Parks and Recreation options, but would like to see more amenities in the local parks – Mount Pleasant Park and Jae Valley Park.

Transportation

Meeting Exercise: What are the transportation needs in this area?

Leave a comment about: Road safety issues, Pedestrian, bicycle and/or transit needs.

Route 116

- The curve on Route 116 where the crash hotspot is located is called "Wheeler's Curve."

- Add additional signage or anything else that would help to deter tractor-trailers from using Route 116. Franklin County needs the "No Through Trucks" signage that Roanoke County has.
- Add a Blue Ridge Parkway exit at Route 116.

Route 220

- Need more put-ins for Back Creek on Route 220.
- Keep I-73 on Route 220 and away from Mount Pleasant.

Ballard Road

- There is a spring on Ballard Road that causes drainage issues and a dip in the road.

Bandy Road

- Add bicycle warning signs or bike lanes on Bandy Road.
- The pavement on Bandy Road has been in bad shape for years. The City of Roanoke section is better maintained.
- Stormwater infrastructure is needed on the northern section of Bandy Road into the City of Roanoke.

Bandy Road/Mayfield Drive

- There has been increased traffic in the Mayfield Drive/Bandy Road area in recent years.
- The Mayfield Drive/Bandy Road intersection is confusing and dangerous. There is not sufficient sight distance. When going north on Mayfield Drive, people ignore the stop sign and go straight on Bandy Road. When going south on Bandy Road, people ignore northbound Bandy Road traffic and go straight on Mayfield Drive. Signage may help to alleviate this issue.
- Widen Mayland Road and Bandy Road.

Blue Ridge Parkway

- Add bicycle warning signs or bike lanes on the Blue Ridge Parkway.
- The section of the Blue Ridge Parkway that is currently closed is an important flood evacuation route for the Mount Pleasant area. Lots of people used it to get out during the flood of 1985.

Brookridge Road

- Brookridge Road should be widened if the location of the houses will allow it.
- Widen Brookridge Road. Two cars cannot get by at the same time.

Eastland Road/HIGHLAND Road

- Need more speed enforcement on Eastland Road and Highland Road.
- Need more speed enforcement on Highland Road. Speed boards would help.
- Don't widen roads or expand capacity in the Eastland Road/HIGHLAND Road area. Preserve the rural character of that area.



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Greenways/Sidewalks

- Construct greenways in southern portion of Mount Pleasant CPA.
- Add sidewalks along roadways in Mount Pleasant around school, churches, and the library to Brookfield subdivision.

Horseshoe Bend Road

- The pavement on Horseshoe Bend Road has already deteriorated after the last repaving, which was recent.

Pebble Drive

- There is localized flooding along Pebble Drive. Stormwater infrastructure is needed.

Pitzer Road

- Mount Pleasant Boulevard/Pitzer Road intersection is confusing and dangerous. Delivery trucks bottom out turning left onto Pitzer Road from Mount Pleasant Boulevard.
- The pavement on Pitzer Road is in bad shape due to large truck traffic. It needs repaving.
- There are speeding issues on Pitzer Road near Randall Drive. The shoulder is also deteriorating at this location.
- Add "Share the Road" signage on Pitzer Road.
- Pitzer Road needs stormwater management near Mount Pleasant Park because water runs down the road and erodes ditches.
- Pavement on Pitzer Road is in bad shape due to 20-40 large trucks a day going to the E.C. Pace landfill. Pitzer Road needs to be repaved and widened for truck use.
- Pitzer Road needs to be widened and also needs street lights. There are only two street lights on Pitzer Road between Mount Pleasant Boulevard and Coopers Cove Road.
- Pitzer Road is currently closed around the Ballyhack Golf Club and the temporary road is terrible. Gravel and debris are scattered everywhere. Roanoke County and VDOT should make sure contractors are following the conditions of security bonds.
- There are lots of cyclists on Pitzer Road. Pitzer Road needs paved shoulders.
- Need to improve bicycle safety on Pitzer Road. Either bike lanes or signage would help.
- There is a lot of dirt on Pitzer Road due to trucks pulling out of the E.C. Pace landfill.
- The pavement on Pitzer Road is in bad shape due to large truck traffic.
- Pitzer Road was patched and then the patch sunk into the roadway. A better solution is needed.
- Pave Pitzer Road.
- Repave the area around the Pitzer Road/Brookridge Road intersection.
- Need guardrails on Pitzer Road around Back Creek.

Randall Drive

- Randall Drive needs to be widened. Two cars cannot pass at the same time.

Rutrough Road

- Open the maintenance road off of Rutrough Road for more routes into Explore Park.
- Need better wayfinding to Explore Park along Rutrough Road.
- There has been a lot more traffic on Rutrough Road now that the Blue Ridge Parkway is closed.

General Comments:

1. Need pick up points for Valley Metro in Mount Pleasant.
2. Add walking paths from subdivisions to greenway where feasible.
3. Need more education on bike laws and bike safety for motorists.
4. Need more streetlights at intersections in Mount Pleasant.

Protection and Preservation

Meeting Exercise: Leave a comment about natural and cultural resources on the map. Tell us what this map is missing? What's valuable to you and why? What is impacted or needs improvement?

Meeting Exercise Comments:

- Contaminated stormwater from the E.C. Pace landfill on Pitzer Road is running off into Back Creek.
- The County should protect the area's greenspace. They should not allow further development of natural areas.
- Regular dumping occurs off of the Blue Ridge Parkway, particularly around the overpasses.
- Many local residents bike on the Blue Ridge Parkway and create informal bike paths to get back to their neighborhoods.
- There is an inert landfill off of Sterling Road. Although the landfill should have been capped, it appears that some activity continues to go on around it and a resident was skeptical about the restoration and revegetation efforts that should have occurred. The landfill causes stormwater runoff on the road.
- Viewsheds which are important to protect include views of Mill Mountain, views from the Blue Ridge Parkway, and views from Explore Park.
- Stormwater retention is needed for runoff on Pitzer Road and Brookridge Road.
- Back Creek should be stocked with trout.
- Some of the historic properties shown on the map from the 1992 Survey have been demolished and should be removed from the data.

General Comments:



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- Access to recycling facilities is needed in Mount Pleasant. Education about how to recycle properly is also needed for residents. The lack of proper recycling options may increase incidents of residents burning waste (like cardboard).
- There is concern about denser residential developments' impact on environment, natural spaces and quality of life for rural area residents.

Staff Observations

- Attendees were very enthusiastic about sharing transportation issues and ideas for improvement. Staff received many comments, usually multiple comments from each attendee. Among the people staff talked to, the most common themes were pavement condition (particularly on Pitzer Road and Bandy Road), roadway maintenance, roadway width (particularly Pitzer Road and Brookridge Road), and more infrastructure for cyclists (particularly on Pitzer Road and the Blue Ridge Parkway).
- Staff talked with several people about the CORTRAN program and more than half were not aware that the program existed. There were also several attendees who were unaware of Jae Valley Park. Staff also spoke with a realtor who talked about how the community is starting to change over and transition from lifelong residents to younger families.
- Environmental hazards and recycling were major themes of the Protection and Preservation station. Several attendees stated a desire for a local recycling drop off and better education for residents.
- Broadband seemed to be a universal concern for both people with and without service.
- Attendees would like to see more information provided on the Economic Development department's efforts in Roanoke County, including the new ELEVATE 2026 Strategic Plan.
- While a number of attendees were pro-development, attendees generally wanted to keep the CPA low density rural ("country"). Attendees were supportive of Explore Park's recreational assets and plans for greenways to connect to the park and to the Roanoke River Greenway. Staff did not hear support for more intensive development.
- Several attendees shared that they really enjoyed the opportunity to learn at the meeting. One person commented that she had participated in the 2005 Community Plan meetings and felt that the current community-focused approach would be more effective than the one-size-fits-all approach of the previous plan.
- Many citizens mentioned they had forgotten about the meeting, even after receiving the flyer, but were reminded due to a post in the Mount Pleasant Facebook Group. There seems to be a misconception about the meetings that people are expected to stay the entire four hours. There have been a few questions about whether or not citizens were allowed to come in and leave at their leisure.



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Peters Creek

Meeting: Green Ridge Recreation Center - Thursday, September 16, 2021

Attendee Count: 39

Staff present:

Planning	Long Range	Transportation	Zoning	Economic Dev.
Philip Thompson Cecelia Monnin	Bailey Howard-DuBois Alex Jones Cecile Newcomb	Megan Cronise Isaac Henry Will Crawford Paula Benke	Becky James Alyssa Dunbar	Marshall Stanley

Land Use

Meeting Exercise: Place post-it note comments on the map.

- Where are current issues with land uses?
- Where are there zoning enforcement issues?
- What types of development are desired?
- Where should new development go?
- Where should redevelopment happen?

Meeting Exercise Comments:

- I would like to see more medical offices/services in planning area.
- The Future Land Use designation should be changed from Industrial to Residential on the Fralin property in the area off Hollins Road (east of the road where new residential development is planned).
- Put new Hollins library in a walkable location near the current location. People from the surrounding neighborhoods can walk to it now.
- I like the Hollins Center Plan.
- Do not allow heavy industrial uses/zoning near any schools, including Northside High and Middle Schools.
- Need transition zones between residential and industrial uses.
- Accessibility (universal design) is important, especially for aging population and others in wheelchairs.
- The Knights Inn (across from Wendy's) is a blight that negatively affects the whole area. Property owners nearby (like Wendy's) won't invest in improving their properties because it is so terrible.
- More mixed use development is needed in the Community Planning Area.
- Need for office space expansion on Williamson Road, near Hollins University.

Community Facilities

Meeting Exercise: Tell us about the facilities that you use.

Leave a suggestion or comment about issues or needs for Peters Creek's community facilities.



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Meeting Exercise Comments:

- More Roanoke County General Services, Parks, Recreation & Tourism recycling drop-off locations are needed in the Peter's Creek area. Locations near Kessler Mill Road, Northside Middle/High Schools, Hollins Library, and the Roanoke County Fleet Service Center are all desired options.
- The existing and new recycling drop-off locations need fencing surrounding the bins, similar to the Brambleton Center drop off. This eliminates excess recycling and trash from blowing into the surrounding properties and creates a cleaner experience.
- Glen Cove Elementary School and Northside Middle School need to be renovated and modernized, similar to other large Roanoke County Public School renovation projects.
- The Northside High School and Northside Middle School campus needs nicer supporting facilities, such as field houses and an astroturf football field. Funding should be provided to bring the Northside campus up to par of the new Cave Spring, Hidden Valley, and Glenvar campuses.
- All Peters Creek CPA parks, especially Brookside Park, need a walking paved path similar to the new one at Hollins park. New alternative gravel and dirt trails are also ideal if funding cannot be provided for a paved walkway. However, paved paths are essential though to ADA, elderly, and runner citizens.
- The Greenway system, such as the Tinker Creek Greenway, needs to be expanded and connected into the area. Make the Carvins Cove trails more accessible by connecting the Greenway to the new Plantation Road Shared Use Path. Connect future Greenway segments to Hollins Park, Walrond Park, and the new Hollins Library.
- The new Hollins Library should incorporate outdoor spaces to gather, read books, connect to WiFi, and host Library programs. If the new Library is placed on a large parcel, trails similar to the South County Library are wanted. Regardless of parcel size, connecting the new Library to Walrond Park, Hollins University, and the shared use path/sidewalks is wanted.
- Creating a new trailhead for the expanded Read Mountain Preserve on the Hollins side of the mountain, similar to what is found on the Bonsack side is desired.

General Comments:

- Until the new Hollins Library is built, the parking issues at the current library need to be improved. Currently, First Team employees fill the Hollins Library parking lot causing a lack of parking at the facility.

Transportation

Meeting Exercise: What are the transportation needs in this area?

Leave a comment about: Road safety issues, Pedestrian, bicycle and/or transit needs.

Meeting Exercise Comments:

Cove Road

- Cove Road between Peters Creek Road and Green Ridge Road has many pedestrians and needs sidewalk.

Hollins Road

- Need bike lanes and sidewalks on Hollins Road - signs too.

LaMarre Drive

- Need sidewalk on LaMarre Drive from Williamson Road to Brookview Road.

Mountain View Circle

- One way traffic on Mountain View Circle in front of Mountain View school.

Peters Creek Road

- For the most part traffic moves well on Peters Creek Road, however, what can be done to keep the flow going as additional business comes in?
- Crossing Peters Creek Road on foot from Burlington Elementary to the Library is very dangerous.
- Left turn lane needed on Peters Creek Road into new Carmax, otherwise left lane on Peters Creek Road southbound will back up.
- Potholes at Peters Creek Road /Airport Road intersection.
- Curb is tight on Peters Creek Road when you turn left out of Archcrest Drive. Lots of people hit it with trailers.
- People drive too fast merging onto Peters Creek Road Eastbound from 581 Northbound. Nobody yields, there should be a stop sign.
- Change timing of Peters Creek Road/Wood Haven Road signal. Increase length of south bound Wood Haven Road signal. Cars are stacking up on Wood Haven Road.

Peters Creek Road/Williamson Road

- Need improvements to make traffic flow better at Peters Creek Road/Williamson Road intersection.
- Crosswalks are needed at the Williamson Road/Peters Creek Road intersection.
- Peters Creek Road and Williamson Road are becoming very dangerous.

Plantation Road

- Any possibility to limit or reroute truck traffic on Plantation Road.
- Safe pathway/walkway from Williamson Road to Church of Brethren on Plantation Road.
- Sidewalks are needed on Plantation Road from Williamson Road to Hedgelawn Avenue.



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- Sidewalks along Plantation Road from Verndale Drive to City and north to current Plantation Road sidewalk.

Speeding Issues

- Speeding on Keffield Street and Trevilian Road.
- People speed through the neighborhood behind Goodwill.
- People speed through [the Boxley Hills] neighborhood between Plantation Road and Williamson Road as a short cut. A speed board would help.

Trevilian Road

- Curb and gutter needed on Trevilian Road.
- Trevilian Road at Clearwater Avenue - enforce stop sign.

Williamson Road

- Need safe pedestrian crossing on Williamson Road.
- East side of Williamson Road from Super Shoes to Wendy's floods. Needs storm drainage.

Miscellaneous Comments

- Carvins Cove - pave trail to walk on.
- Needs bus to Hollins University that also goes to grocery store.

General Comments:

- Staff had many discussions with attendees about the Tinker Creek Greenway as people wanted to know where it will be constructed. Staff explained the three alignments, that none have been given priority and that the greenway will go where we have willing property owners.
- Trees and large vegetation in medians can affect sight distance, especially at night and in the rain.
- There is a significant high-volume of trucks driving through the area late at night and early in the morning. Citizens suspect that the trucks are avoiding the Interstate 81 scales and would like police or VDOT to prohibit or enforce the scales.

CORTAN Comments:

- Several individuals that staff spoke with are aware of the CORTAN program due to a family member or neighbor that uses the service currently. Two individuals have seen the branded CORTAN vans around the county.
- Staff was able to share applications and or information about the CORTAN program with 10 individuals.
- Staff received two CORTAN surveys from the September 16th meeting.
- General comments – Individuals commented that, “we will all need the service at some time in our lives.” There were questions regarding if it is taxpayer funded and specific comments about a prior negative experience with RADAR.

Protection and Preservation

Meeting Exercise: Leave a comment about natural and cultural resources on the map.

Tell us what this map is missing? What's valuable to you and why? What is impacted or needs improvement?

Meeting Exercise Comments:

- Protect Tinker Creek water quality and fish/aquatic wildlife habitats.
- Unsure whether any of the preferred restoration approaches cited in a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service assessment following the chemical leak into Tinker Creek by Nutrien Ag Solutions, Inc. were ever implemented. Have not noticed restocking of trout/game fish.
- Would like to see a historic marker for Annie Dillard at the location along Tinker Creek where she did her writing.
- There should be consideration for small dam/pond/spillways to mitigate flooding on Tinker/Carvin Creek.
- As development occurs, the County should implement a strategy to replace/replant native tree species to offset environmental impacts.
- There should be homeowner/neighborhood incentives for planting (native) trees.

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Windsor Hills

Meeting: Brambleton Center - Monday, October 11, 2021

Attendee Count: 42

Staff present:

Planning	Long Range	Transportation	Zoning	Economic Dev.
Philip Thompson	Bailey Howard-DuBois	Megan Cronise	Becky James	Wade Taylor
Cecelia Monnin	Alex Jones	Isaac Henry	Alyssa Dunbar	GSPRT
	Cecile Newcomb	Will Crawford	Bill Richardson	George Assaid

- Supportive of the multi-modal transfer station that was proposed in Montgomery County and never built. That would have kept Norfolk Southern (Railroad) here. Support local assets to support local industry.
- Regional collaboration and multi-jurisdictional cooperation for economic development is needed. For example, use the railroad infrastructure that is here for new uses. Maybe Amtrak could use the East End Shops. The County should support ideas like this in the City and vice versa.
- Only develop or redevelop in areas that have the stormwater infrastructure to properly handle it.
- There is a need for more one-level residences, either patio homes or multi-level condo buildings.

Land Use

Meeting Exercise: Place post-it note comments on the map.

1. Where are current issues with land uses?
2. Where are there zoning enforcement issues?
3. What types of development are desired?
4. Where should new development go?
5. Where should redevelopment happen?

Meeting Exercise Comments:

- More trees and space for animals: Do not need more development.
- Prefer vertical building and redevelopment to horizontal development.
- There should be sensitivity/balance to building on every lot or available space: While there is agreement with property rights, development should be less dense and more rural in the county neighborhoods and subdivisions.
- Need open space for kids and animals.
- More apartments are needed. Keagy Village and Oak Grove Center are good places for apartments.
- More infill multi-family housing is needed.
- Preserve rural and forested lands.
- Need more apartments strategically located throughout the County. There is a concentration of them in Windsor Hills. They should be spread throughout the County.
- Denser housing varieties should be located in designated village centers (support the Reimagine Plans).
- This area should not become a "little Arlington." Keep development in areas that can take more density (like Tanglewood/419) without encroaching on neighborhoods. Keep the Neighborhood Conservation (future land use designated) areas protected.
- What we have here is special. Do not take the lifestyle we are able to have here for granted. Keep it calm and natural. Do not give up what we have for new economic development that would ruin how nice it is.
- Encourage local employers to grow by supporting them. Economy should grow from within, using current assets, rather than trying to bring it in from outside.

Community Facilities

Meeting Exercise: Tell us about the facilities that you use.

Leave a suggestion or comment about issues or needs for community facilities.

Meeting Exercise Comments:

- More unique indoor and outdoor PRT recreation amenities are desired in southern Roanoke County, similar to the amenities at Green Ridge Recreation Center and Explore Park. Renovate and/or expand Brambleton Center. Requests were made for aquatic options on this side of Roanoke County, similar to the Green Ridge Recreation Center, especially a heated pool that could be used year-round. The Brambleton Center should remain open and upgraded due to its central and visible location.
- When are some of the pre-pandemic programs going to return to the Brambleton Center, specifically pottery?
- Many attendees expressed frustration that the Roanoke Valley Greenway system has not been expanded in Windsor Hills or elsewhere in southern Roanoke County like other parts of the County. There is much desire from residents for the Mud Lick Greenway to be expanded to the Hidden Valley High School property as noted in the 2018 Roanoke Valley Greenway Plan. Attendees questioned whether the Mud Lick Greenway could connect to Cave Spring Corners/Brambleton Center and the Oak Grove area, too.
- More recycling drop-off locations are desired closer to the Oak Grove and Hidden Valley communities. The locations should be larger and better maintained than the existing facilities near the Brambleton Center and Tanglewood Cox Communications building. Attendees expressed a lot of frustration that the existing Roanoke County recycling bins are often full.
- Curbside recycling should be implemented in the highly populated suburbs of Windsor Hills, Cave Spring, Hollins, and around the Town of Vinton.
- General cleanup efforts and amenity improvements at Oak Grove Park are desired. Suggestions including improving and expanding the paved walking trail, better picnic shelter options, and resurfacing the tennis courts for pickleball and basketball.



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- General cleanup efforts at Garst Mill Park are desired due to consistent flooding and heavy use from the neighborhood. The new pickleball courts and playground at the park are valued and should be well maintained for years to come. Some attendees wanted to see more connections into the surrounding neighborhoods and apartment complexes from Garst Mill Park.
- Attendees requested better safety at Garst Mill Park, including more lighting, potential cameras, and/or more Roanoke County Police patrol and presence.
- Safety is a concern in some of the public parking lots in the Windsor Hills area at night, specifically at Oak Grove Elementary School's rear parking lot(s) adjacent to Oak Grove Park.
- Parents of Green Valley Elementary students expressed that the school seemed crowded compared to their peer schools at Oak Grove Elementary and Cave Spring Elementary. The parents questioned population forecasts and when/if redistricting could occur.
- An attendee questioned the county's contract with COX Communications and expressed frustration with the overall service and price.

General Comments:

- Citizens seemed displeased that certain areas of the county (Explore Park, Green Ridge Recreation Center, Green Hill Park, Greenway expansions, etc.) keep seeing recreation funding, expansions, and events and none have been in Southwest County.

Transportation

Meeting Exercise: What are the transportation needs in this area?

Leave a comment about: Road safety issues, Pedestrian, bicycle and/or transit needs.

Meeting Exercise Comments:

Route 419

- Noticing increased traffic on Route 419 and concerned about Route 419 handling traffic in the future.
- Better pedestrian accommodations needed along Route 419.
- Route 419 signals do not use opposing lefts at major intersections with new programming and cars back up on side streets. Only two or three cars can go through on each cycle from side street to Route 419.
- More mowing and streetscaping along the entire Route 419/Electric Road corridor is desired, including more street trees and year-round landscaping. Route 419 to be the focal point of Southwest County.
- At certain times of the day, I hit every red light on Route 419 from Keagy Village to Tanglewood Mall.

Bicycle/Pedestrian/Greenways

- Improvements to Garst Mill Park Greenway – need additional connections.

- Always more bike transportation safety needed - more bike lanes and greenways.
- Double center bike lanes instead of turn lanes.
- Provide separate bike lanes off roadway.
- We need walking connections from neighborhoods into public school properties so students can walk to school without having to follow circuitous streets through the subdivision. Hidden Valley High is an example of this. There are social paths cut through in some places, but no official off-road routes. It is much longer to follow the streets.
- Bike lanes needed along Brambleton Avenue.
- Social path on Garst Mill Road and Pinevale Road to Cave Spring Corners shopping center is dangerous. Needs traffic calming, signage, reduction of speed limits or sidewalks.

Cave Spring Lane

- Cave Spring Lane and side street off Farmington - Need to clear out gutters and roll curb to improve drainage.
- Need to fix potholes on Cave Spring Lane or repave the road.

Grandin Road

- People speed on Grandin Road to the point where it is hard to pull out of your driveway.
- Speed board or more speed enforcement is needed on Grandin Road.
- No shoulders on northeast portion of Grandin Road between Mud Lick Road and Glen Heather Drive.
- Very dangerous for elderly people crossing Grandin Road from Food Lion back to Fairington Apartments.

Keagy Road

- Lack of people paying attention to road signs and speed limits.
- Cresting hill towards Fairway Forest Drive on Keagy Road has a lot of speeding.
- Sugar Loaf Mountain Road/Keagy Road stop sign not being followed.
- Oak Grove area needs sidewalks, reduce speed limit to 35 mph.
- "Smart light" blinking yellow left at both Keagy Road/Route 419 intersections is needed.
- Bike lanes and pedestrian accommodations needed on Keagy Road.
- Keagy Road at the bottom between Walton Lane and Farmwood Drive floods and rocks wash off the hillside onto the road and cars speed through here too. [Possible joint issue with the City of Salem]

Other Streets

- Need to fix potholes on Lakeland Drive and Green Meadow Road or repave the road.
- Castle Rock Road and Stoney Brook Drive - can more 25 mph signs be installed?
- Street Maintenance (potholes, etc.) needed on streets north of Garst Mill Park. A lot of traffic on these streets (Overbrook Drive and Willowlawn Street).



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- Unsafe entrance/exit of Winterberry Pointe causing multiple collisions and injuries.
- Make the big, busy county roads into boulevards with street trees.

Transit

- Some attendees are supportive of bringing Valley Metro buses down Brambleton Ave/Route 221 and/or Electric Rd/Route 419 to Cave Spring Corners Kroger and the Brambleton Center.

Protection and Preservation

Meeting Exercise: Leave a comment about natural and cultural resources on the map.
Tell us what this map is missing? What's valuable to you and why? What is impacted or needs improvement?

Meeting Exercise Comments:

- Stormwater mitigation is needed in the Oak Grove area. Several attendees spoke about stormwater concerns exacerbated by development and fear that new development in the Oak Grove or along major roads would increase this problem for the community.
- Two attendees mentioned that McVitty Road (between Castle Rock and Old Cave Spring Road) floods when Mudlick Creek is flooded.
- There are stormwater and flooding problems at Brookfield Drive and Stoneybrook Drive. The bridge and culverts on Sorrel Lane get blocked and overgrown, which clogs the water.
- Stormwater mitigation is needed to address drainage concerns at Valley Drive and Route 419.
- Stormwater coming from Canterbury Park is not draining appropriately on Roselawn Road, causing regular flooding of several backyards.
- Natural spaces should be protected as part of new development or added as part of redevelopment.
- Green space or community green/recreation space should be a requirement of new development and neighborhoods.
- Water quality should be prioritized because of its importance to wildlife habitats.
- Several property owners who live along creeks stated that natural debris washing down the creek and growth along the creeks cause flooding on their properties, but they need support from the County for clean ups.
- A stream buffer/riparian buffer is needed for stormwater management (especially along Mudlick Creek).
- Two attendees stated that property owners should be financially supported to plant native species (especially trees) to improve the environment and local habitats.
- The County should prioritize conservation of contiguous, large tract natural/forested properties through property acquisition like it did to expand Read Mountain Preserve.
- Two attendees commented that Oak Grove Park is an important stopover for birds migrating to the area's preserves.

- Several attendees indicated that they value Happy Hollow Gardens and would love to see it expanded.
- Development and redevelopment should use pervious pavement instead of asphalt, and other mitigation measures, to improve and prevent stormwater problems.
- Trash pick-up by the Sheriff's Office and VDOT should be continued and expanded. Garst Mill Road and Route 419 have a lot of trash annually.

General Comments:

- The County should consider a green infrastructure mandate for new development.
- The County should revisit the 1992 Virginia Department of Historic Resources (VDHR) survey of potentially eligible properties for the National Register and clean up the data that we have.
- Do not allow fracking in Roanoke County. It destroys the potential in the land for all other uses for hundreds of years. I moved here from Texas because the drinking water on my ranch became black with oil.
- Control the deer population in suburban areas and neighborhoods.
- Improved stormwater management/drainage for future developments in the community is needed.

Staff Observations

Land Use

- Many attendees were aware of and supported the Oak Grove Center Plan.
- Land use comments supported future growth and higher density in the more intensely developed areas of the county that already have the transportation infrastructure, utilities and stormwater management capabilities to handle more growth. They want density, multi-level mixed use and multi-family housing to occur in the 419 Town Center and Oak Grove Center areas, therefore supporting the Reimagine Plans. Simultaneously, commenters wanted the rural areas and single family neighborhoods to remain largely as they are now, although with more walkability in the suburban neighborhoods.

Community Facilities

- Attendees wanted more indoor and outdoor recreation options in southern Roanoke County, similar to those found at Green Ridge Recreation Center and Explore Park. There is a large demand for better and more recycling options in Windsor Hills. Attendees would like to see more urgency from the County to expand Garst Mill Park's Mudlick Greenway to other parts of the community as called for in the 2018 Roanoke Valley Greenway Plan update. Overall, attendees were satisfied with the community facilities and services in the area, but would like to see more options and financial support that other parts of Roanoke County have in recent years to create a greater sense of community.



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Transportation

- Attendees tended to be eager to learn about greenway projects and supportive of bicycle and pedestrian improvements. Concern about speeding in residential neighborhoods and interest in CORTRAN were also common themes.
- In discussions about traffic signal timing on Route 419, the recent timing change seems to provide less green time for movements onto and off of the side streets. In general, attendees were glad to see the planned pedestrian crosswalk and signal improvements along Route 419. Nine CORTRAN surveys were completed and most people were unaware that the program existed. A few did notice the CORTRAN vans outside of the Brambleton Center, which are good advertising.

Protection and Preservation

- There is a great desire for improved stormwater management/drainage for future and existing developments across the entire community. Residents of this area also value natural habitats and want to actively support environmental projects through plantings, stream clean ups or other measures but feel they need to be supported by the County.

Countywide Meetings

Meeting: South County Library – Wednesday, November 17, 2021
Attendee Count: 28

Meeting: Green Ridge Recreation Center – Thursday, November 18, 2021
Attendee Count: 11

Staff present – Nov. 17:

Planning	Long Range	Transportation	Zoning	Economic Dev.
Philip Thompson Cecelia Monnin	Bailey Howard-DuBois Alex Jones Cecile Newcomb	Megan Cronise Isaac Henry Will Crawford	Becky James	Wade Taylor GSPRT Lindsay Webb

Staff present – Nov. 18:

Planning	Long Range	Transportation	Zoning
Philip Thompson	Bailey Howard-DuBois Alex Jones Cecile Newcomb	Megan Cronise Isaac Henry Will Crawford	Becky James Alyssa Dunbar

Land Use

Meeting Exercise: Place post-it note comments on the map.

1. Where are current issues with land uses?
2. Where are there zoning enforcement issues?
3. What types of development are desired?
4. Where should new development go?
5. Where should redevelopment happen?

Meeting Exercise Comments:

North County:

- Do not want the Burton Center built at Poage's Farm because it's too far out. It needs to be in a more central location.
- Incorporate the village concept throughout the County in appropriate places (Mount Pleasant, Glenvar, etc.).
- Preserve trees and vegetation and plant more trees where and whenever possible (during redevelopment or new development).

General Comments:

- People at the countywide meetings generally did not show much interest in land use, except the few who commented. There was not a strong common theme, as there were so few comments.
- One person stated that the meeting provided the most information he had received since moving here 2 years ago.



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Community Facilities

Meeting Exercise: Tell us about the facilities that you use.

Leave a suggestion or comment about issues or needs for community facilities.

Meeting Exercise Comments:

South County:

- 16 citizens came to the meeting specifically to request that the pottery studio at the Brambleton Center needs to reopen like it was prior to COVID-19.
- Pottery classes in the county were always really popular and always are filled with a wait list.
- There needs to be more Roanoke County Parks and Recreation art classes offered in general, including pottery.
- The former Brambleton Center pottery studio space needs to be upgraded as it was small for the large demand.
- There are scholarship opportunities for pottery students in Roanoke County Public Schools.
- Pottery is a community treasure. More funding on equipment, programming, etc.
- Youth should be involved in pottery. The Brambleton Center was one of the only facilities in the region.
- Oak Grove Park needs improvements and clean up – more picnic areas and trails on the neighboring outparcel.
- The current Roanoke County recycling program needs to be picked up more often with more drop off locations.
- Roanoke County needs to accept glass recycling.
- Roanoke County needs to explore curbside recycling pick up.
- No internet in many locations along Yellow Mountain Road and Mayland Road.
- A high quality skate park is needed in Roanoke County. Starkey Park and Walrond Park were options suggested by citizens.

North County:

- More recreation centers like Green Ridge (gyms, pools, etc.) around the county, specifically in South County.
- Continue to support major capital project investments including new facilities and major facility renovations/upgrades.
- Better and more landscaping/placemaking elements at Roanoke County facilities, gateways, and street medians.
- More recycling options.

General Comments:

- The South County meeting was attended by 16 citizens to specifically request pottery be offered again by Roanoke County Parks, Recreation, & Tourism.
- More recycling options have been requested at nearly every single community meeting this Fall.

Transportation

Meeting Exercise: What are the transportation needs in this area?

Leave a comment about: Road safety issues, Pedestrian, bicycle and/or transit needs.

Meeting Exercise Comments:

South County:

- Need a guardrail on Route 221 beyond Back Creek school.
- Need bike lanes on Route 221 near Harris bridges.
- Would like more wooded trails in the Cave Spring area and South County in general.
- Put barriers between traffic and bikes on bike lanes, specifically on Route 419.
- Ogden Road needs sidewalks and bike lanes.
- Add bike lanes on secondary roads off Route 419 into neighborhoods.
- Need more sidewalks to connect Branderwood to the South County Library and area parks.
- Pave the Wolf Creek Greenway.
- Provide bike access to Hidden Valley Middle School (put cut in guardrail).
- Make Route 419 bicycle friendly.
- How do you make Route 220 pedestrian accessible? Walmart is an attractor and people who work or shop there walk on the road.
- Add safe access to LewisGale Hospital on Mudlick Road and both sides of Route 419 [this location is in the City of Salem].
- Do not implement the through-cut plans on Route 220.
- Construct an off-road corridor from Route 460 (East County) to Bent Mountain, connecting to the Blue Ridge Parkway Trails. This will spur economic development and make the community healthier.
- Connect the Blue Ridge Parkway to Explore Park and the Roanoke River Greenway.
- Connect the Blue Ridge Parkway Parallel Trail to the Connector Trail at Gum Springs Overlook to Chestnut Ridge Trails.
- Add a wide sidewalk to Garst Mill Road.

North County:

- Merge is very tight on I-581 Exit 2 interchange. Improve this interchange.

General Comments:

South County:

- Need more bike lanes throughout County, specifically connecting to greenways.
- Add bike lanes anywhere they are able to be added.
- Construct connectivity corridors to connect subdivisions using utility right-of-way. This would reduce traffic on secondary roadways.
- Include connectivity via alternative transportation in all County plans.



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- We want a healthy community. Support funding for Safe Routes to Schools. Encourage passive recreation and transportation (i.e. trails, greenways, and sidewalks).
- Support the use of electric bikes for older residents who would like to be active.
- Village centers should have bicycle and pedestrian connectivity to neighborhoods.
- Include the following in all Community/Town Center Plans: 1) Ability of students to walk or bike to school, 2) Bicycle and pedestrian access to parks, 3) Connect parks to one another by trails.
- All major roads should include safe bicycle access.
- Empower people who cannot drive due to health reasons or age (too young or too old) to walk or bike by adding safe corridors on roads and trails.
- Work with the Blue Ridge Parkway and other organizations to connect natural and green areas.
- Increase tree canopy. "Vitamin N," Vitamin Nature, restores our soul and heals our body, both physically and mentally.

North County:

- Bicycle roll-on service needed on Amtrak.
- Provide bicycle and pedestrian accommodations to schools from nearby neighborhoods.

Protection and Preservation

Meeting Exercise: Leave a comment about natural and cultural resources on the map.

Tell us what this map is missing? What's valuable to you and why? What is impacted or needs improvement?

Meeting Exercise Comments:

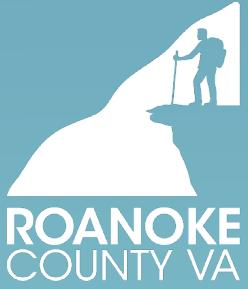
South County:

- Concerned about flooding on (City) greenways; this is a future maintenance for County greenways as they expand.
- A threat to forests in Roanoke County is the Spotted Lanternfly. Its host is the invasive Tree of Heaven. Public education should be provided early before it becomes a major problem in this area.
- There is flooding on Merriman Road east of the soccer complex. This creates a concern in the winter about ice on the road.
- Protect our natural areas and preserve the forested landscape.

