

LYON COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN MEETING MINUTES

Commissioner's Room
Lyon County Government Center
Tuesday, May 13, 2025 at 5:30 PM

Comprehensive Plan Meeting

Present: Carolyn Olson

Absent: Cody Sleiter, Ken DeBaere, Ken Louwagie, Kevin Meulebroeck

Chris Webb - SRDC Anita Cauwels - John Biren - Planning & Zoning Carolyn Olson - Planning Commission Paul Graupmann & Gary Crowley - Lyon County Commissioners

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

- *Your name and the organization you represent*

1.1 Agenda

[05-13-2025 Lyon County Comp Plan - Goals and Objectives Update Meeting - Agenda.docx](#)

2. MEETING PARAMETERS

3. CHAPTER 2: Land Use Goals and Objectives Activity

Goals and Objectives for Land Use Chapter:

Agriculture & Natural Resources Goals

Goal - Partner with residents and regional agencies to promote and preserve public resources

Objective: Promote and support public recreation opportunities including trails, parks, outdoor recreation, shooting sports organizations, habitat restoration, and others.

Objective: Continue to support practices that lead to better soil health outcomes.

Water Planning Goals

Goal – Support affordable expansion of Rural Water Systems to needed areas in the county

Goal – Work to plan and prepare for future weather changing patterns that affect residents and businesses in the county

Objective: Continue to support and participate in the One Watershed Planning efforts

Objective: Work to implement One Watershed Goals and Objectives through State and Federal Grant Programs.

Objective: Work to mitigate altered hydrology (including Flooding, Erosion Control, etc.) in the county by pursuing grant funding and other opportunities

Future Development

Goal - Support Diversification in the local agriculture economy

Objective: Support local landowners in future developments in Agricultural Zones that provide diversification of the local economy and strengthen farm families in the region.

Objective: Continue to closely assess and develop ordinances for future development in Shoreland and Floodplain Zones.

**Change from Objective to Goal: Continue to support "voluntary" practices that lead to better soil health outcomes.*

**Objective - Promote, Support & "Maintain"*

**Add Goal - Identify and protect Groundwater*

*Resources *Water Planning Efforts - Change in Chapter*

** Support diversification for rural economy*

4. CHAPTER 4: Housing Chapter Goals and Objectives Activity

Housing Chapter Goals & Objectives:

Goal: *The county will work to create a variety of housing options for both workforce and seniors.*

- *Objective: Identify properties for new housing development.*
- *Objective: Support local cities and EDAs to identify potential contractors and developers.*
- *Objective: The county will promote the use of universal design principles in building projects (new or renovation) whenever possible.*

Goal: *The county will encourage the development of an adequate workforce in the local building trades.*

- *Objective: The county will work with local schools, colleges, and workforce partners to incentivize more people to work in the building trades.*
- *Objective: The county will incentivize hiring local for building projects*

Goal: *The county will support the development of housing with a diversity of cost ranges, including affordable housing for low-to-moderate-income households.*

- *Objective: The county will form partnerships and policies to ensure adequate low-income housing options.*
- *Objective: The county will discourage activities that form a concentration of housing for low and moderate-income families within a single project or community.*
- *The county will develop financial assistance programs for rehabilitation of substandard housing units as funding sources or market conditions permit.*
- *The county will proactively work to prevent properties from becoming tax forfeited.*

**Clean & efficient regulations for new construction *Goal - The county supports infrastructure where it exists and is suitable*

** Rewording of "the county" in objectives*

5. CHAPTER 5: Transportation Chapter Goals and Objectives Activity

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**5.8 - Add Multi-Purpose Drainage Management*

**Add work to Identify Aggregate Resources *Add Cell Phones & Broadband Goals*

5.1 Chapter 5 - First Draft

[Chapter 5 - First Draft.docx](#)

6. COUNTY FACT SHEETS

DISCUSSION *Fact Sheets - Goal:*

Once completed, would advise Planning and Zoning to meet yearly for Annual Plan Meeting for updates and any future development.

7. CLOSING AND NEXT STEPS