REGIONAL LAND USE PLAN GOALS & OBJECTIVES

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As we work to update our regional land use plan, **Capital Area Regional Planning Commission (CARPC)** staff and commissioners drafted the following goals and objectives to guide land use decisions out to the year 2040. In the coming weeks, we will be gathering feedback on these goals through an online survey distributed to the region's municipal leaders.

Goal: Promote land use that fosters community resilience to climate change

Objectives:

1. Reduce stormwater runoff
    - » Indicator: volume of stormwater run-off in each watershed
2. Increase the tree canopy
    - » Indicator: percent tree canopy in each community
3. Increase renewable energy
    - » Indicator: percent of energy use from wind and solar in the region
4. Reduce energy use
    - » Indicator: per-person energy consumption for each community

Goal: Promote land use that increases access to jobs, housing and services for all people

Objectives:

1. Reduce energy and transportation costs
    - » Indicator: average per-person energy and transportation costs
2. Reduce the housing affordability gap
    - » Indicator: number of low-income renters (less than 50% of area median income) minus the number of units they can afford to rent
    - » Indicator: number of moderate-income households (80-100% of area median income) minus the number of homes they can afford to purchase
3. Reduce the tax burden of providing safe, quality infrastructure
    - » Indicator: per-person cost of roads and utilities added after 2020
4. Increase access to jobs, transportation options, and services
    - » Indicator: number of jobs accessible by 30-minute transit ride

» Indicator: percent of commutes by mode (single-drive car, car pool, transit, bike, walk, other)

» Indicator: Walkscore for each community

Goal: Promote land use that conserves farmland, water resources, and natural areas

Objectives:

1. Identify and preserve priority protection areas
   » Indicator: acres of protected areas in the region
2. Decrease the developed area per person
   » Indicator: acres developed per person after 2020 in each community
3. Increase the share of conservation agriculture and regenerative agriculture
   » Indicator: percent of farmland acres using no till in the region
   » Indicator: percent of farmland acres using cover crops in the region
4. Decrease water pollution
   » Indicator: number of water bodies on the 303(d) impaired waters list in the region
   » Indicator: percent of private wells with nitrate contamination above the drinking water standard in the region.