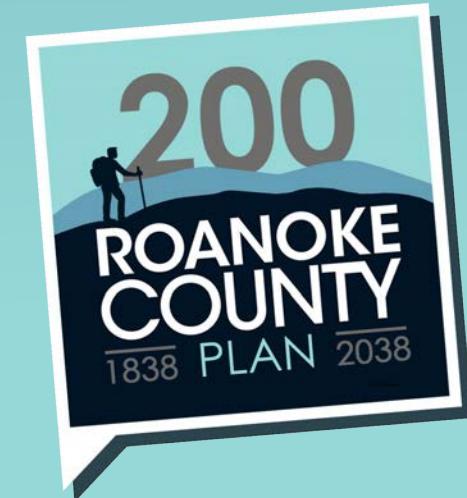
North County:

- I support limited development within commercial areas in order to protect the rural areas of the County and natural resources.
- Enforce panhandling restrictions along major roadways.
- Protect viewsheds along the Blue Ridge Parkway.
- Protect historic resources and recognize the existing historic structures.
- Are bagworms a threat in the County?
- Preserve trees and vegetation and plant more trees where possible.

APPENDIX F



SPRING 2022 Community Meeting Summaries



Back Creek Community Planning Area (CPA)

Seven Roanoke County 200 Plan open house planning meetings were held around Roanoke County in Spring 2022 for citizens to review draft goals and recommendation options based on the feedback received throughout the Fall 2021 community engagement. Draft goals were developed based on input that we received at the community meetings and online surveys in Fall 2021. Citizens reviewed and provided comments on the new draft goals and recommendations that will shape the draft Roanoke County 200 Plan document. The draft goals and recommendations displayed included natural and cultural resources, land use, community facilities and infrastructure, and transportation.

Community Meeting

The community meeting for the Back Creek CPA was held in conjunction with the Bent Mountain CPA at the Bent Mountain Center on April 18, 2022. There were 29 attendees.

Summary

Natural and Cultural Resources: The vast majority (95%) of survey and community meeting participants support the eleven initiatives to protect and improve ground, surface and stormwater resources; beautify the county's public areas, viewsheds and roadways; clean up garbage; protect steep slope areas; protect trees and forests, natural areas and wildlife habitats; as well as protection of historic and cultural resources.

Land Use: 92% of respondents support the activity centers as shown on the Activity Center Map. 81% of respondents support the proposed changes to the Future Land Use Map.

Community Facilities and Infrastructure:

1. Parks, Recreation and Tourism: 83% of respondents support the countywide initiatives as well as the following items pertaining to the Back Creek CPA:
 - a. Trail connections shown in the 2018 Roanoke Valley Greenway Plan.
 - b. Evaluate park, trail and blueway options along Back Creek.
 - c. Collaborative efforts for programming and marketing the Bent Mountain Community Center.
 - d. Evaluate park and trail needs.
 - e. Analyze potential on- and off-road alternatives for transportation and outdoor recreation.
 - f. County supported volunteer workdays (i.e. Clean Valley Day).
2. General Services: 80% of respondents support recycling options and assessments of County Fire Department Facilities and the Administration Center.
3. Public Libraries: 89% of respondents support the countywide library system initiatives.

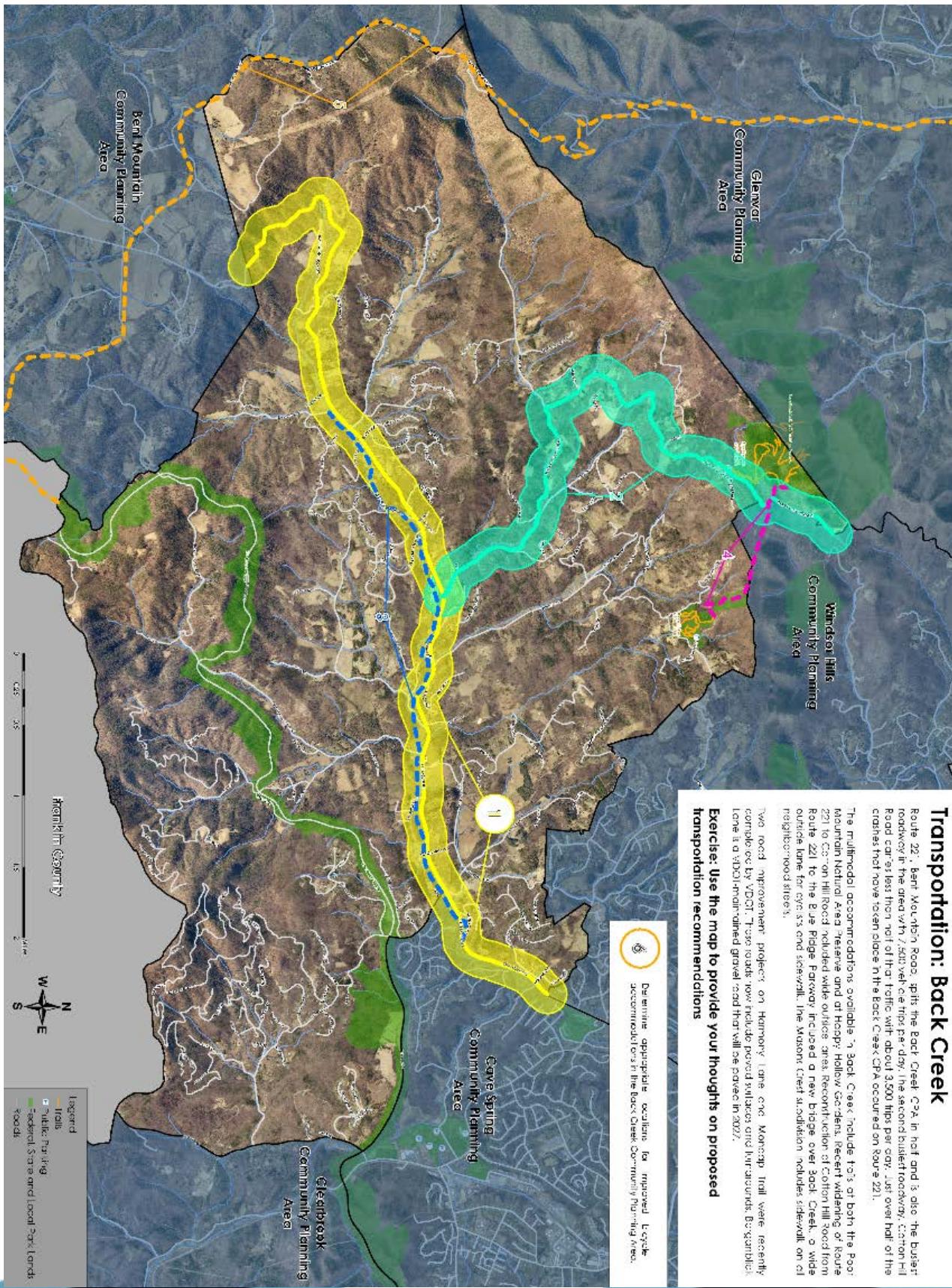
expansion and improvement of broadband and cell phone access.

- b. Public Safety: 97% of respondents support countywide public safety initiatives.

Transportation:

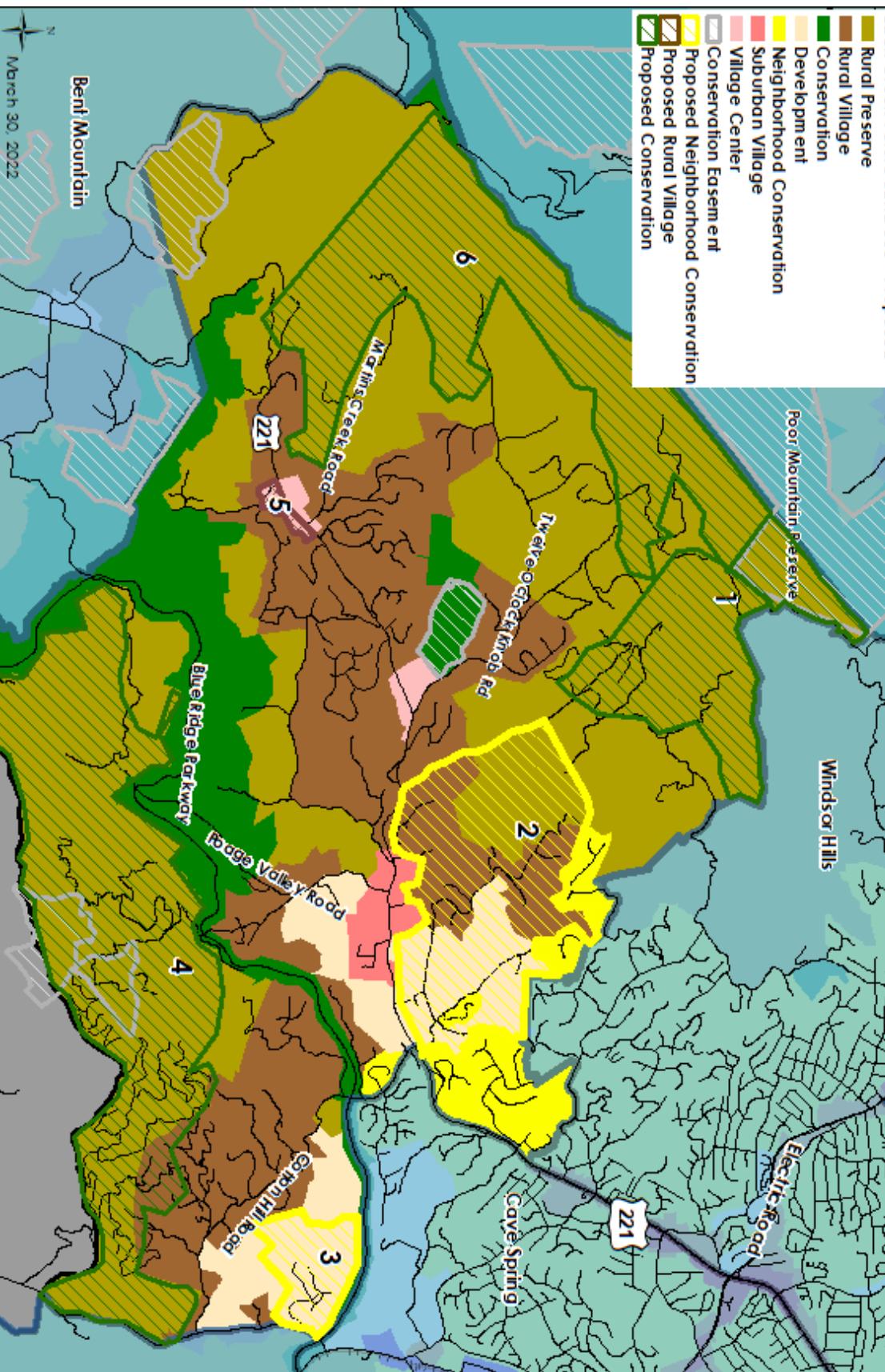
Back Creek CPA Transportation Questions	
14 Respondents	
Percentage of respondents support	
1. Route 221 multimodal safety study	100%
2. Safety improvements 12 O'Clock Knob	100%
3. Back Creek Greenway - Sunnycrest Road to AppleGrove Lane	100%
4. Connect Happy Hollow Gardens & Poor Mtn. Preserve with Long Ridge Trail	100%
5. Perimeter Trail: connect Roanoke River Greenway to Blue Ridge Parkway on Bent Mountain	100%
6. Bicycle infrastructure in Back Creek CPA	90%

Back Creek Transportation Ranking Questions	
14 Respondents	
Proposed Recommendation	Rank
2. Safety improvements for Twelve O'Clock Knob Road	1
1. Route 221/Bent Mountain Road Multimodal Safety Study	2 (tie)
3. Back Creek Greenway between Sunnycrest Road and Apple Grove Lane	2 (tie)
4. Connect Happy Hollow Gardens & Poor Mountain Preserve trails with Long Ridge Trail	4
6. Bicycle infrastructure in Back Creek CPA	5
5. Perimeter Trail	6



Roanoke County 200 Plan: Spring 2022 Community Input Summary

Land Use, Natural & Cultural Resources, Community Facilities & Infrastructure Survey: Back Creek		
	66 Respondents	
	Yes	No
Natural and Cultural Resources		
1. Protect and improve the quality of water in our streams, creeks and rivers.	65	1
2. Coordinate with State agencies regarding floodplain risks and prevention.	61	5
3. Reduce quantity and improve quality of stormwater.	61	5
4. Protect and prevent risks to surface waterways, reservoirs, underground aquifers and drinking water wells.	64	2
5. Beautify County roadways and public areas.	62	4
6. Protect viewsheds from the ridges and from the valleys.	63	3
7. Clean up and prevent litter and illegal dumping.	66	0
8. Protect steep slope areas.	63	3
9. Protect trees and forests and increase tree canopy.	61	5
10. Protect natural areas and wildlife habitats.	66	0
11. Coordinate with State agencies regarding historic and cultural resources, including cemeteries and archaeological sites.	58	8
Land Use - Activity Centers		
1. Do you support the location of the activity centers shown on the map?	35	3
2. Are there other areas in Roanoke County that should be designated as an activity center?	1	37
Land Use - Changes to Future Land Use Map		
1. From Rural Preserve to Conservation	33	8
2. From Rural Preserve, Development and Rural Village to Neighborhood Conservation	31	10
3. From Development to Neighborhood Conservation	37	5
4. From Rural Preserve to Conservation	33	9
5. From Village Center to Rural Village	34	6
6. From Rural Preserve to Conservation	32	8



Land Use, Natural & Cultural Resources, Community Facilities & Infrastructure Survey: Back Creek		
66 Respondents		
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Parks, Recreation & Tourism		
1. Evaluate new park, greenway, and blueway opportunities.	35	4
2. Evaluate on- and off-road connectivity options between parks, neighborhoods, and community facilities.	34	7
3. Continue coordination on regional efforts to enhance and develop outdoor recreation opportunities in our communities.	35	7
4. Update the Parks, Recreation & Tourism Master Plan.	34	5
5. Continue promotion of the Park Partners Program to encourage citizens and businesses, and organizations to adopt a park, greenway, or trail.	35	2
6. Educate citizens on park ordinance updates (i.e. park sign updates, dog-friendly parks/special events and leash laws, drones, etc.).	34	3
7. Continue developing programs that allow for safer post-COVID plans that balance community needs with available staffing resources.	35	10
8. Trail connections between Happy Hollow Gardens and Poor Mountain Nature Preserve in the 2018 Roanoke Valley Greenway Plan.	34	7
9. Evaluate park, greenway/trail, and blueway options along Back Creek.	34	5
10. Roanoke County Parks, Recreation & Tourism and Roanoke County Public Libraries partner with Bent Mountain Community Center about programs and marketing.	35	4
11. Evaluate park and trail needs (i.e. boardwalk trail maintenance, tennis court conversion to pickleball, etc.).	35	4
12. Analyze potential on- and off-road alternatives for transportation and outdoor recreation.	35	6
13. Host volunteer workdays (i.e. Clean Valley Day on April 9).	30	4
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: General Services		
1. Evaluate recycling program options.	35	5
2. Complete planned Roanoke County Fire Department Facilities Assessment.	35	3
3. Complete planned Roanoke County Administration Center Assessment.	34	9
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Public Libraries		
1. Improve services and continue enhancing facilities.	35	2
2. Evaluate programming needs and wants based on a variety of data and customer feedback.	35	1
3. Implement responsive, community focused program that serves people of all ages and backgrounds.	34	2
4. Ensure timely delivery of all circulating materials.	35	0
5. Raise level of engagement with the community, and increase awareness about library services and programs.	35	4
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Communication & Information Technology		
1. Explore opportunities to extend broadband service with universal availability and access to high-speed Internet in unserved and under-served areas.	35	1
2. Explore alternative broadband and cell phone providers for choice and competition.	35	1
3. Explore more public-private partnerships to implement more stages of Roanoke County's Rural Broadband Initiative to bring high-speed Internet to homes without broadband access.	35	3
4. Explore providing improved cell phone service in unserved and under-served areas.	34	2
5. Consider submitting applications for the Virginia Telecommunications Initiative (VATI) grant and other grants.	34	3
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Public Safety		
1. Provide the efficient delivery of public safety services with minimal response times.	35	0
2. Enhance and maintain public safety staffing.	35	1
3. Enhance and maintain facilities and equipment.	34	1
4. Provide a high-level of citizen engagement and educational opportunities.	35	1

Bent Mountain Community Planning Area (CPA)

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Community Meeting

The community meeting for the Bent Mountain CPA was held in conjunction with the Back Creek CPA on April 18, 2022 at the Bent Mountain Center. There were 29 attendees.

Summary

Natural and Cultural Resources: The majority (84%) of survey and community meeting participants support the eleven initiatives to protect and improve ground, surface and stormwater resources; beautify the county's public areas, viewsheds and roadways; clean up garbage; protect steep slope areas; protect trees and forests, natural areas and wildlife habitats; as well as protection of historic and cultural resources.

Land Use: 100% of respondents support the activity centers as shown on the Activity Center Map. 85% of respondents support the proposed changes to the Future Land Use Map.

Community Facilities and Infrastructure:

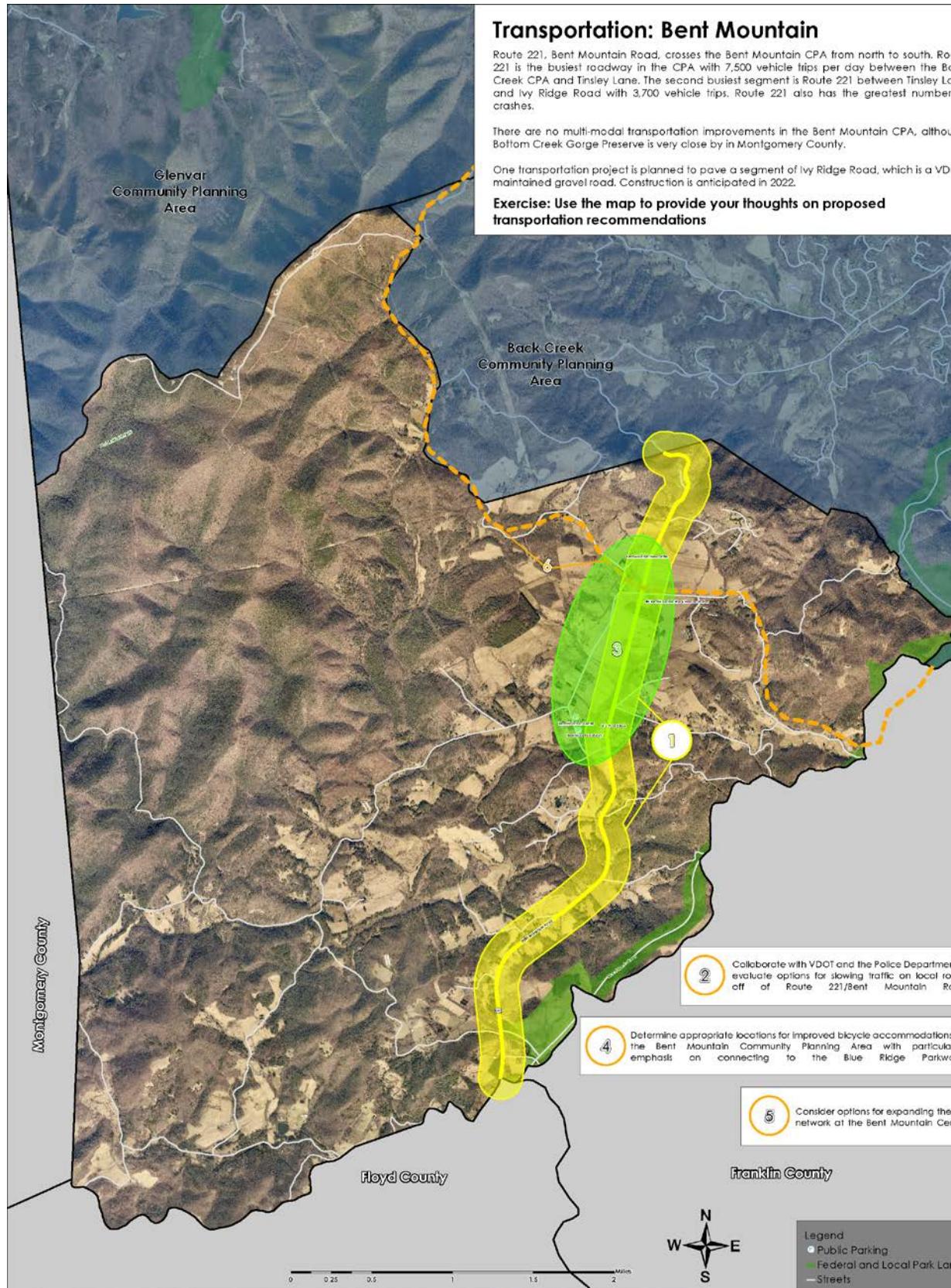
1. Parks, Recreation and Tourism: 87% of respondents support the countywide initiatives as well as the following items pertaining to the Bent Mountain CPA:
 - a. Trail connections shown in the 2018 Roanoke Valley Greenway Plan.
 - b. Evaluate park, trail and blueway options along Back Creek.
 - c. Collaborative efforts for programming and marketing the Bent Mountain Community Center.
 - d. Evaluate park and trail needs.
 - e. Analyze potential on- and off-road alternatives for transportation and outdoor recreation.
 - f. County supported volunteer workdays (i.e. Clean Valley Day).
2. General Services: 94% of respondents support recycling options and assessments of County Fire Department Facilities and the Administration Center.
3. Public Libraries: 94% of respondents support the countywide library system initiatives.

5. Public Safety: 100% of respondents support countywide public safety initiatives.

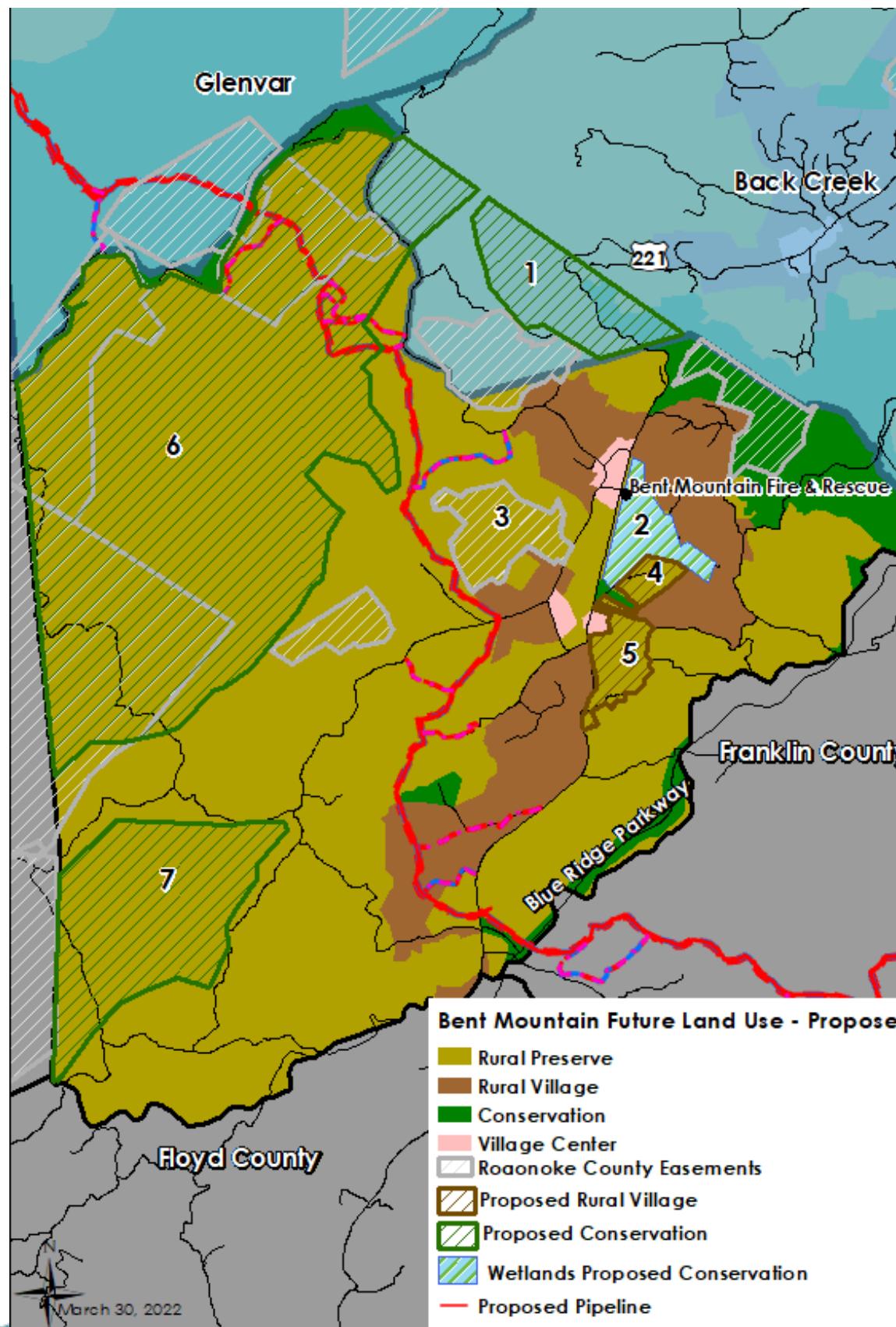
Transportation:

Bent Mountain CPA Transportation Questions	
12 Respondents (to this section)	
Percentage of respondents support	
1. Route 221 Multimodal Study	100%
2. Slow traffic on local roads	85%
3. Evaluate ped connections	100%
4. Bike infrastructure in CPA & to BRP	83%
5. Expand trails at Bent Mtn. Center	91%
6. Perimeter Trail	88%

Bent Mountain Transportation Ranking Questions	
14 Respondents (to this section)	
Proposed Recommendation	Rank
1. Comprehensive safety improvements study for Route 221	1
4. Improved bicycle infrastructure in Bent Mountain CPA. Connect to Blue Ridge Parkway.	2
3. Pedestrian connections in Bent Mountain CPA	3 (tie)
5. Expand trail network at Bent Mountain Center	3 (tie)
2. Slow traffic on local roads off of route 221	5 (tie)
6. Perimeter Trail	5 (tie)



Land Use, Natural & Cultural Resources, Community Facilities & Infrastructure Survey: Bent Mountain		32 Respondents	
		Yes	No
Natural and Cultural Resources			
1. Protect and improve the quality of water in our streams, creeks and rivers.	30	0	
2. Coordinate with State agencies regarding floodplain risks and prevention.	26	3	
3. Reduce quantity and improve quality of stormwater.	22	6	
4. Protect and prevent risks to surface waterways, reservoirs, underground aquifers and drinking water wells.	30	0	
5. Beautify County roadways and public areas.	24	6	
6. Protect viewsheds from the ridges and from the valleys.	30	0	
7. Clean up and prevent litter and illegal dumping.	28	1	
8. Protect steep slope areas.	29	1	
9. Protect trees and forests and increase tree canopy.	29	1	
10. Protect natural areas and wildlife habitats.	29	1	
11. Coordinate with State agencies regarding historic and cultural resources, including cemeteries and archaeological sites.	19	1	
Land Use - Activity Centers	Yes	No	
1. Do you support the location of the activity centers shown on the map?	20	0	
2. Are there other areas in Roanoke County that should be designated as an activity center?	19	1	
Land Use - Changes to Future Land Use Map	Yes	No	
1. From Rural Preserve to Conservation	19	1	
2. From Rural Preserve to Conservation	15	5	
3. From Rural Preserve to Conservation	17	3	
4. From Rural Preserve to Rural Village	19	1	
5. From Rural Preserve to Rural Village	19	1	
6. From Rural Preserve to Conservation	15	3	
7. From Rural Preserve to Conservation	15	2	



Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Parks, Recreation & Tourism		Yes	No
1. Evaluate new park, greenway, and blueway opportunities.	15	3	
2. Evaluate on- and off-road connectivity options between parks, neighborhoods, and community facilities.	15	2	
3. Continue coordination on regional efforts to enhance and develop outdoor recreation opportunities in our communities.	16	2	
4. Update the Parks, Recreation & Tourism Master Plan.	16	2	
5. Continue promotion of the Park Partners Program to encourage citizens and businesses, and organizations to adopt a park, greenway, or trail.	16	2	
6. Educate citizens on park ordinance updates (i.e. park sign updates, dog-friendly parks/special events and leash laws, drones, etc.).	17	1	
7. Continue developing programs that allow for safer post-COVID plans that balance community needs with available staffing resources.	13	5	
8. Trail connections between Happy Hollow Gardens and Poor Mountain Nature Preserve in the 2018 Roanoke Valley Greenway Plan.	17	1	
9. Evaluate park, greenway/trail, and blueway options along Back Creek.	16	2	
10. Roanoke County Parks, Recreation & Tourism and Roanoke County Public Libraries partner with Bent Mountain Community Center about programs and marketing.	16	2	
11. Evaluate park and trail needs (i.e. boardwalk trail maintenance, tennis court conversion to pickleball, etc.).	15	3	
12. Analyze potential on- and off-road alternatives for transportation and outdoor recreation.	15	3	
13. Host volunteer workdays (i.e. Clean Valley Day on April 9).	16	2	
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: General Services		Yes	No
1. Evaluate recycling program options.	16	2	
2. Complete planned Roanoke County Fire Department Facilities Assessment.	18	0	
3. Complete planned Roanoke County Administration Center Assessment.	17	1	
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Public Libraries		Yes	No
1. Improve services and continue enhancing facilities.	17	1	
2. Evaluate programming needs and wants based on a variety of data and customer feedback.	16	2	
3. Implement responsive, community focused program that serves people of all ages and backgrounds.	18	0	
4. Ensure timely delivery of all circulating materials.	17	1	
5. Raise level of engagement with the community, and increase awareness about library services and programs.	17	1	
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Communication & Information Technology		Yes	No
1. Explore opportunities to extend broadband service with universal availability and access to high-speed Internet in unserved and under-served areas.	18	0	
2. Explore alternative broadband and cell phone providers for choice and competition.	18	0	
3. Explore more public-private partnerships to implement more stages of Roanoke County's Rural Broadband Initiative to bring high-speed Internet to homes without broadband access.	17	0	
4. Explore providing improved cell phone service in unserved and under-served areas.	17	0	
5. Consider submitting applications for the Virginia Telecommunications Initiative (VTI) grant and other grants.	17	0	
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Public Safety		Yes	No
1. Provide the efficient delivery of public safety services with minimal response times.	16	0	
2. Enhance and maintain public safety staffing.	16	0	
3. Enhance and maintain facilities and equipment.	16	0	
4. Provide a high-level of citizen engagement and educational opportunities.	16	0	



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Bonsack-Vinton Community Planning Area (CPA)

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Community Meeting

The community meeting for the Bonsack-Vinton CPA was held in conjunction with the Mount Pleasant CPA on April 14, 2022 at the Vinton Community Center. There were 14 attendees.

Summary

Natural and Cultural Resources: The majority (89%) of survey and community meeting participants support the eleven initiatives to protect and improve ground, surface and stormwater resources; beautify the county's public areas, viewsheds and roadways; clean up garbage; protect steep slope areas; protect trees and forests, natural areas and wildlife habitats; as well as protection of historic and cultural resources.

Land Use: 93% of respondents support the activity centers as shown on the Activity Center Map, while 10% indicated interest in additional activity centers. 75% of respondents support the proposed changes to the Future Land Use Map.

Community Facilities and Infrastructure:

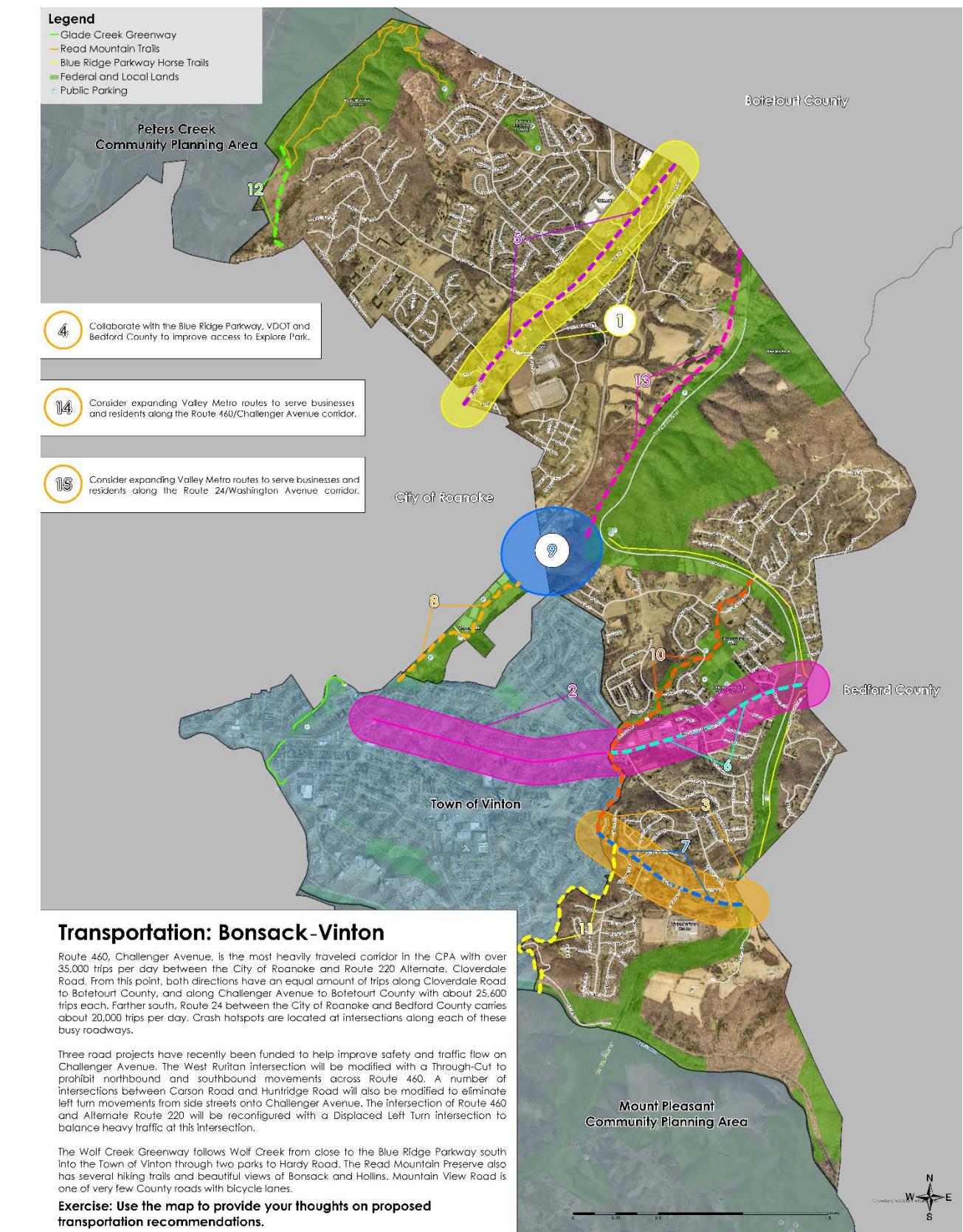
1. Parks, Recreation and Tourism: 81% of respondents support the countywide initiatives as well as the following items pertaining to the Bent Mountain CPA:
 - a. Implementation of Explore Park Adventure Plan.
 - b. Evaluate opportunities for parks & greenways/trails (Glade Creek, Wolf Creek and Read Mountain).
 - c. Explore new park, greenway and blueway opportunities.
 - d. Continue coordination with the Blue Ridge Parkway for implementation of the Roanoke Valley Trail Plan.
 - e. Continued evaluation of park, recreation, and programming needs at existing parks (i.e. Jae Valley Park – Back Creek).
2. General Services: 78% of respondents support recycling options and assessments of County Fire Department Facilities and the Administration Center.
3. Public Libraries: 72% of respondents support the countywide library system initiatives.

