

ENVISION 2035 Comprehensive Plan Public Involvement Summary

Plan Process Timeline

- ⇒ Dec. 2011, County Commission appointed 14 rural residents, business owners, and agricultural producers to the Plan Task Force
- ⇒ In addition, an Advisory Board included local, state, regional, and industry representatives
- ⇒ Over a 2-3 year period, the Task Force met monthly to listen to a variety of speakers learning about important topics and fact gathering, brainstorm, discuss, and produce ideas for the Plan
- ⇒ In 2012, a series of 4 public meetings were held throughout the rural area with a combined attendance of 87 people to involve the county's residents and business owners in the development of the Plan
- ⇒ The final months were spent drafting the Plan incorporating input from the Task Force, Advisory Board, and members of the public to exemplify the future of Minnehaha County
- ⇒ In 2014 & 2015, 3 public open houses were held to gather feedback on a comprehensive plan draft document (25 total people in combined attendance)

Community Principles

Growth & Conservation

- *Support the development of sustainable agricultural practices
- *Balance rural housing with existing and new agricultural operations
- *Consider costs and benefits of all new development proposals

Environmental Stewardship

- *Protect & Encourage wildlife habitats, patches, and corridors
- *Promote low impact development to maintain rural character
- *Provide for the needs of a growing population while protecting the safety and security of the general public

Transportation

- *Coordinate efforts with Local, State, and Federal entities
- *Encourage growth near major railroads and highway intersections
- *Expand access to utilities and infrastructure for new businesses

Plan Elements

Economic
Development

Rural Character &
Housing Density

Land & Water
Resources

Transportation

Future Land Use

Intergovernmental
Cooperation

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7 open houses

80 ⁿ ideas
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over **100**

citizens were
engaged in the
planning process

1 common vision for the future



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Your input is valuable to develop a vision
for the future of Minnehaha County!

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