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# Appendix A

# **Plan Process**

- 1. Plan Process
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## **Plan Process**

Although Article III of the Municipalities Planning Code (MPC) establishes parameters and requirements for comprehensive planning in PA, the process itself is largely left in the hands of the municipalities preparing the plan. This plan is the 10-year update to the 2006 US-220/I-99 Multi-municipal Comprehensive Plan for the US-220/I-99 Planning Area.

As in the preparation of the 2006 Plan, a Planning Advisory Team (or PAT) was established to help guide the process and content related to this plan. The advisory team's purpose was to provide input, feedback, and pertinent information pertaining to the development of the Comprehensive Plan, as well as to present issues and concerns facing the future of Lycoming County. This PAT had broad representation from various sectors in the community, including: municipal government, municipal authorities and other entities, public safety agencies, education and health institutions, community organizations and other relevant institutions within this Planning Area. The full list of participants can be found in the front chapter of this document. The US-220/I-99 PAT met for five meetings between September 2015 and April 2017. Meeting notes can be found in the next section of the Appendices.

Lycoming County Planning and Community Development (PCD) staff facilitated the process on behalf of the municipalities in this planning area. The beginning of the planning process was marked by four public outreach meetings around the county to inform the public about the process and also collect feedback on current issues. Meetings were held in Trout Run (Lewis Township), Jersey Shore Borough, Hughesville Borough and the City of Williamsport in September 2015.

As part of the 2016 Comprehensive Plan community outreach strategy, Lycoming County conducted a series of focus group meetings in spring of 2016 with key stakeholders representing a cross-section of the County. Each meeting concentrated on a specific subject area and included participants from organizations with relevant subject matter expertise including local governments, County government, emergency service providers, utility providers, public authorities, non-profits, for-profit businesses, community leaders and others. Focus Group sessions were conducted on the following topics, Economic Development; Community Facilities and Infrastructure; Public Safety; Heritage, Culture and the Arts; Natural Resources, Agriculture and Forestry; Transportation; and Community Development. The findings of these meetings were incorporated into the identification of thematic local and county-wide issues and the development of priority projects and initiatives included in the 2016 Comprehensive Plan and Multi-Municipal Plans.

Staff also facilitated an on-line and intercept survey to the public that took place late Summer/early Fall 2016. The results relevant to this Planning Area are conveyed in the Quantitative Research section of the Appendices.

While the collection and analysis of demographic, workforce, economic, and social data are important to identifying and validating existing, sustained, and emerging issues and trends in the planning area and its individual municipalities, this document is focused on actionable, implementable strategies to address those issues currently seen as the greatest priorities. **This is an implementation-focused plan**. To that end, the approach and construct of this review and implementation strategy were developed with the following characteristics and principles:

- Identification and prioritization of issues
- Broad, representative stakeholder involvement and issue vetting
- Citizen participation and ready access to information
- Commitments to implementation with clear actions, timelines, identification of responsible parties and prospective partners, and the identification of prospective funding
- User-friendly for a wide range of users
- Planning consistency Integration with and connectivity to other planning documents, such as the Lycoming County Comprehensive Plan, the Lycoming County Hazard Mitigation Plan or the County Recreation, Open Space, and Greenway Plan

#### 14 Thematic Issues prioritized across all PATs

These 14 Issue Statements were determined to be of importance to the six multi-municipal planning areas in Lycoming County during the 2015-2017 update process. All of these were selected by at least one PAT as a priority issue in their Comprehensive Plan.

- 1. The economy is changing, and our communities and workforce are not optimally positioned to realize our untapped economic potential and become resilient to economic trends.
- 2. Flooding is a threat to life, property, and communities throughout the county.
- 3. Communications infrastructure (especially cell phone and broadband internet) do not meet the needs of all areas of the County.
- 4. Significant cultural and historical resources are not adequately documented, protected, and promoted.
- 5. Current land use regulations and enforcement do not consistently and adequately meet community visions and respond to changing conditions.
- 6. Downtown and village center areas across the County are not thriving or achieving their maximum potential.
- 7. Fragmentation of local government in Pennsylvania is a barrier to efficient delivery of some public services.
- 8. Natural gas infrastructure is not adequate in all areas of the County.
- 9. Outdoor recreation resources are not fully developed, protected and promoted.
- 10. Drugs, particularly heroin, are creating significant social, economic, public health, and safety problems across the County.
- 11. Our multi-modal transportation system, particularly the airport, has deficiencies in safety, physical condition, and availability of facilities in some areas of the County.
- 12. Volunteerism and civic engagement, particularly among young people, are insufficient to sustain community institutions and services.
- 13. Water, sewer, and stormwater infrastructure systems are not sufficient across the County to meet all needs.
- 14. Water quality is vital, but is vulnerable to a multitude of threats.

# Appendix B

# Planning Advisory Team Meeting Summaries and Reports

- 1. Meeting #1 Summary
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- 7. Meeting #4 Thematic Issues & Projects List
- 8. Meeting #5 Summary
- 9. Public Hearing Summary

# **MEETING SUMMARY**

Lycoming County 2016 Comprehensive Plan Update I-99/US 220 PAT October 26, 2015—Meeting #1 6:30 PM-9:00 PM, Jersey Shore Borough Municipal Building



#### Attendees:

Mark Murawski, Lycoming County PCD Kurt Schmitt, Lycoming County PCD Chris Keiser, LCPC Cllelon Folmar, Nippenose Township Geraldine Snook, Nippenose Township Wayne Wall, Nippenose Township Earl Cummings, Nippenose Township Alan Worth, Woodward Township Barb Schmouder, Jersey Shore Borough Sean Simcox, Jersey Shore Borough Mayor Dennis Buttorff, Jersey Shore Borough Cheryl Brungard, Tiadaghton V. Mun. Authority Robert Cowfer, Independent Hose Fire Co. Chuck Hauser, WMWA-WSA Paul Hoffmaster, Pine Creek Preservation Assn. Doug Keith, WMWA-WSA John Knopp, Larrys Creek Watershed Assn. Jim Seitzer, Pine Creek COG David Shannon, Jersey Shore Hospital Richard Whalen, Woddward Twp. Fire Co. Mike Zellers, Jersey Shore Water Authority

#### Agenda Item #1 – Welcome and Introductions

Mark Murawski, PAT lead member facilitated the meeting and began the discussion. He thanked the members of the PAT for their interest and attendance, and asked that everyone sign-in. All members present introduced themselves, including their organization and role. Mark also introduced Mr. Kurt Schmitt, PCD which will serve as the PCD lead assistant for this PAT.

One binder was provided for each municipality with today's meeting materials. This binder should be retained as an archive of the PAT work and to house the municipality's final adopted copy of the completed plan. Other members were provided with meeting materials in a folder.

#### Agenda Item #2 - What is a Comprehensive Plan?

Mark Murawski reviewed the packet information regarding the intent and scope of a county comprehensive plan. Mark used the movie analogy "Back to the Future " to explain the importance of

comprehensive planning by noting that if our PAT had a time machine and we could travel to the plan horizon year of 2030 would we like what we see? If not, then now is the time to plan so that we may hopefully realize the future we would like to see for our communities in the year 2030. The plan is all about creating a future vision, setting priorities and following through on implementation steps and that process starts tonight!

#### Agenda Item #3 - Roles, Responsibilities, & Operating Procedures of the PAT

Mark Murawski reviewed the roles, responsibilities, and operating procedures of the PAT as provided in the packet. PAT members concurred that this is a good set of ground rules for moving forward in our work so that all members have a chance to be treated as equals and can contribute meaningfully toward plan development.

#### Agenda Item #4 - Draft Comprehensive Plan Timeline

Mark Murawski explained the expected timeline for the comprehensive plan update process as provided in the packet. The process is expected to conclude in Summer 2017. PAT members agreed that the plan schedule appears realistic and that active PAT participation at meetings and doing homework assignments between meetings is essential to plan success.

#### Agenda Item #5 - Overview of 2006 Plan

Mark Murawski provided a short summary of the major themes and conclusions from the 2006 Plan for this PAT. Mark emphasized the completion of the I-99 project between Jersey Shore and Williamsport was the most significant proposed project for this PAT in the 2006 plan and due to subsequent PennDOT funding constraints this project is not likely to be completed during the next 15 years so significant thought needs to be made about future land use and growth potential for this plan update. Also, the major impacts associated with Marcellus Shale and Biggert Waters was unknown in 2006.

#### Agenda Item #6 – Highlight of Accomplishments Since 2006

Mark Murawski provided a short list of accomplishments that have taken place in this PAT area since the 2006 Plan was adopted. Members were asked to suggest other noteworthy accomplishments to include for future documentation. PAT members concurred that the list was a good representation of achievements for this multi-municipal plan area, however three additional items were noted such as the Jersey Shore Hospital Expansion project, police regionalization and the Jersey Shore Boat Launch which will be dedicated in November.

#### Agenda Item #7 – SWOT Analysis and Prioritization

The PCD staff team conducted a SWOT analysis exercise in which members were asked to identify the PAT area's particular strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats. After all responses were documented (which were quite extensive), members were given the opportunity to prioritize the answers by using dot stickers (two per category). The results were later tabulated and documented by PCD staff in a separate document.

#### Agenda Item #8 – Homework Assignment and Next Meeting

PAT members were asked to add a standing agenda item for Comprehensive Plan Update to their municipality's or organization's monthly meeting agendas, and to provide updates when available and solicit feedback to bring back to the PAT.

Members were also asked to check back to the project website regularly for updated information and resources for future PAT meetings. All material will be housed at <u>www.lyco.org/CompPlan</u>, with sub-pages to be created for PAT meeting resources.

Mark Murawski explained specific homework assignments to be completed prior to the next meeting, which is planned for January 2016. Homework assignments will be focused around review of specific sections of the 2006 plan. Mark will follow up with reminders to all members.

Mark Murawski indicated that the next PAT meeting will likely be held in mid to late January 2016 and members will be so notified when the next meeting date has been established. PAT members concurred that future PAT meetings should be held at the Jersey Shore Borough Municipal Building using a roundtable seating arrangement.

Mark Murawski adjourned the meeting at 9:00 PM.

# **SWOT Analysis Notes**

Lycoming County 2016 Comprehensive Plan Update US-220/Future I-99 PAT, Staff Lead: Mark Murawski Monday, October 26, 2015 6:30 – 9:00 PM Jersey Shore Borough building, 232 Smith Street, Jersey Shore



#### Strengths: 34 votes total

- 6- Institutions
  - Ex) Jersey Shore Àrea School District, Hospital, Library, EMS
- 6 Moral character; Work ethic; Community pride; Safe and family-friendly; Sense of welcome; Volunteerism
- 6 Nature
- 4– River
- 2 Agriculture industry
- 2 Trails systems
- 2 Access to outdoor recreation; Proximity to towns
- 2 Access to higher education
- 1 Highway infrastructure
- Transportation
   Ex) Fire; Railroad; Airfield; Expandable
   supporting infrastructure; STEP
- 1- History
- 1 Land; potential for growth (220)
- 0 Local government coordination and cooperation
- 0 Support of local legislators
- 0 Natural gas availability
- 0 Immediate access to quality healthcare
- 0 Ability to shift between industries; Flexibility
- 0 Schools; Community involvement
  - 0 Investment in schools; Brick and mortar facilities; Innovative curriculum
  - 0 Athletic facilities and activities

#### Weaknesses: 34 votes total

- 11 Floodplain properties/development
- 8 Lack of industry
- 4 Resistance to change
- 3 Infrastructure; Funding; Cost

#### 2 – Lack of follow-through on projects; Emergency; Funding

- 1 Lack of good paying jobs
- 1– Cost of housing; Gas landlords; Limited Housing; School taxes increasing
- 1 Lack of MD's; West to East migration; Lack of GP's
- 1 Tax base shrinking; Medicaid increasing
- 1 Aging demographic/youth exodus
- 220 Corridor is dangerous; Bottleneck (no parallel route)
- 0 Skunks/rodents habitat encroachment
- 0 Well water quality
- 0 Drugs; Heroin-related crime
- 0- Jersey Shore access by boat; River access
- 0 Lack of mental health care
- 0 Transportation (medical)
- 0 Perception as remote
- 0 Agriculture business costs; Taxes; Mitigation

