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CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

In July 2010, the Boone County Planning Commission authorized the Long Range Planning/Comprehensive Plan Committee to oversee the 2010 Boone County Comprehensive Plan update. At the beginning of the process, the Planning Commission sent information letters to over 70 organizations and many individuals that have been, or would likely be, involved in planning issues.

During the update of the Goals and Objectives, the Planning Commission held public workshops and Committee Meetings and appeared at various city and county public meetings. In May of 2011, following adoption of the Goals and Objectives by all legislative units, staff began researching and drafting the plan elements. Initial drafts of the elements were presented for review at Long Range Planning/Comprehensive Plan Committee meetings on the following dates: August 17, 2011 (Agriculture, Population, Preservation, Recreation and Open Space), September 26, 2011 (Business Activity, Economy, Public Services and Facilities, Transportation), October 27, 2011 (Housing, Environment), and February 3, 2012 (Environment – Revised, Land Use). Revised elements and individual requests for changes to the Land Use Map were presented at other committee meetings. As elements were approved for public release by the committee, they were made available in digital form on the Planning Commission's website, where comment forms were also posted. Hard copies of all drafts elements and maps were made available in the Planning Commission office.

A series of community workshops to present all draft elements and the Land Use Maps were held at various locations around Boone County on February 23, 27, and 29, 2012. A deadline for comments was set for March 14, 2012. Following review of all comments received throughout the process, a full draft of the plan was prepared and presented to the committee on March 21, 2012. One further deadline of March 30, 2012 for comments was set and on April 4, 2012 the Committee voted to approve the draft with a few minor changes and at the Business Meeting a date for the Public Hearing was set for May 2, 2012.

During the drafting of the Goals and Objectives and the elements of the Comprehensive Plan, the Long Range Planning/Comprehensive Plan Committee met numerous times. All meetings were open to public attendance and involvement and the committee chair invited comments from the public at every meeting. Numerous meetings were also held between staff and interested citizens and organizations. In addition to legal advertisements, the Kentucky Enquirer and Boone County Recorder newspapers pertinent stories, interviews, and meeting announcements throughout the process, in both print and online editions. This included a feature story in the Kentucky Enquirer devoted to the public workshops. The Planning Commission staff also maintained an email list of approximately 150 interested parties and utilized this list to provide information and updates as the update developed.

In order to satisfy KRS 100 and to promote regional planning, the Boone County Planning Commission has notified the following cities, counties, planning units about its 2010 Comprehensive Plan update.

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