5. Public Safety: 91% of respondents support countywide public safety initiatives.

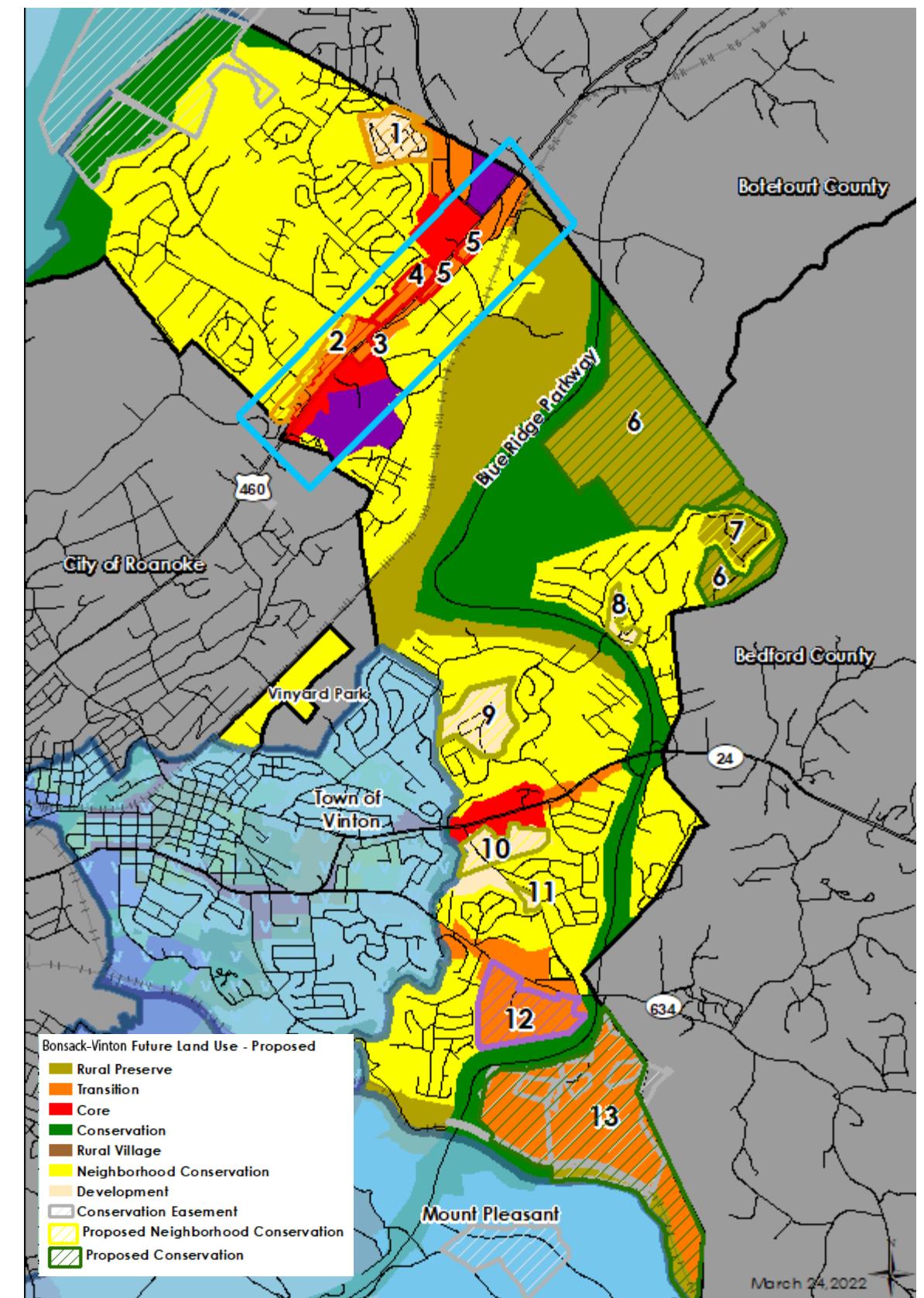
Transportation:

Bonsack-Vinton CPA Transportation Questions	
22 Survey Respondents	
Percentage of respondents support	
1. Route 460 Land Use Connectivity Study	90%
2. Washington Ave Corridor Study	90%
3. Hardy Road improvements	80%
4. Explore Park Access	80%
5. Route 460 Challenger bike & ped infrastructure	30%
6. Washington Ave bike & ped infrastructure	70%
7. Hardy road bike & ped infrastructure	30%
8. Glade Creek Greenway Vinyard Park	80%
9. Glade Creek Greenway to BRP	80%
10. Wolf Creek Greenway improvements	80%
11. Wolf Creek greenway Hardy Rd to RR Greenway	70%
12. Read Mountain Greenway	84%
13. Perimeter Trail	84%
14. Expand Valley Metro Route 460 Challenger Ave	53%
15. Expand Valley Metro Route 24 Washington Ave	58%

Bonsack-Vinton Transportation Ranking Questions	
22 Respondents	
Proposed Recommendation	Rank
1. Route 460 Land Use and Connectivity Study	1
2. Washington Avenue corridor improvement study	2
4. Improve access to Explore Park	3 (tie)
8. Glade Creek Greenway through Vinyard Park	3 (tie)
3. Multi-modal improvements on Hardy Road	5 (tie)
10. Improve Wolf Creek Greenway	5 (tie)
11. Wolf Creek Greenway - Hardy Road to Roanoke River Greenway	7 (tie)
12. Read Mountain Greenway - City of Roanoke to Read Mountain Preserve	7 (tie)
14. Extend Valley Metro to Route 460/Challenger Avenue	7 (tie)
9. Glade Creek Greenway - Vinyard Park East to Blue Ridge Parkway	10 (tie)
15. Extend Valley Metro to Route 24/Washington Avenue	10 (tie)
6. Bicycle/pedestrian infrastructure - Washington Avenue to Bedford County	12 (tie)
13. Perimeter Trail - Glade Creek Greenway to Botetourt County	12 (tie)
5. Bicycle/pedestrian infrastructure - Route 460/Challenger Avenue connect to neighborhoods	14 (tie)
7. Bicycle/pedestrian infrastructure along Hardy Road - Vinton to Bedford County	14 (tie)



Land Use, Natural & Cultural Resources, Community Facilities & Infrastructure Survey: Bonsack-Vinton		54 Respondents
	Yes	No
Natural and Cultural Resources		
1. Protect and improve the quality of water in our streams, creeks and rivers.	53	1
2. Coordinate with State agencies regarding floodplain risks and prevention.	47	6
3. Reduce quantity and improve quality of stormwater.	46	7
4. Protect and prevent risks to surface waterways, reservoirs, underground aquifers and drinking water wells.	52	2
5. Beautify County roadways and public areas.	44	10
6. Protect viewsheds from the ridges and from the valleys.	43	10
7. Clean up and prevent litter and illegal dumping.	51	3
8. Protect steep slope areas.	46	7
9. Protect trees and forests and increase tree canopy.	47	6
10. Protect natural areas and wildlife habitats.	49	5
11. Coordinate with State agencies regarding historic and cultural resources, including cemeteries and archaeological sites.	50	4
Land Use - Activity Centers		
1. Do you support the location of the activity centers shown on the map?	29	2
2. Are there other areas in Roanoke County that should be designated as an activity center?	5	46
Land Use - Changes to Future Land Use Map		
1. From Development to Transition	20	8
2. From Neighborhood Conservation to Transition	16	11
3. From Transition to Core	18	8
4. From Transition to Core	18	9
5. From Transition to Core	18	8
6. From Rural Preserve to Conservation	23	4
7. From Rural Preserve to Neighborhood Conservation	17	9
8. From Development to Neighborhood Conservation	25	2
9. From Development to Neighborhood Conservation	25	3
10. From Development to Neighborhood Conservation	26	2
11. From Development to Neighborhood Conservation	25	3
12. From Transition to Principal Industrial	19	9
13. From Transition and Rural Preserve to Conservation	21	6





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Catawba Community Planning Area (CPA)

Seven Roanoke County 200 Plan open house planning meetings were held around Roanoke County in Spring 2022 for citizens to review draft goals and recommendation options based on the feedback received throughout the Fall 2021 community engagement. Draft goals were developed based on input that we received at the community meetings and online surveys in Fall 2021. Citizens reviewed and provided comments on the new draft goals and recommendations that will shape the draft Roanoke County 200 Plan document. The draft goals and recommendations displayed included natural and cultural resources, land use, community facilities and infrastructure, and transportation.

Community Meeting

The community meeting for the Catawba CPA was held in conjunction with the Masons Cove CPA on April 4, 2022 at Masons Cove Elementary School. There were 41 attendees.

Summary

Natural and Cultural Resources: The majority (90%) of survey and community meeting participants support the eleven initiatives to protect and improve ground, surface and stormwater resources; beautify the county's public areas, viewsheds and roadways; clean up garbage; protect steep slope areas; protect trees and forests, natural areas and wildlife habitats; as well as protection of historic and cultural resources.

Land Use: 86% of respondents support the activity centers as shown on the Activity Center Map, while 12% indicated interest in additional activity centers. 69% of respondents support the proposed changes to the Future Land Use Map.

Community Facilities and Infrastructure:

1. Parks, Recreation and Tourism: 64% of respondents support the countywide initiatives as well as the following items pertaining to the Catawba CPA:
 - a. Improvements at the Catawba Center.
 - b. Improvements at Whispering Pines Park.
 - c. Explore new park, greenway and blueway opportunities.
 - d. Continue regional collaboration for the Triple Crown.
 - e. Expand options for Little Free Libraries.
2. General Services: 69% of respondents support recycling options and assessments of County Fire Department Facilities and the Administration Center.
3. Public Libraries: 66% of respondents support the countywide library system initiatives.
4. Communications and Information Technology: 86% of respondents support expansion and improvement of broadband and cell phone access.
5. Public Safety: 70% of respondents support countywide public safety initiatives.

Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Parks, Recreation & Tourism	Yes	No
1. Evaluate new park, greenway, and blueway opportunities.	22	4
2. Evaluate on- and off-road connectivity options between parks, neighborhoods, and community facilities.	23	3
3. Continue coordination on regional efforts to enhance and develop outdoor recreation opportunities in our communities.	21	5
4. Update the Parks, Recreation & Tourism Master Plan.	23	3
5. Continue promotion of the Park Partners Program to encourage citizens and businesses, and organizations to adopt a park, greenway, or trail.	20	5
6. Educate citizens on park ordinance updates (i.e. park sign updates, dog-friendly parks/special events and leash laws, drones, etc.).	21	4
7. Continue developing programs that allow for safer post-COVID plans that balance community needs with available staffing resources.	15	8
8. Continue implementation of the Explore Park Adventure Plan (i.e. vehicular access between Blue Ridge Parkway and Hardy Road, mountain bike trail improvements, Roanoke River Greenway, etc.).	22	3
9. Evaluate opportunities for parks (i.e., Bonsack) and greenways/trails (i.e. Glade Creek Greenway, Wolf Creek Greenway, Read Mountain Preserve expansion, etc.).	23	1
10. Evaluate new park, greenway and blueway opportunities in the community.	22	3
11. Continue coordination with the Blue Ridge Parkway for implementation of the Roanoke Valley Trail Plan.	20	4
12. Continued evaluation of park, recreation, and programming needs at existing parks (i.e. Jae Valley Park – Back Creek).	20	5
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: General Services	Yes	No
1. Evaluate recycling program options.	20	6
2. Complete planned Roanoke County Fire Department Facilities Assessment.	24	2
3. Complete planned Roanoke County Administration Center Assessment.	17	9
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Public Libraries	Yes	No
1. Improve services and continue enhancing facilities.	16	8
2. Evaluate programming needs and wants based on a variety of data and customer feedback.	19	6
3. Implement responsive, community focused program that serves people of all ages and backgrounds.	20	4
4. Ensure timely delivery of all circulating materials.	21	4
5. Raise level of engagement with the community, and increase awareness about library services and programs.	18	6
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Communication & Information Technology	Yes	No
1. Explore opportunities to extend broadband service with universal availability and access to high-speed Internet in unserved and under-served areas.	24	1
2. Explore alternative broadband and cell phone providers for choice and competition.	24	1
3. Explore more public-private partnerships to implement more stages of Roanoke County's Rural Broadband Initiative to bring high-speed Internet to homes without broadband access.	24	1
4. Explore providing improved cell phone service in unserved and under-served areas.	22	3
5. Consider submitting applications for the Virginia Telecommunications Initiative (VATI) grant and other grants.	20	3
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Public Safety	Yes	No
1. Provide the efficient delivery of public safety services with minimal response times.	25	1
2. Enhance and maintain public safety staffing.	23	2
3. Enhance and maintain facilities and equipment.	24	1
4. Provide a high-level of citizen engagement and educational opportunities.	23	3

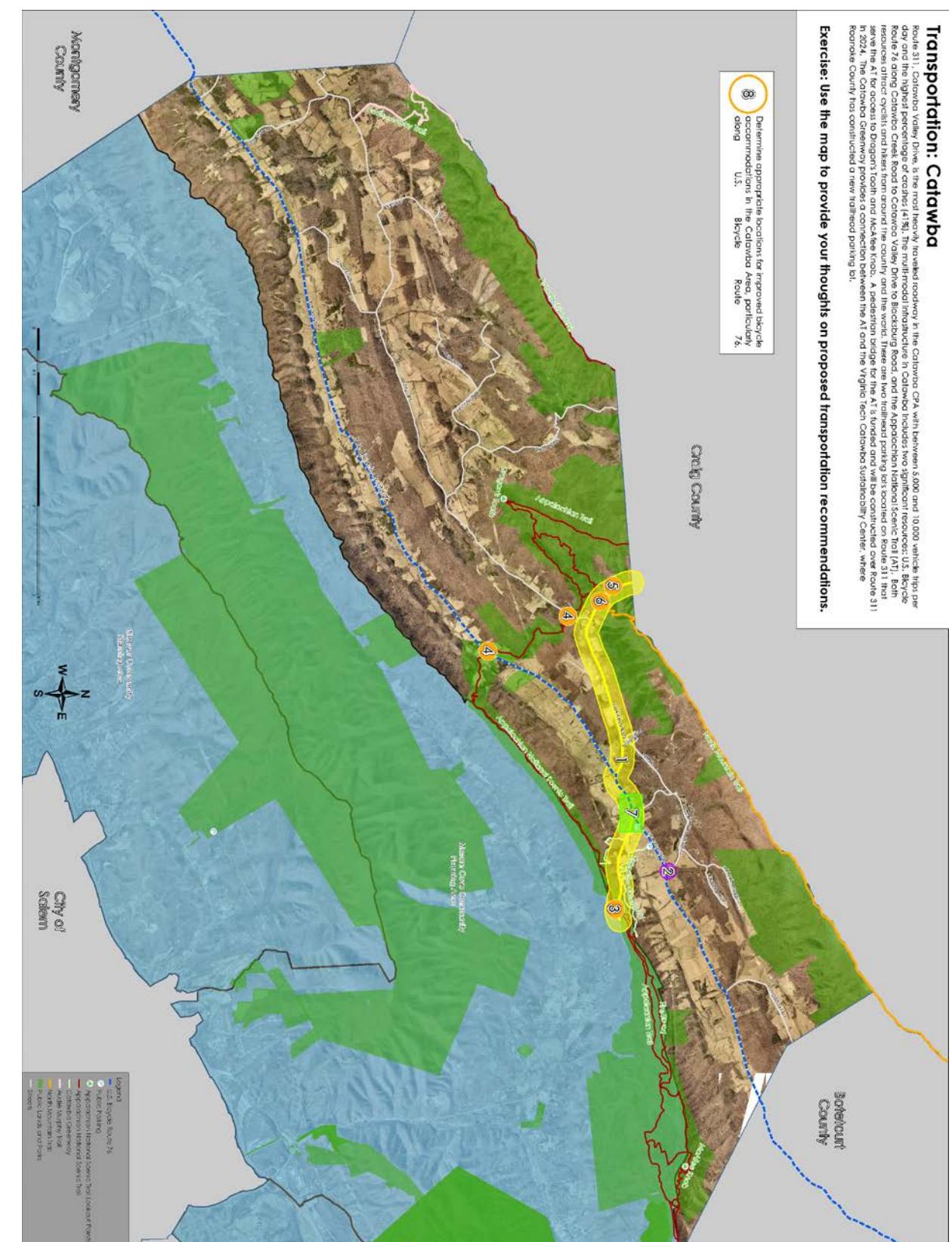
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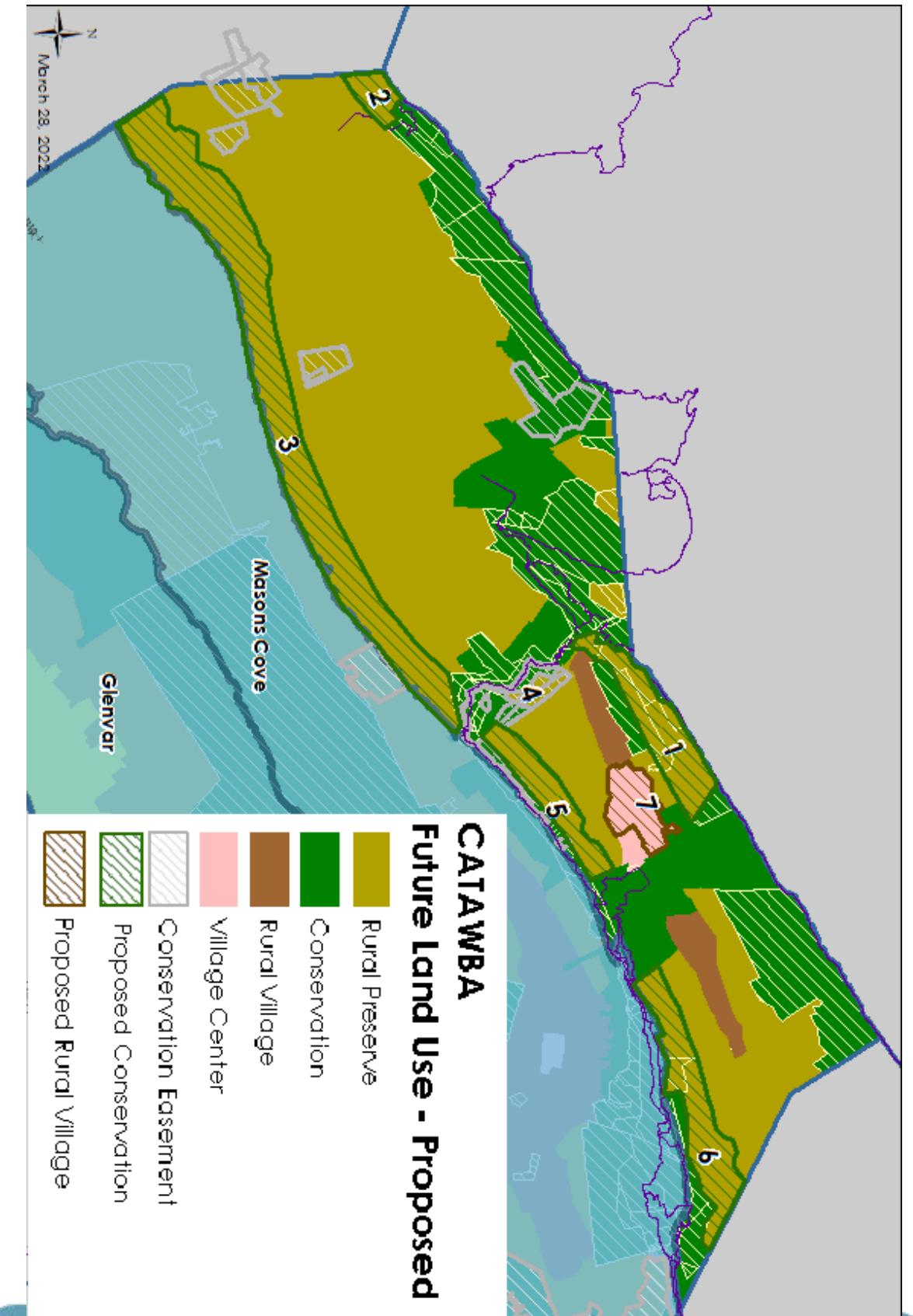
Catawba CPA Transportation Questions	
13 Survey Respondents	
Percentage of respondents support	
1. Route 311/Catawba Valley Drive Multimodal Safety Study	100%
2. Catawba Hospital access	82%
3. Improve access & accommodations Appalachian Trail & McAfee Knob	91%
4. Improve Newport Road & Blacksburg Road Appalachian Trail crossings	83%
5. Improve Dragon's Tooth trailhead parking lot	83%
6. Trailhead parking lot location for North Mountain Trail	66%
7. Pedestrian connections within Catawba Village	70%
8. Bicycle infrastructure in Catawba, along US Bicycle Route 76	63%

Catawba Transportation Ranking Questions	
13 Respondents	
Proposed Recommendation	Rank
1. Route 311 multimodal safety study	1
2. Access for Catawba Hospital	2 (tie)
3. Improve access for Appalachian Trail & McAfee Knob	2 (tie)
5. Improve Dragon's Tooth parking & access to the lot	2 (tie)
4. Improve Appalachian Trail crossings - Newport Road & Blacksburg Road	5
7. Pedestrian connections within Catawba Village	6
6. Trailhead parking for North Mountain Trail	7 (tie)
8. Improve bicycle accommodations in Catawba CPA	7 (tie)





Land Use, Natural & Cultural Resources, Community Facilities & Infrastructure Survey: Catawba		
		34 Respondent
Natural and Cultural Resources		Yes
1. Protect and improve the quality of water in our streams, creeks and rivers.	24	2
2. Coordinate with State agencies regarding floodplain risks and prevention.	21	4
3. Reduce quantity and improve quality of stormwater.	22	3
4. Protect and prevent risks to surface waterways, reservoirs, underground aquifers and drinking water wells.	23	2
5. Beautify County roadways and public areas.	23	2
6. Protect viewsheds from the ridges and from the valleys.	19	5
7. Clean up and prevent litter and illegal dumping.	24	1
8. Protect steep slope areas.	21	4
9. Protect trees and forests and increase tree canopy.	24	2
10. Protect natural areas and wildlife habitats.	23	2
11. Coordinate with State agencies regarding historic and cultural resources, including cemeteries and archaeological sites.	23	2
Land Use - Activity Centers		Yes
1. Do you support the location of the activity centers shown on the map?	18	3
2. Are there other areas in Roanoke County that should be designated as an activity center?	2	15
Land Use - Changes to Future Land Use Map		Yes
1. From Rural Preserve to Conservation	15	5
2. From Rural Preserve to Conservation	15	5
3. From Rural Preserve to Conservation	15	5
4. From Rural Preserve to Conservation	14	6
5. From Rural Preserve to Conservation	14	6
6. From Rural Preserve to Conservation	14	6
7. From Village Center to Rural Village	15	5
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Parks, Recreation & Tourism		Yes
1. Evaluate new park, greenway, and blueway opportunities.	9	4
2. Evaluate on- and off- road connectivity options between parks, neighborhoods, and community facilities.	8	5
3. Continue coordination on regional efforts to enhance and develop outdoor recreation opportunities in our communities.	8	5
4. Update the Parks, Recreation & Tourism Master Plan.	8	5
5. Continue promotion of the Park Partners Program to encourage citizens and businesses, and organizations to adopt a park, greenway, or trail.	11	2
6. Educate citizens on park ordinance updates (i.e. park sign updates, dog-friendly parks/special events and leash laws, drones, etc.).	10	3
7. Continue developing programs that allow for safer post-COVID plans that balance community needs with available staffing resources.	8	5
8. Evaluate improvements at Catawba Center (i.e., proposed playground).	9	4
9. Evaluate improvements at Whispering Pines (i.e., sports field lighting).	10	3
10. Evaluate opportunities for parks, greenways/trails, and blueways (i.e., Hinchee Trail opened in 2020; Catawba Greenway opened in 2021; Masons Cove Greenway).	10	3
11. Continue collaboration with National Park Service, VDOT, US Forest Service, and Appalachian Trail Conservancy on the Triple Crown Area (i.e. Dragons Tooth, McAfee Knob, and Tinker Cliffs).	9	4
12. Evaluate additional options for expanding Little Free Libraries Program with the Park Partners Program.	8	5
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: General Services		Yes
1. Evaluate recycling program options.	11	2
2. Complete planned Roanoke County Fire Department Facilities Assessment.	10	4
3. Complete planned Roanoke County Administration Center Assessment.	8	5
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Public Libraries		Yes
1. Improve services and continue enhancing facilities.	8	6
2. Evaluate programming needs and wants based on a variety of data and customer feedback.	9	4
3. Implement responsive, community focused program that serves people of all ages and backgrounds.	11	3
4. Ensure timely delivery of all circulating materials.	11	2
5. Raise level of engagement with the community, and increase awareness about library services and programs.	7	5
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Communication & Information Technology		Yes
1. Explore opportunities to extend broadband service with universal availability and access to high-speed Internet in unserved and under-served areas.	12	2
2. Explore alternative broadband and cell phone providers for choice and competition.	12	2
3. Explore more public-private partnerships to implement more stages of Roanoke County's Rural Broadband Initiative to bring high-speed Internet to homes without broadband access.	12	2
4. Explore providing improved cell phone service in unserved and under-served areas.	12	2
5. Consider submitting applications for the Virginia Telecommunications Initiative (VTI) grant and other grants.	12	2
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Public Safety		Yes
1. Provide the efficient delivery of public safety services with minimal response times.	11	3
2. Enhance and maintain public safety staffing.	9	5
3. Enhance and maintain facilities and equipment.	9	5
4. Provide a high-level of citizen engagement and educational opportunities.	10	4



Cave Spring Community Planning Area (CPA)

Seven Roanoke County 200 Plan open house planning meetings were held around Roanoke County in Spring 2022 for citizens to review draft goals and recommendation options based on the feedback received throughout the Fall 2021 community engagement. Draft goals were developed based on input that we received at the community meetings and online surveys in Fall 2021. Citizens reviewed and provided comments on the new draft goals and recommendations that will shape the draft Roanoke County 200 Plan document. The draft goals and recommendations displayed included natural and cultural resources, land use, community facilities and infrastructure, and transportation.

Community Meeting

The community meeting for the Cave Spring CPA was held in conjunction with the Clearbrook CPA on April 21, 2022 at Cave Spring Elementary. There were 8 attendees.

Summary

Natural and Cultural Resources: The majority (91%) of survey and community meeting participants support the eleven initiatives to protect and improve ground, surface and stormwater resources; beautify the county's public areas, viewsheds and roadways; clean up garbage; protect steep slope areas; protect trees and forests, natural areas and wildlife habitats; as well as protection of historic and cultural resources.

Land Use: 68% of respondents support the activity centers as shown on the Activity Center Map, while 22% indicated interest in additional activity centers in Cave Spring. 78% of respondents support the proposed changes to the Future Land Use Map.

Community Facilities and Infrastructure:

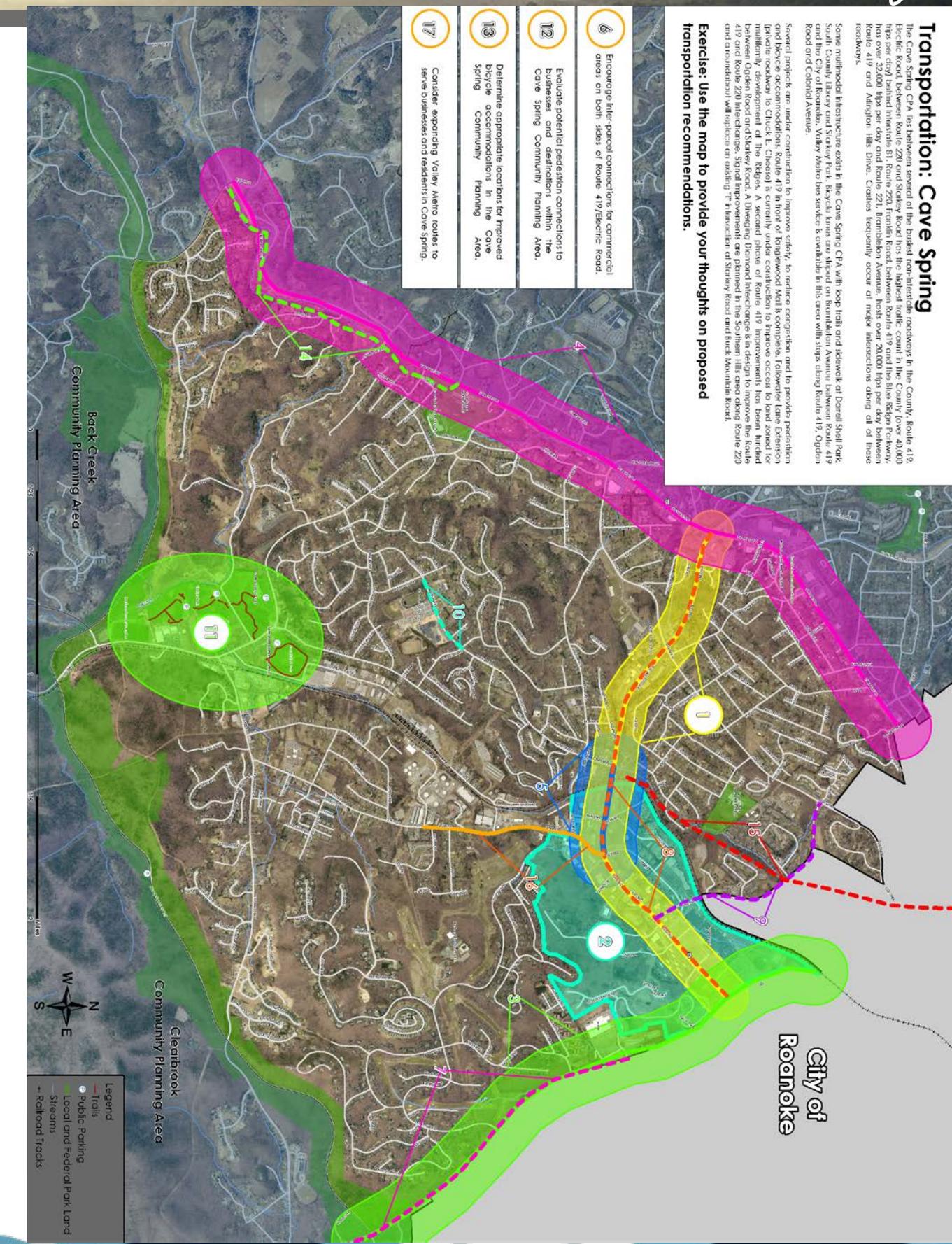
1. Parks, Recreation and Tourism: 81% of respondents support the countywide initiatives as well as the following items pertaining to the Cave Spring CPA:
 - a. Continue developing programs at the Brambleton Center.
 - b. Explore new park, greenway and blueway opportunities.
 - c. Promote Park Partners Program.
2. General Services: 85% of respondents support recycling options and assessments of County Fire Department Facilities and the Administration Center.
3. Public Libraries: 86% of respondents support the countywide library system initiatives.
4. Communications and Information Technology: 90% of respondents support expansion and improvement of broadband and cell phone access.
5. Public Safety: 91% of respondents support countywide public safety initiatives.