#### **Opportunities: 34 votes total**

- 11- Recreation/tourism
- 11 Residential access; Potential for natural gas;
   Opportunity to modernize our power grid
- 6 Extend sewer to encourage development
- 4 Partnership with Clinton County; Identify with Clinton County of Lycoming Ex) Schools, recreation, rural character
- Attracting mining; Lumber agriculture to develop resources
- 1 Boat launch project
- 0 State forest management plan
- 0 Proximity to metropolitan areas
- 0 Valley attributes idyllic
- 0 Availability to grant monies; Act 13; Reinvestment potential

US-220/Future I-99 SWOT Analysis Notes

#### Threats: 24 votes total

- 5 Water bodies
- 5 State and federal regulations; Open-land; Flood plain
- 3 Changing Demographic
- 3 Economy; Jobs
- 3 Decline of single-family homes (crime, social issues)
- 2 Lack of fiberoptics
- 1 Loss of agriculture
- 1 Drugs/crime increase
- 1 Senior housing
- 0 Gas industry cycle; Boom/Bust; Negative social issues
- 0 Obamacare (Affordable Care Act)
- 0 Failure to expand Medicaid
- 0 State forest management plan adverse effects; Mismanagement; Market forces

# **MEETING SUMMARY**

Lycoming County 2016 Comprehensive Plan Update US 220/I 99 PAT January 25<sup>th</sup> —Meeting #2 6:30 – 8:30 pm, Jersey Shore Borough Building



#### Attendees:

Mark Murawski, PCD Kurt Schmitt, PCD Tony Musaire, Lycoming County Commissioner Cheryl Brungard, Tiadaghton Valley Municipal Authority Robert Cowfer, Independent Hose Fire Co. Clellon Folmar, Jr., Nippenose Township Chuck Hauser, WMWA-WSA Paul Hoffmaster, Pine Creek Preservation Association & Pine Creek Watershed Council Chris Keiser, LCPC Doug Keith, WMWA-WSA

John Knopp, Larrys Creek Watershed Association Barb Schmouder, Jersey Shore Borough Jim Seltzer, Pine Creek COG David Shannon, Jersey Shore Hospital Sean Simcox, Jersey Shore Borough Geraldine Snook, Nippenose Township Justin Ulmer, Woodward Township Wayne Wall, Nippenose Township Earl Cummings, Nippenose Township Richard Whalen, Woodward Township VFC Alan Worth, Woodward Township Dennis Buttoroff, Jersey Shore Borough

#### Agenda Item #1 – Welcome and Introductions

Mark Murawski and Kurt Schmitt facilitated the meeting and began the discussion. They thanked the members of the PAT for their interest and attendance, and asked that everyone sign-in. All members present introduced themselves, including their organization and role.

Meeting materials were distributed for the night's discussion which is to be added to the folders given out at the first meeting. These folders are to serve as the PAT member's record of our progress and discussions.

#### Agenda Item #2 – Reviewing Data and Issues

Mark reviewed the PowerPoint slides reviewing the results of the SWOT analysis and received input regarding various notable outcomes of the SWOT summary.

Mark reviewed the demographic information that has been gathered thus far from census data. A summary document was distributed to the group that showed *projections* based upon population and demographic trends. A demographic *forecast* which combines observations & assumptions with the *projections* presented in this meeting will be arrived at as a result of this planning process.

#### Agenda Item #3 – Facilitated Discussion on 2006 Plan Review

Mark lead a discussion regarding the review of issues covered in the 2006 plan to see what is still relevant and what topics needed to be expanded.

## Agenda Item #4 – Comprehensive Plan Update Process

Mark then summed up the remainder of the presentation by touching on our updated meeting schedule, the organization and contents of the updated planning document, prioritization of projects, PAT members role/responsibilities, data needs and focus group information. The group identified several important projects to the planning area. Mark asked the group to think about other projects or programs that could address the issues that have been identified for the next PAT meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

# NOTES

Lycoming County Comprehensive Plan Update 1-99 / US 220 PAT Meeting # 3 May 23, 2016 6:30-8:30 PM



#### WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Mark Murawski, County Transportation Planner convened the meeting and introduced Joshua Schnitzlein, County Hazard Reduction Planner who will serve as back-up lead for our PAT until Kurt Schmitt returns from military duty.

#### HERITAGE PLAN UPDATE

Mr. Murawski briefly explained the purpose of the County Heritage Plan Update is to update the list of county historic resources, increase awareness of these resources and preserve the resources where significant and appropriate. A historic resource can be any building, site, structure, or district over 50 years old that is associated with a distinct architectural style, event, architect, and/or person or is an important local connection to the past. Mr. Murawski outlined several local tools to protect historic resources such as local zoning, historic districts with regulations and historic review boards and demolition ordinances. The County has developed a website for this plan at www/lyco.org/HeritagePlan. Anyone on the PAT that can assist in the identification of local historic sites for the inventory should contact Ms. Jenny Picciano of our office at (570) 320-2136. A survey was included in the PAT meeting packet to facilitate this task.

#### FOCUS GROUPS REVIEW

Mr. Murawski noted that there were focus groups formed for specialized topical areas to gather input on the comprehensive plan process. These eight topical areas consist of public safety, agriculture and natural resources, heritage, culture and the arts, economic development, community development, community facilities and infrastructure and transportation. The result of these focus groups yielded 22 thematic issues that may or may not have relevance to certain PAT areas. Mr. Murawski identified those he felt had relevance to our PAT for further discussion as part of the issue prioritization task.

#### DETERMINING AND PRIORITIZATION OF ISSUES

Mr. Murawski referred to the easel which listed potential priority issues for the I-99/US 220 PAT based upon discussions at our two prior PAT meetings, recommendations from the 2006 PAT Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan and Focus Group outcomes. A total of 13 potential issues were listed. After a brief overview of each issue, Mr. Murawski asked PAT members to vote on the issues they feel are of higher importance by placing a maximum of two dots next to each listed issue. The results of the voting were that 3 issues were eliminated from further detailed consideration in this plan and 10 priority issues were advanced.

NOTES Lycoming County Comprehensive Plan Update I-99 / US 220 PAT Meeting # 3 May 23, 2016 6:30-8:30 PM



#### TAG STRATEGIC ACTIONS TO IDENTIFIED PRIORITY ISSUES EXERCISE

Mr. Murawski informed the PAT that this next exercise was to identify specific strategic actions to help address each of the 10 remaining priority issues. Strategic action cards from the 2006 plan were matched up with the priority issues. For those priority issues which had no matched 2006 strategic action, new strategic actions were developed. Mr. Murawski indicated that given meeting time constraints, this exercise will be completed during PAT meeting 4 so PAT members should continue to think about additional strategic actions that may be needed to properly address all 10 priority issues.

#### SUMMER PUBLIC OUTREACH OVERVIEW

Mr. Murawski noted that an extensive public outreach process will be conducted this summer at major community events throughout the county to gather public opinions about what people like about the county and what they think should be improved. A game board will be used that will allow people to use play money to spend on those issues they feel are most important to address. This will allow people to make hard choices about where scarce public dollars should be invested according to their perspective. Four our PAT the main public venue will be held at the Jersey Shore 4<sup>th</sup> of July Town Hall Celebration on the evening of July 7, 2016.

#### NEXT MEETING

The next PAT meeting will be scheduled during the month of September.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM.

# PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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## I-99 / US 220 Planning Area Team (PAT) Summary of Priority Issues with Strategic Actions (Listed in PAT Priority Order)

#### Priority Issue # 1: Floodplain Management / Biggert Watters Act Impacts

#### Strategic Actions

- Develop and adopt regulations for site improvements that are compatible with local character. (2006 Plan)
- Floodproofing/mitigation of existing structures located in flood hazard areas (New)
- Discourage new developments in flood hazard areas (New)
- Assess feasibility and cost of hazard mitigation options within Jersey Shore historic district which is entirely located in the flood zone. (New)

#### Priority Issue # 2: PennDOT US 220 Corridor Access Management Project Impacts on Future Growth Patterns

#### Strategic Actions

- Revise zoning to guide development to desired growth areas as may be comparable with a yet to be defined community vision for the future. (2006 Plan)
- Use a comprehensive approach to infrastructure improvements to serve expansions in growth areas. (2006 Plan)
- Reassess the need and cost/benefit for further water and sewer expansion within the US 220 corridor between Jersey Shore and Williamsport (New)

#### Priority Issue #3: Preserve and Expand Public Infrastructure

Strategic Actions

- Establish a comprehensive approach to the provision of infrastructure to meet the needs of new and expanding industries (2006 Plan)
- New land development should include provisions for the extension of infrastructure including roads, water, sewer and trails. (2006 Plan)
- Develop and streetscape and traffic calming plan, i.e., school crossings (2006 Plan)
- Develop a wellhead protection program to protect the water supply. (2006 Plan)

#### Priority Issue # 4: Region-Wide Drug Problem Impacts

Strategic Actions

- Funding for municipal police force resources and response for drug enforcement efforts vs. other community policing needs. (New)
- More awareness, education and training of municipal officials and local police force regarding the drug problem. (New)
- Municipal cooperation with landlords where drug activity is suspected such as property codes inspections. (New)

#### Priority Issue # 5: Promote Economic Development

Strategic Actions

- Establish a comprehensive approach to the provision of infrastructure to meet the needs of new and expanding industries (2006 Plan)
- Implement a split rate real estate tax to promote infill development (2006 Plan)
- Make regulations conducive to reuse and rehabilitation of older structures. (2006 Plan)

#### Priority Issue # 6: Civic Engagement and Retention of Youth Population

Strategic Actions

- Offer good paying family sustaining jobs (New)
- Get more youth involved in community organizations, boards and committees, elected office, civic groups and volunteerism. (New)

#### Priority Issue #7 Expand Recreational Opportunities

Strategic Actions

- Improve access to the Susquehanna River by maintaining visual corridors to the river and providing for walkways, fishing and boating access. (2006 Plan)
- Support the development of the Susquehanna Greenway. (2006 Plan)
- Encourage new developments to include pedestrian and bicycle facilities. (2006 Plan)

#### Priority Issue # 8: Support Expansion of Natural Gas Industry Infrastructure

Strategic Actions

- Review gas infrastructure plans especially for noise and lighting considerations at municipal and county levels. (New)
- Improve community access to natural gas resources in an affordable manner. (New)
- Explore provision of additional natural gas fueling facilities in region. (New)

#### Priority Issue# 9: Foster Interagency Cooperation and Build Municipal Partnerships

Strategic Actions

 Continue to work with municipal partners to identify opportunities to share facilities and services in a cost effective manner. (2006 Plan)

#### Priority Issue #10: Promote Green Infrastructure

Strategic Actions

- Establish a neighborhood revitalization program to support property maintenance and beautification in target areas. (2006 Plan)
- Integrate green infrastructure practices with streetscape improvements (New)
- Review ordinances affecting the regulation of junkyards and abandoned cars to protect the visual quality and community character. (2006 Plan)

# MEETING SUMMARY

Lycoming County 2016 Comprehensive Plan Update Montoursville/Muncy PAT September 22 — Meeting #4 6 – 8:00 pm, Montoursville Borough Building



#### Attendees:

Mark Murawski, PCD Joshua Schnitzlein, PCD Olive Cooney, Jersey Shore Historical Society Earl Cummings, Nippenose Township Paul Hoffmaster, Pine Creek Preservation Association & Pine Creek Watershed Council Doug Keith, WMWA-WSA Dennis Rager, Piatt Township David Shannon, Jersey Shore Hospital Justin Ulmer, Woodward Township Barb Schmouder, Jersey Shore Borough Allan Worth, Woodward Township Christina Cooney, Jersey Shore Historical Society Denny Buttorff, Jersey Shore Borough

#### Agenda Item #1 – Welcome and Introductions

Mark Murawski and Joshua Schnitzlein facilitated the meeting and began the discussion. They thanked the members of the PAT for their interest and attendance, and asked that everyone sign-in.

