

# **Appendix A**

## **Survey and Results**



## **Town of Winfield Comprehensive Planning Process Community Survey**

**THE TOWN OF WINFIELD NEEDS YOUR HELP!** In response to a requirement set forth by the State of Wisconsin that every community adopt a Comprehensive Plan by the January 2010, the Town of Winfield is beginning the process of preparing such a plan. Some of the purposes of the plan are to:

- ▶ Create a future Vision of what the Town should look and feel like **in** 20 years.
- ▶ Identify areas appropriate for development and preservation throughout the Town.
- ▶ Develop programs that offer additional economic opportunities.
- ▶ Provide detailed strategies to implement the overall vision, goals and objectives of the Comprehensive Plan.

This project is being guided by the **Town of Winfield Comprehensive Plan Committee**, a diverse group of residents from the Town who represent differing interest, viewpoints and expertise including:

Judy and Bob Bass  
Pauline Brown-Hinze  
Harley Judd  
Art Krolikowski  
David Retzlaff

Ryan and Katie Richert  
Ernie Roloff  
Linda Schommer  
Dennis and Claudia Schulte  
Brad Schyvinck

Please help us with this project by taking a few minutes to complete the survey. The information we get from you will be combined with later participation efforts to prepare the *Town of Winfield Comprehensive Plan*. Your input is extremely important; as it will help the Town prepare a Comprehensive Plan that reflects the goals, values, and wishes of its citizens.

Feel free to have any adult member of your household complete the survey. Please answer all of the questions. Most questions will simply require you to put a check in the space next to the answer that best reflects your opinion. If you know of a household that did not receive a survey, please contact Aaron Hartman at the Sauk County Department of Planning and Zoning, 355 - 3285 ext. 3443.

To ensure privacy, the survey does not ask you to provide your name. Feel free to block out or remove the mailing label before returning the survey. When you have completed this Survey, simply fold it over and mail or return it to the West Square Building in Baraboo by **August 18, 2005**. Return Postage and the address have been included between pages 8 and 9 of the survey.

**Thank you for your time. Your opinions are valuable to us and to the project!**

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[ PART 1 DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

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1. What type of residence do you live in?

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|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| A | Single Family house, <b>non-farm</b> residence | D | Part time Vacation Home       |
| B | Single Family, <b>operating farm</b> residence | E | Land Owner Only               |
| C | Mobile Home                                    | F | Other (Please describe) _____ |

2. If you own land in the town of Winfield, what is the primary use (check only one)?

- |   |   |   |                       |
|---|---|---|-----------------------|
| A | Agriculture/Working Farm                  | D | Recreational Land     |
| B | Non-farm/Full-time Residence              | E | Farm Related Business |
| C | Non-Farm/Part-time Recreational Residence | F | Other: _____          |

3. In what year did you become a Winfield Property owner/resident?

- |   |             |   |                 |
|---|-------------|---|-----------------|
| A | 2000-2005   | D | 1980- 1989      |
| B | 1995 - 1999 | E | 1970- 1979      |
| C | 1990-1994   | F | 1969 or earlier |

4. Approximately how many total acres in the Town of Winfield do members of your household own?

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|---|------------------|---|---------------------|
| A | Less than 1 acre | E | 35-100 acres        |
| B | 1-5 acre(s)      | F | 101-200 acres       |
| C | 6-20 acres       | G | More than 200 acres |
| D | 21-34 acres      |   |                     |

5. Do you live in the Town of Winfield most or all of the year?

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|---|-----|---|----|
| A | Yes | B | No |
|---|-----|---|----|

6. If you answered NO to the above question, approximately how much time do you spend at your property in the Town of Winfield?

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|---|------------|---|-------------|
| A | 1-3 months | C | 6-9months   |
| B | 3-6 months | D | 9-12 months |

7. Where do you work?

- |   |                 |   |  |
|---|-----------------|---|--|
| A | At home/on farm | C | Outside Sauk County (but <i>in</i> WI) |
| B | In Sauk County  | D | Out of State                           |

8. How far do you travel to work?

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|---|-----------------|---|------------------|
| A | At-home/on farm | D | 21-40 miles      |
| B | 0-10 miles      | E | 40 miles or over |
| C | 11-20 miles     |   |                  |

9. What is your employment status?

- |   |                    |   |               |
|---|--------------------|---|---------------|
| A | Employed full-time | D | Self-employed |
| B | Employed part-time | E | Retired       |
| C | Unemployed         | F | Other         |

10. What is the total number of adults (18 years of age or older), including yourself, living in the household and what are their ages?