Transportation:

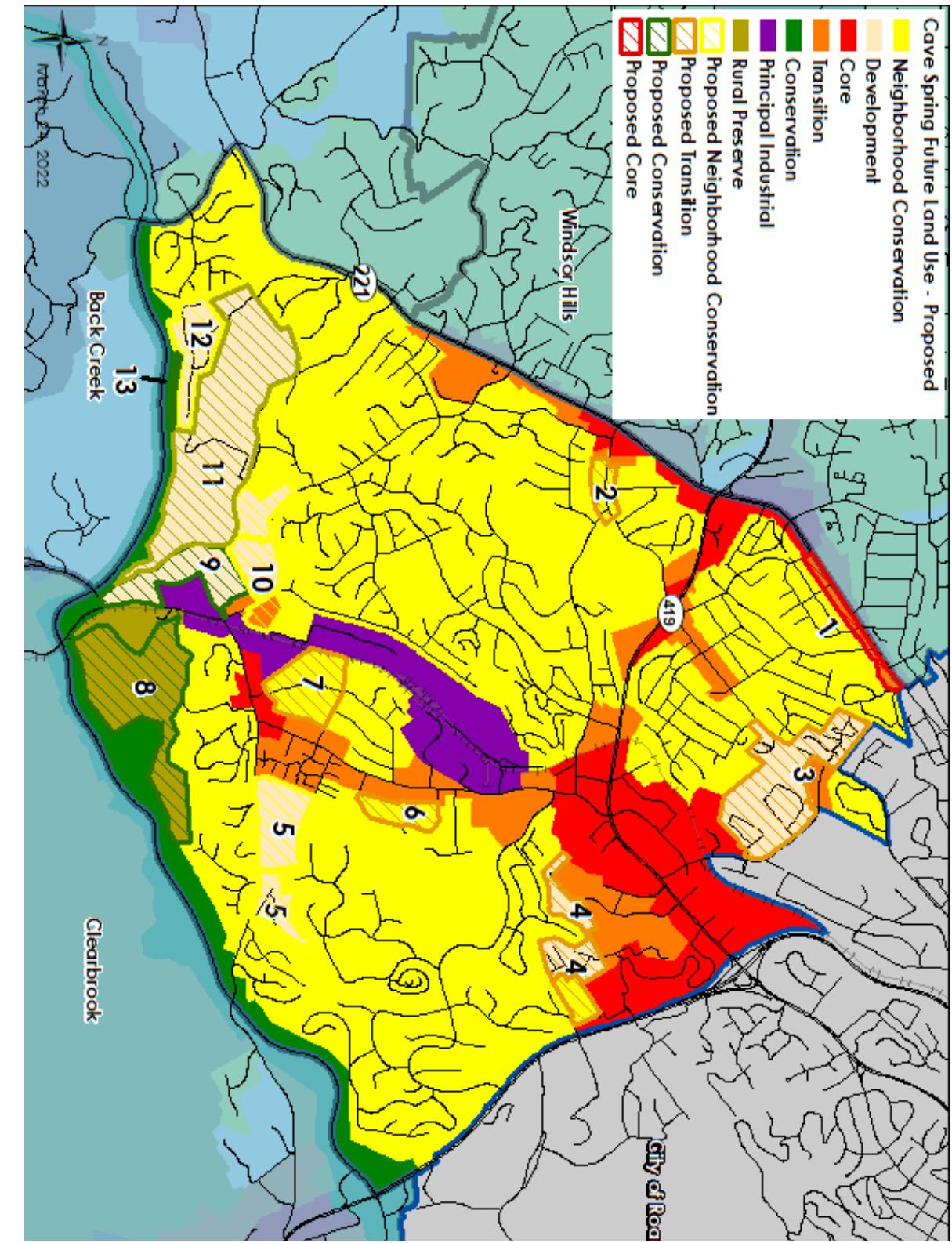
Cave Spring CPA Transportation Questions	
13 Survey Respondents (to this section)	
Percentage of respondents support	
1. Study & improve Route 419 for all users	89%
2. Implement 419 Town Center Plan	100%
3. Implement VDOT's US 220 Arterial Preservation Plan	78%
4. Route 221 multimodal safety study	82%
5. Extend Route 419 streetscape improvements from Starkey to Chaparral	82%
6. Inter-parcel connections for commercial areas along Route 419	94%
7. Connect planned crosswalks at Route 220 intersections	50%
8. Signalized pedestrian crossings at intersections along Route 419	78%
9. Ogden Road multimodal study	70%
10. Pedestrian accommodations on chaparral at Cave Spring High School	94%
11. Connect & expand sidewalks & trails between Penn Forest Elementary, South County library and County parks	94%
12. Pedestrian connections to businesses & destinations within Cave Spring CPA	72%
13. Improved bicycle infrastructure in the Cave Spring CPA	67%
14. Back Creek Greenway - Route 221 at Rosecrest Road & Route 221 - Cotton Hill Road	78%
15. Extend Murray Run Greenway from City of Roanoke into Tanglewood area	71%
16. Study Starkey Road between Route 419 & Terminal Road	88%
17. Expand Valley Metro routes to serve businesses and residents in Cave Spring	59%

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Cave Spring Transportation Ranking Questions	
18 Respondents	
Proposed Recommendation	Rank
1. Improve Route 419/Electric Road for all users.	1
2. Continue to implement the Route 419 Town Center Plan.	2
11. Sidewalks and trails between Penn Forest Elementary, South County library and County parks.	3
4. Route 221/Brambleton Avenue Multimodal Safety Study.	4
3. Implement VDOT's U.S. 220 Arterial Preservation Plan.	5
8. Pedestrian signals and crosswalks at intersections along Route 419/Electric Road.	6 (tie)
9. Ogden Road Multimodal Study	6 (tie)
10. Pedestrian accommodations on Chaparral Drive at Cave Spring High School - Woodthrush Drive and Purple Finch Road.	6 (tie)
16. Safety improvements for Starkey Road - Route 419 and Terminal Road.	9 (tie)
17. Expand Valley Metro to serve businesses and residents in Cave Spring.	9 (tie)
5. Extend Route 419 Streetscape Improvements from Starkey Road to Chaparral Drive.	11 (tie)
6. Inter-parcel connections for commercial areas along Route 419.	11 (tie)
12. Pedestrian connections within the Cave Spring CPA.	11 (tie)
14. Back Creek Greenway between Route 221 - Rosecrest Road and Route 221 at Cotton Hill Road.	11 (tie)
15. Murray Run Greenway - City of Roanoke into the Tanglewood area.	11 (tie)
7. Connect crosswalks between Valley Avenue/Southern Hills Drive and Clearbrook Village Lane/Indian Grave Road with pedestrian accommodations.	16 (tie)
13. Improve bicycle accommodations in the Cave Spring CPA.	16 (tie)



Land Use, Natural & Cultural Resources, Community Facilities & Infrastructure Survey: Cave Spring		55 Respondents	
		Yes	No
Natural and Cultural Resources			
1. Protect and improve the quality of water in our streams, creeks and rivers.	51	2	
2. Coordinate with State agencies regarding floodplain risks and prevention.	49	3	
3. Reduce quantity and improve quality of stormwater.	47	5	
4. Protect and prevent risks to surface waterways, reservoirs, underground aquifers and drinking water wells.	51	2	
5. Beautify County roadways and public areas.	47	7	
6. Protect viewsheds from the ridges and from the valleys.	49	4	
7. Clean up and prevent litter and illegal dumping.	52	1	
8. Protect steep slope areas.	51	2	
9. Protect trees and forests and increase tree canopy.	50	3	
10. Protect natural areas and wildlife habitats.	52	2	
11. Coordinate with State agencies regarding historic and cultural resources, including cemeteries and archaeological sites.	50	4	
Land Use - Activity Centers		Yes	No
1. Do you support the location of the activity centers shown on the map?	23	11	
2. Are there other areas in Roanoke County that should be designated as an activity center?	7	25	
Land Use - Changes to Future Land Use Map		Yes	No
1. From Transition to Core	21	7	
2. From Neighborhood Conservation to Transition	18	10	
3. From Development to Transition	23	5	
4. From Development and Neighborhood Conservation to Transition	18	10	
5. From Development to Neighborhood Conservation	23	5	
6. From Neighborhood Conservation to Transition	16	12	
7. From Neighborhood Conservation to Transition	17	11	
8. From Rural Preserve to Conservation	24	4	
9. From Development to Conservation	25	3	
10. From Transition and Development to Neighborhood Conservation	24	4	
11. From Development to Rural Village	23	5	
12. From Development to Neighborhood Conservation	25	3	
13. From Development to Conservation	26	3	





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Roanoke County 200 Plan: Spring 2022 Community Input Summary

Land Use, Natural & Cultural Resources, Community Facilities & Infrastructure Survey: Cave Spring		
	Yes	No
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Parks, Recreation & Tourism		
1. Evaluate new park, greenway, and blueway opportunities.	22	3
2. Evaluate on- and off- road connectivity options between parks, neighborhoods, and community facilities.	23	2
3. Continue coordination on regional efforts to enhance and develop outdoor recreation opportunities in our communities.	24	1
4. Update the Parks, Recreation & Tourism Master Plan.	2	
5. Continue promotion of the Park Partners Program to encourage citizens and businesses, and organizations to adopt a park, greenway, or trail.	23	1
6. Educate citizens on park ordinance updates (i.e. park sign updates, dog-friendly parks/special events and leash laws, drones, etc.).	23	2
7. Continue developing programs that allow for safer post-COVID plans that balance community needs with available staffing resources.	23	1
8. Continue developing programs at the Brambleton Center that allow for safer post-COVID plans that balance community needs with available staffing resources. The Brambleton Center is considered a valuable resource that supports a variety of diverse needs in the community (i.e., voting transportation, recreation, recycling, VA Cooperative Extension Office, etc.).	20	5
9. Evaluate opportunities for parks, greenways/trails, and blueways (i.e. Back Creek Greenway, Mudlick Creek Greenway, Back Creek, Clearbrook Park, connections to Blue Ridge Parkway, connections between Darrell Shell Park, South Country Library, Starkey Parks, and Merriman Complex, etc.).	21	4
10. Continue promotion of the Park Partners Program to encourage citizens and businesses, and organizations to adopt a park, greenway, or trail.	22	2
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: General Services		
1. Evaluate recycling program options.	23	1
2. Complete planned Roanoke County Fire Department Facilities Assessment.	23	3
3. Complete planned Roanoke County Administration Center Assessment.	21	3
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Public Libraries		
1. Improve services and continue enhancing facilities.	23	3
2. Evaluate programming needs and wants based on a variety of data and customer feedback.	22	4
3. Implement responsive, community focused program that serves people of all ages and backgrounds.	23	3
4. Ensure timely delivery of all circulating materials.	21	5
5. Raise level of engagement with the community, and increase awareness about library services and programs.	23	3
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Communication & Information Technology		
1. Explore opportunities to extend broadband service with universal availability and access to high-speed Internet in unserved and under-served areas.	24	2
2. Explore alternative broadband and cell phone providers for choice and competition.	23	3
3. Explore more public-private partnerships to implement more stages of Roanoke County's Rural Broadband Initiative to bring high-speed Internet to homes without broadband access.	24	3
4. Explore providing improved cell phone service in unserved and under-served areas.	24	2
5. Consider submitting applications for the Virginia Telecommunications Initiative (VTI) grant and other grants.	22	2
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Public Safety		
1. Provide the efficient delivery of public safety services with minimal response times.	26	1
2. Enhance and maintain public safety staffing.	26	1
3. Enhance and maintain facilities and equipment.	25	2
4. Provide a high-level of citizen engagement and educational opportunities.	21	4

Clearbrook Community Planning Area (CPA)

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Community Meeting

The community meeting for the Clearbrook CPA was held in conjunction with the Cave Spring CPA on April 21, 2022 at Cave Spring Elementary. There were 8 attendees.

Summary

Natural and Cultural Resources: The majority (83%) of survey and community meeting participants support the eleven initiatives to protect and improve ground, surface and stormwater resources; beautify the county's public areas, viewsheds and roadways; clean up garbage; protect steep slope areas; protect trees and forests, natural areas and wildlife habitats; as well as protection of historic and cultural resources.

Land Use: 86% of respondents support the activity centers as shown on the Activity Center Map, while 100% indicated no desire for additional activity centers. 63% of respondents support the proposed changes to the Future Land Use Map.

Community Facilities and Infrastructure:

1. Parks, Recreation and Tourism: 86% of respondents support the countywide initiatives as well as the following items pertaining to the Clearbrook CPA:
 - a. Continue developing programs at the Brambleton Center.
 - b. Explore new park, greenway and blueway opportunities.
 - c. Promote Park Partners Program.
2. General Services: 87% of respondents support recycling options and assessments of County Fire Department Facilities and the Administration Center.
3. Public Libraries: 88% of respondents support the countywide library system initiatives.
4. Communications and Information Technology: 92% of respondents support expansion and improvement of broadband and cell phone access.
5. Public Safety: 85% of respondents support countywide public safety initiatives.

Transportation:

Clearbrook CPA Transportation Questions	
2 Survey Respondents	
Percentage of respondents support	
1. Implement VDOT's U.S. 220 Arterial Preservation Plan	100%
2. Connect crosswalks at Route 220 intersections with pedestrian accommodations	100%
3. Pedestrian connections to businesses and destinations within the Clearbrook CPA	100%
4. Bicycle accommodations in the Clearbrook CPA	100%
5. Expand Valley Metro service to Southern Hills and Clearbrook communities	100%

Clearbrook Transportation Ranking Questions	
2 Respondents	
Proposed Recommendation	Rank
1. Implement VDOT's U.S. 220 Arterial Preservation Plan.	1 (tie)
2. Connect crosswalks - Route 220 intersections Valley Avenue/Southern Hills Drive & Clearbrook Village Lane/Indian Grave Road with sidewalks.	1 (tie)
3. Pedestrian connections within the Clearbrook CPA.	1 (tie)
4. Bicycle accommodations in the Clearbrook CPA.	1 (tie)
5. Expand Valley Metro to Southern Hills and Clearbrook CPA.	1 (tie)

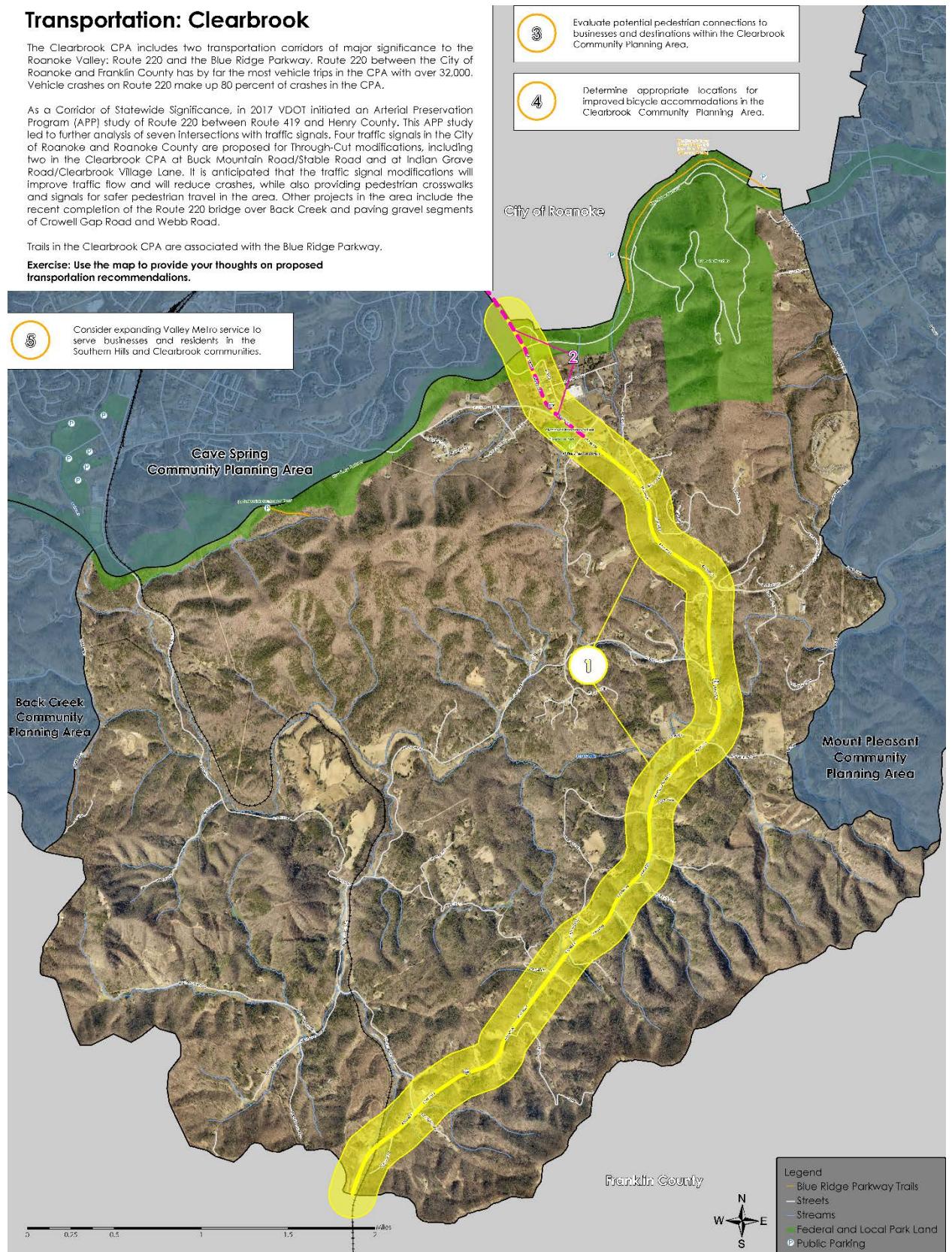
Transportation: Clearbrook

The Clearbrook CPA includes two transportation corridors of major significance to the Roanoke Valley: Route 220 and the Blue Ridge Parkway. Route 220 between the City of Roanoke and Franklin County has by far the most vehicle trips in the CPA with over 32,000. Vehicle crashes on Route 220 make up 80 percent of crashes in the CPA.

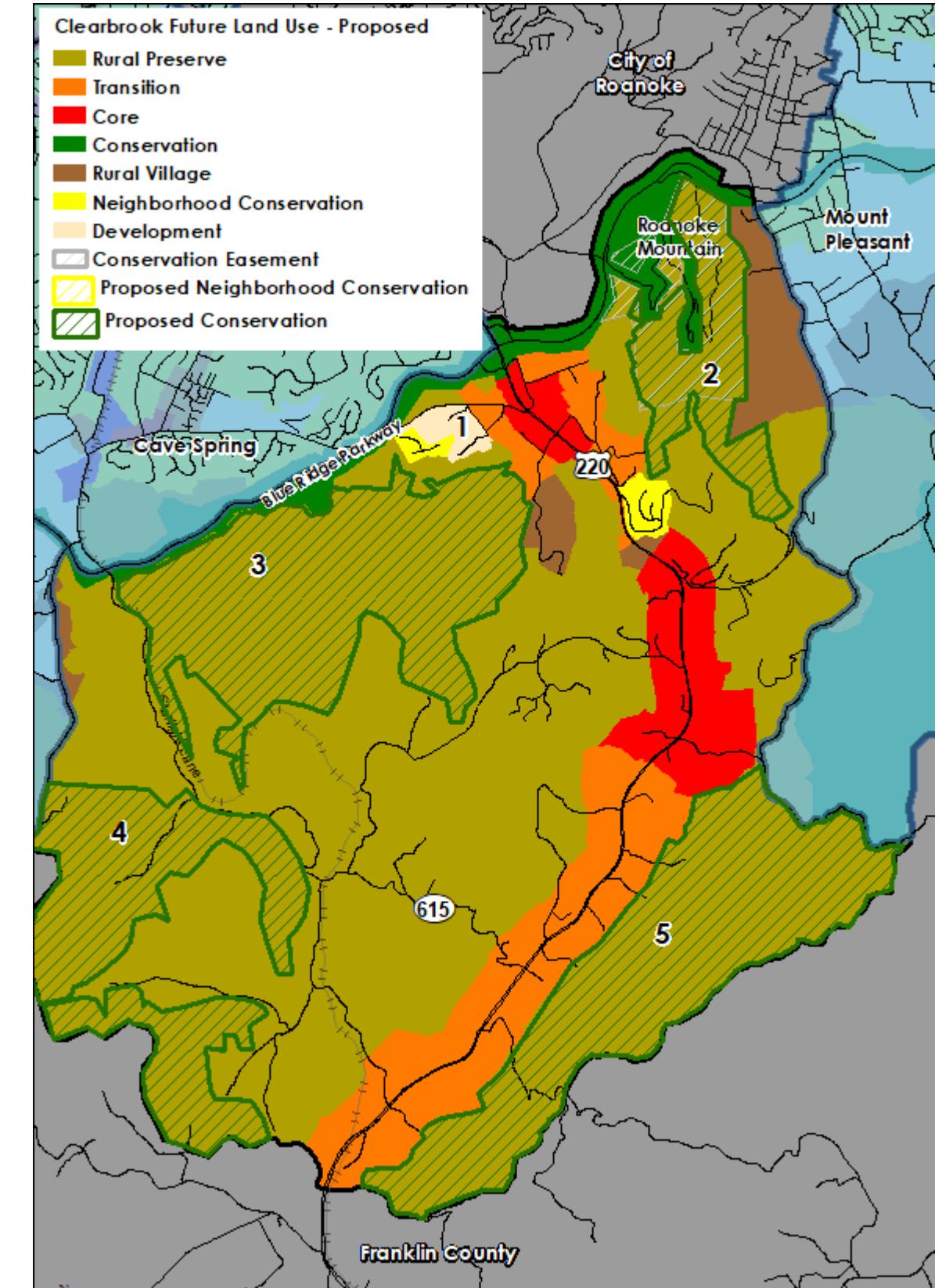
As a Corridor of Statewide Significance, in 2017 VDOT initiated an Arterial Preservation Program (APP) study of Route 220 between Route 419 and Henry County. This APP study led to further analysis of seven intersections with traffic signals. Four traffic signals in the City of Roanoke and Roanoke County are proposed for Through-Cut modifications, including two in the Clearbrook CPA at Buck Mountain Road/Stable Road and at Indian Grove Road/Clearbrook Village Lane. It is anticipated that the traffic signal modifications will improve traffic flow and will reduce crashes, while also providing pedestrian crosswalks and signals for safer pedestrian travel in the area. Other projects in the area include the recent completion of the Route 220 bridge over Back Creek and paving gravel segments of Crowell Gap Road and Webb Road.

Trails in the Clearbrook CPA are associated with the Blue Ridge Parkway.

Exercise: Use the map to provide your thoughts on proposed transportation recommendations.



Land Use, Natural & Cultural Resources, Community Facilities & Infrastructure Survey: Clearbrook		
	Yes	No
Natural and Cultural Resources		10 Respondents
1. Protect and improve the quality of water in our streams, creeks and rivers.	9	0
2. Coordinate with State agencies regarding floodplain risks and prevention.	8	1
3. Reduce quantity and improve quality of stormwater.	9	0
4. Protect and prevent risks to surface waterways, reservoirs, underground aquifers and drinking water wells.	9	0
5. Beautify County roadways and public areas.	9	0
6. Protect viewsheds from the ridges and from the valleys.	9	0
7. Clean up and prevent litter and illegal dumping.	5	4
8. Protect steep slope areas.	9	0
9. Protect trees and forests and increase tree canopy.	7	2
10. Protect natural areas and wildlife habitats.	9	0
11. Coordinate with State agencies regarding historic and cultural resources, including cemeteries and archaeological sites.	8	0
Land Use - Activity Centers		
1. Do you support the location of the activity centers shown on the map?	6	1
2. Are there other areas in Roanoke County that should be designated as an activity center?	0	7
Land Use - Changes to Future Land Use Map		
1. From Development to Neighborhood Conservation	5	2
2. From Rural Preserve to Conservation	5	1
3. From Rural Preserve to Conservation	4	2
4. From Rural Preserve to Conservation	4	2
5. From Rural Preserve to Conservation	4	2



Land Use, Natural & Cultural Resources, Community Facilities & Infrastructure Survey: Clearbrook		
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Parks, Recreation & Tourism	Yes	No
1. Evaluate new park, greenway, and blueway opportunities.	4	0
2. Evaluate on- and off- road connectivity options between parks, neighborhoods, and community facilities.	4	1
3. Continue coordination on regional efforts to enhance and develop outdoor recreation opportunities in our communities.	5	0
4. Update the Parks, Recreation & Tourism Master Plan.	5	0
5. Continue promotion of the Park Partners Program to encourage citizens and businesses, and organizations to adopt a park, greenway, or trail.	4	1
6. Educate citizens on park ordinance updates (i.e. park sign updates, dog-friendly parks/special events and leash laws, drones, etc.).	5	0
7. Continue developing programs that allow for safer post-COVID plans that balance community needs with available staffing resources.	4	1
8. Continue developing programs at the Brambleton Center that allow for safer post-COVID plans that balance community needs with available staffing resources. The Brambleton Center is considered a valuable resource that supports a variety of diverse needs in the community (i.e., voting transportation, recreation, recycling, VA Cooperative Extension Office, etc.).	3	2
9. Evaluate opportunities for parks, greenways/trails, and blueways (i.e. Back Creek Greenway, Mudlick Creek Greenway, Back Creek, Clearbrook Park, connections to Blue Ridge Parkway, connections between Darrell Shell Park, South Country Library, Starkey Parks, and Merriman Complex, etc.).	5	0
10. Continue promotion of the Park Partners Program to encourage citizens and businesses, and organizations to adopt a park, greenway, or trail.	4	1
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: General Services	Yes	No
1. Evaluate recycling program options.	5	0
2. Complete planned Roanoke County Fire Department Facilities Assessment.	5	0
3. Complete planned Roanoke County Administration Center Assessment.	3	2
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Public Libraries	Yes	No
1. Improve services and continue enhancing facilities.	5	0
2. Evaluate programming needs and wants based on a variety of data and customer feedback.	4	1
3. Implement responsive, community focused program that serves people of all ages and backgrounds.	4	1
4. Ensure timely delivery of all circulating materials.	5	0
5. Raise level of engagement with the community, and increase awareness about library services and programs.	4	1
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Communication & Information Technology	Yes	No
1. Explore opportunities to extend broadband service with universal availability and access to high-speed Internet in unserved and under-served areas.	4	1
2. Explore alternative broadband and cell phone providers for choice and competition.	5	0
3. Explore more public-private partnerships to implement more stages of Roanoke County's Rural Broadband Initiative to bring high-speed Internet to homes without broadband access.	4	1
4. Explore providing improved cell phone service in unserved and under-served areas.	5	0
5. Consider submitting applications for the Virginia Telecommunications Initiative (VTI) grant and other grants.	5	0
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Public Safety	Yes	No
1. Provide the efficient delivery of public safety services with minimal response times.	5	0
2. Enhance and maintain public safety staffing.	5	0
3. Enhance and maintain facilities and equipment.	4	1
4. Provide a high-level of citizen engagement and educational opportunities.	3	2

Glenvar Community Planning Area (CPA)

Seven Roanoke County 200 Plan open house planning meetings were held around Roanoke County in Spring 2022 for citizens to review draft goals and recommendation options based on the feedback received throughout the Fall 2021 community engagement. Draft goals were developed based on input that we received at the community meetings and online surveys in Fall 2021. Citizens reviewed and provided comments on the new draft goals and recommendations that will shape the draft Roanoke County 200 Plan document. The draft goals and recommendations displayed included natural and cultural resources, land use, community facilities and infrastructure, and transportation.

Community Meeting

The community meeting for the Glenvar CPA on April 7, 2022 at Fort Lewis Elementary. There were 13 attendees.

Summary

Natural and Cultural Resources: The majority (89%) of survey and community meeting participants support the eleven initiatives to protect and improve ground, surface and stormwater resources; beautify the county's public areas, viewsheds and roadways; clean up garbage; protect steep slope areas; protect trees and forests, natural areas and wildlife habitats; as well as protection of historic and cultural resources.

Land Use: 73% of respondents support the activity centers as shown on the Activity Center Map, while 30% indicated interest in additional activity centers near the Kroger warehouse, and in vacant building areas along West Main street. 88% of respondents support the proposed changes to the Future Land Use Map.

Community Facilities and Infrastructure:

1. Parks, Recreation and Tourism: 90% of respondents support the countywide initiatives as well as the following items pertaining to the Glenvar CPA:
 - a. Continue developing programs at the Catawba Center and Camp Roanoke.
 - b. Explore new park, greenway and blueway opportunities.
 - c. Evaluate recreation alternatives at Spring Hollow Reservoir.
2. General Services: 90% of respondents support recycling options and assessments of County Fire Department Facilities and the Administration Center.
3. Public Libraries: 85% of respondents support the countywide library system initiatives.
4. Communications and Information Technology: 100% of respondents support expansion and improvement of broadband and cell phone access.
5. Public Safety: 98% of respondents support countywide public safety initiatives.



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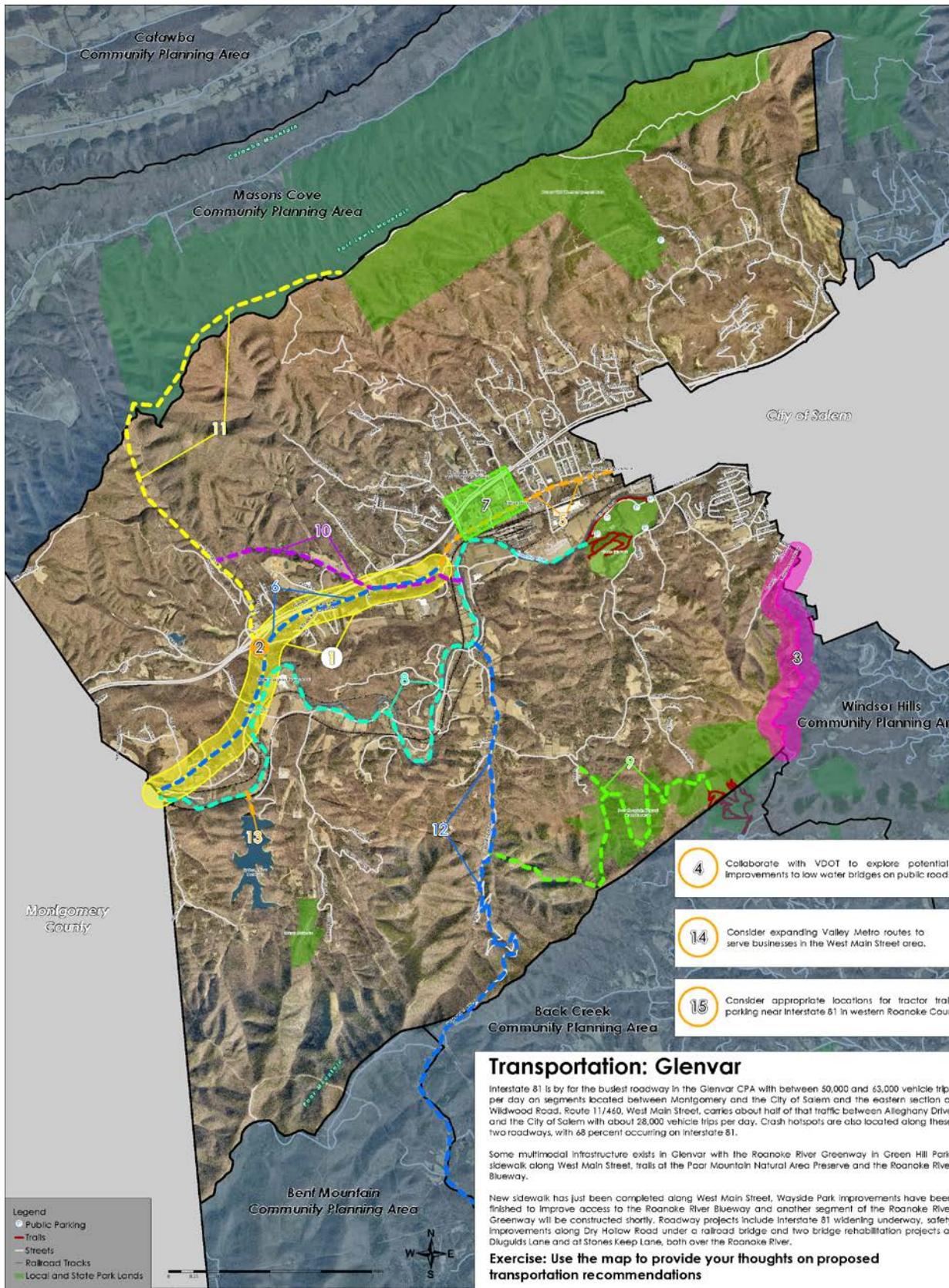


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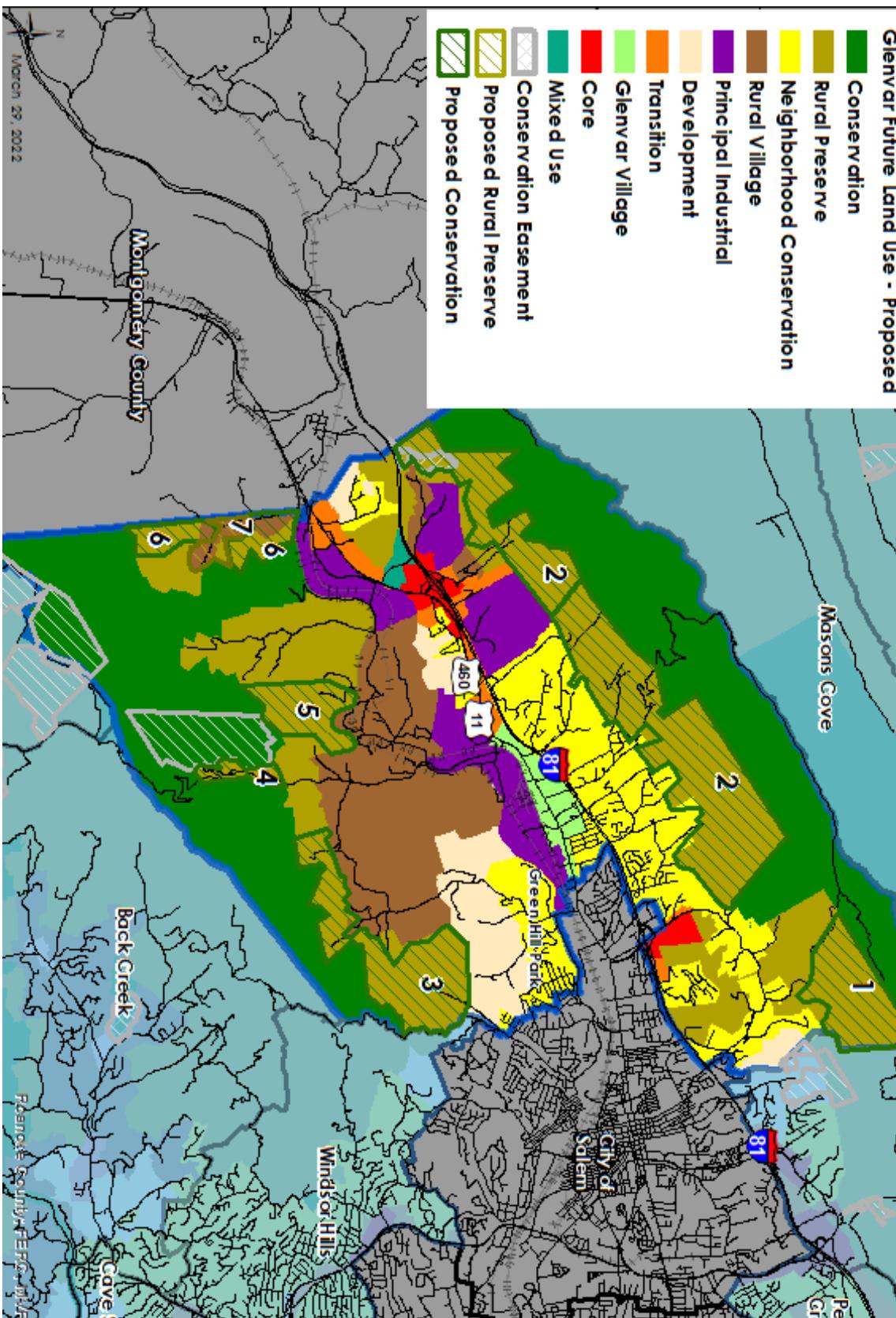
Transportation:

Glenvar CPA Transportation Questions	
6 Survey Respondents	
Percentage of respondents support	
1. Road safety improvements for Route 11/460 between Technology Drive and Montgomery County	100%
2. Improve safety at the I-81/Dow Hollow Road/West Main Street Intersection	100%
3. Safety improvements for Twelve O' Clock Knob Road	80%
4. Improvements to low water bridges on public roads	83%
5. Complete sidewalk on both sides of West Main Street between the City of Salem and Technology Drive	17%
6. Pedestrian/bicycle infrastructure on Route 11/460/West Main Street to Montgomery County	50%
7. Pedestrian accommodations to connect the Glenvar Schools to businesses along West Main Street	50%
8. Roanoke River Greenway between Green Hill Park and Montgomery County	67%
9. Expand trail network at Poor Mountain Natural Area Preserve to connect to Poor Mountain Road and Harborwood Road	80%
10. Greenway along Callahan Branch to connect Valley Tech Park to the Center for Research and Technology	50%
11. Perimeter Trail north connecting Havens Wildlife Management Area trails to Roanoke River Greenway	83%
12. Perimeter Trail south connecting Roanoke River Greenway near Dixie Caverns along Poor Mountain Road to the BRP	67%
13. Connect Spring Hollow Reservoir to the Roanoke River Greenway	80%
14. Expand Valley Metro to businesses in the West Main Street area	75%
15. Tractor trailer parking near Interstate 81 in western Roanoke County	75%

Glenvar Transportation Ranking Questions	
6 Respondents	
Proposed Recommendation	Rank
2. Improve safety at I-81/Dow Hollow Road/West Main Street Intersection.	1
1. Safety improvements for Route 11/460 - Technology Drive to Montgomery County.	2 (tie)
8. Roanoke River Greenway - Green Hill Park to Montgomery County.	2 (tie)
15. Tractor trailer parking near Interstate 81 in western Roanoke County.	2 (tie)
3. Safety improvements for Twelve O' Clock Knob Road.	5 (tie)
4. Improvements to low water bridges on public roads.	5 (tie)
11. Perimeter Trail - connect the Havens Wildlife Management Area trails to Roanoke River Greenway near Dixie Caverns.	7
5. Sidewalk on both sides of West Main Street - City of Salem to Technology Drive.	8 (tie)
9. Connect Poor Mountain Natural Area Preserve trails to Poor Mountain Road and Harborwood Road.	8 (tie)
12. Perimeter Trail to Roanoke River Greenway near Dixie Caverns along Poor Mountain Road to the Blue Ridge Parkway on Bent Mountain.	8 (tie)
13. Connect to future recreation opportunities at Spring Hollow Reservoir from the Roanoke River Greenway.	8 (tie)
14. Expand Valley Metro routes to the West Main Street area.	8 (tie)
6. Pedestrian/bicycle infrastructure on Route 11/460 - Technology Drive to Montgomery County.	13 (tie)
7. Pedestrian accommodations to connect the Glenvar Schools to businesses along West Main Street.	13 (tie)
10. Callahan Branch Greenway - Valley Tech Park to Center for Research and Technology.	13 (tie)



Land Use, Natural & Cultural Resources, Community Facilities & Infrastructure Survey: Glenvar		
38 Respondents		
Natural and Cultural Resources	Yes	No
1. Protect and improve the quality of water in our streams, creeks and rivers.	37	1
2. Coordinate with State agencies regarding floodplain risks and prevention.	30	8
3. Reduce quantity and improve quality of stormwater.	32	6
4. Protect and prevent risks to surface waterways, reservoirs, underground aquifers and drinking water wells.	33	2
5. Beautify County roadways and public areas.	35	2
6. Protect viewsheds from the ridges and from the valleys.	31	6
7. Clean up and prevent litter and illegal dumping.	38	0
8. Protect steep slope areas.	32	4
9. Protect trees and forests and increase tree canopy.	37	0
10. Protect natural areas and wildlife habitats.	35	0
11. Coordinate with State agencies regarding historic and cultural resources, including cemeteries and archaeological sites.	32	5
Land Use - Activity Centers	Yes	No
1. Do you support the location of the activity centers shown on the map?	16	6
2. Are there other areas in Roanoke County that should be designated as an activity center?	6	14
Land Use - Changes to Future Land Use Map	Yes	No
1. From Rural Preserve to Conservation	18	2
2. From Rural Preserve to Conservation	18	2
3. From Rural Preserve to Conservation	18	2
4. From Rural Preserve to Conservation	18	2
5. From Rural Preserve to Conservation	17	3
6. From Rural Village to Rural Preserve	16	4
7. From Rural Village to Rural Preserve	15	4
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Parks, Recreation & Tourism	Yes	No
1. Evaluate new park, greenway, and blueway opportunities.	15	2
2. Evaluate on- and off- road connectivity options between parks, neighborhoods, and community facilities.	16	1
3. Continue coordination on regional efforts to enhance and develop outdoor recreation opportunities in our communities.	16	1
4. Update the Parks, Recreation & Tourism Master Plan.	16	1
5. Continue promotion of the Park Partners Program to encourage citizens and businesses, and organizations to adopt a park, greenway, or trail.	16	1
6. Educate citizens on park ordinance updates (i.e. park sign updates, dog-friendly parks/special events and leash laws, drones, etc.).	15	2
7. Continue developing programs that allow for safer post-COVID plans that balance community needs with available staffing resources.	13	4
8. Evaluate opportunities for parks (i.e. Green Hill Park, Wayside Park, and Camp Roanoke), greenways/trails (i.e. Roanoke River Greenway and Valley to Valley Trail), and blueways.	16	0
9. Coordinate with the Western Virginia Water Authority to evaluate recreation programming and public access alternatives at Spring Hollow Reservoir.	15	2
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: General Services	Yes	No
1. Evaluate recycling program options.	17	0
2. Complete planned Roanoke County Fire Department Facilities Assessment.	17	0
3. Complete planned Roanoke County Administration Center Assessment.	12	5
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Public Libraries	Yes	No
1. Improve services and continue enhancing facilities.	15	2
2. Evaluate programming needs and wants based on a variety of data and customer feedback.	15	2
3. Implement responsive, community focused program that serves people of all ages and backgrounds.	13	4
4. Ensure timely delivery of all circulating materials.	15	2
5. Raise level of engagement with the community, and increase awareness about library services and programs.	14	3
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Communication & Information Technology	Yes	No
1. Explore opportunities to extend broadband service with universal availability and access to high-speed Internet in unserved and under-served areas.	17	0
2. Explore alternative broadband and cell phone providers for choice and competition.	17	0
3. Explore more public-private partnerships to implement more stages of Roanoke County's Rural Broadband Initiative to bring high-speed Internet to homes without broadband access.	17	0
4. Explore providing improved cell phone service in unserved and under-served areas.	17	0
5. Consider submitting applications for the Virginia Telecommunications Initiative (VATI) grant and other grants.	17	0
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Public Safety	Yes	No
1. Provide the efficient delivery of public safety services with minimal response times.	17	0
2. Enhance and maintain public safety staffing.	17	0



Masons Cove Community Planning Area (CPA)

Seven Roanoke County 200 Plan open house planning meetings were held around Roanoke County in Spring 2022 for citizens to review draft goals and recommendation options based on the feedback received throughout the Fall 2021 community engagement. Draft goals were developed based on input that we received at the community meetings and online surveys in Fall 2021. Citizens reviewed and provided comments on the new draft goals and recommendations that will shape the draft Roanoke County 200 Plan document. The draft goals and recommendations displayed included natural and cultural resources, land use, community facilities and infrastructure, and transportation.