Meeting materials were distributed for the night's discussion which is to be added to the folders given out at the first meeting. These folders are to serve as the PAT member's record of our progress and discussions.

#### Agenda Item #2 – Review MMP Contents

Mark reviewed the MMP contents. A short discussion was held concerning the identified issues.

#### Agenda Item #3 – Review of Priority Issues Discussion and Draft Project List

Mark reviewed the draft project list. A very good discussion was held concerning the projects. Selection of the priority project for each issue was identified and voted on.

#### Agenda Item #4 – Top Viable Projects

Projects were identified (see meeting results)

#### Agenda Item #5 - Review Growth Map Boundaries

Mark reviewed the Growth Area Map with the group.

#### Agenda Item #6 - Review Future Land Use Map

Mark reviewed the Future Land Use Map.

# PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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## I-99/US 220 PAT ISSUES AND PROJECTS/PROGRAMS LIST (Issues Listed in PAT Priority Order)

# **Priority Issue # 1:**

# Flooding is a threat to life, properties and the communities throughout the county.

- 8 votes Lawshee Run Culvert Repair / Replacement Project in Jersey Shore
- 2 votes Removable Floodwall \* Write in
- Update local floodplain ordinances
- Adopt County Hazard Mitigation Plan
- Perform hazard mitigation related projects

# **Priority Issue # 2:**

# Our multi-modal transportation system has deficiencies in safety, physical condition and availability of facilities in some areas of the county.

- 6 votes Repair or Replace Structurally Deficient Bridges
- 3 votes Implement US 220 Corridor Access Management Improvements (Jersey Shore Williamsport) and re-examine future growth plans for this corridor
- 2 votes Expand Jersey Shore streetscape & traffic calming plan, (school crossings)
- Support eventual completion of 1-99

# **Priority Issue # 3:**

### Water, sewer and stormwater infrastructure systems are not sufficient across the county to meet all needs

- 9 votes Reassess the need and cost/benefit for further water and sewer expansion within the US 220 corridor between Jersey Shore and Williamsport
- 2 votes Develop Stormwater Discharge Management Plan \* Write In
- Develop a wellhead / source water protection program to protect the water supply.

# **Priority Issue # 4:**

Drugs, particularly heroin, are creating significant social, economic, public health, and safety problems across the county.

- 4 votes Strengthen property codes inspections with landlords where drug activity is suspected.
- 3 votes Expand municipal police force resource capabilities and response for drug enforcement
- 3 votes County partner with Bald Eagle Project \* Write In
- Educate and train municipal officials and local police force regarding the drug problem.

# Priority Issue # 5:

The economy is changing, and our communities and workforce are not optimally positioned to realize our untapped economic potential and become resilient to economic trends.

- 8 votes Evaluate and implement water and sewer infrastructure to support level corners development plan.
- 2 votes Develop regulations conducive to reuse and rehabilitation of older structures
- Increase public water and sewer capacity to adequately serve Porter Industrial Park
- Implement a split rate real estate tax to promote infill development
- Redevelop Brownfields Sites

# **Priority Issue # 6:**

# Volunteerism and civic engagement, particularly among young people, are insufficient to sustain community institutions and services.

- 11 votes Partner with local colleges to expand into PAT area \* Write In
- Develop Youth Ambassador's Program
- Develop Civic Engagement Training Program

# **Priority Issue # 7**

# Outdoor recreation resources are not fully developed, protected and promoted.

- 4 votes Strengthen marketing in western end of County \* Write In
- 3 votes Allow local municipalities to advertise events and programs directly on the County website. Create link pages to do this. \* Write In
- 2 votes Develop Ridge Trail Connections \* Write In
- 2 votes Improve gateway to Pine Creek Rail Trail (Rail car not being used/signage lacking)
- Support the development of the Susquehanna Greenway, especially Jersey Shore to Williamsport Riverwalk Connection
- Continue to improve public access to Susquehanna River

# Priority Issue # 8:

## Natural Gas infrastructure is not adequate in all areas of the County.

- 7 votes - Explore provision of additional natural gas fueling facilities in region.

- 4 votes - Improve community access to natural gas resources in an affordable manner.

# Priority Issue# 9:

# Fragmentation of local government in PA is a barrier to efficient delivery of some public services

 10 votes - Create a steering committee to identify opportunities to share public facilities and services in a cost effective manner.

# **Priority Issue # 10:**

## Current land use regulations and enforcement do not consistently and adequately meet community visions and respond to changing conditions

- 5 votes Develop a Municipal Ordinance Review and Training Program to ensure local ordinances are consistent with the Comprehensive Plan
- 4 votes Establish a neighborhood revitalization program to support property maintenance and beautification in target areas.
- 2 votes Integrate green infrastructure practices with transportation / streetscape improvements and private development where appropriate.

# **MEETING SUMMARY**

Lycoming County 2016 Comprehensive Plan Update US 220/I 99 PAT March 27<sup>th</sup> —Meeting #5 6:30 – 8:30 pm, Jersey Shore Borough Building



#### Attendees:

Mark Murawski, PCD Joshua Schnitzlein, PCD Barb Schmouder, Jersey Shore Borough Tina Cooney, Jersey Shore Historical Society Olive Cooney, Jersey Shore Historical Society Cheryl Brungard, Jersey Shore Borough Paul Hoffmaster, Pine Creek Preservation Association & Pine Creek Watershed Council
Justin Ulmer, Woodward Township
Alan Worth, Woodward Township
Bruce Boncal, Jersey Shore School District

### Agenda Item #1 – Welcome

Mark Murawski & Joshua Schnitzlein facilitated the meeting and began the discussion. They thanked the members of the PAT for their continued interest and attendance, and asked that everyone sign-in.

After introductions, meeting materials were distributed for the night's discussion which is to be added to the folders given out at initial meeting.

#### Agenda Item #2 – Timeline

Mark discussed the following:

- Plan Edits and Comments
  - It was announced at our last meeting that PAT comments would be due to PCD by 4/14.
     <u>We're extending this comment period to May 28<sup>th</sup> to provide everyone additional</u> <u>time.</u>
- Public Meeting April 20, 6pm at County Commissioners Public Conference Room
  - o Public meeting for all PAT plans hosted by the LCPC
  - o PAT members are encouraged, but not required to attend
  - PAT leads will brief LCPC board members on priority issues and projects selected by each PAT
  - This public meeting will fulfill Section 302 (a.1) of the MPC which requires at least 1
    public meeting and a <u>45 day comment period</u> (read below) before forwarding the draft
    Comp Plan to governing bodies to consider adoption.
- 45 Day Public Review Period
  - Draft plans will be distributed to contiguous municipalities, school districts and the general public
  - Minor edits will be considered during the review period; any significant changes to document will require an additional public hearing
- Joint Public Hearing May 23, 2017 (tentative)
  - o PCD to cover advertising costs

- <u>Quorum of elected municipal officials MUST be present or separate municipal meeting</u> <u>will be needed</u>
- This public hearing will fulfill Section 302 (b) of the MPC which requires at least 1 public hearing prior to adoption. Minor revisions can be made if the PAT deems necessary without having to hold a 2<sup>nd</sup> hearing.
- July/August Adoption
  - For each US 220/I 99 planning area municipality at a regularly scheduled mtg.

#### Agenda Item #3 – Plan Review

Mark & Josh summarized each section of the draft plan including each top viable project with all PAT members. The group then discussed/amended text as deemed necessary. Any changes that were made to the plan are captured in red text in the attached document.

• Comments and suggestions have been addressed in attached plan

#### Agenda Item #4 – Next Steps

- As covered above in Item #2, the LCPC will be holding a public meeting on April 20<sup>th</sup> in the 1<sup>st</sup> floor Commissioners Boardroom located at 330 Pine Street, Williamsport. This meeting is optional for PAT members.
- After gathering dates of availability for each municipality we will hold a public hearing on or around May 23<sup>rd</sup> to kick off the 45 day review period as required by the MPC.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

# **MEETING SUMMARY**

Lycoming County 2016 Comprehensive Plan Update US 220/I-99 PAT May 23, 2017 — Joint Public Hearing for Woodward, Piatt, & Porter, Nippenose Townships and Jersey Shore Borough 6:00 – 7:00 pm, Woodward Township Volunteer Fire Hall



#### Attendees:

Mark Murawski, PCD James Arvin, Woodward Twp Citizen Mike Reuther, Williamsport Sun Gazette Candy Tomlison Woodward Twp Citizen John Williams, Woodward Twp Citizen Linda Williams, Woodward Twp Citizen Patty Snyder, Woodward Twp Citizen Sandra Miller, Citizen Orlando DeParases, Woodward Twp Citizen Kathy Huling, Woodward Twp Citizen Mike Zellers, Jersey Shore Borough Council Larry Beagle, Woodward Twp Citizen Dennis Rager, Piatt Township Supervisor Dean Edwards, Piatt Township Supervisor Wayne Wall, Nippenose Township Supervisor Geraldine Snook, Nippenose Twp Secretary Clellon Folmar, Nippenose Township Supervisor Jean Bell, City of Williamsport Citizen Budd Bell, City of Williamsport Citizen

Tony Mussare, Lycoming County Commissioner James Robbins, City of Williamsport Citizen William Michaels, Woodward Twp Zoning John Ruhla, Woodward Twp Citizen Kathy Metz, Woodward Twp Citizen Wayne Robinson, Woodward Twp Supervisor Marguerite Dyroff, Jersey Shore Boro Council Denise Hurlbutt, Jersey Shore Boro Council Joseph Hamm, Jersey Shore Boro Manager Barb Schmouder, Jersey Shore Boro Council Sue Shoemaker, Jersey Shore Boro Citizen Ervin Rauch, Porter Township Supervisor Ron Markle, Porter Township Supervisor John Ingraham, Porter Township Supervisor Sean Simcox, Jersey Shore Boro Council Dennis Thompson, Jersey Shore Boro Citizen Richard Whalen, Woodward Twp Fire Company Joe Worth, Woodward Township Supervisor

#### Joint public hearing opened at 6:00 PM

#### Agenda Item #1 – Welcome

Mark Murawski facilitated the meeting and began the presentation. Mark thanked the members of the PAT commending them for their commitment to this update effort, and asked that everyone sign-in.

It was confirmed that all Planning Area municipalities were represented by a quorum of elected officials. Mark then summarized the efforts undertaken to arrive at this point and that the focus of this effort is to provide an implementation strategy that builds off of the 2005 Comprehensive Plan.

## Agenda Item #2 – Plan Process

Mark discussed the following items that comprised our planning process:

- Information Gathering
  - o 4 Public Meetings held throughout the county
  - o Facilitated focus group secessions

- o Public surveys (on-line & in-person)
- PAT Makeup and Responsibility
  - Each municipality was represented on PAT, in addition to community and regional representatives
  - Responsibility was to convey current trends and experiences, prioritize issues, and recommend actions to address those issues

Mark then reviewed the contents of the draft plan and the schedule going forward:

- The 2016 Plan is focused on implementation
- Plan Organization
  - Community profile, Implementation Strategy, Growth Area & Future Land Use Map changes
  - Mark then presented each of the 10 priority issues and projects that the PAT had determined to be important in the planning area
- 45 Day Public Review Period
  - Draft plans have been distributed to both PAT & contiguous municipalities, school districts and the general public
  - The public has the opportunity to comment on the plan until July 10, 2017
  - Minor edits will be considered during the review period; any significant changes to document will require an additional public hearing
- July/August Adoption
  - Barring any major edits, each US 220/I-99 municipality can adopt the plan by resolution at a regularly scheduled meeting following the July 10, 2017 public comment period
  - o Any requested changes will be distributed to the PAT members for review
  - Mark will be providing each municipality a sample resolution for each municipality

## Agenda Item #3 – Question and Answer

• Related to Priority Issue #2, Lycoming County Commissioner Tony Mussare noted that for the County to conduct a local bridge bundling program, the Commissioners would need to adopt an ordinance authorizing PennDOT to collect an additional \$5 fee for each vehicle registered to an address in Lycoming County as authorized by PA Act 89. This fee revenue would revert back to Lycoming County to be used as a revenue source to fund the structurally deficient bridge improvements and other transportation needs. Commissioner Mussare asked the audience to comment whether the Commissioners should adopt the fee for this purpose. There was substantial input provided by attendees both in support and opposition to the fee, however most attendees agreed that if the fee were enacted fixing structurally deficient bridge should be given priority over other transportation needs.