- A One (age) \_\_\_\_\_ D Four (ages) \_\_\_\_\_  
 B Two (ages) \_\_\_\_\_ E Five or more (ages) \_\_\_\_\_  
 C Three (ages) \_\_\_\_\_

11. How many children (under 18 years of age) live in the household and what are their ages?

- A None D Three(ages) \_\_\_\_\_  
 B One (age) \_\_\_\_\_ E Four (ages) \_\_\_\_\_  
 C Two (ages) \_\_\_\_\_ F Five or more (ages) \_\_\_\_\_

12. What is your household income range?

- A Less than \$15,000 E \$75,000 to \$99,999  
 B \$15,000 to \$24,999 F \$100,000 or more  
 C \$25,000 to \$49,999 G Rather not share  
 D \$50,000 to \$74,999

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**PART 2 QUALITY OF LIFE**

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13. What are the **THREE** most important reasons for you and your family to live in the Town of Winfield? (Check three only)

Check Three Only	
A. Agriculture	
B. Appearance of Homes	
C. Arts and Culture	
D. Community Services	
E. Cost of Home	
F. Historical Significance	
G. Inherited Family Farm	
H. Low Crime Rate	
I. Natural Beauty	
J. Near Family and Friends	
K. Near Job or Employment Opportunities	
L. Property Taxes	
M. Quality Neighborhoods	
N. Quality Schools	
O. Recreational Opportunities	
P. Small Town Atmosphere	
Other	

**PART 3 HOUSING**

**14. The location, type and quality of adequate housing is an important component of township growth. We would like your opinions about the need for housing development in your township.**  
*Note: Your responses to these questions are used as guidance for the planning process and are not intended to be used as a voting mechanism to make official land use decisions. For the following questions your choices are: Strongly Agree (SA), Agree (A), Disagree (D), Strongly Disagree (SD), No Opinion (NO).*

	SA	A	D	SD	NO
A. Your local jurisdiction should seek programs/grants that focus on <u>maintaining (up-keep) existing housing quality</u>					
B. <u>Single Family Housing</u> is needed					
C. <u>Duplexes (2 units) are needed</u>					
D. <u>Apartments (3 or more) are needed</u>					
E. <u>Affordable housing</u> is needed in the Town					
F. <u>Elderly housing</u> is needed in the Town					
G. <u>Starter (first time buyer) homes are needed in the Town</u>					

**15. Which of the following options below best describes your ideas of where new housing should be located in the Town of Winfield? Please write "1" next to the most desirable location for new housing, "2" next to the second most desirable location, "3" next to the third most desirable location, "4" next to the fourth most desirable area, and "5" next to the least desirable location.**

- A \_ In and near the developed areas (i.e. adjoining the City of Reedsburg).
- B \_ In and near existing, rural concentrations of homes (i.e. existing rural subdivisions).
- C \_ In newly developed clusters on small 'rural' lots (cluster being defined as 1 to 3 lots).
- D \_ Single homes scattered on large lots (40 + acres) throughout the Town.
- E \_ Directed to newly proposed rural subdivisions (4 or more lots).
- F Other \_\_\_\_\_

**16. Which of the following options below best describes your ideas of what types of new housing should be located in the Town? Please write "1" next to the most desirable idea for new housing, "2" next to the second most desirable idea, "3" next to the third most desirable idea, and "4" next to the least desirable idea.**

- A \_ Multi-family not to exceed four units in a single building
- B \_ Single-family only
- C \_ Mixed use, such as a single-family unit above a business on a lower level
- D A mixture of A, B and C

17. Would you **MOST** prefer housing to be built in; (Note: Your responses to this question is used as guidance for the planning process and is not intended to be used as a voting mechanism to make official land use decisions.)

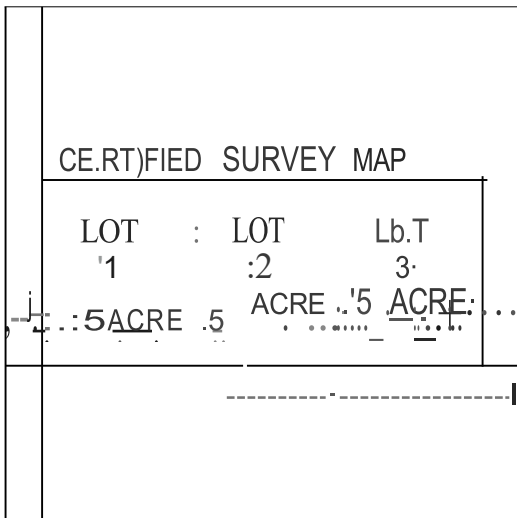
**Option A**  Conventional Layout of one house per 1/2 acre by Certified Survey Map