Community Meeting

The community meeting for the Masons Cove CPA was held in conjunction with the Catawba CPA on April 4, 2022 at Masons Cove Elementary. There were 41 attendees.

Summary

Natural and Cultural Resources: The majority (91%) of survey and community meeting participants support the eleven initiatives to protect and improve ground, surface and stormwater resources; beautify the county's public areas, viewsheds and roadways; clean up garbage; protect steep slope areas; protect trees and forests, natural areas and wildlife habitats; as well as protection of historic and cultural resources.

Land Use: 63% of respondents support the activity centers as shown on the Activity Center Map, while 15% indicated interest in additional activity centers in Masons Cove. 80% of respondents support the proposed changes to the Future Land Use Map.

Community Facilities and Infrastructure:

1. Parks, Recreation and Tourism: 92% of respondents support the countywide initiatives as well as the following items pertaining to the Masons Cove CPA:
 - a. Evaluate improvements at Catawba Center.
 - b. Evaluate improvements at Whispering Pines Park.
 - c. Evaluate opportunities for parks, greenways/trails and blueways.
 - d. Continue regional collaboration for the Triple Crown.
 - e. Expand options for Little Free Libraries.
2. General Services: 93% of respondents support recycling options and assessments of County Fire Department Facilities and the Administration Center.
3. Public Libraries: 80% of respondents support the countywide library system initiatives.
4. Communications and Information Technology: 88% of respondents support expansion and improvement of broadband and cell phone access.
5. Public Safety: 98% of respondents support countywide public safety initiatives.



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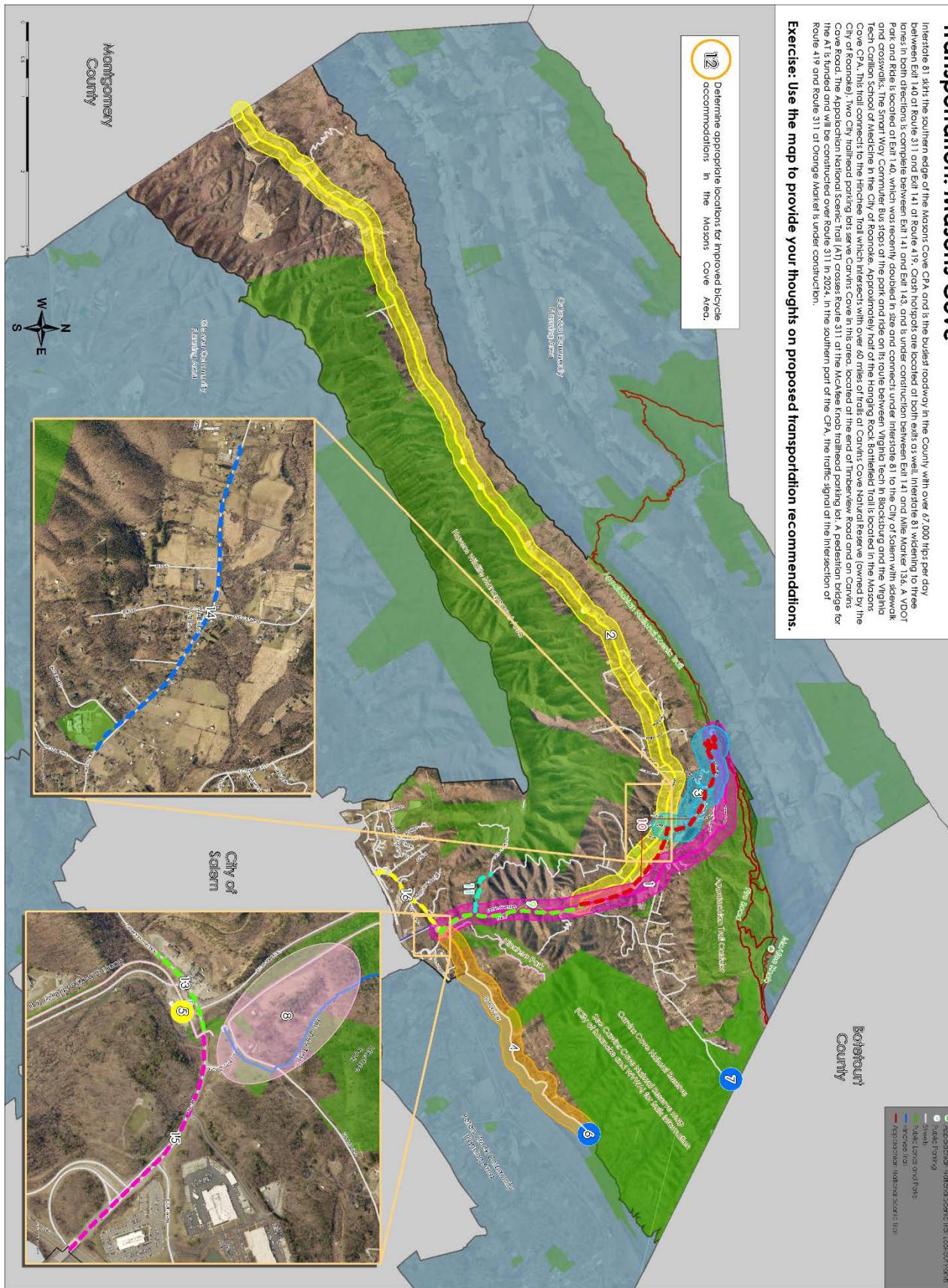


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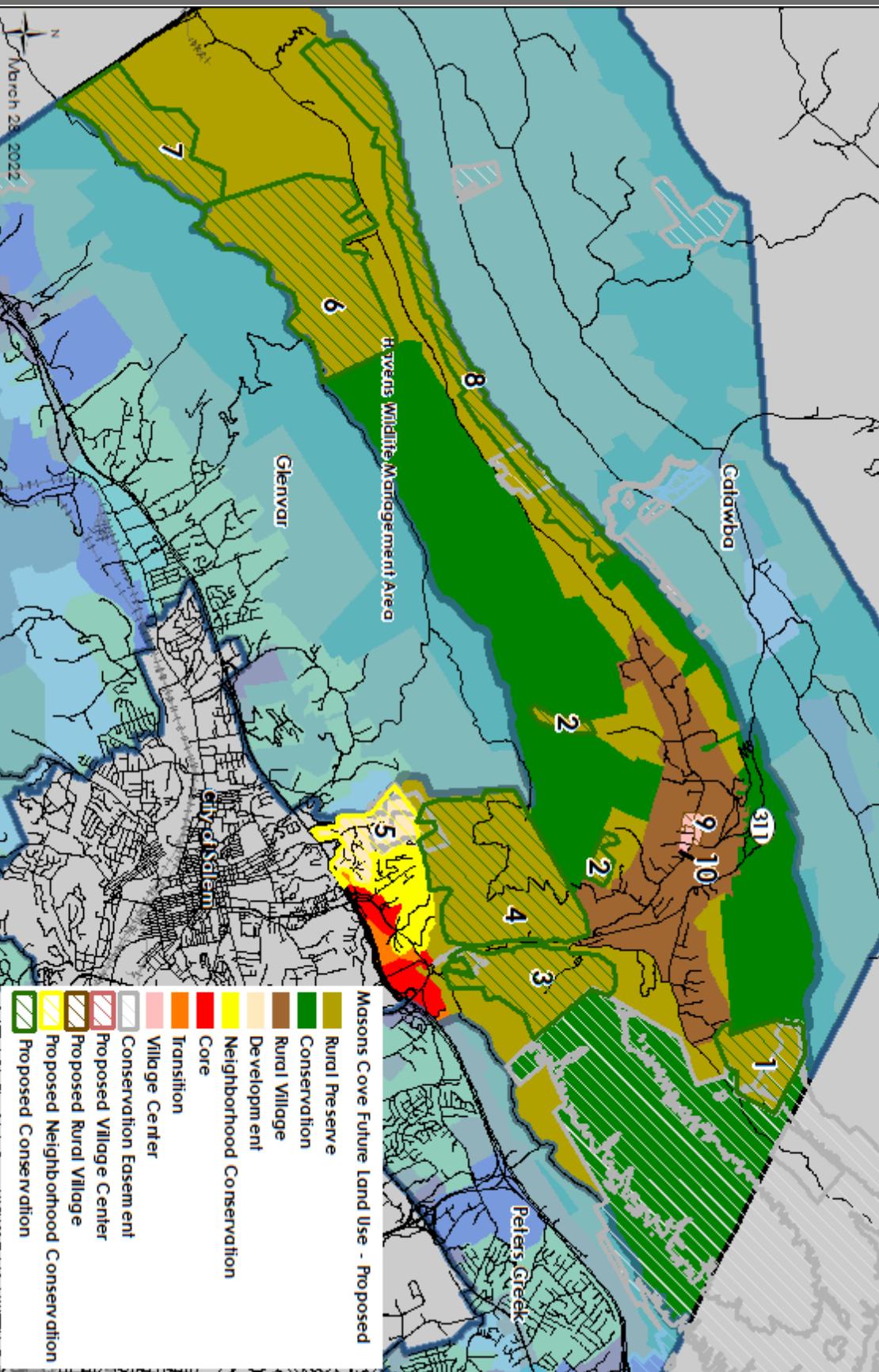
Transportation:

Masons Cove CPA Transportation Questions	
9 Survey Respondents	
Percentage of respondents support	
1. Route 311/Catawba Valley Drive Multimodal Safety Study	100%
2. Improvements for Bradshaw Road	100%
3. Study the entirety of Old Catawba Road for potential improvements	60%
4. Timberview Road improvements	83%
5. Improve the Orange Market Park and Ride and Creekside parking lot	75%
6. Improvements for the Timberview Road trailhead	86%
7. Improvements for the Bennett Springs trailhead	80%
8. Investigate trailhead parking options for the Hinchee Trail	78%
9. Masons Creek Greenway North from Hanging Rock Battlefield Trail along Route 311 to Bradshaw Road intersection	100%
10. Masons Cove Greenway between Bradshaw Road and Route 311 at Old Catawba Road	67%
11. Trail connection between Route 311/Catawba Valley Drive and Havens Wildlife Management Area	100%
12. Bicycle accommodations in the Masons Cove area	86%
13. Pedestrian connections within the commercial area at Route 419/Route 311	80%
14. Pedestrian connections along Bradshaw Road between Masons Cove Elementary School and Fire Station 10	100%
15. Pedestrian accommodations along Route 419 from Route 311 over I-81 to connect to the Hanging Rock Battlefield Trail and the Hinchee Trail	88%
16. Pedestrian accommodations along Route 311 from I-81 to Route 311 to connect to the Hanging Rock Battlefield Trail and the Hinchee Trail	88%

Masons Cove Transportation Ranking	
Questions	
9 Respondents	
Proposed Recommendation	Rank
1. Route 311Multimodal Safety Study	1
9. Masons Creek Greenway - Hanging Rock Battlefield Trail to Bradshaw Road.	2 (tie)
15. Pedestrian connections along Route 419 within Hanging Rock area.	2 (tie)
16. Pedestrian connections along Route 311 within Hanging Rock area.	2 (tie)
5. Improve Orange Market Park and Ride and Creekside parking lot for commuters and greenway users.	5
4. Determine improvements for Timberview Road.	6 (tie)
8. Trailhead parking options for the Hinchee Trail.	6 (tie)
6. Improvements for the Timberview Road trailhead.	8 (tie)
11. Trail connection between Route 311 and Havens Wildlife Management Area.	8 (tie)
12. Improve bicycle accommodations in the Masons Cove area.	8 (tie)
2. Improvements for Bradshaw Road.	11 (tie)
10. Masons Cove Greenway between Bradshaw Road and Route 311 at Old Catawba Road.	11 (tie)
13. Pedestrian connections within the Orange Market area at Route 419/Route 311.	11 (tie)
14. Pedestrian connections along Bradshaw Road between Masons Cove Elementary School and Fire Station 10.	11 (tie)
3. Study the entirety of Old Catawba Road for potential improvements.	15 (tie)
7. Improvements for the Bennett Springs trailhead.	15 (tie)



Land Use, Natural & Cultural Resources, Community Facilities & Infrastructure Survey: Masons Cove		
	34 Respondents	
Natural and Cultural Resources		
1. Protect and improve the quality of water in our streams, creeks and rivers.	23	1
2. Coordinate with State agencies regarding floodplain risks and prevention.	23	1
3. Reduce quantity and improve quality of stormwater.	22	2
4. Protect and prevent risks to surface waterways, reservoirs, underground aquifers and drinking water wells.	23	1
5. Beautify County roadways and public areas.	23	2
6. Protect viewsheds from the ridges and from the valleys.	21	3
7. Clean up and prevent litter and illegal dumping.	25	0
8. Protect steep slope areas.	23	2
9. Protect trees and forests and increase tree canopy.	24	1
10. Protect natural areas and wildlife habitats.	24	1
11. Coordinate with State agencies regarding historic and cultural resources, including cemeteries and archaeological sites.	20	4
Land Use - Activity Centers	Yes	No
1. Do you support the location of the activity centers shown on the map?	12	7
2. Are there other areas in Roanoke County that should be designated as an activity center?	2	11
Land Use - Changes to Future Land Use Map	Yes	No
1. From Rural Preserve to Conservation	17	4
2. From Rural Preserve to Conservation	17	4
3. From Rural Preserve to Conservation	17	4
4. From Rural Preserve to Conservation	17	4
5. From Development to Neighborhood Conservation	17	4
6. From Rural Preserve to Conservation	17	4
7. From Rural Preserve to Conservation	17	4
8. From Rural Preserve to Conservation	17	4
9. From Village Center to Rural Village	18	3
10. From Rural Village to Village Center	15	6



Land Use, Natural & Cultural Resources, Community Facilities & Infrastructure Survey: Masons Cove		
	34 Respondents	
	Yes	No
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Parks, Recreation & Tourism		
1. Evaluate new park, greenway, and blueway opportunities.	9	1
2. Evaluate on- and off-road connectivity options between parks, neighborhoods, and community facilities.	9	1
3. Continue coordination on regional efforts to enhance and develop outdoor recreation opportunities in our communities.	9	1
4. Update the Parks, Recreation & Tourism Master Plan.	9	1
5. Continue promotion of the Park Partners Program to encourage citizens and businesses, and organizations to adopt a park, greenway, or trail.	9	1
6. Educate citizens on park ordinance updates (i.e. park sign updates, dog-friendly parks/special events and leash laws, drones, etc.).	9	1
7. Continue developing programs that allow for safer post-COVID plans that balance community needs with available staffing resources.	9	1
8. Evaluate improvements at Catawba Center (i.e., proposed playground).	9	0
9. Evaluate improvements at Whispering Pines (i.e., sports field lighting).	10	0
10. Evaluate opportunities for parks, greenways/trails, and blueways (i.e., Hinchee Trail opened in 2020; Catawba Greenway opened in 2021; Masons Cove Greenway).	9	1
11. Continue collaboration with National Park Service, VDOT, US Forest Service, and Appalachian Trail Conservancy on the Triple Crown Area (i.e. Dragons Tooth, McAfee Knob, and Tinker Cliffs).	10	0
12. Evaluate additional options for expanding Little Free Libraries Program with Park Partners Program.	9	1
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: General Services		
1. Evaluate recycling program options.	9	0
2. Complete planned Roanoke County Fire Department Facilities Assessment.	9	0
3. Complete planned Roanoke County Administration Center Assessment.	7	1
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Public Libraries		
1. Improve services and continue enhancing facilities.	8	2
2. Evaluate programming needs and wants based on a variety of data and customer feedback.	8	2
3. Implement responsive, community focused program that serves people of all ages and backgrounds.	7	2
4. Ensure timely delivery of all circulating materials.	9	1
5. Raise level of engagement with the community, and increase awareness about library services and programs.	8	1
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Communication & Information Technology		
1. Explore opportunities to extend broadband service with universal availability and access to high-speed Internet in unserved and under-served areas.	9	1
2. Explore alternative broadband and cell phone providers for choice and competition.	9	1
3. Explore more public-private partnerships to implement more stages of Roanoke County's Rural Broadband Initiative to bring high-speed Internet to homes without broadband access.	8	2
4. Explore providing improved cell phone service in unserved and under-served areas.	8	2
5. Consider submitting applications for the Virginia Telecommunications Initiative (VATI) grant and other grants.	10	0
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Public Safety		
1. Provide the efficient delivery of public safety services with minimal response times.	10	0
2. Enhance and maintain public safety staffing.	10	0
3. Enhance and maintain facilities and equipment.	9	1
4. Provide a high-level of citizen engagement and educational opportunities.	10	0

Mount Pleasant Community Planning Area (CPA)

Seven Roanoke County 200 Plan open house planning meetings were held around Roanoke County in Spring 2022 for citizens to review draft goals and recommendation options based on the feedback received throughout the Fall 2021 community engagement. Draft goals were developed based on input that we received at the community meetings and online surveys in Fall 2021. Citizens reviewed and provided comments on the new draft goals and recommendations that will shape the draft Roanoke County 200 Plan document. The draft goals and recommendations displayed included natural and cultural resources, land use, community facilities and infrastructure, and transportation.

Community Meeting

The community meeting for the Mount Pleasant CPA was held in conjunction with the Bonsack/Vinton CPA on April 14, 2022 at the Vinton Community Center. There were 14 attendees.

Summary

Natural and Cultural Resources: The majority (85%) of survey and community meeting participants support the eleven initiatives to protect and improve ground, surface and stormwater resources; beautify the county's public areas, viewsheds and roadways; clean up garbage; protect steep slope areas; protect trees and forests, natural areas and wildlife habitats; as well as protection of historic and cultural resources.

Land Use: 90% of respondents support the activity centers as shown on the Activity Center Map, while 10% indicated interest in additional activity centers. 80% of respondents support the proposed changes to the Future Land Use Map.

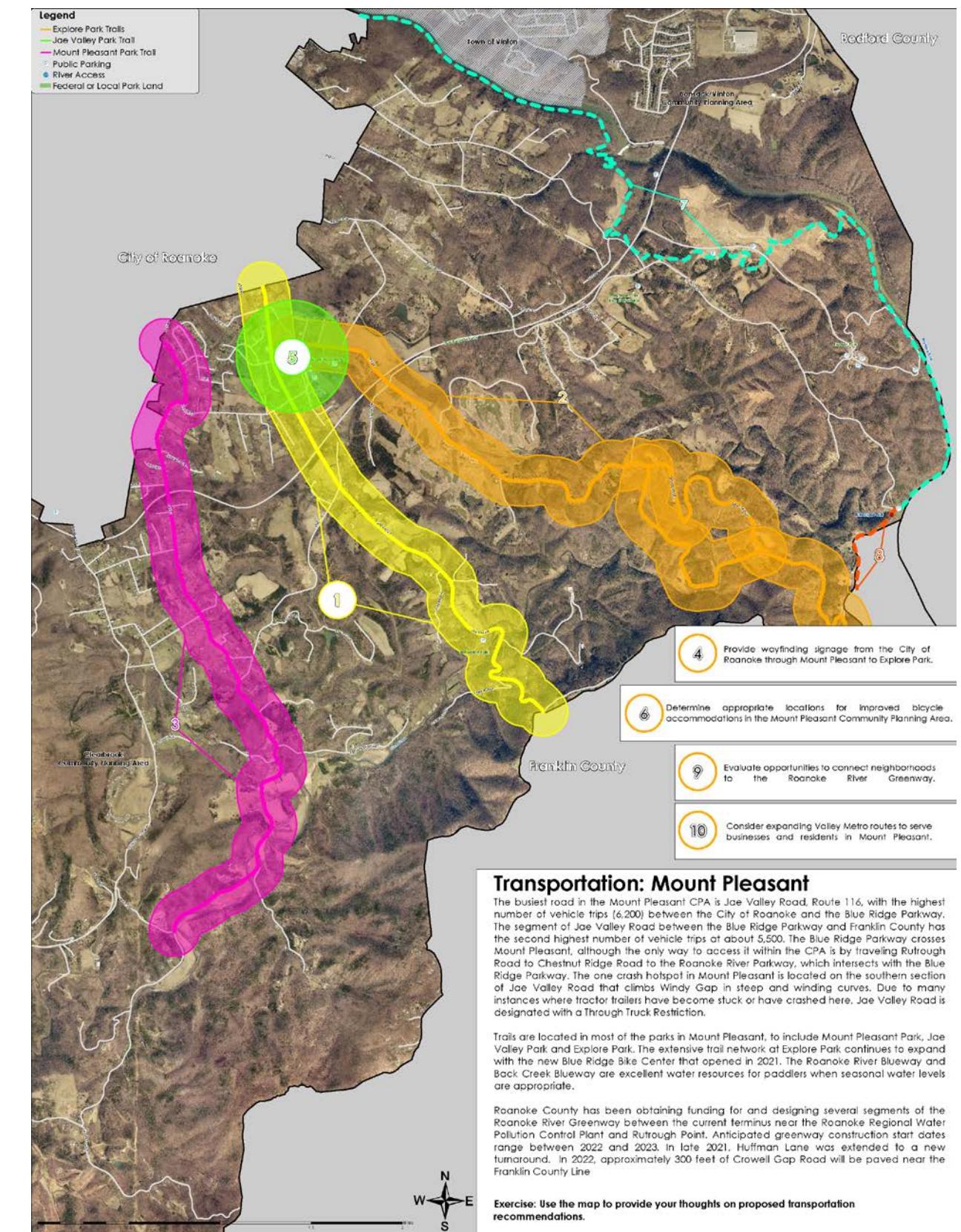
Community Facilities and Infrastructure:

1. Parks, Recreation and Tourism: 75% of respondents support the countywide initiatives as well as the following items pertaining to the Mount Pleasant CPA:
 - a. Implement the Explore Park Master Plan.
 - b. Evaluate opportunities for parks and greenways/trails.
 - c. Evaluate new parks, greenways/trails and blueways.
 - d. Continue regional collaboration for the Roanoke Valley Trail Plan.
 - e. Evaluate needs at existing parks.
2. General Services: 78% of respondents support recycling options and assessments of County Fire Department Facilities and the Administration Center.
3. Public Libraries: 76% of respondents support the countywide library system initiatives.
4. Communications and Information Technology: 87% of respondents support expansion and improvement of broadband and cell phone access.
5. Public Safety: 94% of respondents support countywide public safety initiatives.

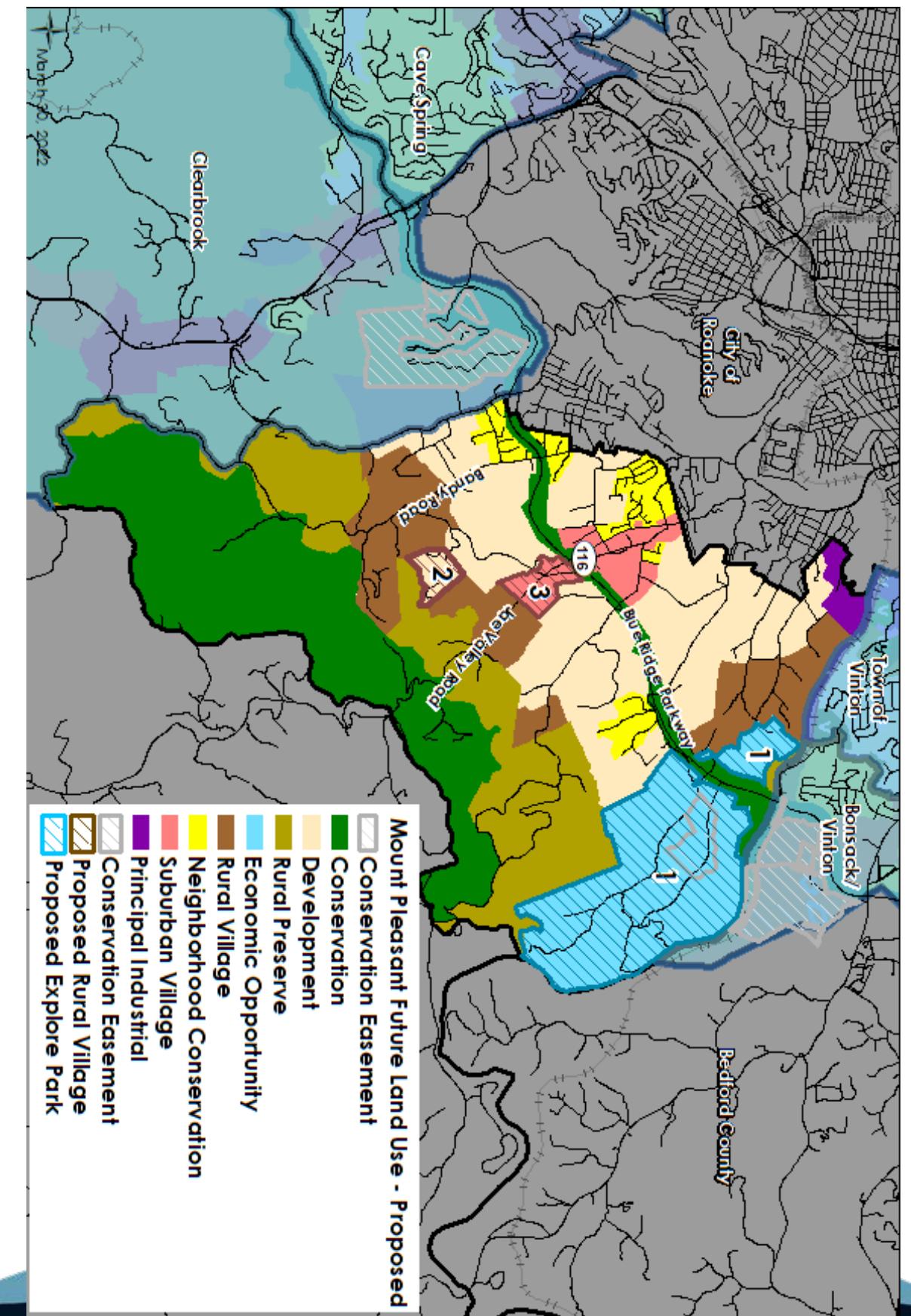
Transportation:

Mount Pleasant CPA Transportation Questions	
5 Survey Respondents	
Percentage of respondents support	
1. Safety improvements for Route 116/Jae Valley Road	100%
2. Improvements for Pitzer Road and Brookridge Road	60%
3. Improvements for Bandy Road	80%
4. Wayfinding signage from the City of Roanoke through Mount Pleasant to Explore Park	80%
5. Pedestrian connections within Mount Pleasant village	40%
6. Improved bicycle infrastructure in Mount Pleasant Community Planning Area	60%
7. Construct Roanoke River Greenway between City of Roanoke and Rutrough Point	40%
8. Extend Roanoke River Greenway - Rutrough Point to Franklin County.	40%
9. Evaluate connecting neighborhoods to the Roanoke River Greenway.	40%
10. Expand Valley Metro routes to Mount Pleasant CPA.	40%

Mount Pleasant Transportation Ranking	
5 Respondents	
Proposed Recommendation	Rank
1. Safety improvements for Route 116/Jae Valley Road.	1 (tie)
2. Improvements for Pitzer Road and Brookridge Road.	1 (tie)
3. Improvements for Bandy Road.	1 (tie)
10. Expand Valley Metro routes to Mount Pleasant CPA.	1 (tie)
4. Wayfinding signage from the City of Roanoke through Mount Pleasant to Explore Park.	5 (tie)
6. Bicycle accommodations in the Mount Pleasant CPA.	5 (tie)
7. Roanoke River Greenway between the City of Roanoke and Rutrough Point at Explore Park.	5 (tie)
9. Evaluate connecting neighborhoods to the Roanoke River Greenway.	5 (tie)
8. Extend Roanoke River Greenway - Rutrough Point to Franklin County.	9
5. Pedestrian connections within the Mount Pleasant village.	10



Land Use, Natural & Cultural Resources, Community Facilities & Infrastructure Survey: Mount Pleasant		
	13 Respondents	
	Yes	No
Natural and Cultural Resources		
1. Protect and improve the quality of water in our streams, creeks and rivers.	11	2
2. Coordinate with State agencies regarding floodplain risks and prevention.	11	2
3. Reduce quantity and improve quality of stormwater.	10	3
4. Protect and prevent risks to surface waterways, reservoirs, underground aquifers and drinking water wells.	12	1
5. Beautify County roadways and public areas.	11	1
6. Protect viewsheds from the ridges and from the valleys.	8	2
7. Clean up and prevent litter and illegal dumping.	13	0
8. Protect steep slope areas.	10	2
9. Protect trees and forests and increase tree canopy.	12	1
10. Protect natural areas and wildlife habitats.	12	1
11. Coordinate with State agencies regarding historic and cultural resources, including cemeteries and archaeological sites.	11	2
Land Use - Activity Centers		
1. Do you support the location of the activity centers shown on the map?	9	1
2. Are there other areas in Roanoke County that should be designated as an activity center?	1	9
Land Use - Changes to Future Land Use Map		
1. From Economic Opportunity to Explore Park	8	2
2. From Development to Rural Village	9	1
3. From Suburban Village to Rural Village	7	3





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Land Use, Natural & Cultural Resources, Community Facilities & Infrastructure Survey: Mount Pleasant		
	13 Respondents	
	Yes	No
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Parks, Recreation & Tourism		
1. Evaluate new park, greenway, and blueway opportunities.	6	3
2. Evaluate on- and off-road connectivity options between parks, neighborhoods, and community facilities.	9	0
3. Continue coordination on regional efforts to enhance and develop outdoor recreation opportunities in our communities.	6	3
4. Update the Parks, Recreation & Tourism Master Plan.	7	2
5. Continue promotion of the Park Partners Program to encourage citizens and businesses, and organizations to adopt a park, greenway, or trail.	7	2
6. Educate citizens on park ordinance updates (i.e. park sign updates, dog-friendly parks/special events and leash laws, drones, etc.).	8	1
7. Continue developing programs that allow for safer post-COVID plans that balance community needs with available staffing resources.	6	3
8. Continue implementation of the Explore Park Adventure Plan (i.e. vehicular access between Blue Ridge Parkway and Hardy Road, mountain bike trail improvements, Roanoke River Greenway, etc.).	6	3
9. Evaluate opportunities for parks (i.e., Bonsack) and greenways/trails (i.e. Glade Creek Greenway, Wolf Creek Greenway, Read Mountain Preserve expansion, etc.).	6	3
10. Evaluate new park, greenway and blueway opportunities in the community.	5	4
11. Continue coordination with the Blueway Ridge Parkway for implementation of the Roanoke Valley Trail Plan.	7	2
12. Continued evaluation of park, recreation, and programming needs at existing parks (i.e. Jae Valley Park – Back Creek).	8	1
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: General Services		
1. Evaluate recycling program options.	6	3
2. Complete planned Roanoke County Fire Department Facilities Assessment.	9	0
3. Complete planned Roanoke County Administration Center Assessment.	6	3
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Public Libraries		
1. Improve services and continue enhancing facilities.	7	2
2. Evaluate programming needs and wants based on a variety of data and customer feedback.	7	2
3. Implement responsive, community focused program that serves people of all ages and backgrounds.	6	2
4. Ensure timely delivery of all circulating materials.	7	2
5. Raise level of engagement with the community, and increase awareness about library services and programs.	7	2
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Communication & Information Technology		
1. Explore opportunities to extend broadband service with universal availability and access to high-speed Internet in unserved and under-served areas.	8	1
2. Explore alternative broadband and cell phone providers for choice and competition.	8	1
3. Explore more public-private partnerships to implement more stages of Roanoke County's Rural Broadband Initiative to bring high-speed Internet to homes without broadband access.	7	2
4. Explore providing improved cell phone service in unserved and under-served areas.	8	1
5. Consider submitting applications for the Virginia Telecommunications Initiative (VTI) grant and other grants.	8	1
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Public Safety		
1. Provide the efficient delivery of public safety services with minimal response times.	9	0
2. Enhance and maintain public safety staffing.	9	0
3. Enhance and maintain facilities and equipment.	8	1
4. Provide a high-level of citizen engagement and educational opportunities.	8	1

Peters Creek Community Planning Area (CPA)

Seven Roanoke County 200 Plan open house planning meetings were held around Roanoke County in Spring 2022 for citizens to review draft goals and recommendation options based on the feedback received throughout the Fall 2021 community engagement. Draft goals were developed based on input that we received at the community meetings and online surveys in Fall 2021. Citizens reviewed and provided comments on the new draft goals and recommendations that will shape the draft Roanoke County 200 Plan document. The draft goals and recommendations displayed included natural and cultural resources, land use, community facilities and infrastructure, and transportation.