Joint public hearing adjourned at 7:00 PM.

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# Appendix C

# **Results of Research and Analysis**

- 1. Quantitative Analysis of the Lycoming County Comprehensive Plan Public Outreach Efforts
- 2. Background data profile with population projections

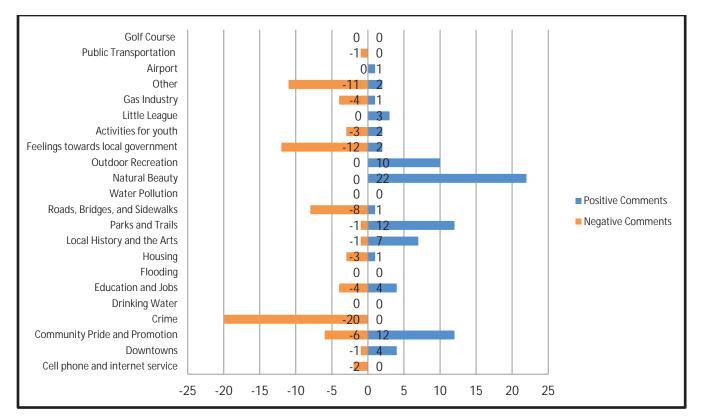
# Quantitative Analysis of the Lycoming County Comprehensive Plan Public Outreach Efforts

## Planning Area Specific Analysis for the US-220 & I-99 Planning Area

In the summer of 2016, the Lycoming County Department of Planning and Community Development (PCD) conducted several public outreach efforts where they collected data to determine which topics were most important to members of the public and what they liked and didn't like about Lycoming County. These outreach efforts were mainly centered around two specific methods. First, from May to August, PCD staff members conducted "Intercept Surveys" where they went to public events and conducted one-on-one survey sessions. Then from August 12th through September 18th the county hosted a survey online. All survey respondents were asked to provide home zip codes. The survey results were then separated by Planning Area based on which zip codes intersected with the Planning Area. Below is the combined analysis from the two surveys gathered from the 17740 and 17744 zip codes. The 17701 zip code crosses into the Planning Area but was excluded because much of the land area it covers is interchange or non-residential development. 44 people participated in the online survey and 15 participated in the intercept survey for a total of 59 survey respondents. Because of this small sample size, the results are not as definitive as other Planning Areas.

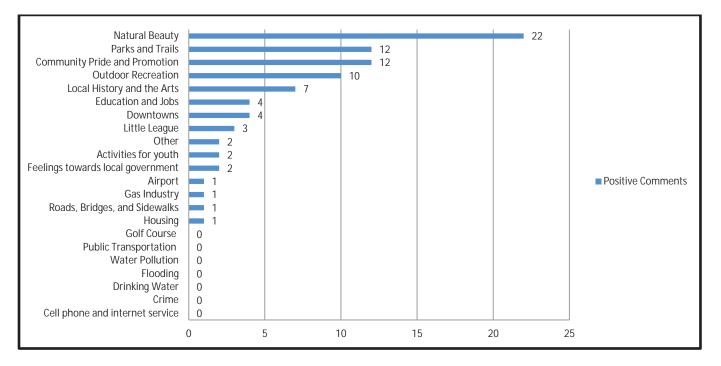
### Qualitative Analysis for 17740 and 17744 Zip Codes

The online and intercept surveys both had open ended questions which allowed people to give their thoughts and opinions on the County. The first question asked "What do you like about Lycoming County and want to make sure lasts well into the future?" The second question was "What don't you like about Lycoming County and wish were different?" The responses from these two questions were analyzed by the department and comments were quantified into 22 separate categories (listed below). Comments which said something positive about the subject were separated from comments which said something negative about the subject. Positive numbers reflect positive comments and negative numbers reflect negative comments.

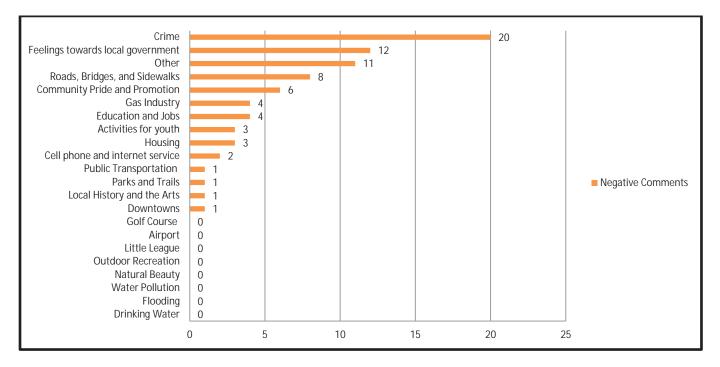


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## Qualitative Analysis for 17740 and 17744 Zip Codes continued



Culture, recreation, and scenic beauty were the themes of the top 6 most commented on categories by citizens of the US-220 & I-99 planning area. This is consistent with feedback received throughout the county. Specific examples of the parks and trails include the Riverwalk, the Rails to Trails, and the Frisbee golf course. Many citizens believe these topics are important to their quality of life and do not want to see them negatively changed.



The most important topic which citizens of the US-220 & I-99 planning area identified as something they want to see changed was crime. Additionally, citizens are also unhappy with government, however, the reasons varied from people who believed government was doing too much, those who thought it wasn't doing enough and those who thought it was doing things in an inefficient manner. Citizens also identified roads, bridges, and sidewalks as well as

community pride/promotion as important topics. The other category was a variety of responses which covered topics including taxes, emergency service regionalization, and the lack of diversity throughout the county.

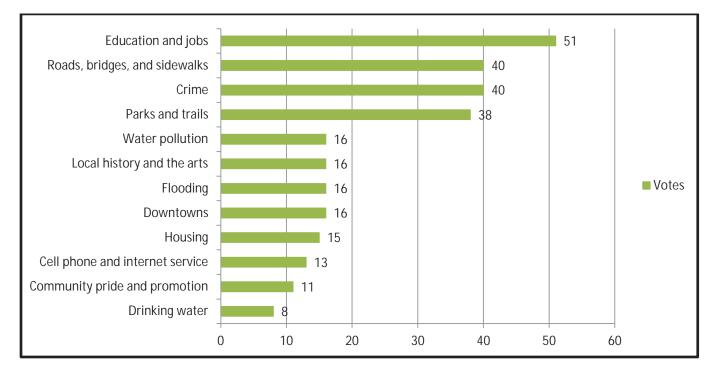
## Lyco Bucks Exercise for 17740 and 17744 Zip Codes

This part of the survey allowed participants to take 5 theoretical dollars to allocate them towards their top priorities if they were in charge of making decisions. Participants could use all of the money towards one category or spread it out across up to five categories. Twelve separate categories were provided (listed in the graph below). Below is a graph showing how survey participants within the planning area responded to this portion of the exercise.

Survey participants identified education and jobs as the top priority. Crime and roads, bridges, and sidewalks were tied for the second most important priorities. Next came parks and trails followed by a steep drop off to water pollution. The priority of least concern was drinking water. Cell



phone and internet service and community pride and promotion were viewed as less important priorities.

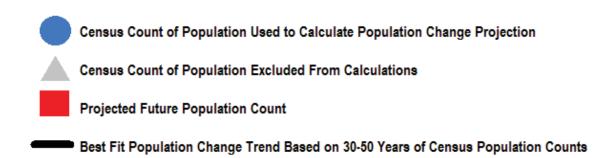


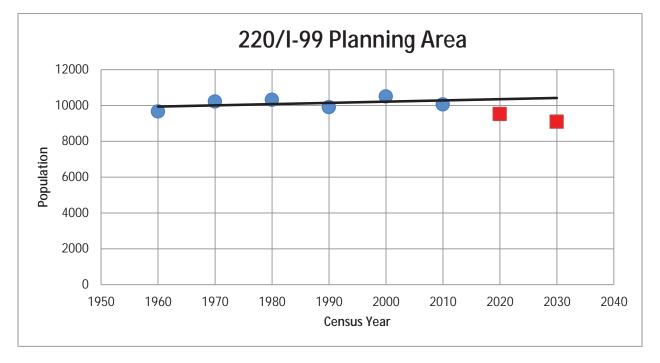
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# US 220/I-99 Planning Area Profile

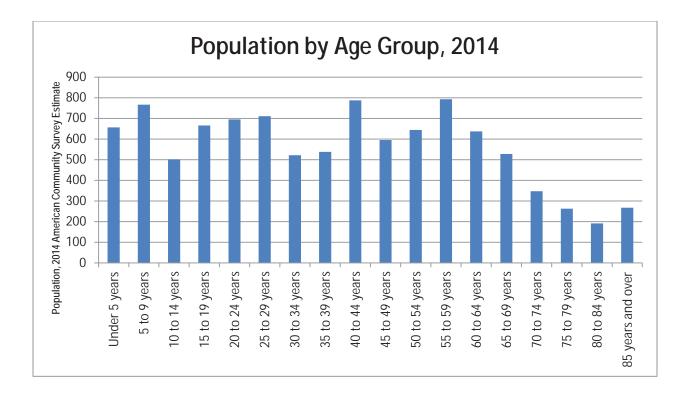
# Population change and projections



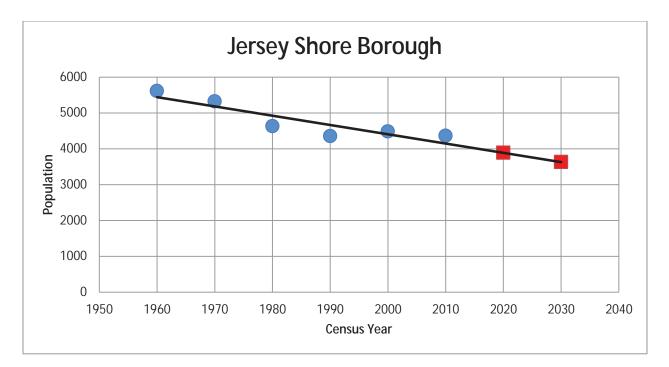


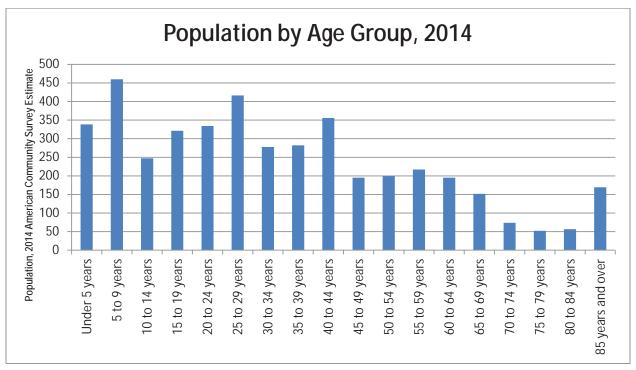
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Jersey Shore	5613	5322	4631	4353	4482	4361	3888	3629
Nippenose	540	583	714	742	729	709	657	582
Piatt	689	1013	1059	1097	1259	1180	1282	1335
Porter	1234	1283	1541	1441	1633	1601	1623	1607
Woodward	1583	2014	2370	2267	2397	2200	2068	1935
TOTAL	9119	9632	9601	9158	9771	9342	8860	8505

# Lycoming 2030: Plan the Possible

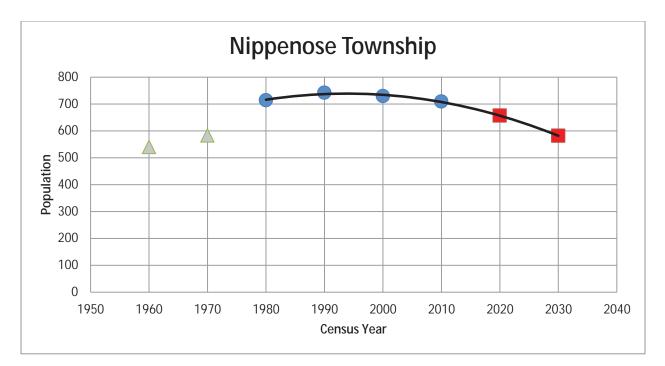


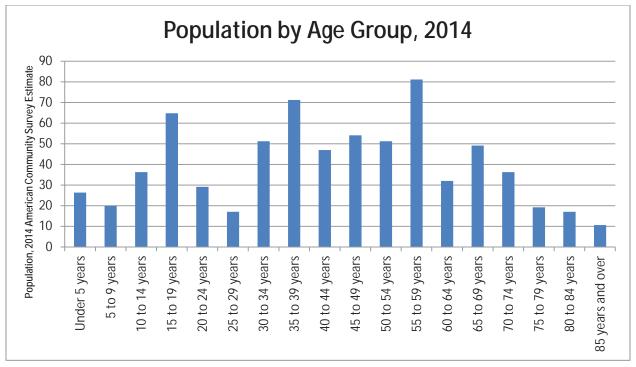
	Median age
BOROUGH OF JERSEY SHORE	30.7
TOWNSHIP OF NIPPENOSE	44.6
TOWNSHIP OF PIATT	39.6
TOWNSHIP OF PORTER	46.9
TOWNSHIP OF WOODWARD	47.6

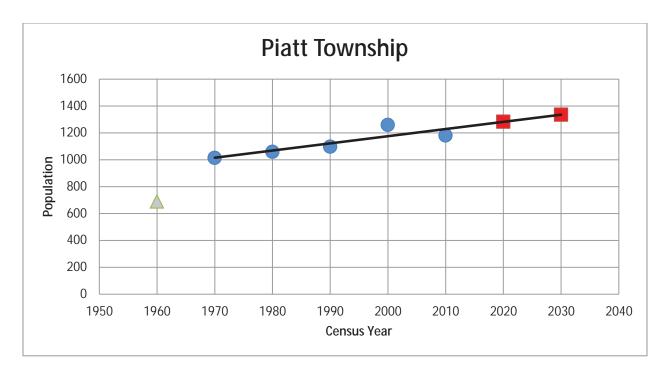


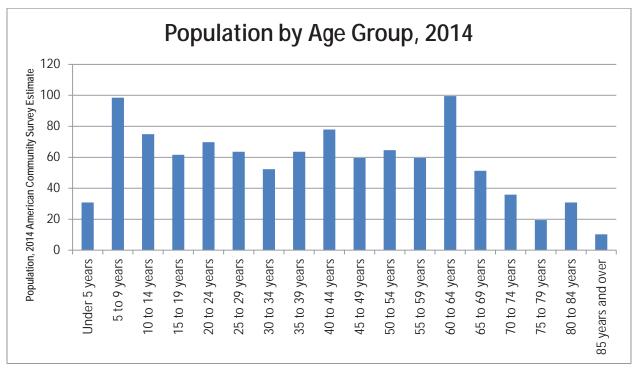


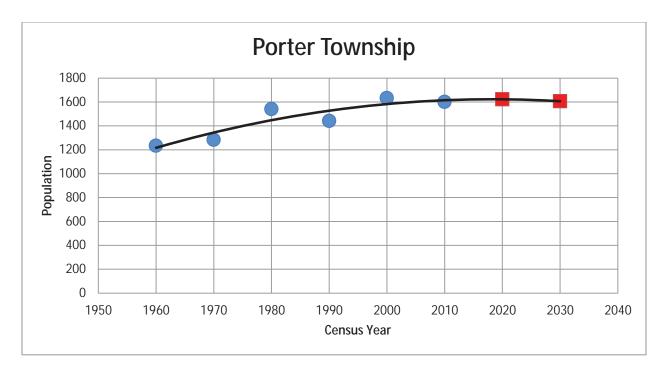
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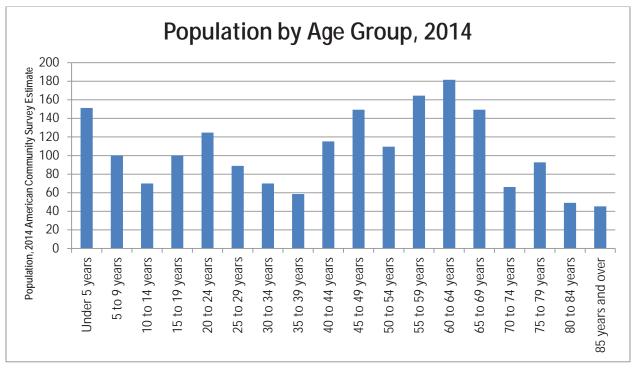


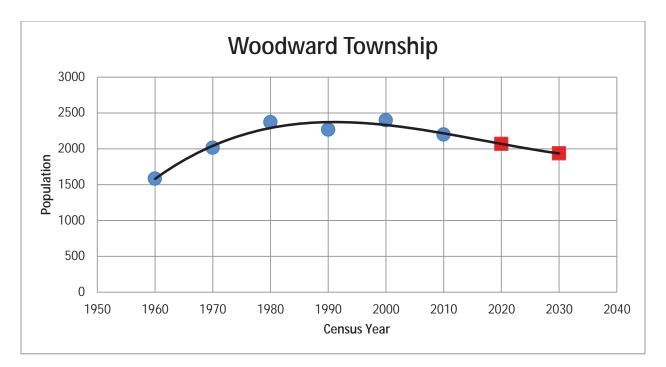


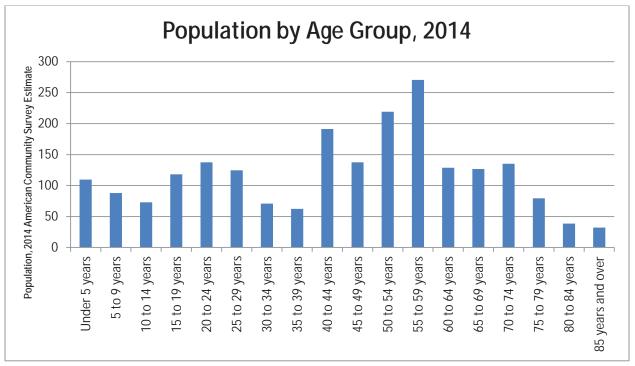








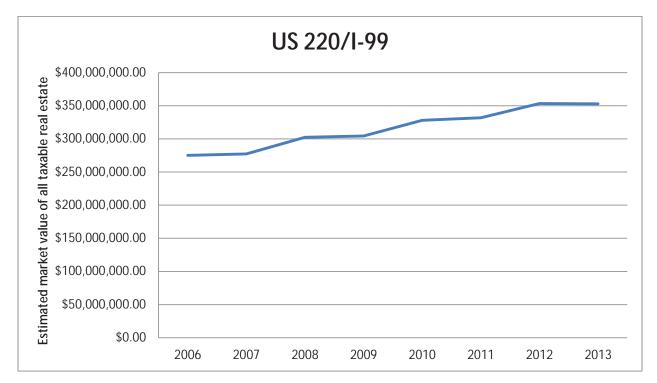




# Housing

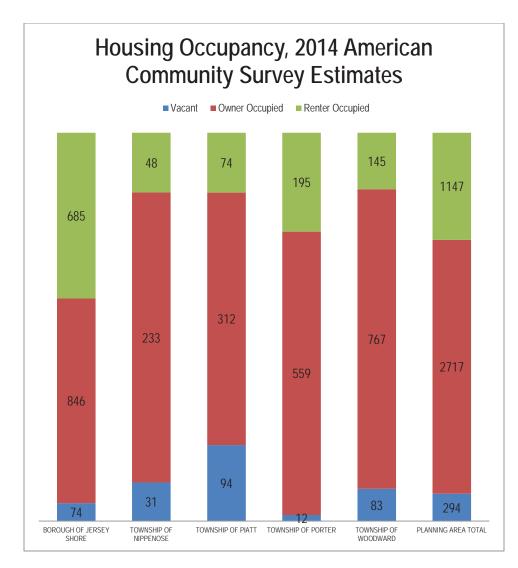
## Taxable real estate market value

Data source: State Tax Equalization Board



	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Jersey Shore Borough	\$102,953,700.00	\$103,142,388.51	\$110,978,666.75	\$111,827,984.76	\$116,205,589.99	\$116,036,768.90	\$119,012,591.08	\$118,916,430.88
Nippenose Township	\$22,097,900.00	\$22,470,896.27	\$27,756,512.27	\$28,331,498.41	\$31,485,173.01	\$32,005,601.19	\$32,804,362.13	\$32,998,345.98
Piatt Township	\$39,038,100.00	\$39,357,840.11	\$44,034,659.82	\$44,545,170.66	\$48,204,722.19	\$48,513,986.94	\$50,096,694.38	\$49,332,388.59
Porter Township	\$59,454,500.00	\$60,510,710.98	\$67,544,951.77	\$67,924,201.34	\$73,630,599.41	\$74,812,358.95	\$84,043,206.04	\$84,201,014.36
Woodward Township	\$73,788,400.00	\$74,223,148.03	\$79,840,970.73	\$80,154,025.81	\$89,895,487.54	\$92,520,729.93	\$100,063,132.32	\$100,309,292.70
PLANNING AREA TOTAL	\$275,234,700.00	\$277,234,087.63	\$302,399,249.07	\$304,451,382.57	\$327,936,399.13	\$331,883,844.72	\$353,215,623.82	\$352,759,126.53

	Percent change, 2006- 2013	Dollar change, 2006- 2013
Jersey Shore Borough	16%	\$15,962,730.88
Nippenose Township	49%	\$10,900,445.98
Piatt Township	26%	\$10,294,288.59
Porter Township	42%	\$24,746,514.36
Woodward Township	36%	\$26,520,892.70
PLANNING AREA TOTAL	28%	\$77,524,426.53



Note: "Vacant" housing units include the following

- For rent
- Rented but not yet occupied
- For sale
- Sold but not yet occupied
- Seasonal, recreational or occasional use

	Median Household Income	Median Annual Housing Costs for Homeowner with Mortgage, 2014	Annual Housing Costs for Homeowner with Mortgage as Percentage of Median Family Income	Median Annual Housing Rental Costs, 2014	Annual Housing Rental Costs as Percentage of Median Family Income
BOROUGH OF JERSEY SHORE	\$47,303.00	\$13,032.00	27.6%	\$7,920.00	16.7%
TOWNSHIP OF NIPPENOSE	\$48,661.00	\$13,908.00	28.6%	\$7,080.00	14.5%
TOWNSHIP OF PIATT	\$47,143.00	\$17,928.00	38.0%	\$9,480.00	20.1%
TOWNSHIP OF PORTER	\$48,867.00	\$14,820.00	30.3%	\$8,064.00	16.5%
TOWNSHIP OF WOODWARD	\$45,000.00	\$12,996.00	28.9%	\$6,576.00	14.6%

2014 American Community Survey Estimates

2014 American
Community Survey
Estimate,
Household Median
Income
\$45,877.00
\$53,115.00

2014 American Community Survey Estimates

	Median Year of Construction of Housing Units
BOROUGH OF JERSEY SHORE	1941
TOWNSHIP OF NIPPENOSE	1962
TOWNSHIP OF PIATT	1973
TOWNSHIP OF PORTER	1974
TOWNSHIP OF WOODWARD	1972