Community Meeting

The community meeting for the Peters Creek CPA was held on April 11, 2022 at the Green Ridge Recreation Center. There were 14 attendees.

Summary

Natural and Cultural Resources: The majority (92%) of survey and community meeting participants support the eleven initiatives to protect and improve ground, surface and stormwater resources; beautify the county's public areas, viewsheds and roadways; clean up garbage; protect steep slope areas; protect trees and forests, natural areas and wildlife habitats; as well as protection of historic and cultural resources.

Land Use: 83% of respondents support the activity centers as shown on the Activity Center Map, while 9% indicated interest in additional activity centers near Northside High School and in vacant building areas on Routes 460 and 117 (Peters Creek Road). 67% of respondents support the proposed changes to the Future Land Use Map.

Community Facilities and Infrastructure:

1. Parks, Recreation and Tourism: 96% of respondents support the countywide initiatives as well as the following items pertaining to the Peters Creek CPA:
 - a. Evaluate new parks, greenways/trails and blueways.
 - b. Evaluate needs at existing parks.
2. General Services: 90% of respondents support recycling options and assessments of County Fire Department Facilities and the Administration Center.
3. Public Libraries: 93% of respondents support the countywide library system initiatives.
4. Communications and Information Technology: 95% of respondents support expansion and improvement of broadband and cell phone access.
5. Public Safety: 97% of respondents support countywide public safety initiatives.



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Transportation:

Peters Creek CPA Transportation Questions	
15 Survey Respondents	
Percentage of respondents support	
1. Williamson Road Multimodal Safety Study	93%
2. Peters Creek Road Multimodal Safety Study	93%
3. Corridor Study for Shadwell Drive and Old Mountain Road	91%
4. Improve access to Wood Haven Technology Park from I-581	89%
5. Sidewalk and crosswalks along Williamson Road between the City of Roanoke and Botetourt County	67%
6. Multimodal accommodations with crosswalks along Plantation Road between the City of Roanoke and I-81	71%
7. Multimodal improvements on Walrond Drive between Plantation Road and Walrond Park	92%
8. Sidewalk & crosswalks along Valleypointe Parkway - Green Ridge Recreation Center to Peters Creek Road	67%
9. Bicycle and pedestrian accommodations along Route 419 - City of Salem over I-81 to Route 311 to connect to Hanging Rock Battlefield Trail and Hinchee Trail	93%
10. Tinker Creek Greenway between the City of Roanoke and Botetourt County	93%
11. Lick Run Greenway between the City of Roanoke and Green Ridge Recreation Center	79%
12. Carvin Creek Greenway between the City of Roanoke and Clubhouse Drive	85%
13. Trailhead parking lot on the north side of the Read Mountain Preserve	93%
14. Expand Valley Metro to the Hollins area	64%
15. Valley Metro bus stops on Plantation Road and Hershberger Road	67%

Peters Creek Transportation Ranking	
15 Respondents	
Proposed Recommendation	Rank
2. Peters Creek Road Multimodal Safety Study.	1 (tie)
5. Sidewalk and crosswalks along Williamson Road - City of Roanoke to Botetourt County.	1 (tie)
1. Williamson Road Multimodal Safety Study.	3 (tie)
10. Tinker Creek Greenway - City of Roanoke to Botetourt County.	3 (tie)
14. Expand Valley Metro routes to Hollins center, Hollins University and Department of Motor Vehicles on Valleypointe Parkway.	3 (tie)
15. Improvements for bus stops on Plantation Road and Hershberger Road.	3 (tie)
6. Complete multimodal accommodations including crosswalks along Plantation Road - City of Roanoke to I-81.	7
13. Trailhead parking lot on the north side of the Read Mountain Preserve.	8
3. Corridor Study for Shadwell Drive and Old Mountain Road - Route 11 to City of Roanoke.	9
11. Lick Run Greenway - City of Roanoke to Green Ridge Recreation Center.	10
7. Multimodal improvements on Walrond Drive - Plantation Road to Walrond Park.	11 (tie)
12. Carvin Creek Greenway - City of Roanoke to Clubhouse Drive.	11 (tie)
4. Improve access to Wood Haven Technology Park from Interstate 581.	13 (tie)
8. Sidewalk and crosswalks along Valleypointe Parkway - Green Ridge Recreation Center to Peters Creek Road.	13 (tie)
9. Bicycle and pedestrian accommodations along Route 419 from City of Salem over I-81 to Route 311 to connect to Hanging Rock Battlefield Trail and Hinchee Trail.	13 (tie)



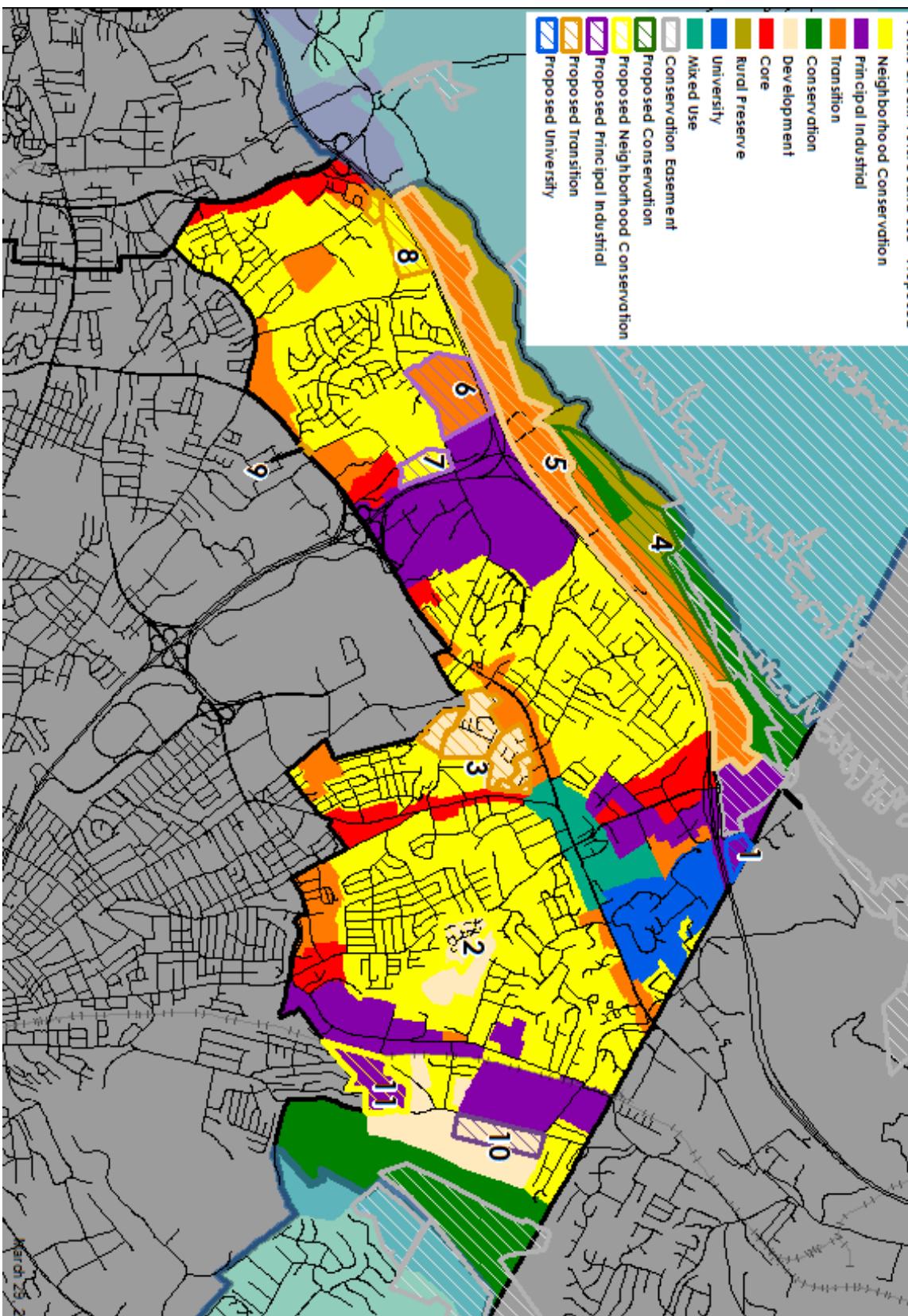
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Land Use, Natural & Cultural Resources, Community Facilities & Infrastructure Survey: Peters Creek		
		54 Respondents
Natural and Cultural Resources		Yes
1. Protect and improve the quality of water in our streams, creeks and rivers.	52	1
2. Coordinate with State agencies regarding floodplain risks and prevention.	51	2
3. Reduce quantity and improve quality of stormwater.	53	0
4. Protect and prevent risks to surface waterways, reservoirs, underground aquifers and drinking water wells.	46	4
5. Beautify County roadways and public areas.	52	1
6. Protect viewsheds from the ridges and from the valleys.	43	7
7. Clean up and prevent litter and illegal dumping.	50	3
8. Protect steep slope areas.	53	0
9. Protect trees and forests and increase tree canopy.	53	0
10. Protect natural areas and wildlife habitats.	48	2
11. Coordinate with State agencies regarding historic and cultural resources, including cemeteries and archaeological sites.	46	4
Land Use - Activity Centers		Yes
1. Do you support the location of the activity centers shown on the map?	30	6
2. Are there other areas in Roanoke County that should be designated as an activity center?	3	30
Land Use - Changes to Future Land Use Map		Yes
1. From Principal Industrial to University	27	3
2. From Development to Neighborhood Conservation	30	1
3. From Development to Transition	25	5
4. From Rural Preserve and Transition to Conservation	27	4
5. From Transition to Neighborhood Conservation	29	1
6. From Transition to Principal Industrial	11	19
7. From Neighborhood Conservation to Principal Industrial	11	19
8. From Neighborhood Conservation to Transition	10	20
9. From Neighborhood Conservation to Transition	11	19
10. From Development to Principal Industrial	12	18
11. From Principal Industrial to Neighborhood Conservation	27	3



Land Use, Natural & Cultural Resources, Community Facilities & Infrastructure Survey: Peters Creek		
		54 Respondents
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Parks, Recreation & Tourism	Yes	No
1. Evaluate new park, greenway, and blueway opportunities.	20	1
2. Evaluate on- and off-road connectivity options between parks, neighborhoods, and community facilities.	20	1
3. Continue coordination on regional efforts to enhance and develop outdoor recreation opportunities in our communities.	20	1
4. Update the Parks, Recreation & Tourism Master Plan.	20	1
5. Continue promotion of the Park Partners Program to encourage citizens and businesses, and organizations to adopt a park, greenway, or trail.	23	0
6. Educate citizens on park ordinance updates (i.e. park sign updates, dog-friendly parks/special events and leash laws, drones, etc.).	23	0
7. Continue developing programs that allow for safer post-COVID plans that balance community needs with available staffing resources.	20	2
8. Evaluate new park, greenway and blueway opportunities in the community (i.e., Tinker Creek Greenway, Read Mountain Preserve expansion in Hollins area, etc.).	22	1
9. Continue evaluation of park, recreation, and programming needs at existing parks (i.e., Brookside Park – Carvins Creek Walrond Park – karst and wetlands, etc.).	23	0
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: General Services	Yes	No
1. Evaluate recycling program options.	22	1
2. Complete planned Roanoke County Fire Department Facilities Assessment.	21	1
3. Complete planned Roanoke County Administration Center Assessment.	19	3
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Public Libraries	Yes	No
1. Improve services and continue enhancing facilities.	21	1
2. Evaluate programming needs and wants based on a variety of data and customer feedback.	21	1
3. Implement responsive, community focused program that serves people of all ages and backgrounds.	21	1
4. Ensure timely delivery of all circulating materials.	22	0
5. Raise level of engagement with the community, and increase awareness about library services and programs.	22	1
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Communication & Information Technology	Yes	No
1. Explore opportunities to extend broadband service with universal availability and access to high-speed Internet in unserved and under-served areas.	22	1
2. Explore alternative broadband and cell phone providers for choice and competition.	22	1
3. Explore more public-private partnerships to implement more stages of Roanoke County's Rural Broadband Initiative to bring high-speed Internet to homes without broadband access.	21	2
4. Explore providing improved cell phone service in unserved and under-served areas.	22	1
5. Consider submitting applications for the Virginia Telecommunications Initiative (VATI) grant and other grants.	22	1
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Public Safety	Yes	No
1. Provide the efficient delivery of public safety services with minimal response times.	23	0
2. Enhance and maintain public safety staffing.	22	1
3. Enhance and maintain facilities and equipment.	22	1
4. Provide a high-level of citizen engagement and educational opportunities.	22	1



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Windsor Hills Community Planning Area (CPA)

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Community Meeting

The community meeting for the Windsor Hills CPA was held on April 19, 2022 at Oak Grove Elementary. There were 28 attendees.

Summary

Natural and Cultural Resources: The majority (86%) of survey and community meeting participants support the eleven initiatives to protect and improve ground, surface and stormwater resources; beautify the county's public areas, viewsheds and roadways; clean up garbage; protect steep slope areas; protect trees and forests, natural areas and wildlife habitats; as well as protection of historic and cultural resources.

Land Use: 89% of respondents support the activity centers as shown on the Activity Center Map, while 16% indicated interest in additional activity centers at Cave Spring Corner. 86% of respondents support the proposed changes to the Future Land Use Map.

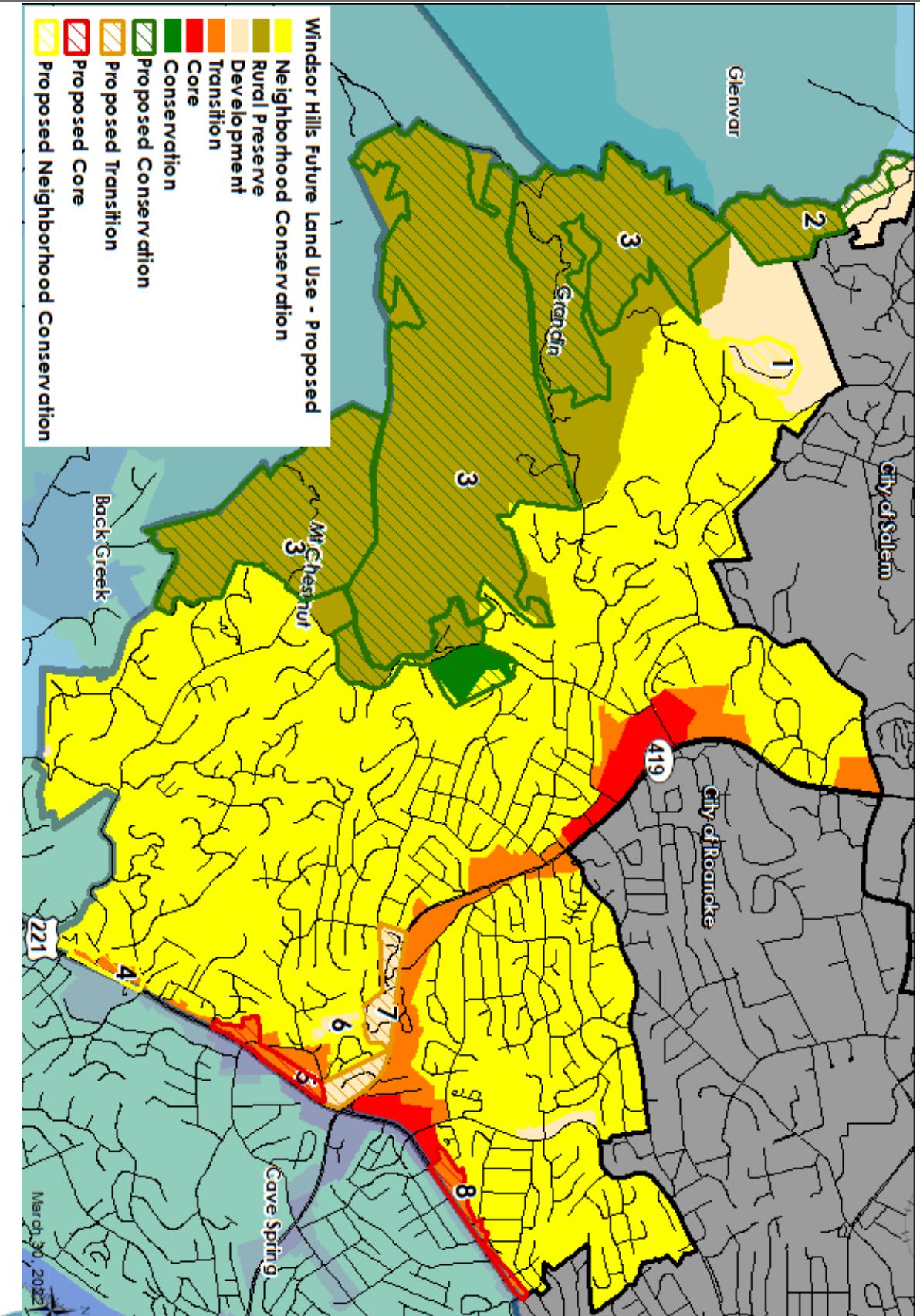
Community Facilities and Infrastructure:

1. Parks, Recreation and Tourism: 83% of respondents support the countywide initiatives as well as the following items pertaining to the Windsor Hills CPA:
 - a. Evaluate new opportunities for parks, greenways and trails.
 - b. Evaluate needs at existing parks.
2. General Services: 77% of respondents support recycling options and assessments of County Fire Department Facilities and the Administration Center.
3. Public Libraries: 76% of respondents support the countywide library system initiatives.
4. Communications and Information Technology: 78% of respondents support expansion and improvement of broadband and cell phone access.
5. Public Safety: 85% of respondents support countywide public safety initiatives.

Transportation:

Windsor Hills CPA Transportation Questions	
20 Survey Respondents	
Percentage of respondents support	
1. Study and improve Route 419/Electric Road for all users	100%
2. Route 221 Multimodal Safety Study	100%
3. Safety improvements for Twelve O'Clock Knob Road	100%
4. Inter-parcel connections for commercial areas along Route 419	100%
5. Pedestrian and bicycle facilities along Route 419 from Glen Heather Drive to City of Salem	79%
6. Install pedestrian signals and crosswalks at intersections along Route 419	95%
7. Pedestrian accommodations along Garst Mill Road	100%
8. Pedestrian connections within the Windsor Hills CPA	89%
9. Bicycle accommodations in Windsor Hills CPA	83%
10. Mudlick Creek Greenway - City of Roanoke to Route 221 at Rosecrest Road	89%
11. Barnhardt Creek Greenway - City of Roanoke to Grandin Road Extension	100%
12. Connect Happy Hollow Gardens and Poor Mountain Natural Area Preserve with Long Ridge Trail	93%
13. Expand Valley Metro to Windsor Hills	70%

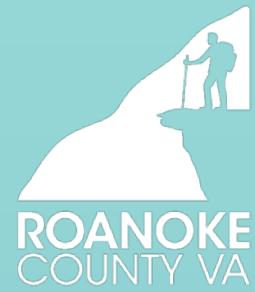
Land Use, Natural & Cultural Resources, Community Facilities & Infrastructure Survey: Windsor Hills		38 Respondents	
		Yes	No
Natural and Cultural Resources			
1. Protect and improve the quality of water in our streams, creeks and rivers.		36	1
2. Coordinate with State agencies regarding floodplain risks and prevention.		34	2
3. Reduce quantity and improve quality of stormwater.		32	4
4. Protect and prevent risks to surface waterways, reservoirs, underground aquifers and drinking water wells.		36	1
5. Beautify County roadways and public areas.		35	2
6. Protect viewsheds from the ridges and from the valleys.		27	6
7. Clean up and prevent litter and illegal dumping.		37	0
8. Protect steep slope areas.		32	2
9. Protect trees and forests and increase tree canopy.		34	3
10. Protect natural areas and wildlife habitats.		35	1
11. Coordinate with State agencies regarding historic and cultural resources, including cemeteries and archaeological sites.		32	5
Land Use - Activity Centers			
1. Do you support the location of the activity centers shown on the map?		24	3
2. Are there other areas in Roanoke County that should be designated as an activity center?		4	21
Land Use - Changes to Future Land Use Map			
1. From Development to Neighborhood Conservation		21	2
2. From Rural Preserve and Development to Conservation		23	0
3. From Rural Preserve to Conservation		22	1
4. From Transition to Neighborhood Conservation		20	3
5. From Transition to Core		18	4
6. From Development to Neighborhood Conservation		21	2
7. From Development to Transition		19	3
8. Transition to Core		19	3





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WINTER 2023 Community Meeting Summaries

Land Use, Natural & Cultural Resources, Community Facilities & Infrastructure Survey: Windsor Hills		
	38 Respondents	
	Yes	No
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Parks, Recreation & Tourism		
1. Evaluate new park, greenway, and blueway opportunities.	19	3
2. Evaluate on- and off- road connectivity options between parks, neighborhoods, and community facilities.	21	1
3. Continue coordination on regional efforts to enhance and develop outdoor recreation opportunities in our communities.	21	1
4. Update the Parks, Recreation & Tourism Master Plan.	16	5
5. Continue promotion of the Park Partners Program to encourage citizens and businesses, and organizations to adopt a park, greenway, or trail.	18	3
6. Educate citizens on park ordinance updates (i.e. park sign updates, dog-friendly parks/special events and leash laws, drones, etc.).	18	3
7. Continue developing programs that allow for safer post-COVID plans that balance community needs with available staffing resources.	15	6
8. Evaluate new park (i.e., Sugar Loaf Nature Preserve) and greenway (i.e., Mudlick Creek Greenway) opportunities in the community.	17	4
9. Continue evaluation of park, recreation, and programming needs at existing parks (i.e., Oak Grove Park, Garst Mill Park, etc.).	20	2
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: General Services	Yes	No
1. Evaluate recycling program options.	19	3
2. Complete planned Roanoke County Fire Department Facilities Assessment.	17	4
3. Complete planned Roanoke County Administration Center Assessment.	15	6
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Public Libraries	Yes	No
1. Improve services and continue enhancing facilities.	18	3
2. Evaluate programming needs and wants based on a variety of data and customer feedback.	17	4
3. Implement responsive, community focused program that serves people of all ages and backgrounds.	16	5
4. Ensure timely delivery of all circulating materials.	16	5
5. Raise level of engagement with the community, and increase awareness about library services and programs.	13	7
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Communication & Information Technology	Yes	No
1. Explore opportunities to extend broadband service with universal availability and access to high-speed Internet in unserved and under-served areas.	17	4
2. Explore alternative broadband and cell phone providers for choice and competition.	17	4
3. Explore more public-private partnerships to implement more stages of Roanoke County's Rural Broadband Initiative to bring high-speed Internet to homes without broadband access.	17	3
4. Explore providing improved cell phone service in unserved and under-served areas.	15	6
5. Consider submitting applications for the Virginia Telecommunications Initiative (VTI) grant and other grants.	16	4
Community Facilities & Infrastructure: Public Safety	Yes	No
1. Provide the efficient delivery of public safety services with minimal response times.	19	2
2. Enhance and maintain public safety staffing.	19	2
3. Enhance and maintain facilities and equipment.	19	2
4. Provide a high-level of citizen engagement and educational opportunities.	18	4

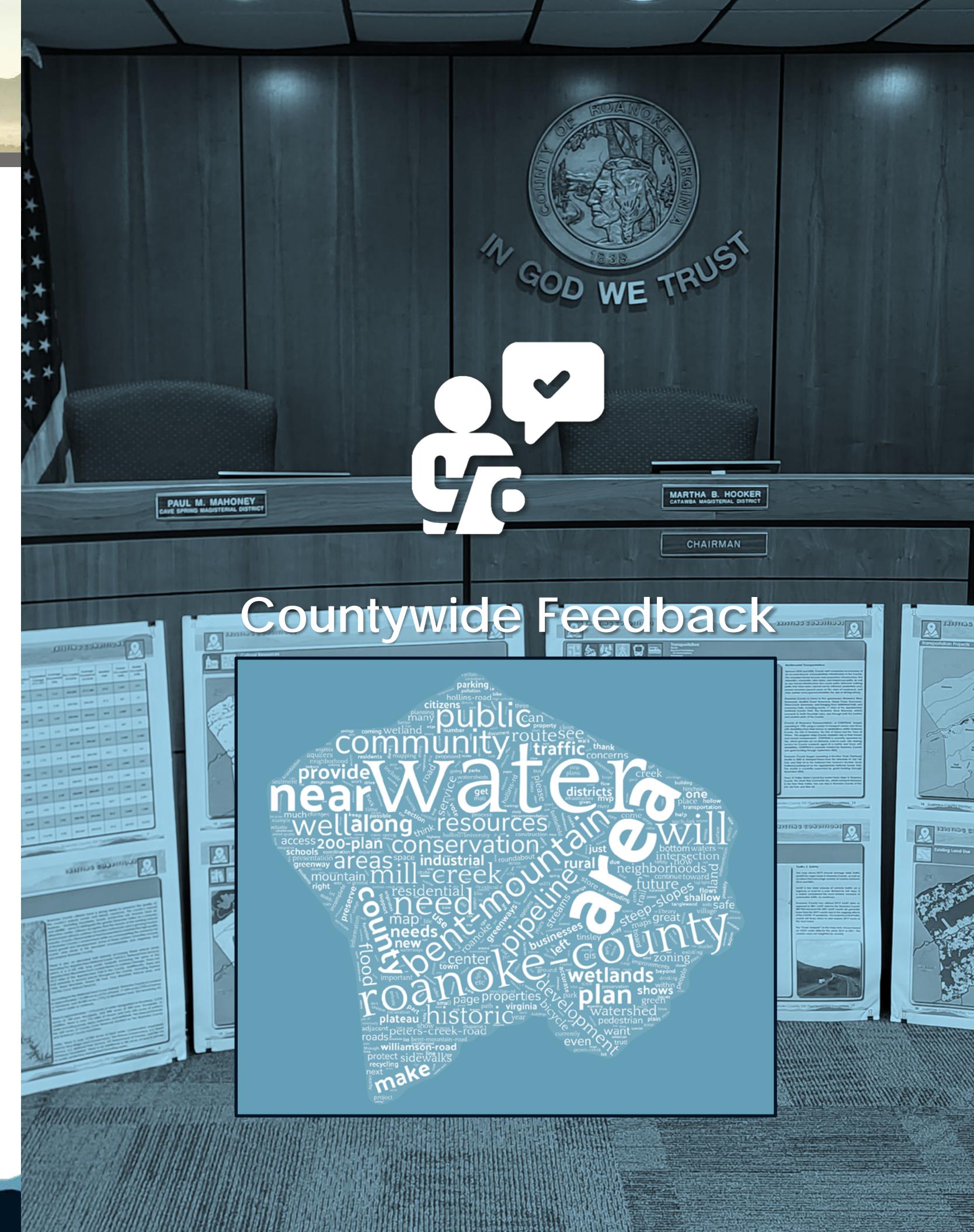
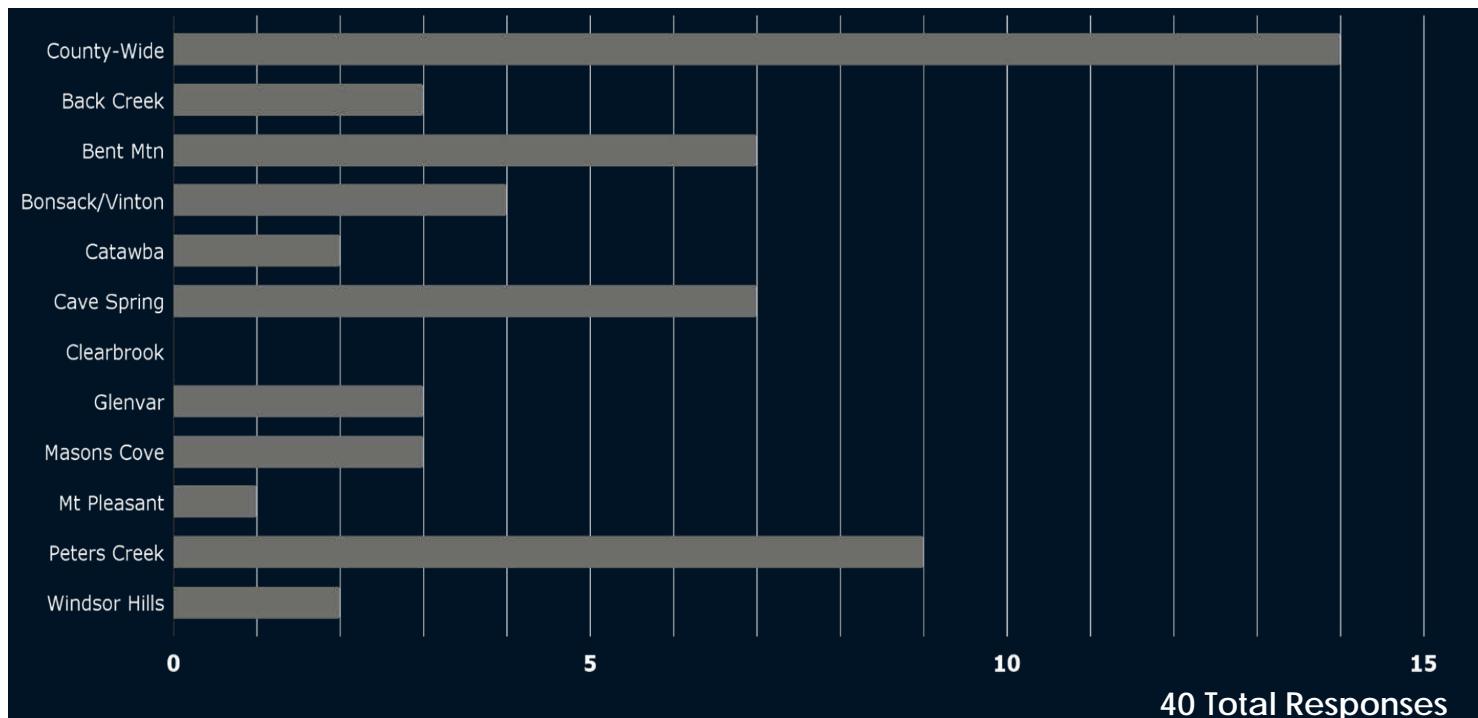




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Overview of Survey Results

- There were 40 survey respondents who commented on the open feedback form that provided comments on the County as a whole and/or a specific Community Planning Area
- Comment period was open from February 27th - April 16th
- 14 citizens provided feedback on the Countywide Summary Document
 - Main themes centered around water and conservation
 - More than two-thirds of the comments were generally positive
- Peters Creek received the greatest number of comments (9)
- Clearbrook received the least number of comments (0)





Public Hearing Comment #1

Commended the staff for their effort and the diligence that went into putting this plan together. He noted that he is excited to see that it is a reflection of the cultural ideals that the people of this area hold dear. He noted that he has read the draft reports in their entirety, and has attended many of the work sessions. He noted that he is excited about the possibilities he sees here. He noted that careful attention has been paid to the comments made by citizens. He thanked the citizens who participated in the process to use their time to directly participate in helping to craft this vision for the County. There is an omnipresent idea that growth should be balanced with the natural resources of the County and it shows on every page. Some people may argue that these are mutually exclusive ideas, but he believes that careful attention to this plan shows that they can be reached through a balance through this. He charged the Planning Commissions that in times of resistance or overwhelming excitement part of their obligation to the County is to weigh all of these things in careful consideration with one another. He noted that keeping the integral pieces of this plan in mind, he noted they will be guided by a very good milestone. To the members of the citizenry of this county that if we are to abide by and usher in this vision into a fruitful reality there is a charge to directly participate with themselves. He noted that he is in favor of the plan.

Public Hearing Comment #2

The current Roanoke County Comprehensive Plan, the plan about to be replaced, states "there exists a very intrinsic relationship between the natural beauty that exists here and people's perception of quality here in the County". The 11 community planning areas development policies created from community input indicate the natural beauty is of fundamental importance to everyone who lives here. From a recent planning department slide presentation the planning department appears to be in the process of replacing this principle in Roanoke County 200 with "protect and preserve rural and agricultural areas with zoning and future land use designations. Develop and redevelop areas that have infrastructure and development now, suburban and urban growth areas." It is not credible that such difference in part of suburbanized areas would be so frequently articulated in community meetings should rise to such prominence. Few suburban residents would be in favor of ruining their neighborhoods with excessive development in order to spare rural residents. This opposition 2 between rural and suburban appears to have been fabricated and then encouraged by the Planning department. The online survey indicates that suburban and rural residents both want to protect and preserve their nature in their respective areas. Our fear is that Roanoke County 200 will not do that, especially in the execution phase after it is adopted.



Public Hearing Comment #3

Explained that he is the Agriculture and Natural Resource agent for Virginia Cooperative Extension Service for Roanoke and Botetourt County. He noted that he was made aware by working with farmers in this area that there is not a lot of prime agricultural land. People are farming on some horrible sites. He explained that they are really struggling because of that. The NRCS classifies soil on a suitability for agriculture. It is a scale of 1 to 7 with one being the best, prime agricultural land. He noted that a seven is only suitable for trees. Recently, a map came out with a GIS layer that identifies all of the prime agricultural land in Virginia, and there is just not a lot of prime land in Roanoke County. He noted that he wanted to bring that to the Planning Commission's attention in hopes that the prime agricultural land be preserved for agriculture. That soil is going to be deep, fertile, well drained and a critical ingredient in the profitability of a farm. It is super rare in this area. He reiterated the GIS layer that identifies those soils, and presented examples to the Planning Commission. Mr. Woltz questioned what area was being shown on the maps given to them. Mr. Jadrnick noted that it is a map of Roanoke, with one pulled back further. The problem is that the best soils do not always line up with the zoning areas that are reserved for agriculture. He continued that if we want to preserve agriculture as a viable option for our community we really need to target soils that are going to be the most productive. He explained that it would be easy to take this layer and look at those sites. He noted that some of them have already been built over, but there are many that have not been that could be preserved. He explained this would help preserve the food system of our region.