2014 American Community Survey Estimates

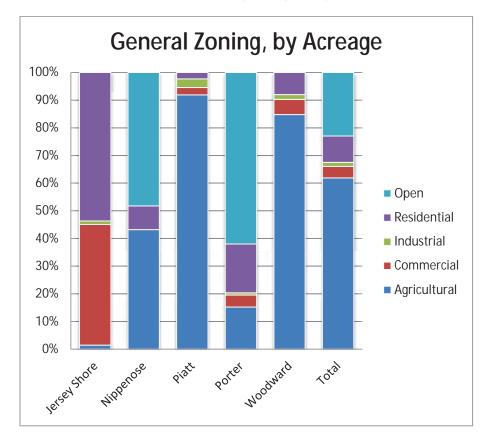
# Floodplain and Flood Insurance

	Policies	Insured Amount	Total Premiums	Total Claims	Total Payments	Total Number of Tax parcels	Parcels Containing Regulatory Floodplain	Percent Containing Floodplain
BOROUGH OF JERSEY SHORE	378	\$34,619,000.00	\$344,705.00	42	\$1,729,310.80	1581	755	47.8%
TOWNSHIP OF NIPPENOSE	13	\$1,765,300.00	\$15,079.00	6	\$157,149.23	346	85	24.6%
TOWNSHIP OF PIATT	44	\$4,759,000.00	\$43,282.00	73	\$580,091.00	534	214	40.1%
TOWNSHIP OF PORTER	36	\$4,366,500.00	\$35,871.00	18	\$92,865.07	759	201	26.5%
TOWNSHIP OF WOODWARD	26	\$6,237,300.00	\$78,591.00	51	\$531,282.11	914	192	21.0%
PLANNING AREA TOTAL	497	\$51,747,100.00	\$517,528.00	190	\$3,090,698.21	4134	1447	35.0%

#### Data Sources: FEMA National Flood Insurance Program Policy and Claim Statistics and Lycoming County

# Current Zoning

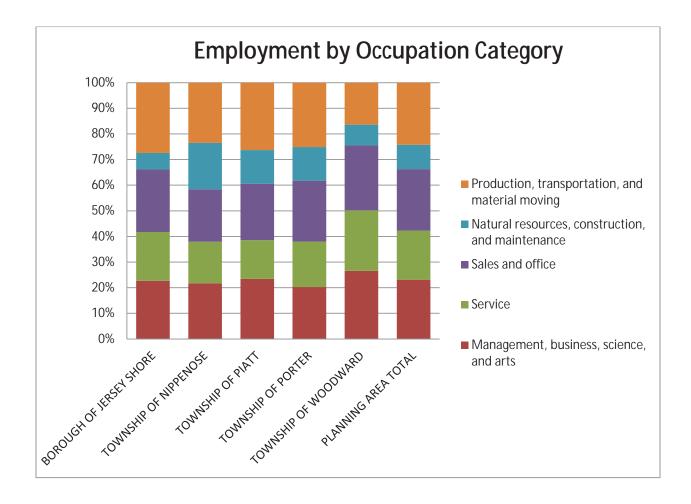
Data Source: Lycoming County



	Vacant Land (Acres)		
	Zoned Commercial	Zoned Industrial	
BOROUGH OF JERSEY SHORE	9.35	0.37	
TOWNSHIP OF NIPPENOSE			
TOWNSHIP OF PIATT	14.45	78.69	
TOWNSHIP OF PORTER	59.99	2.51	
TOWNSHIP OF WOODWARD	44.59	68.52	
TOTAL	128.38	150.09	

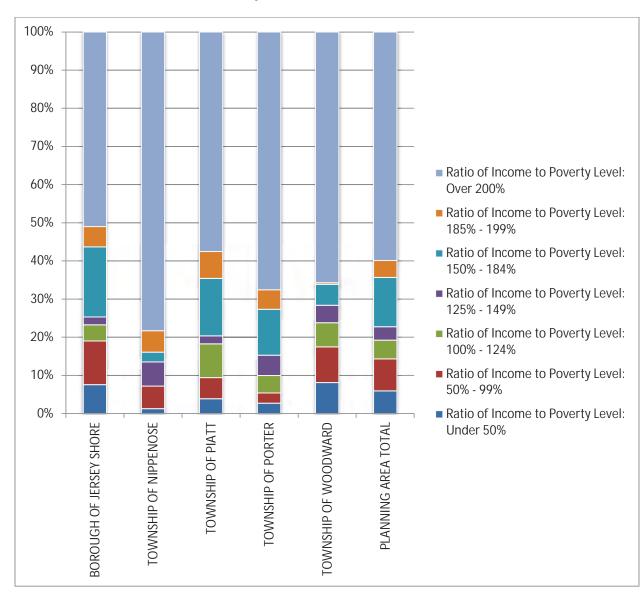
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## Employment



## Poverty

2014 American Community Survey Estimates

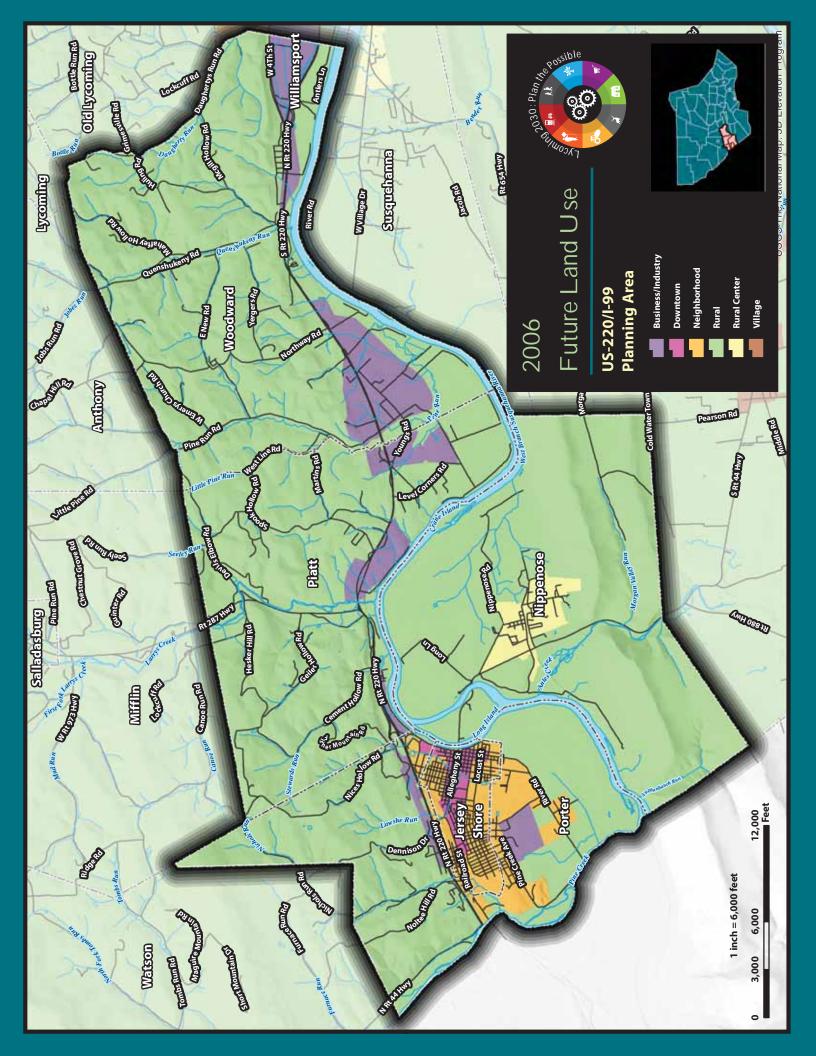


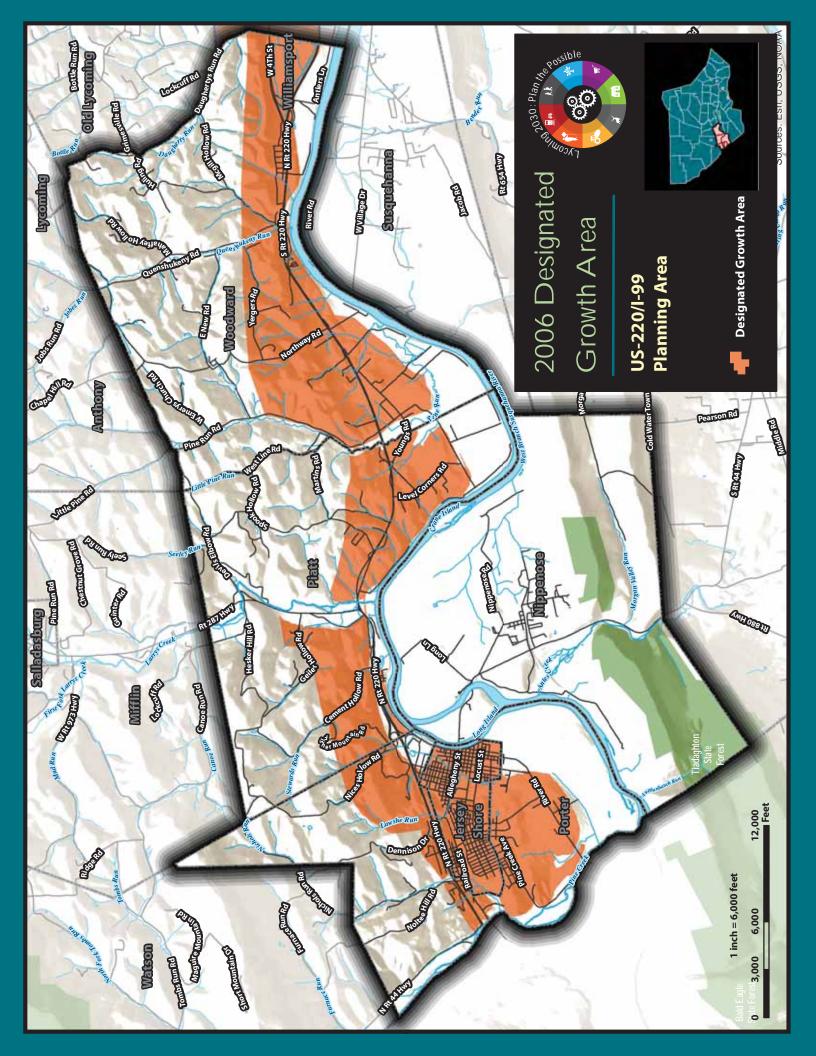
Federal Poverty Level for Individuals in 2014: \$11,670

## Appendix D

### **Reference Maps**

- 1. 2006 Designated Growth Area Map
- 2. 2006 Future Land Use Map





## Appendix E

Plan Consistency & Plan References

### Plan Consistency & Plan References

The 2006 US-220/I-99 Multi-municipal Comprehensive Plan describes the Relationship and Consistency with County Functional Plans and Consistency with Regional Planning in Chapters 7 and 8 respectively. These sections are still relevant today with the exception of the following updates:

#### Lycoming County 2013-2033 Long Range Transportation Plan (2013)

The Lycoming County 2013-2033 Long Range Transportation Plan was adopted in 2013 and prepared by the Lycoming County Department of Planning and Community Development. The Transportation Plan was created to comply with state policies and federal regulations which state that air quality attainment areas, such as Lycoming County, much update their plans every five years. The Plan identifies transportation issues and needs by evaluation of physical condition and operational assets of all modes of transportation in Lycoming County. The WATS committee conducted public meetings, trend analysis, and inventory review. Recommendations include many bridge replacements and rehabs and road improvements such as resurfacing, reconstruction, and intersection improvement.

#### Lycoming County Hazard Mitigation Plan (2010 & 2015)

The Lycoming County Hazard Mitigation Plan was adopted in 2010 and a new plan was adopted in 2015. Both plans were prepared by Michael Baker, Jr., Inc. of Philadelphia. Due to suffering floods, winter storms, tornadoes, Lycoming County recognized the need for a long-term plan addressing such hazards. Public participation included written surveys, public meetings, and the opportunity to review and comment on the existing Plan. Recommendations include improvement of public awareness/ education programs, natural resource protection, and structural projects such as relocation or elevation of possible at-risk structures.

#### County Recreation, Parks, & Open Space/Greenway Plan (2006)

Adopted in 2006 and prepared by the Lycoming County Planning Commission, the Lycoming County Recreation, Parks, & Open Space/Greenway Plan is a continuation of the original 1974 County Recreation Plan which aimed to incorporate recreational values into everyday life with the mission of improving the quality of life through health, individual happiness, creativity and community vigor. The Planning Commission utilized both a county wide survey as well as public meetings to help determine the primary visions and goals of the public, as well as implementation strategies for the Comprehensive Plan. Resulting from the Recreational Survey, most participants felt that the County government should be more involved with local Municipalities in developing recreational services, and were mostly interested in recreational trails, ice skating, environmental education that involves the preservation of nature, and youth-focused activities. The plan proposed the creation of the Lycoming County Recreation Council, the expansion of recreation programs throughout the municipalities, and selecting Greenway implementation projects like connecting the Susquehanna Trail and Greenway from Pine Creek to Union County and expanding the Lycoming Creek Bikeway past Trout Run.

### 5-County Solid Waste Plan (2013)

The County Commissioners of the Five-County Region encompassing Columbia, Montour, Lycoming, Union and Snyder Counties underwent a comprehensive, multi-year effort to create a Regional Solid Waste Plan. Lycoming County acted as the lead agency for much of the development of the Plan. The process involved extensive stakeholder and public involvement. The Plan was to meet the collective waste capacity needs of the region for a ten year period, as required by Pennsylvania law. It achieved this objective through a "modified flow control" approach that allows waste haulers to transport to any landfill or transfer station facility that responded to a

Solicitation of Interest, met the requirements of the plan, and entered into a waste capacity disposal agreement with the Region. The Regional Plan, accepted by DEP on February 26, 2013, complies with the requirements of Act 101 (the Pennsylvania Municipal Waste Planning, Recycling and Waste Reduction Act of 1988), and appropriate amendments to that Act. A one-year implementation period followed the official DEP acceptance of the plan, which occurred on February 26, 2013. The five counties formed a Regional Steering Committee to carry out implementation of the plan.

#### Lycoming County Act 167 Stormwater Management Plan (2010)

The Lycoming Creek Stormwater Plan was adopted in 2010 and prepared by K & W Engineers of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, and was created to recognize and address the growing concern of extensive damage caused by stormwater runoff covering all areas of Lycoming County except where watershed specific stormwater plans have been adopted: Lycoming Creek, Grafius Run, Millers Run, & McClures Run Watersheds. It was enacted in compliance with Pennsylvania Stormwater Management Act (Act 167) which establishes a comprehensive systematic program for counties to develop comprehensive watershed-based stormwater management plans that provide control measures for development and activities that affect stormwater runoff, including quality, quantity, and groundwater recharge. Surveys were performed to monitor runoff activity and to assess existing characteristics like significant obstructions and drainage problems. Projected and alternative land development patterns and alternative runoff control techniques were assessed as well. Ultimately, the plan seeks to prevent future problems resulting from uncontrolled runoff with each Lycoming County municipality adopting a stormwater management ordinance that is consistent with the Lycoming County Act 167 Stormwater Management Plan.

#### Lycoming County Energy Plan (2011)

The Lycoming County Energy Plan was adopted in 2011 and prepared by the Lycoming County Department of Planning and Community Development in conjunction with consultants Delta Development Group Inc., and Vernon Land Use, LLC. The County wide Energy Plan was created to address the growing impact of Shale gas within the county as well as address reducing energy consumption, rising fuel costs, and to meet Pennsylvania's Municipalities Planning Code (MPC). Workshops and CNG Focus groups were conducted along with the installation of a CNG fueling station. Several implementation measures are to foster county-derived renewable energy generation, Install more CNG fueling stations throughout the county, and promote energy efficiency while demanding energy reduction.

#### Marcellus Shale Water Study (2012)

The Marcellus Shale Water Study was published in 2012 and prepared by the Lycoming County Department of Planning and Community Development in conjunction with Delta Development Group, Inc. The subject of the Study was "water, sewer, stormwater, and wastewater treatment resources needed to support industry (gas and non-gas), population growth, and related economic development". For the study key participants were interviewed, focus groups with local stakeholders were held, data was collected and analysis was completed. Recommendations include aggressively pursue funding, expand water infrastructure, and closely monitor potential game changers and current happenings with the Marcellus Shale Industry and its use of water and sewage.

#### The Marcellus Shale Housing Study (2012)

The Marcellus Shale Housing Study was published in 2012 and prepared by the Lycoming County Department of Planning and Community Development in conjunction with Delta Development Group, Inc. The study was

conducted to gauge the impact of housing for the Marcellus Shale industry in a market where a shortage of housing was already occurring. The Study was completed in accordance with Pennsylvania Act 13 (Oil & Gas Act of 2012) and to fulfill the requirements of Pennsylvania Housing Funding Agency to be considered for Act 13 funding. Interviews, focus groups and statistical analysis were used to gather information for the study. Several key findings included the lack of adequate housing for the Marcellus industry, the lack of up to date and move in ready properties in the area, and the increasing rental rates causing a strain on subsidized renters. Some recommendations include providing developer incentives, provide grants to existing housing programs and properties, develop affordable independent living apartments for seniors in downtown Williamsport.

#### Lycoming County Growth Area Land Use and Transportation Plan (2012)

The purpose of the Lycoming County Growth Area Land-Use and Transportation Plan is to first forecast future land-use within the Lycoming County growth areas given the increased demand pressures created by the Marcellus Shale industry, and secondly to assess the transportation impacts of this future land development on the roadway infrastructure of Lycoming County and identify transportation improvements to alleviate these impacts. The findings of this plan are intended to provide guidance for identifying potential future projects for the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) and the Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP), following further study, environmental screening, project scoping, and cost estimations.

#### Lycoming County Small Bridge Pilot Program Executive Summary (2010)

The Lycoming County Planning Commission working in partnership with the PennDOT Small Bridge Inventory Task Force completed a comprehensive inventory of locally owned bridges in Lycoming County with span lengths between 8 feet and 20 feet for purposes of developing a systematic inspection program on these types of smaller bridge structures. This special initiative was funded by Local Technical Assistance Program (LTAP) supplemental planning funds provided to the Williamsport Area Metropolitan Planning Organization as part of participation in LTAP planning and outreach activities for Lycoming County.

#### Multi-Modal Freight Transfer Feasibility Study (2006)

The Lycoming County Planning Commission, in cooperation with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation, SEDA-Council of Governments and several other cooperating agencies and interests, sponsored a study of the feasibility of developing a transfer center where freight traffic moving to or from companies within the study area could be transferred between railroad cars and trucks. The study included a market analysis that was based on a telephone survey of 111 companies involved in manufacturing and wholesale trade within a 12-county area in Northcentral Pennsylvania. It found a substantial interest in intermodal transportation service, and identified that annually more than 80,000 units (truckloads and container-loads) could comprise a market base for a transfer facility in the area.

#### Coordinated Public Transit Plan (2014)

This plan updates and amends the Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan of the SEDA-COG Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and its local stakeholders with an interest in human service transportation programs. The SEDA-COG MPO closely coordinates transportation planning activities with neighboring Lycoming County which is served by the Williamsport Area Transportation Study (WATS) MPO. Consequently for this update, it was determined that the SEDA-COG MPO and WATS MPO would develop a joint Coordinated Plan to satisfy the requirements and use resources more efficiently. While this joint Coordinated Plan update considers all human service transportation needs, an emphasis is placed on transportation needs of low-income populations, seniors, and persons with disabilities.

Please visit <u>www.lyco.org</u> to view the full versions of these plans.

#### Clinton County Comprehensive Plan (2014)

The Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code requires that comprehensive plans include a statement regarding the plan's consistency with surrounding municipalities. The US 220/I-99 multimunicipal planning area lies within Lycoming County but shares boundaries with municipalities in Clinton County. The Clinton County Comprehensive Plan has been updated since the adoption of the 2005 US 220/I-99 multimunicipal plan. Therefore the updated Clinton County comprehensive plan was reviewed to ensure continued consistency.

The Clinton County Comprehensive Plan (2014) is viewable on the Clinton County website, <u>www.clintoncountypa.com</u>

## Appendix F

Acronyms

### Acronyms

- Act 167: Pennsylvania Stormwater Management Act of 1978
- Act 537: Pennsylvania Sewage Facilities Act of 1966
- AFIG: Alternative Fuels Incentive Grants
- BIOS: Business in Our Sites Program
- CBD: Central Business District
- CBPRP: Chesapeake Bay Pollution Reduction Plans
- CNG: Compressed Natural Gas
- COG: Council of Governments
- CRS: Community Rating System
- DCED: Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development
- DCNR: Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
- DEP/PADEP: Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection
- DPS: Lycoming County Department of Public Safety
- DUI: Driving Under the Influence
- EMR: Emergency Medical Responder
- EMS: Emergency Medical Services
- EMT: Emergency Medical Technician
- EPA: United States Environmental Protection Agency
- FEMA: Federal Emergency Management Agency
- FHWA: Federal Highway Administration
- GSG: Genesee-Susquehanna Greenway
- JRA: Joint Rail Authority
- JSAJWA: Jersey Shore Area Joint Water Authority
- LCPC: Lycoming County Planning Commission
- LVRR: Lycoming Valley Railroad
- MPC: Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code

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MPO: Metropolitan Planning Organization MS4: Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System NFIP: National Flood Insurance Program NSDUH: National Survey on Drug Use and Health PAT: Planning Advisory Team PCD: Lycoming County Department of Planning and Community Development PDT: Project Delivery Team PEMA: Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency PennDOT: Pennsylvania Department of Transportation PENNVEST: Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority PMPEI: Pennsylvania Municipal Planning Education Institute PUC: Public Utilities Commission RACP: Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program RFP: Pennsylvania Rail Freight Program **RPO: Regional Planning Organizations** RTAP: Pennsylvania Rail Transportation Assistance Program **RVT: River Valley Transit** SALDO/SLDO: Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance SEDA-COG: Susquehanna Economic Development Association – Council of Government SFHA: Special Flood Hazard Area **TIP: Transportation Improvement Program** TVMA: Tiadaghton Valley Municipal Authority USDA: U.S. Department of Agriculture VFC: Volunteer Fire Company WATS: Williamsport Area Transportation Study WMWA: Williamsport Municipal Water Authority WSA: Williamsport Sanitary Authority

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## Appendix G

## Adopted Municipal Resolutions

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#### **RESOLUTION NO.** <u>2017-03</u>

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#### A RESOLUTION OF THE SUPERVISORS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NIPPENOSE IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA ADOPTING THE US 220/ I-99 MULTI-MUNICIPAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

WHEREAS, The Nippenose Township Planning Commission serves as the official planning agency for the Township of Nippenose; and

WHEREAS, The Lycoming County Planning Commission serves as the official planning agency for Lycoming County; and

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code (MPC; Act of 1968, P.L. 805, No. 247, as reenacted and amended) empowers boroughs and townships of the first and second class, individually or jointly, to plan for their development and govern the same by zoning, subdivision and land development ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the Lycoming County Planning Commission, the Board of Supervisors, and the Township Planning Commission wanted to encourage maximum community input and thereby appointed the US 220/ I-99 Planning Advisory Team composed of elected officials, planning commission members, as well as representatives from municipalities, school districts, authorities, and public and private sector interests; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Advisory Team was organized to oversee the preparation of the US 220/ I-99 Multi-municipal Comprehensive Plan consisting of Jersey Shore Borough, Porter Township, Piatt Township, Woodward Township and Nippenose Township; and

WHEREAS, the Lycoming County Planning Commission has vigorously embraced the concept of multi-municipal comprehensive planning and has taken the lead in coordinating the preparation of the Multi-municipal Comprehensive Plan and Lycoming County Comprehensive Plan, as required by the MPC; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Advisory Team has conducted five (5) meetings to develop the Multi-municipal Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Lycoming County Planning Commission undertook a public involvement process by conducting a Focus Group Meetings to gain insights on existing conditions and issues concerning the functional planning areas of Community Development; Community Facilities & Infrastructure; Transportation and Mobility; Economic Development; Natural Resources; Public Safety; Agriculture & Forestry; Heritage, Culture, & the Arts; and Youth Engagement; and

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WHEREAS, the Lycoming County Planning Commission conducted in-person and online public surveys which have compiled over 1,100 responses in order to confirm that the Comprehensive Plan reflects the needs and opinions of the general public; and

WHEREAS, the Multi-municipal Plan addresses many critical issues facing the US 220/ I-99 Planning Area, including land use, population, housing, economic development, transportation, community facilities and services, public utilities, and natural and cultural resources; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Nippenose Township Board of Supervisors, under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED:

- 1. That the Nippenose Township Board of Supervisors recognizes the Township Planning Commission as the official planning commission for the Township of Nippenose and that such agency promote public interest in, and understanding of, the Multi-municipal Comprehensive Plan; and
- 2. That the Multi-municipal Plan submitted by the Planning Commission is hereby adopted by the Nippenose Township Board of Supervisors

ADOPTED THIS 10th DAY OF October 2017

Board of Supervisors Nippenose Township

Charles Ki Restion, Chairman

Mellon E. Folmar, Jr.