Note:

Ross Hammes coordinated with Mr. Jadrnick after the meeting to obtain the GIS data he mentioned so staff could begin mapping the area. Since that time, the data has been mapped.

Survey Comment #1

Informative but a great deal of information covered. I like most of what is being proposed and hope that we can achieve these things in a timely manner.

Survey Comment #2

General Services - Provide **recycling** pick up or additional drop off areas for sellable items such as metal, aluminum, cardboard, paper, and clear glass.

Survey Comment #3

Need more pedestrian and bicycle facilities

Survey Comment #8

Great Summary Document. Discussion of important county historic properties is not included. ATA minimum it should discuss properties on the National Register of Historic Places. They should be included on the map. In addition, a short summary of the history is desirable. This orients residents to the community and helps define a special sense of place. Recycling is a public issue. The plan should have stronger recommendations. "Evaluate recycling options" is weak. In my opinion, the county should consider "service districts" for some of the services desired by the more populated areas (sidewalks, bicycle, greenways, public safety, recycling, utilities, etc.). Additional definition of future land use categories is needed to understand the purpose and application of the map. It is a primary feature of the plan. Add more info on youth engagement and feedback. This could strengthen the plan and encourage some important improvements for the future.



Survey Comment #9

Continue to invest in what makes Roanoke unique. Please don't spend too much time on envisioning zones which would require private owners to rebuild. build your piece and they will come. Your piece needs to be something people want. Greenways get bikes off the road and both cyclists and drivers will appreciate that.

Survey Comment #10

Overall I like the plan direction: more focus on improving greenspace, water quality, and safe, multimodal transportation. My concern is more focused on the implementation and coordination between the cities, county, and state. I'd love to see goals that include safe bicycle routes across the county and through the city (e.g., safe passage from cave spring to Salem City or Bonsack CPA currently bicycle routes are localized or focus on exclusively on greenways rather than commuting. I would love to see this implemented in the 220 interchange redesign because that is not currently a safe passageway for cyclists even with the sharrows and bike lanes.

Survey Comment #12

We need the pottery activities back in the Brambleton Center. They were stopped because the pandemic. Many of us cannot afford to have kilns in our houses. The location of the Brambleton Center is great, very close to our homes.

Survey Comment #18

We were very impressed with your planning meeting and room set-up was inviting, posters and Plans clear and informative, staff friendly and knowledgeable. Thank you for all your hours and efforts spent in research, discussion, and execution. You are appreciated! I'm not sure how to increase the size of the projected information in the Bent Mountain gym space, but it was nearly unreadable on the small movie screen. Also, on the Bottom Creek Road and Lane, we have no cell or internet access without Cox, so I have to drive to "town" to get some. Hence, I couldn't get on the Roanoke County website while in VA to see your info. I took phone photos of your posters as best I could. Cox cable, we need you!!

Survey Comment #22

Cell service and broadband! Need it.

Survey Comment #24

If the proposed store across from VDOT is approved, it will open the door FOR MORE PROGRESS! Please don't let an Outsider with deep pockets change our mountain! Ya'll see the uniqueness of Bent, and we are counting on the County to keep her AS IS! We love it up here, and we (us) has a responsibility to keep her. I've had an ongoing VDOT study for 3 years now. We need solar light on 221 coming up the mountain for fog (like Afton). God Bless Yall, and good work.



Survey Comment #30

We have a big litter problem on 460 coming into town, and on many County smaller roads. I believe this should be addressed and tackled. It's a simple thing we could do to improve our community. As population increases and more traffic flows, what are our plans to abate this?

Survey Comment #31

Expanded bus service would be a great asset to those who cannot or do not want to drive. The current bus service is not a viable option to most who would want to use it due to extremely limited routes and infrequent service.

Survey Comment #38

The Draft Plan 200 states the following recommendation as #11 under "Natural and Cultural Resources": "Coordinate with State agencies regarding historic and cultural resources, including cemeteries and archaeological sites." I greatly appreciate the sentiment of protection that this statement conveys, however, it was not clear from employee responses at the Reveal Plan meetings or posted Plans that the county intends to put any policy, procedures or personnel in place to fulfill this stated goal. When Bent Mountain residents looked for protections from threats to historic resources posed by the Mountain Valley Pipeline (MVP) project, there was not a person or place within Roanoke County government at that time to provide assistance. Members of the community were the ones who did the work to research and submit two rural historic districts for recognition by the Virginia Department of Historic Resources (VDHR). Furthermore, Recommendation #11 makes NO reference to "coordination" with federal agencies which is very important in linear projects such as highways and pipelines. In the case of MVP, landowners whose properties contained important historic resources were completely left out of the Section 106 consultation process (required by the National Environmental Policy Act or NEPA) even though a few persons had requested to be consulting parties. This omission was finally corrected after one of those persons (me) published a letter on the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) docket. However, it was a month AFTER the programmatic agreement was completed, therefore the chance for any meaningful participation by affected landowners and interested citizens had already occurred. IF there had been an employee within the Planning Department who was knowledgeable of the Section 106 process, then they could have informed us. After all, there was a core group of citizens who attended all the meetings of the Pipeline Advisory Committee.



Survey Comment #38 (Continued)

Unless the Plan 200 Plan includes specific actions the County could take to protect historic and cultural resources, then Recommendation #11 is just a hollow statement. Here are just a couple of actions that the County could add to the Plan 200 to truly work toward protection of historic and cultural resources: Assign an employee the duties of coordinating historic and cultural resources protection. Provide training opportunities for that individual about state and federal agency procedures.

Undertake the process to become a Certified Local Government (CLG) through the Virginia Department of Historic Resources (VDHR). There is information at the following link on VDHR's website about this special designation that localities can achieve: <https://www.dhr.virginia.gov/certified-local-government-clg/>. There are some requirements that Roanoke County would have to fulfill, but the incentive for becoming a "CLG" would be the grants available to localities. According to the list, there are NO other counties in this part of Virginia that are CLG's. So, Roanoke would also be the FIRST county in western Virginia to acquire that special status. I believe that including the steps of training personnel and becoming a CLG would show that the County is truly committed to protecting the Cultural / 7 Historic resources within its boundaries. I would hope that the Commissioners and Supervisors who are asked to vote on Plan 200 want it to be a legitimate planning Plan and not just meaningless words on paper or a powerpoint. Therefore, I ask that the Plan 200 be modified to add specific language of actions for the important function of protecting historic and cultural resources within the County. If that is not possible, then I would ask that votes be withheld until the Plan 200 can be improved. Citizens want to ensure that a similar loss and degradation of historic / cultural treasures on the scale of what has occurred due to the MVP project will have a better chance of being avoided in the future.

Survey Comment #39

1. Roanoke County needs places to shop for clothes, etc. in the Cave Spring area. Burlington Coat Factory was a bad choice for Roanoke County. That store sells junk that was unable to sell at other stores. The County needs more mainstream stores where we have more options for clothing that is more trendy and stylish and good quality. We do not need more foods places.
2. The County also needs affordable housing for the blue collar people. The assessments on housing are pricing out people that have lived here for years.

Survey Comment #12

Please, pave the shoulder on Road 221 from Poages Mill Road to Poages Mill Road Extension, so we can ride the bicycle without risking our lives. Poages Mill Road Extension is a very used access to the Parkway and Bent Mountain on back roads.

Survey Comment #17

Need Guardrails, I have had 4 cars wreck in my front yard.

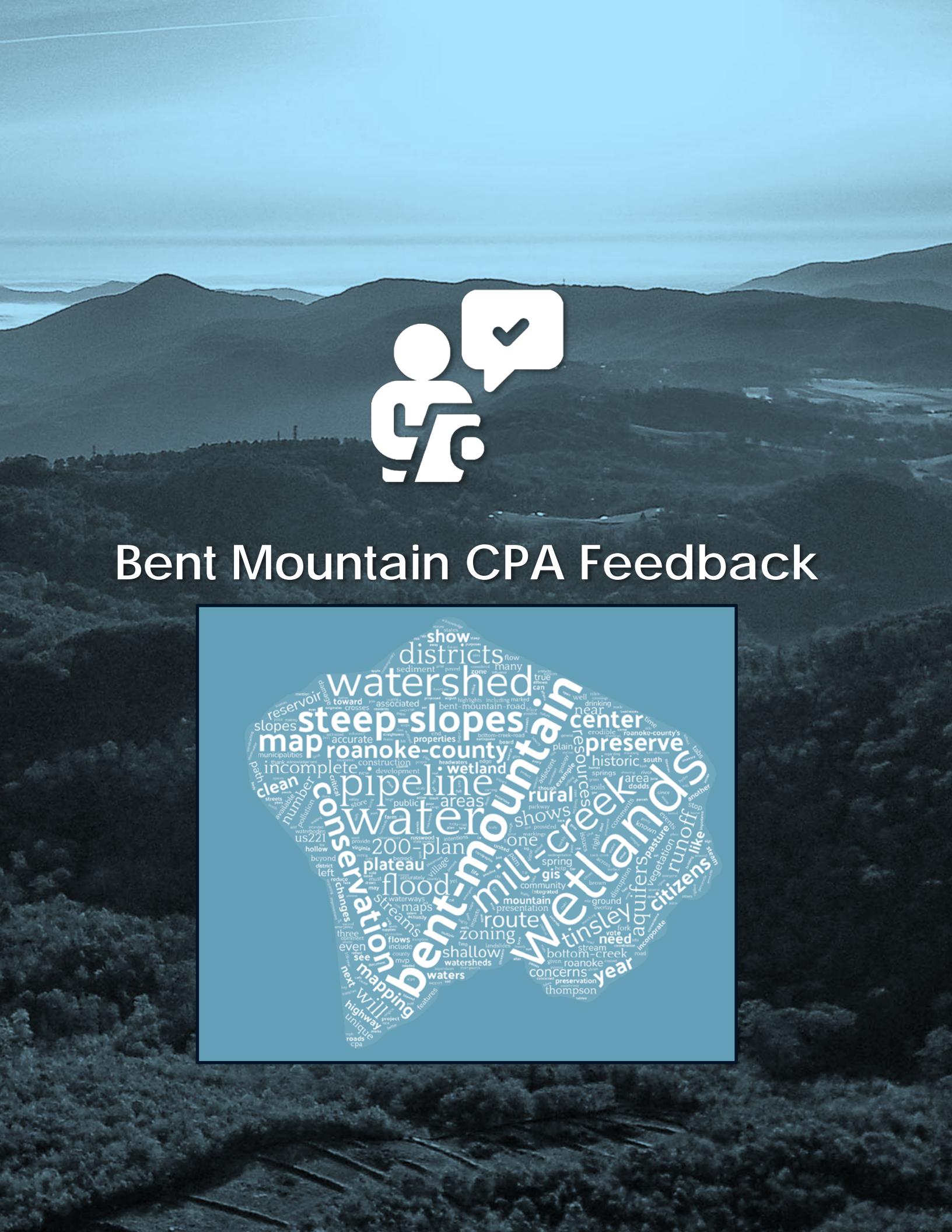
Survey Comment #18

I agree that working toward a safer speed limits on Rt. 221 is essential. Getting rid of graffiti on abandoned buildings would improve community appearance.

Back Creek CPA Feedback



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Public Hearing Comment #8

1. Noted she appreciated all that has been done to come to their neighborhoods and stated that it has been very helpful. She noted that there are two things that her neighbors having planning thoughts, and is sure they will submit something extra. She explained that she would like the Planning Commission to consider seriously in the area of Bent Mountain is protection of something other than the steepest of slopes at 33%. The fact that Bent Mountain resides on a plateau means that much of what there is to conserve is in flatter areas. Even in the path of the Mountain Valley Pipeline (MVP), which she noted is going right through her property—and she noted that she has experienced imminent domain. Even in the criteria for steep slopes with the MVP in surrounding counties like Montgomery County and Giles County the approach is 22%. She would pose to the Planning Commission that the most severe of 33% is not preserving most of what people live on.
2. In that vein, something that is desperately needed is—she noted that when staff came to Bent Mountain on Map 5 there is a box checked for floodways and waterways. She explained that has not been viewed on the Bent Mountain plateau. The 100 year flood and the waterways mapping in Roanoke County stops at Back Creek. She noted that she just double-checked it on the GIS maps. It has not been mapped on Bent Mountain, and she thinks that the rural corridor that the County wants to improve and rezone on the main highway is going to become a most vulnerable spot. Having seen MVP go through properties, which are relatively flat, you are underestimating the geology and the aquifers of the area. You stand to damage the water at the risk of trying to do something good in Roanoke County. She noted they have already experienced that because of MVP. She noted that in the MVP Advisory Committee, it was brought up years ago. The mapping has not been done on Bent Mountain. The floodways need to be explored before any development happens. She explained that she believes that a study would show a lot of water in very shallow spaces. It is 24 potentially quite hazardous, and could become something that seems like a good idea could become an extra insult to a very pretty area.



Survey Comment #18

We are new to the area, drawn by family, sunshine and beauty of rural Virginia. Preserving nature and constructing bicycle/walking trails is important to us. Stimulating the economy with a quality store with gasoline might be good. Drawing young families in housing market with limited development is a positive. Full time funding for a head librarian is necessary. Welcome to Bent Mountain sign would be desirable. Visual improvement of POFF Garage and B&S convenience store is needed. Also, we bought our home understanding that Cox was coming, but are still waiting. We must drive one mile out on Bottom Creek Road to make phone calls and get Wifi.

Survey Comment #24

Thank you for these meetings, and for seeing that most residents up here want Bent to REAMIN AS SHE IS! Our major challenge up here, a threat to our uniqueness, is the proposed eyesore of a 2 story store across from CDOT. We don't want it! Don't need more traffic!

Survey Comment #25

Would like to see Bent Mountain Fire and Rescue moved again! We need medical and emergency help in this rural area.

Survey Comment #26

Reduce speed limit on 221 on top of Mountain to 40 mph at least by shops, gas station, police tinsley turn to --unreadable Induce repair of Blue Ridge Parkway so that residents of bent mountain can use it again. Reduce Traffic on 221. We do not need a new grocery store on 221 bent mountain.

Survey Comment #33

We have lived near the end of Ivy Ridge Road since 1992. I see that you have a small section to pave this year. Pretty sure it was in 2022 plan too. I along with others would like the road paved to the end. Its a mess and hard to keep our vehicles nice. Please advise what is planned to be paved and if the road will be paved to the end. Thank you

Survey Comment #34

1. Willett Lane is not showing as part of the Bent Mountain CPA. This needs to be corrected.
2. The picture on slide 6 is not of Bent Mountain. The stables are located on Martin Creek Road.
3. Need 24 hour emergency services. Response time from Back Creek station can be a matter of life or death.
4. Reduce Rural Village from 11.16 to 8% and increase Rural Preserve from 81.43% to 84.58%. Thank you



Survey Comment #40

Dear Roanoke County Planning Commission,

Please accept these comments from Preserve Bent Mountain regarding the 200 Plan. We are asking that any vote to rezone the Bent Mountain Community be exempt from the intended vote May 3, 2023 and tabled until issues can be further addressed and a full and accurate GIS map is provided showing independent functions to list roads, streams, flood zones and 100 year flood events. Further, we ask that you incorporate the work of Dr. Pam Dodds into your decision making (see paper by her for Roanoke County board of Supervisors) and also the statement of Mr. Henderson from Roanoke County to the Virginia State Water Control Board in 2017 regarding the Roanoke County's inability to provide water infrastructure to citizens on the mountain.

We have concerns about underrepresented or unclear issues in mapping in the County's presentation notably around water resources and areas of conservation.

The Map 5 represents community concerns as including "landslides, impaired bodies of water, and pollution". Map 5 is completely inadequate for useful public comment. The pipeline route does not show at all, there are no roads or streets shown, only general labels, to analyze any impact of the pipeline or any zoning changes. Map 5 also alludes to the Bent Mountain Community as having "Over one third of the CPA is calculated as having a "steep slope", greater than 33%".

During the presentation to the community there was reference to conserving these areas but this map doesn't reflect that in coordination with other features. Also concerning is mention of only "A emergent wetlands located along Mill Creek, near the Bent Mountain Village Center along Route 221". This is an oversimplification of the actual extent of Mill Creek and its associated wetlands.

Survey Comment #40 (Continued)

The Bent Mountain plateau is comprised of two distinct watersheds; Mill Creek and Bottom Creek. Bottom Creek originates near the top of Poor Mountain across the face and drains to roughly the center of the plateau where it joins Mill Creek. The Mill Creek watershed originates near the Parkway and crosses US 221 and flows north toward the central plateau and also originates on the opposite side of US 221 near the origin of Coles Road and travels through those wetlands past the Bent Mountain Community Center, Russwood and Bottom Creek Rd. to join Mill Creek proper; listed as Waters of the United States. The pipeline crosses these waters and from there, in a short distance, it meets at a confluence with Tier 3 Bottom Creek one of only three such pristine waterways in the State of Virginia.

The role of Roanoke County's influence and importance in helping to maintain the purity of these headwater cold water trout streams, our springs, seeps and wetlands cannot be overstated as every citizen on Bent Mountain relies on a well or spring for drinking and household water. Further, the water from Bent Mountain flows to the South Fork of the Roanoke River and supplies clean water to Spring Hollow Reservoir which then supplies three municipalities of Roanoke City, Roanoke County and Salem.

Preserve Bent Mountain has been vigilant about our water since the inception of the pipeline project in 2014. Many scientists have assayed our area. Pam Dodds PhD, hydro geologist has written papers for Roanoke County Board of Supervisors outlining the unique geology of our shallow aquifers and bedrock.

The insult of the pipeline has been felt across the plateau. An example is the Thompson Farm at the US Parkway entrance. In the summer of 2018 the trenches filled with ground water repeatedly, not rainwater. Construction on the Thompson's as well as boring pipe under US 221 left several neighbors on Rocky Road with sediment in their water. Streams in the Mill Creek watershed continue to have sediment clogging the stream beds. Properties have had their aquifers drilled into and blasted. The construction is far from finished. There are many complicated water crossings and steep slopes through an assortment of three historic districts. Conservation of steep slope areas and historic districts includes structures, road networks, and Native American artifacts and sacred spaces.



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Landslides and slips (shifting of pipe) are true concerns.

Roanoke County must set aside any rezoning and development in areas which could impact our shallow water resources. Even seemingly bare pasture has had pastures fill with oozing wetlands and sediment runoff. Stating that areas will be conserved is too general in the plan with no specifics for the Historic Districts.

Requiring conservation of only the steepest slopes is revealing of how unaware the County is of where some of the steep crossings are and how they sit above water.

Mention is made of erodible soils. No class 1 soil study was ever undertaken for the pipeline route. Even the most gently rolling of slopes such as Thompson's sloughed into runoff in streams hundreds of feet away.

Everyone deserves clean water. It would be very unfortunate if new building along the straightaway of US 221 for the sake of a "Rural Village" or "Rural Center" may yield damage to a very shallow aquifer. There are existing businesses in this Mill Creek watershed and homes along Tinsley and beyond where the County's Map 5 of flood zone acknowledges; stopping just before a large neighborhood.



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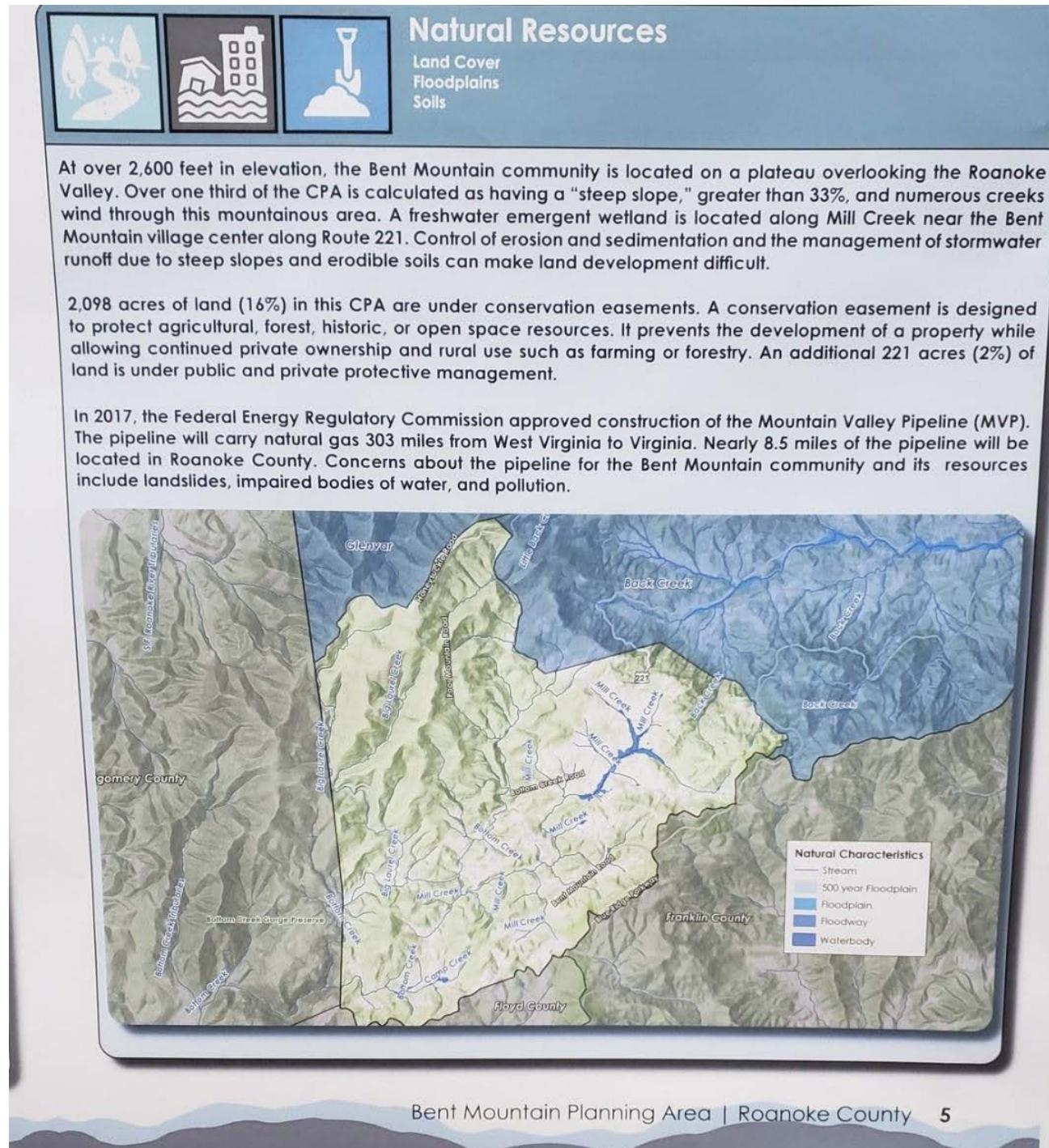
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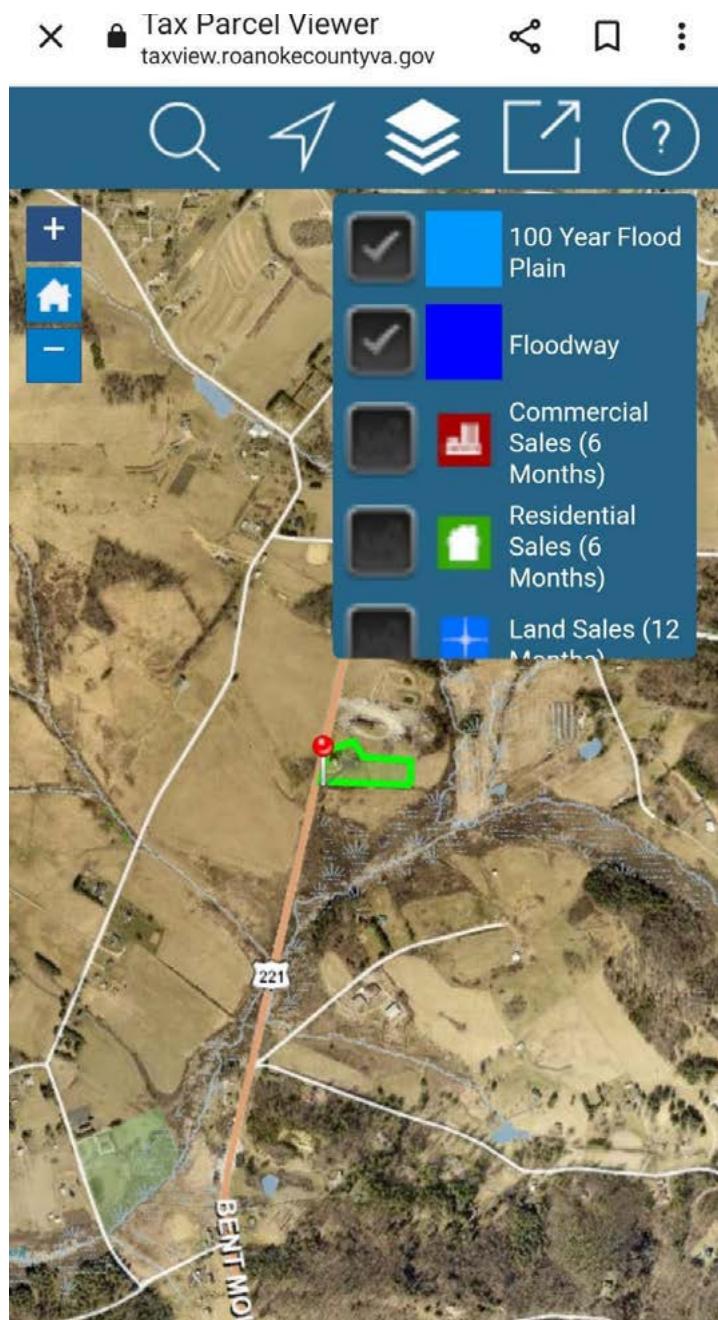


Map 5 Issues:

- Discusses pipeline but does not show placement.
- discusses development yet shows no accurate roadways for reference *has "blue" highlighted as water yet this is incomplete (see following discussion)
- references steep slopes and storm water runoff yet the steep slopes are not next to the highway
- does not acknowledge the two critical watersheds (Mill Creek and Bottom Creek) on the plateau which intersect to flow to the South Fork of the Roanoke River and supply clean water to Spring Hollow Reservoir
- Mill Creek is considered Waters of the United States
- this map and others omit a key concern of citizens in the path or adjacent to the MVP that their only sources of drinking water here come from springs and wells. Roanoke County has acknowledged that they cannot build infrastructure to provide water to citizens, should their water be compromised. It cannot be provided to them from the valley below.
- concerns include active seismic zone on the plateau, landslides, highly erodible soils
- given the unique geology of shallow aquifers which are over bedrock we have a shallow water table. Any construction for development should face more intense scrutiny as to the influence of disrupting or contaminating these aquifers.

Erodible soils even on mild slopes have run off to contaminate streams and the watershed. See as an example the Thompson farm. Further concerns include contamination of wells springs by construction; drilling into aquifers, blasting and trenching.

Map 5 highlights what many pages in the presentation are missing; an integrated overlay of the many factors that need to be considered together. Otherwise, without coordination this threatens preservation and conservation of land and water resources on Bent Mountain.



NO wetlands marks left of highway and no GIS flood mapping and no 100 year flood plain mapping



Large overview of straightaway on Bent Mountain Rd per Roanoke County 200 Plan. Note incomplete flood markings to left of highway. These markings do not show up when one tabs streets, streams and flood. It is ONLY when one tabs waterbodies that a flood plain of blue shows. This is an error and is also incomplete. This is inconsistent with what the public sees in GIS mapping.

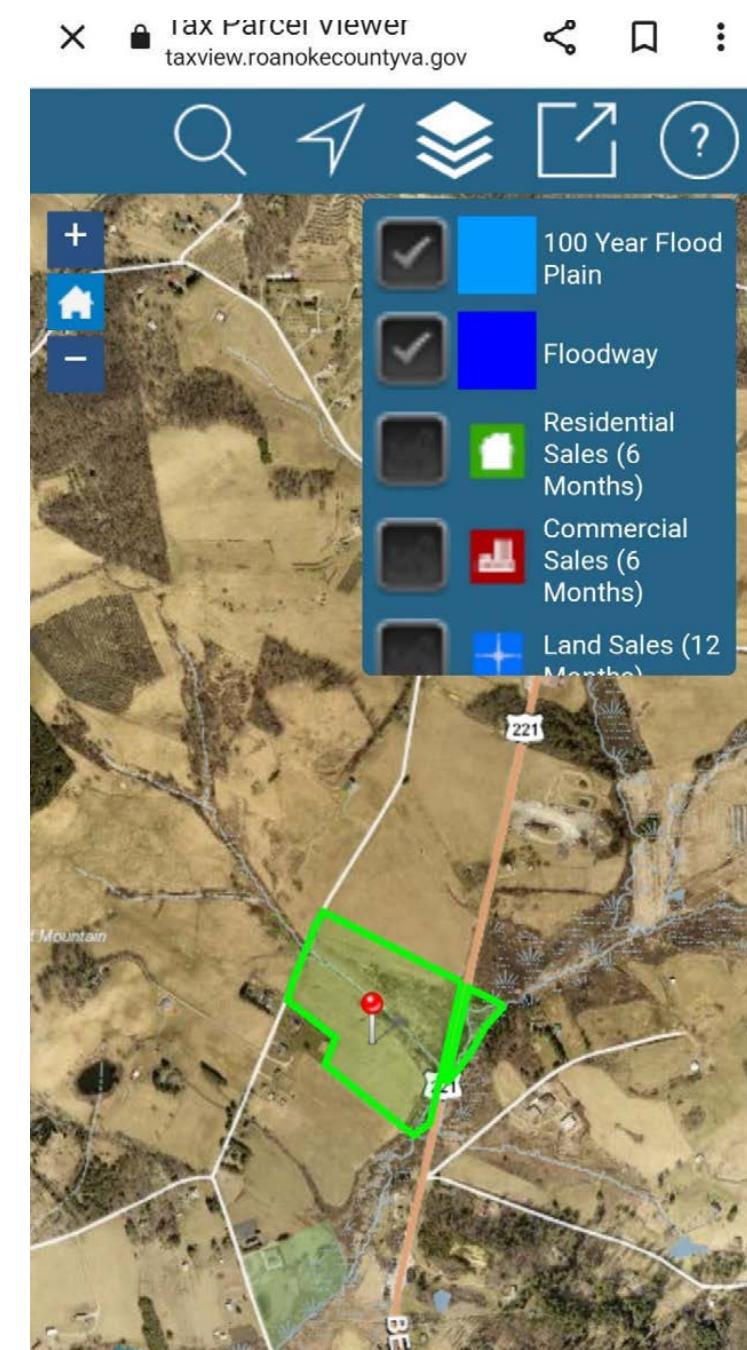
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In another GIS search with Roanoke County the regular GIS records; streets, streams and waterbodies have two separate window tabs for flood and another for an overlay of 100 year flood (as noted above as one comes up the mountain). These functions are not available on Bent Mountain and in fact, they stop in the Back Creek Elementary School area of Roanoke County GIS viewer.

This was made known to the Roanoke County Pipeline Advisory Committee during public comments years ago. All of the Bent Mountain waters on US221 are part of the headwaters and are the watershed of Mill Creek which are crossed by the MVP on Mill Creek proper and in multiple other areas including access roads.

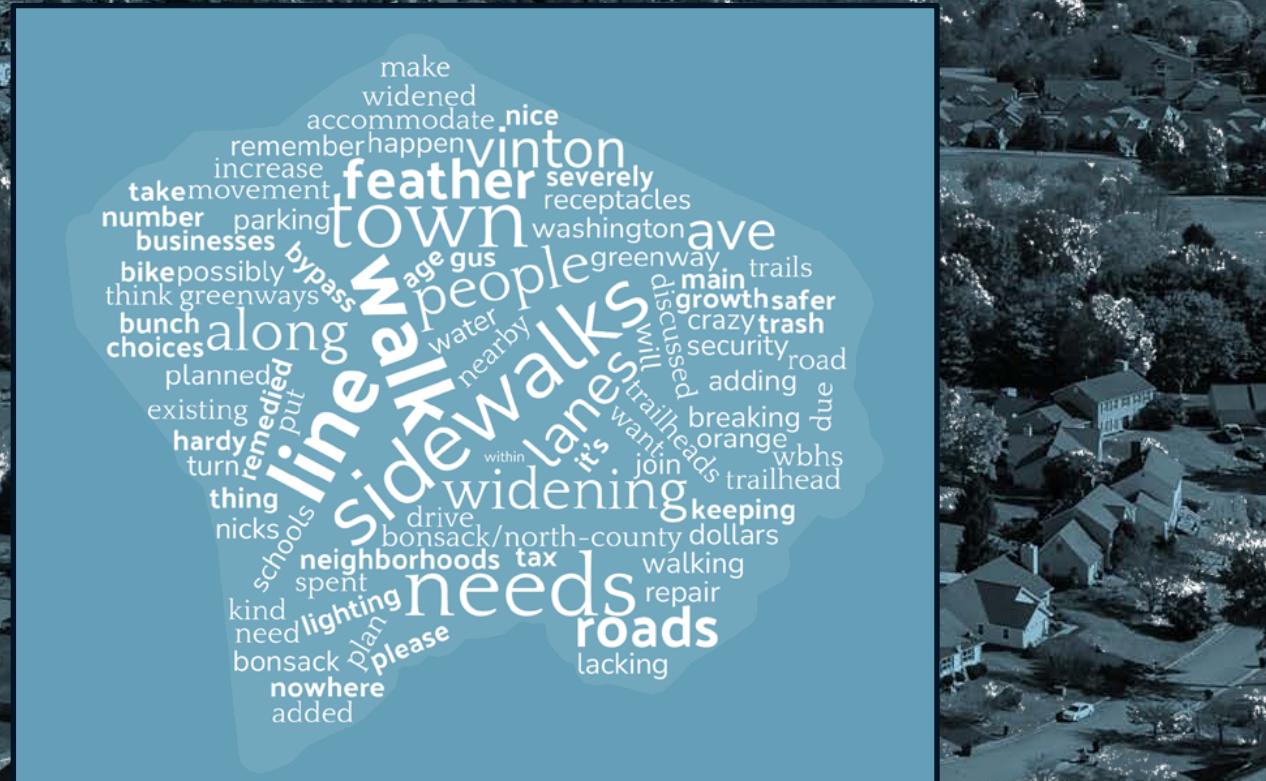
Mill Creek is a Waters of the United States waterway. Mill Creek, after being crossed by the pipeline and the pipeline crosses nearby properties behind the Bent Mountain Center, has water flow that proceeds very quickly to its confluence with Tier 3 Bottom Creek; waters which support the South Fork of the Roanoke River and the endangered Roanoke Log Perch. Additionally, waters from the headwaters of both Bottom Creek and Mill Creek watersheds which coalesce to flow to the South Fork to provide clean water to support Spring Hollow Reservoir which supports the municipalities of Roanoke County, Roanoke City and Salem.

Preserve Bent Mountain is a group of concerned citizens who watch for insults to these watersheds and their origins of springs, seeps wetlands and streams as these are the only water resources available to citizens. **EVERYONE** relies on a well or spring for their drinking and house hold water. The geology of Bent Mountain is unique with shallow aquifers over shallow bedrock. The insult of the MVP should add great pause to any possible encroachment on the Mill Creek watershed on Bent Mountain which any zoning change could alter.



Example of no GIS flood zone marking and no marking of 100 year flood plain marking on Bent Mountain between US221 and Tinsley.

Bonsack-Vinton CPA Feedback



Survey Comment #11

The only thing that needs to happen on 460 is it be widened to 3 lanes. All other choices will not accommodate the growth that is planned. I want my tax dollars spent on widening 460 not a bunch of u turn lanes and movement into neighborhoods.

Survey Comment #20

Roads (Orange Ave between Kind and Gus W Nicks) need widening. Main water line under road keeping breaking due to age, needs repair. Trails are nice, remember to put trash receptacles on trailheads please. Parking for trailhead needs lighting and security.

Survey Comment #29

Sidewalks should be added along Hardy Rd (Feather to Town Line), Washington Ave (WBHS to Town Line), Bypass Rd, and Feather Rd, to join up with existing sidewalks are in the Town of Vinton. People walk or bike along these roads, so adding these sidewalks would make them safer, and possibly increase the number of people walking to nearby businesses or schools.

Survey Comment #30

Bonsack/North County is severely lacking in Greenways! There is nowhere to walk in Bonsack. Why is that? I think it's crazy that I have to drive to SE or Vinton to take a walk on the greenway. This should be discussed and remedied within this plan.

Catawba CPA Feedback



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Survey Comment #6

I am a volunteer ridgerunner for Roanoke Appalachian Trail Club on McAfee Knob section. Glad to see conservation on steep slopes. What kinds of development would be allowed in AT viewshed for Town Center? Does the map accurately reflect the properties that have come 10 into ownership by National Park Service, Appalachian Trail Conservancy or other conservation groups between McAfee Knob and Botetourt County line?

Survey Comment #22

Yes- on recycling, we need it. Yes on manage trash pick up - garbage trucks drop trash out lid. Continue volunteers at fire department. Need cell service and internet! Step up partnership with craig botetourt. Bicycles have become a big issue for drivers on 785 [Blacksburg Road], 624 [Newport Road], and 622 [Bradshaw Road]. Even those who respect bicyclists have trouble passing. How do tech cyclists get down 460 to 621 [Upper Craigs Creek Road in Craig County]? They are making loops. Can we have passing spots that are widened? Catawba-- object to AT improvements at 785 [Blacksburg Road] and 621[Upper Craigs Creek Road in Craig County]. Need programming at Catawba Center. Plus for Cat Hospital changes! Don't shrink village too much. No Dollar General. Presentation - white text could not be read make it black. According to the Catawba CPA Summary Document , communications recommendations Include: 1. Explore opportunities to extend broadband service with universal availability and access to high-speed Internet in unserved and under-served areas. 2. Explore alternative broadband and cell phone providers for choice and competition. 3. Explore more public-private partnerships to implement more stages of Roanoke County's Rural Broadband Initiative to bring high-speed Internet to homes without broadband access. 4. Explore providing improved cell phone service in unserved and under-served areas.



Public Hearing Comment #4

Explained that he is a resident of the Penn Forrest area he noted that he is lucky to benefit from the best of what Roanoke has to offer with schools, the library, and parks close to his home. He 11 stated that he is glad the County is looking to protect these amenities through the 200 plan He noted that as someone who uses a bicycle as one of their main methods of transportation the part of the plan that he wishes to comment on is the County's bicycle accommodations. Since August of last year, he noted that he has been commuting to work on his electric cargo bike, dropping off his 6 year old that sits in the rear child seat at school on the way. It has been a great way to build an active lifestyle into his daily routine and foster a deeper connection with his neighborhood. He explained that he would love to see more people use bike's as transportation more regularly. Unfortunately, for most people, the bike infrastructure in the County is not something that is safe and convenient to use as evidenced by the lack of riders on the 419 and Brambleton Avenue bicycle lanes and elsewhere.

He noted that according to Portland State University only about 7% of people overall would feel safe riding in unprotected painted bike lanes such as the ones on those roads. Less than 1% of people feel safe riding with no bike accommodations, which is usually necessary to access the County's bike lanes and get to many other places throughout the area. He concluded that he is lucky to live and work where he can safely get his daughter to school and get to work on low volume and low speed roads but most people in the County do not have that luxury. As a member of the Pedal Safe ROA Cycling Advocacy Group, he knows many other cyclists do not feel safe using the County's current facilities. Bike infrastructure should be designed to be safe enough for your whole family not only for the most confident and experienced riders. An unprotected, striped bike lane on a multi-lane highway with a 35 mile per hour speed limit and 25,000 vehicles per day is not going to feel safe for anyone and it will not attract cycling traffic and the benefits its brings.

Cave Spring CPA Feedback



Public Hearing Comment #4 (Continued)

He wants to encourage the County to create a bikeway plan to look at where people live and where they want to go, identifies a network of routes that is designed to traverse to and from those places, and then make appropriate safety improvements to those areas. Preferably using the guidelines of designing for all ages and abilities handbook from the National Association of City Transportation Officials (NACTO). These routes do not have to be along main roads as many safe and useful routes can be found on neighborhood streets, which would require little additional improvements and relative low costs. For example, instead of putting bike lanes all the way down 419 from Brambleton to Keagy a bikeway could be designated through the Castle Rock neighborhood that could connect those residents to Oak Grove Plaza, Keagy Village, Oak Grove Elementary, Hidden Valley High School and more. With safety, improvements made to the higher volume neighborhood roads on the route in accordance with the NACTO guidelines.

He stated he appreciates what the County is doing in trying to make more bike lanes on main roads, but does not believe that extending the bike lanes on 419 in their current configuration or adding similar bike lanes to other busy roads is a good use of space or tax payer money as they will continue to go unused for their lack of connectivity and the perception of unsafe and stressful conditions for cyclists. He strongly feels that future projects should take a look at what bike accommodations the average person who is interested in biking will feel safe using in order to increase the number of people who bike regularly. As investments in biking have shown to lead to significant economic growth, job creation, health benefits, and increased road safety for all users which he knows are all high priorities for the County. He stated that he loves biking and hopes he will get to see others share that love with him in the future.

Survey Comment #3

Need pedestrian and bicycle facilities along Ogden Rd. The pedestrians walk in the road now and it is dangerous.

Survey Comment #10

Specific feedback would be that Chaparral needs a sidewalk, and I know that the idea was denied, but this is a glaring omission from an area that is (very clearly) a core pedestrian route. All of Penn Forest could use sidewalk, frankly, but given the infeasibility at the very least Chaparral should have a safe method of pedestrian transport. Also, I'd love to see something done with Starkey School, and perhaps there is, but I don't think that this resource should remain vacant, hopefully with rezoning and future usage plans there can be a plan to lease or develop the property. Finally, Cave Spring needs safe bicycle access points into the city and the county. The 220 interchange needs to keep this in mind. Electric road should not be considered a viable bicycle route speeds are too fast even when the speed limit is observed and the shoulder does not represent a safe cycling lane with debris often scattered throughout. A dedicated cycling path alongside Electric road connecting Tanglewood to Brambleton alongside Electric would be a dream come true and provide opportunities for pedestrians and cyclists to access major commercial districts without the need of a car. This could also be tied into improvements on Ogden road and existing city infrastructure on Franklin Rd. In an ideal world this improved bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure would extend into connecting Electric to Buck Mountain (i.e., south county parks) via Chaparral or Colonial/Merriman.

Survey Comment #15

Replace the intersection at Penn Forest Blvd. and Chaparral dr. with a roundabout. This would do much to alleviate the traffic jams that occur and people rushing to make the green lights on Electric rd.



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Survey Comment #16

Would like to propose adding sidewalks around Brambleton Kroger/Cave Spring Corners area to improve safety of those who live around the area that travel on foot

Survey Comment #19

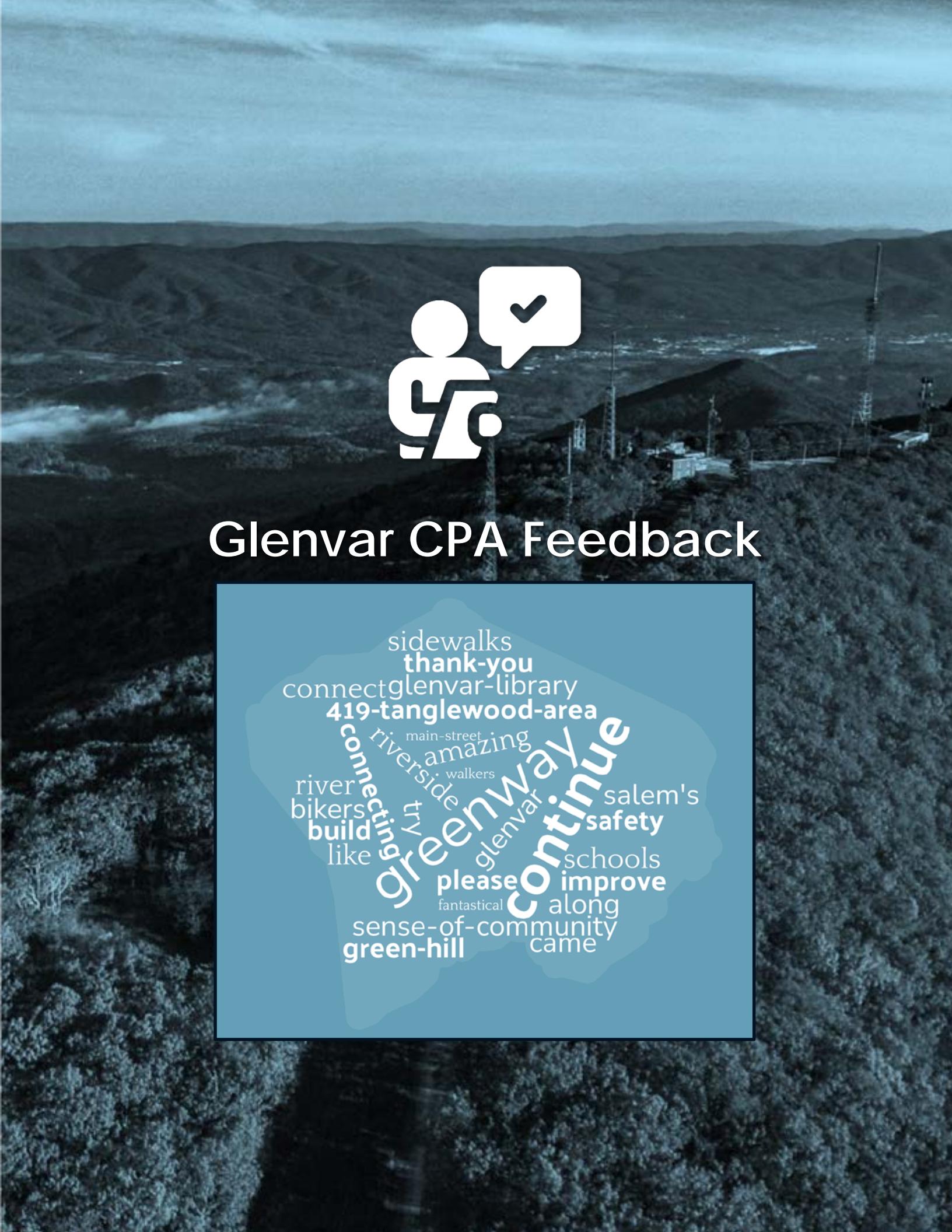
Metro Bus service extended to Roanoke County or County Bus service created to extend county service from Tanglewood. Support addition of Bike/Pedestrian Lanes to the Blue Ridge Parkway with connection to the County Greenways.

Survey Comment #27

I am a homeowner on Kenwick Trl. I vote for putting a Publix in area 2 on the Cave Spring Map. (Old Cave Spring Rd/Brambleton) It is a much needed addition!!!

Survey Comment #36

Disappointed with proposed reduction in agricultural/rural preserve. Extremely disappointed with implementation of 419 Town Center Plan so far, especially with the lack of trees and green space and too many new, mediocre businesses.





Public Hearing Comment #5

Supports Roanoke County's goal of completing the West Roanoke River Greenway. She came to speak regarding Rural Broadband. She noted that she has a neighbor that had to drive ten miles to turn in his homework during the pandemic. She noted that if you need to drive to town to check your email. During the pandemic, it was a very significant issue. She wanted to suggest that all of the rural community centers have hours open during the day to have access to the internet. She noted that they have no cell service and no internet service. She emphasized the danger if the power is out and you have a health issue. She noted that this is a serious concern for them.

Public Hearing Comment #6

Noted that she pays 3,000 a year in flood insurance so she can have the river in her backyard. She noted concerns that her peace and serenity is going to be disturbed. She noted concern about the greenway going into her backyard. She noted that these maps do not make sense to her. She noted that she feels that these are political meetings for show, and feels this is a decided matter. She feels that her input is not there because she does not have the knowledge base for these maps.

Survey Comment #4

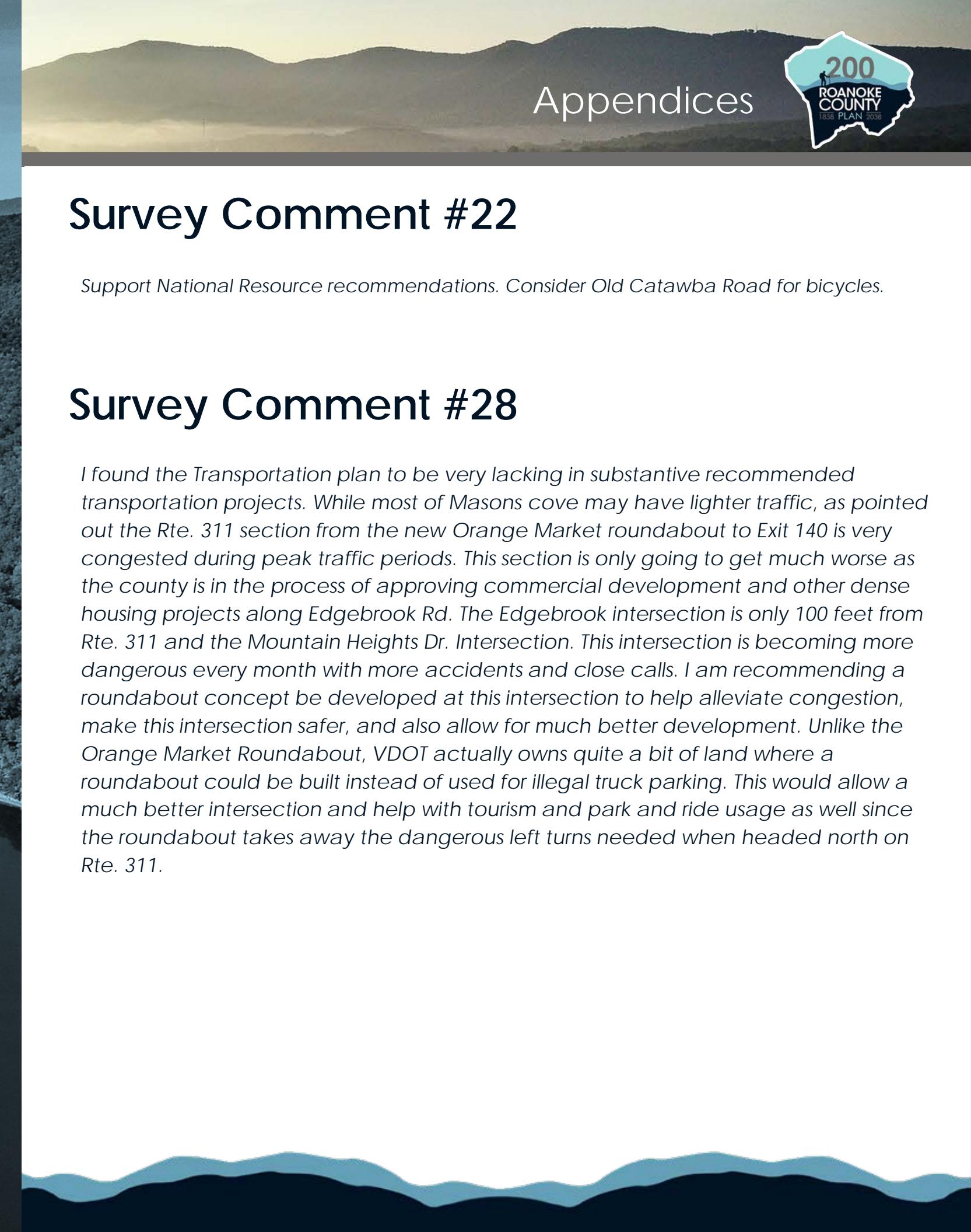
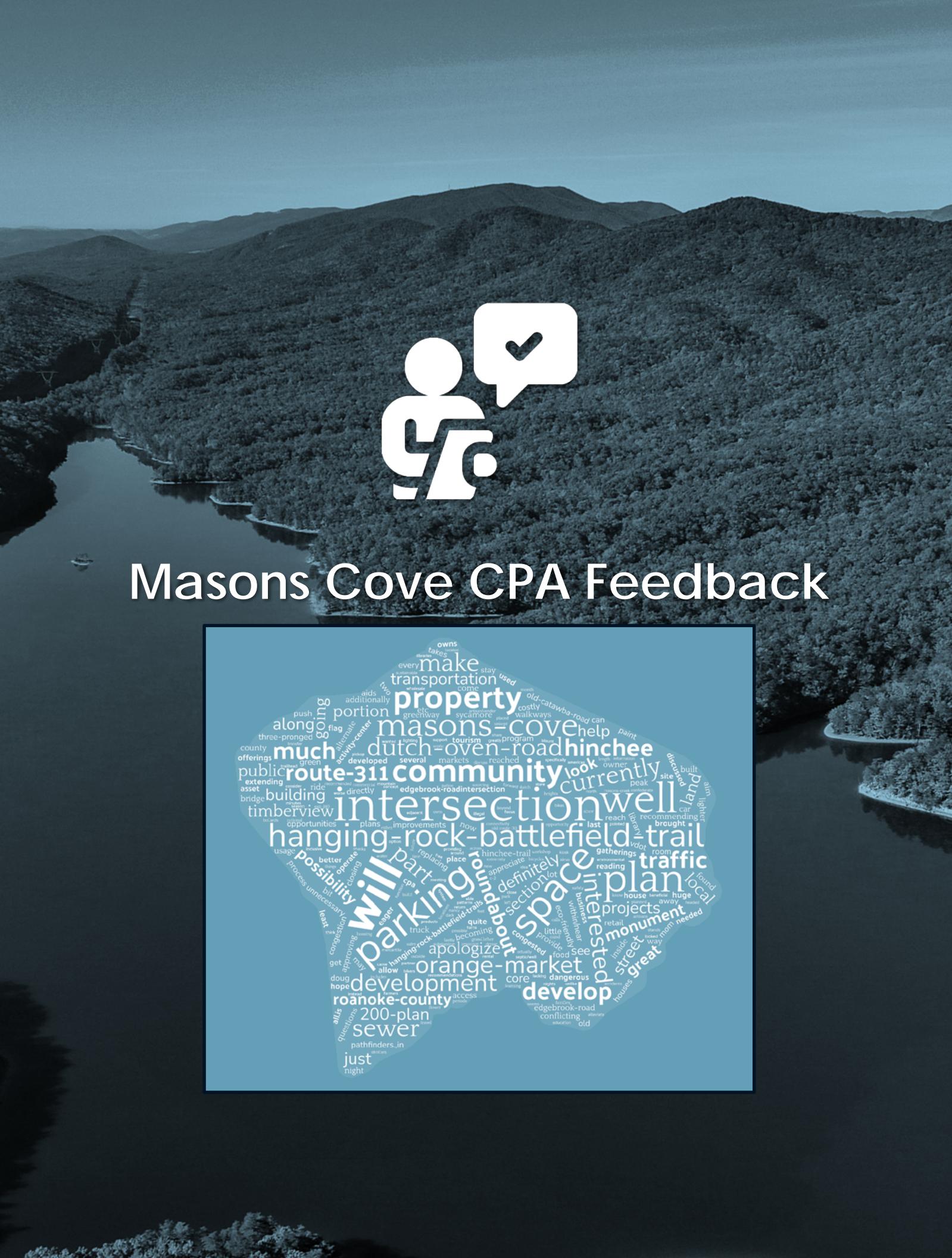
Sidewalks connecting Glenvar schools to Main Street would improve the sense of community.

Survey Comment #21

We would like to thank you for all that you do and continue to do. The Glenvar Library and Schools are amazing. 419 Tanglewood Area came out fantastical. Please try to continue to connect Green Hill Greenway to Salem's on W. Riverside for safety of bikers and walkers.

Survey Comment #22

Build the greenway along river



Masons Cove CPA Feedback



Survey Comment #22

Support National Resource recommendations. Consider Old Catawba Road for bicycles.

Survey Comment #28

I found the Transportation plan to be very lacking in substantive recommended transportation projects. While most of Masons cove may have lighter traffic, as pointed out the Rte. 311 section from the new Orange Market roundabout to Exit 140 is very congested during peak traffic periods. This section is only going to get much worse as the county is in the process of approving commercial development and other dense housing projects along Edgebrook Rd. The Edgebrook intersection is only 100 feet from Rte. 311 and the Mountain Heights Dr. Intersection. This intersection is becoming more dangerous every month with more accidents and close calls. I am recommending a roundabout concept be developed at this intersection to help alleviate congestion, make this intersection safer, and also allow for much better development. Unlike the Orange Market Roundabout, VDOT actually owns quite a bit of land where a roundabout could be built instead of used for illegal truck parking. This would allow a much better intersection and help with tourism and park and ride usage as well since the roundabout takes away the dangerous left turns needed when headed north on Rte. 311.



Survey Comment #37

I have been reading over the Masons Cove portion of the Roanoke County 200 plan and wanted to reach out as a future business owner located within/near the core area. We have a C-2 property on Dutch Oven Road adjacent to the Battlefield Trail parking lot. We plan to develop this into a "mercantile" property. The property will be three-pronged with food, retail, and a community room. We currently operate a food truck, Sycamore Snacks, in several Roanoke County locations, which we will then house inside the building. Retail will have some wholesale sourcing from outside the area, but we plan to focus on local artisans and ecofriendly products. Lastly, the community room will function as a rental space as well as a place for environmental education and other offerings such as for workshop space for local flower farmers, paint nights, etc. Additionally, we will have patios and green space for artisan/vendor markets, gatherings, and other opportunities. My grandfather had the old Hinchee & Hinchee Store on Dutch Oven/Old Route 311, so we are eager to return to the area and provide space for the community. My mom, Nancy, was part of the Hinchee Trail land transfer with Pathfinders. In reading over the 200 plan, a few things came to mind, and again, I apologize I have not reached out before now:

1. Did plans develop, or look to develop, for extending sewer to this area? I see there were conflicting ideas in the meeting minutes as to stay on septic/well vs. public. We currently have access to public water, but not sewer. We will be having to do an alternate septic option as it stands which is quite costly and I know the sewer currently is just out of reach at the Orange Market.
2. Was the confederate flag at the monument brought up with the possibility of at least replacing with an American flag as well as improvements to the trailhead parking? The monument area looked unkept last season when we were doing markets on our property. I have reached out to Doug Blount about this and we have plans to discuss as well. It seems for this being a part of the core area, it would be the aim to make that area as inclusive as possible.

Survey Comment #37 (Continued)

3. Did the idea of closing off Dutch Oven from across the Battlefield Trail parking to the old bridge come up? We see a lot of unnecessary traffic come this way with only two houses on that portion of the street. It would be great to see bollards placed just beyond the last house and make that a greenway with only owner access by car. I also think it would be a huge asset for bikers going from either Timberview, Hinchee, or Hanging Rock Battlefield Trails. What a great place for families to safely be able to ride bikes, push strollers, etc along Mason Creek.
4. Can you share a little about what has been discussed for the Core/Activity Center area of the Mason Cove plan specifically? We would definitely be interested in being a part of the Free Little Libraries Program in the area and also as a partner for a pickup kiosk for the library system if that is a possibility. We would also be interested in providing space for tourism information if it were beneficial to the area. Our site plan includes walkways around our building to travel directly from Hanging Rock Battlefield Trail to Hinchee Trail in several patterns. We hope this greatly aids connectivity for all.
5. Is there any street lighting planned for Dutch Oven Road at the intersection of Timberview or at the Hanging Rock Battlefield Trail parking area? It is extremely dark at night. I apologize for the length of questions, but we definitely are interested in the sustainable development of this area as well as the opportunity to build community. I appreciate your time and look forward to learning more about the Mason Cove CPA! Call for further information (540) 521-3764



Mount Pleasant CPA Feedback



Appendices

Survey Comment #32

Seriously need road improvements to Rutrough, Randall, Pitzer, and Brookridge. There are a lot of potholes on Rutrough Road on the way to Explore Park.



Appendices

Public Hearing Comment #7

Support regarding items of conservation. He would like to see additional pedestrian accommodations in the Peters Creek Area and continued support for the Economic Development area like the Wood Haven Technology Park.

Survey Comment #1

Looking forward to seeing some of the changes coming. I do feel the Roanoke area and Peters Creek specifically could benefit from industrial growth and bringing in new businesses to support our economy and keep us moving forward and growing.

Survey Comment #2

Natural Resources - control flooding in the Green Ridge Road area by limiting additional impervious surfaces and installation of retention ponds.

Survey Comment #3

Widen Barrens Road



Survey Comment #5

Properties to the east of Shadwell should not be shown as future industrial as it is surrounded by residential neighborhoods. Also the land to the south of old mountain road should not be shown as future industrial as it would inhibit the development of residential uses as they too would be directly adjacent to industrial properties.

Survey Comment #7

The Brookside strip mall complex (6619 Williamson Rd and connected) has been deteriorating for a few years now. Food Lion has been vacant for years, and now Famous Anthony's is temporarily closed. The shops inside the strip mall mostly consist of gambling facilities that black out their windows and dated struggling businesses. It is also mostly serving as a parking lot for USPS right now. I think this area would be a great focus for improvement. I know the County cannot control which businesses go into buildings as by-right uses, but I think with Famous Anthony's closing and the Food Lion being empty this area would really benefit from planning and goals for future development. I fear if it's left as is, it will continue to deteriorate and lessen the value of the area around it. This strip mall could be a great asset to the County considering all of the existing residences it adjoins as well as all of the new development and apartments being put in off of Carefree Lane on Dent Road which comes out at this strip mall. Again, I know the County cannot control private land owners or by-right uses, but I do think if there was a plan similar to (but on a much smaller scale than) Tanglewood mall for this area it would give back some life and hope to this area. Thank you for your consideration and all that you do to improve our community.

Survey Comment #13

Concerned with traffic accidents occurring frequently at intersection traffic light at Northside High School on Peters Creek Road and the traffic light at Peters Creek Road and North Lake Drive. This has caused power outages to close Northside Schools as well as several traffic accidents in the past. We need signs with flashing lights installed at both interactions warning drivers of light signals ahead and about to change. This could be a possible solution. Thanks for your attention in this matter. 2nd We need new industries in the commercial park. Any plans in the works. Let the county know in advance. 3rd concerning the chemical disaster in Ohio recently. Has the county gotten a updated plan and action if this ever occurs in this area?

Survey Comment #14

Existing condition: the sidewalk on Williamson Road ends before Northwest Hardware. Future land use: the area of the Tinker Creek Greenway to Carvins Cove should NOT be Principal Industrial. Likewise be careful how you designate any area where the Greenway will connect to the rest of it. No new lanes on I-81! Put the trucks on rail! We need bike and pedestrian accommodations on Peters Creek Road! Also on Plantation Road between Williamson Rd. and Roanoke City. Do you plan to wipe out the houses on the uphill side of Hollins Road to make it Principal Industrial? I have a friend who just bought a house there.

Survey Comment #23

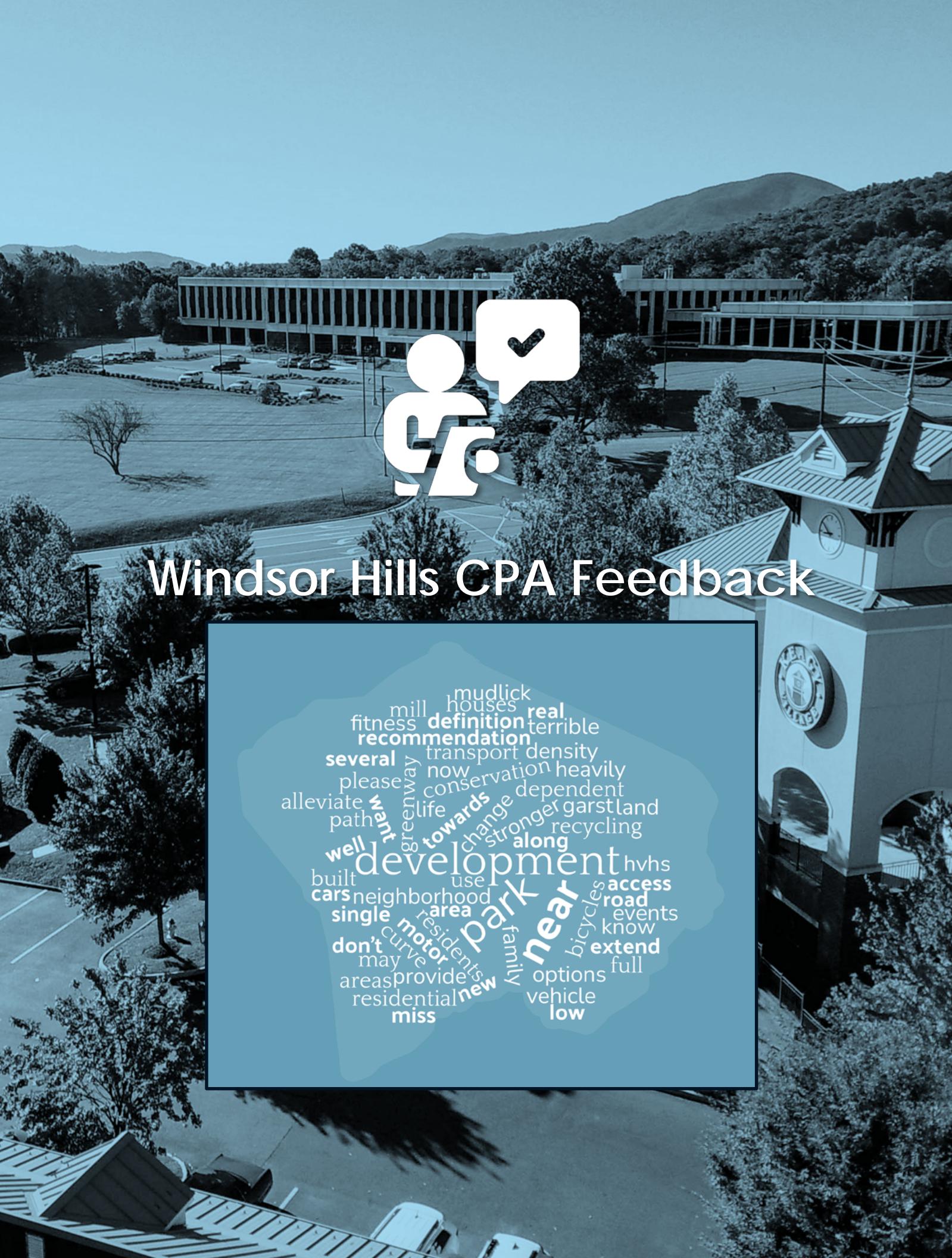
Restrict/prohibit thru truck traffic off Hollins Road onto Trevillian Road. The truck traffic is damaging Trevillian Road which is in a residential Neighborhood. Protect Northside Middle and High Schools and do not have industrial development near the schools. Protect the neighborhoods (residential) near Hollins Road and limit/restrict any industrial development to protect the residential neighborhood near Hollins Road.

Survey Comment #35

1. Future Industrial land use areas should not be near or next to residential neighborhoods or schools. At the very least, there should be extensive buffer/transition areas between any future Industrial and/or intensive/heavy Commercial land use areas and any residential neighborhoods or schools. The future Industrial land use area for Hollins Rd is too close to and near to long established residential neighborhoods, and there are no designated buffer or transition areas to protect the residential neighborhoods along and near and next to Hollins Rd. Future Industrial land use near Northside Middle and High Schools is also a concern for the health, safety and well being of the students and school employees.
2. Trevillian Rd, which runs from Hollins Rd up into the residential neighborhoods next to and near Hollins Rd, is in poor condition, probably due to trucks on Hollins Rd using Trevillian Rd as a shortcut to get to Williamson Rd, and thus going through residential neighborhoods (Hollins Rd to Trevillian Rd to Clearwater Ave NE and across the small narrow bridge there and left onto Brookview Rd, and then left onto LaMarre Dr to Williamson Rd. Truck traffic should be prohibited on Trevillian Rd and on LaMarre Dr, in order to prevent trucks from Hollins Rd or from Williamson Rd going up into the residential neighborhoods near those roads. Trevillian Rd needs to be repaired - not just patched but repaved.

1. Green spaces around and near Hollins University need to be protected and preserved, and there should not be Industrial land use next to or near Hollins University. The economic benefit of Hollins University for the Peters Creek and Hollins areas should not be underestimated. We should make it easier for Hollins University students and employees, and persons in the residential neighborhoods near Williamson Rd and Peters Creek Rd to patronize businesses and restaurants on Williamson Rd and Peters Creek Rd with more pedestrian access (sidewalks, greenways, safe pedestrian crossing areas, etc.). We need sidewalks on BOTH sides of Williamson Rd from Hollins University to Peters Creek Rd, and sidewalks on BOTH sides of Peters Creek Rd from the intersection of Peters Creek and Williamson Rd up to Northside Middle and High Schools.
2. We need a new public library for the Peters Creek and Hollins areas and it needs to be fully handicap accessible for the building and the parking area and fully ADA compliant. Parks and public buildings need to be handicap accessible and ADA compliant.
3. We need to protect our water (Tinker Creek, Carvins Creek, etc.), and air. Once impaired, as evident from the problems due to the "forever" chemicals in the Roanoke River, and consequent expenses for the Western Virginia Water Authority, those can be very difficult and costly to restore.
4. We need more public transportation options (possibly small buses, passenger vans, electric and/or hybrid) to reduce traffic and air pollution on Hollins Rd, Williamson Rd, and Peters Creek Rd
5. We need sidewalks, greenways, and safe ways for pedestrians to walk to and access businesses, parks, the public library, and schools on foot, thereby reducing traffic and air pollution on Williamson Rd, Peters Creek Rd, and Hollins Rd. There needs to be a safe way for pedestrians to cross Peters Creek Rd from Burlington Elementary School to get to the Hollins Public Library. Right now that is very dangerous to do and there needs to be some kind of designated pedestrian crossing there to make that safer. Think in terms of neighborhood villages, with small businesses, public transportation options, bicycle friendly bike lanes, greenways, accessibility for handicapped persons, the elderly, and children, with green spaces, parks and a new public library, easily accessible to all. Think of the kind of place where you would want. YOUR children and grandchildren to live.

Windsor Hills CPA Feedback



A large, modern building complex with a parking lot and surrounding trees. A white icon of a person with a speech bubble is overlaid on the image.

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Survey Comment #8

You may want to change the development areas along Garst Mill Road near the park to neighborhood conservation. Several of these are now built on as single family houses. The 23 access is terrible because of the curve. I don't know the full definition of "development" for the land use. Low density residential is the only real options. Recycling recommendation should be stronger.

Survey Comment #9

Please extend the mudlick greenway from the park towards HVHS. This would alleviate near miss events between bicycles and cars and provide residents a new life of transport to the HS as well as a fitness path from an area which is heavily dependent of a motor vehicle



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