Wayne C. Well Super . Name, Title Wayne C. Wall, Supervisor

Name, Solicitor Paul J. Ryan

eraldine. Name, Secretary

(SEAL)

ATTEST

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Graldine Snook

# RESOLUTION NO. R6-2017

#### A RESOLUTION OF THE SUPERVISORS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PORTER IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA ADOPTING THE US 220/ I-99 MULTI-MUNICIPAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

WHEREAS, The Porter Township Planning Commission serves as the official planning agency for the Township of Porter; and

WHEREAS, The Lycoming County Planning Commission serves as the official planning agency for Lycoming County; and

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code (MPC; Act of 1968, P.L. 805, No. 247, as reenacted and amended) empowers boroughs and townships of the first and second class, individually or jointly, to plan for their development and govern the same by zoning, subdivision and land development ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the Lycoming County Planning Commission, the Board of Supervisors, and the Township Planning Commission wanted to encourage maximum community input and thereby appointed the US 220/ I-99 Planning Advisory Team composed of elected officials, planning commission members, as well as representatives from municipalities, school districts, authorities, and public and private sector interests; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Advisory Team was organized to oversee the preparation of the US 220/ I-99 Multi-municipal Comprehensive Plan consisting of Jersey Shore Borough, Porter Township, Piatt Township, Woodward Township and Nippenose Township; and

WHEREAS, the Lycoming County Planning Commission has vigorously embraced the concept of multi-municipal comprehensive planning and has taken the lead in coordinating the preparation of the Multi-municipal Comprehensive Plan and Lycoming County Comprehensive Plan, as required by the MPC; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Advisory Team has conducted five (5) meetings to develop the Multi-municipal Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Lycoming County Planning Commission undertook a public involvement process by conducting a Focus Group Meetings to gain insights on existing conditions and issues concerning the functional planning areas of Community Development; Community Facilities & Infrastructure; Transportation and Mobility; Economic Development; Natural Resources; Public Safety; Agriculture & Forestry; Heritage, Culture, & the Arts; and Youth Engagement; and WHEREAS, the Lycoming County Planning Commission conducted in-person and online public surveys which have compiled over 1,100 responses in order to confirm that the Comprehensive Plan reflects the needs and opinions of the general public; and

WHEREAS, the Multi-municipal Plan addresses many critical issues facing the US 220/ I-99 Planning Area, including land use, population, housing, economic development, transportation, community facilities and services, public utilities, and natural and cultural resources; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Porter Township Board of Supervisors, under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED:

- 1. That the Porter Township Board of Supervisors recognizes the Township Planning Commission as the official planning commission for the Township of Porter and that such agency promote public interest in, and understanding of, the Multi-municipal Comprehensive Plan; and
- 2. That the Multi-municipal Plan submitted by the Planning Commission is hereby adopted by the Porter Township Board of Supervisors.

ADOPTED THIS Sth DAY OF AUGUST

Board of Supervisors Porter Township

John T. Ingraham, Chairman

(SEAL)

Ronald D. Markle, Vice-Chairman

Ervin L, Rauch, Roadmaster/Supervisor

ATTEST:

dith D. Herr, Secretary

#### RESOLUTION NO. 08.16.2016

#### A RESOLUTION OF THE SUPERVISORS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WOODWARD IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA ADOPTING THE US 220/ I-99 MULTI-MUNICIPAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

WHEREAS, The Woodward Township Planning Commission serves as the official planning agency for the Township of Woodward; and

WHEREAS, The Lycoming County Planning Commission serves as the official planning agency for Lycoming County; and

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code (MPC; Act of 1968, P.L. 805, No. 247, as reenacted and amended) empowers boroughs and townships of the first and second class, individually or jointly, to plan for their development and govern the same by zoning, subdivision and land development ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the Lycoming County Planning Commission, the Board of Supervisors, and the Township Planning Commission wanted to encourage maximum community input and thereby appointed the US 220/ I-99 Planning Advisory Team composed of elected officials, planning commission members, as well as representatives from municipalities, school districts, authorities, and public and private sector interests; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Advisory Team was organized to oversee the preparation of the US 220/ I-99 Multi-municipal Comprehensive Plan consisting of Jersey Shore Borough, Porter Township, Piatt Township, Woodward Township and Nippenose Township; and

WHEREAS, the Lycoming County Planning Commission has vigorously embraced the concept of multi-municipal comprehensive planning and has taken the lead in coordinating the preparation of the Multi-municipal Comprehensive Plan and Lycoming County Comprehensive Plan, as required by the MPC; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Advisory Team has conducted five (5) meetings to develop the Multi-municipal Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Lycoming County Planning Commission undertook a public involvement process by conducting a Focus Group Meetings to gain insights on existing conditions and issues concerning the functional planning areas of Community Development; Community Facilities & Infrastructure; Transportation and Mobility; Economic Development; Natural Resources; Public Safety; Agriculture & Forestry; Heritage, Culture, & the Arts; and Youth Engagement; and WHEREAS, the Lycoming County Planning Commission conducted in-person and online public surveys which have compiled over 1,100 responses in order to confirm that the Comprehensive Plan reflects the needs and opinions of the general public; and

WHEREAS, the Multi-municipal Plan addresses many critical issues facing the US 220/ I-99 Planning Area, including land use, population, housing, economic development, transportation, community facilities and services, public utilities, and natural and cultural resources; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Woodward Township Board of Supervisors, under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED:

- That the Woodward Township Board of Supervisors recognizes the Township Planning Commission as the official planning commission for the Township of Woodward and that such agency promote public interest in, and understanding of, the Multi-municipal Comprehensive Plan; and
- That the Multi-municipal Plan submitted by the Planning Commission is hereby adopted by the Woodward Township Board of Supervisors

ADOPTED THIS 16th DAY OF August 2017

Board of Supervisors Woodward Township

Alan J. Worth, Chairman

(SEAL)

ck L. Coleman, Vice-Chairman

ATTEST:

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Marc S. Drier, Solicitor

Wayne P Robinson, Supervisor

## Resolution 09.11.2017.01 BOROUGH OF JERSEY SHORE LYCOMING COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

#### A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF JERSEY SHORE, IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, ADOPTING THE US 220/I-99 MULTI-MUNICIPAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

WHEREAS, The Jersey Shore Planning Commission serves as the official planning agency for the Borough of Jersey Shore; and

WHEREAS, The Lycoming County Planning Commission serves as the official planning agency for Lycoming County; and

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code (MPC; Act of 1968, P.L. 805, No. 247, as reenacted and amended) empowers boroughs and townships of the first and second class, individually or jointly, to plan for their development and govern the same by zoning, subdivision and land development ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the Lycoming County Planning Commission, the Borough Council, and the Borough Planning Commission wanted to encourage maximum community input and thereby appointed the US 220/ I-99 Planning Advisory Team composed of elected officials, planning commission members, as well as representatives from municipalities, school districts, authorities, and public and private sector interests; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Advisory Team was organized to oversee the preparation of the US 220 / I-99 Multi-municipal Comprehensive Plan consisting of Jersey Shore Borough, Porter Township, Piatt Township, Woodward Township and Nippenose Township; and

WHEREAS, the Lycoming County Planning Commission has vigorously embraced the concept of multi-municipal comprehensive planning and has taken the lead in coordinating the preparation of the Multi-municipal Comprehensive Plan and Lycoming County Comprehensive Plan, as required by the MPC; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Advisory Team has conducted five (5) meetings to develop the Multi-municipal Comprehensive Planning; and

WHEREAS, the Lycoming County Planning Commission undertook a public involvement process by conducting a Focus Group Meetings to gain insights on existing conditions and issues concerning the functional planning areas of Community Development; Community Facilities & Infrastructure; Transportation and Mobility; Economic Development; Natural Resources; Public Safety; Agriculture & Forestry; Heritage, Culture, & the Arts; and Youth Engagement; and

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WHEREAS, the Lycoming County Planning Commission conducted in-person and on-line public surveys which have compiled over 1,100 responses in order to confirm that the Comprehensive Plan reflects the needs and opinions of the general public; and

WHEREAS, the Multi-municipal Plan addresses many critical issues facing the US 220/ I-99 Planning Area, including land use, population, housing, economic development, transportation, community facilities and services, public utilities, and natural and cultural resources; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Jersey Shore Borough Council, under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED:

- 1. That the Jersey Shore Borough Council recognizes the Borough Planning Commission as the official planning commission for the Borough of Jersey Shore and that such agency promote public interest in, and understand of, the Multimunicipal Comprehensive Plan; and
- 2. That the Multi-municipal Plan submitted by the Planning Commission is hereby adopted by the Jersey Shore Borough Council

ADOPTED THIS 11th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2017

#### JERSEY SHORE BOROUGH

ATTEST:

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Dyrd <u>Marguerite</u> <u>Dyroff</u> Marguerite Dyroff, Council President

Dennis Thompson, Mayor

# **RESOLUTION NO. 2017-13**

### A RESOLUTION OF THE SUPERVISORS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PIATT IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA ADOPTING THE US 220/ I-99 MULTI-MUNICIPAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

WHEREAS, The Piatt Township Planning Commission serves as the official planning agency for the Township of Piatt; and

WHEREAS, The Lycoming County Planning Commission serves as the official planning agency for Lycoming County; and

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code (MPC; Act of 1968, P.L. 805, No. 247, as reenacted and amended) empowers boroughs and townships of the first and second class, individually or jointly, to plan for their development and govern the same by zoning, subdivision and land development ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the Lycoming County Planning Commission, the Board of Supervisors, and the Township Planning Commission wanted to encourage maximum community input and thereby appointed the US 220/1-99 Planning Advisory Team composed of elected officials, planning commission members, as well as representatives from municipalities, school districts, authorities, and public and private sector interests; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Advisory Team was organized to oversee the preparation of the US 220/1-99 Multi-municipal Comprehensive Plan consisting of Jersey Shore Borough, Porter Township, Piatt Township, Woodward Township and Nippenose Township; and

WHEREAS, the Lycoming County Planning Commission has vigorously embraced the concept of multi-municipal comprehensive planning and has taken the lead in coordinating the preparation of the Multi-municipal Comprehensive Plan and Lycoming County Comprehensive Plan, as required by the MPC; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Advisory Team has conducted five (5) meetings to develop the Multi-municipal Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Lycoming County Planning Commission undertook a public involvement process by conducting a Focus Group Meetings to gain insights on existing conditions and issues concerning the functional planning areas of Community Development; Community Facilities & Infrastructure; Transportation and Mobility; Economic Development; Natural Resources; Public Safety; Agriculture & Forestry; Heritage, Culture, & the Arts; and Youth Engagement; and

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WHEREAS, the Lycoming County Planning Commission conducted in-person and online public surveys which have compiled over 1,100 responses in order to confirm that the Comprehensive Plan reflects the needs and opinions of the general public; and

WHEREAS, the Multi-municipal Plan addresses many critical issues facing the US 220/ I-99 Planning Area, including land use, population, housing, economic development, transportation, community facilities and services, public utilities, and natural and cultural resources; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Piatt Township Board of Supervisors, under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED:

- 1. That the Piatt Township Board of Supervisors recognizes the Township Planning Commission as the official planning commission for the Township of Piatt and that such agency promote public interest in, and understanding of, the Multimunicipal Comprehensive Plan; and
- 2. That the Multi-municipal Plan submitted by the Planning Commission is hereby adopted by the Platt Township Board of Supervisors

ADOPTED THIS 8th DAY OF August

TOWNSHIP OF PIATT

DEAN L. EDWARDS, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

🖇 DAVIS SECREPARY/TREASURER

T. SCOTT MOORE, VICE-CHAIRMAN

DENNIS M. RAGER, SUPERVISOR

Certified true and correct copy of Resolution No. 2017-13 adopted August 8, 2017 by the Supervisors of Piatt Township.