**Option B**  Conservation subdivision design, houses on smaller lots surrounded by natural area(s)

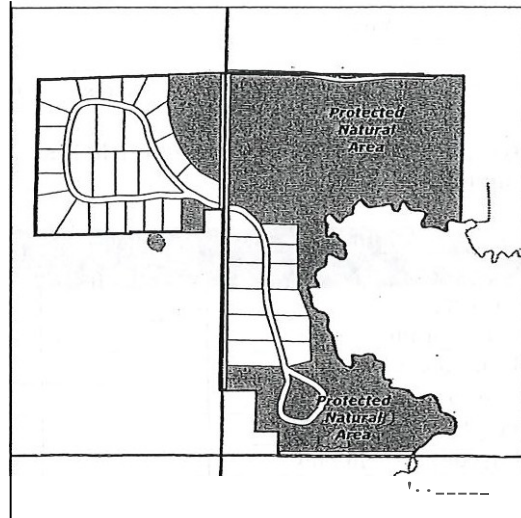
**Option C**  Newly developed conventional subdivision

**Option D**  No new housing development

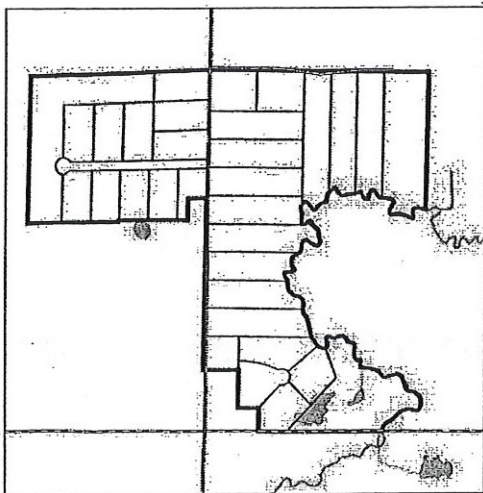
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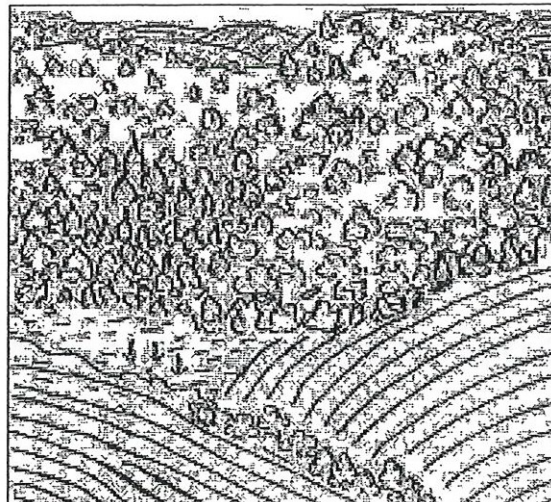
**Option B**



**Option C**



**Option D**



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**I PART 4 AGRICULTURE/NATURAL RESOURCES**

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At the present time, the Town of Winfield is mostly zoned general agriculture, which requires a 1/2 acre minimum lot size and leads to residential build-out configurations such as the one illustrated in question 17, Option A, when development happens.

**18. a. Are you in favor of the Town remaining zoned general agriculture?**

- A    Yes    B    No    C    Unsure

**b. General agriculture zoning (1/2 acre lots) provides a minimum area for a sanitary waste system. Are you in favor of keeping this minimum requirement?**

- A    Yes    B    No    C    Unsure

**c. Would you be in favor of increasing the 1/2 acre lot size required to build a new house?**

- A    Yes    C    Unsure  
B    No / Increase to:                          acres                          D    \_\_\_ No Change (maintain 1/2 acre lot)

**19. Recognizing that the Town of Winfield is a farming community, what scale of farming do you support?**

Operation	Smaller than existing	The existing farms are about the right size	Larger than existing	Unsure
A. Beef feedlot				
B. Crop Farming				
C. Dairy operation				
D. Forestry				
E. Fur2 Fish or Game Farms				
F. Pig confinement unit				
G. Poultry Fannin				

**20. Do you feel there are adequate agriculture support and complimentary services in northern Sauk County to keep agriculture businesses in the Town of Winfield economically viable?**

- A    Yes    B    No    C    Unsure

Part B- If No, what services do you feel are needed?

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**I PART 5 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

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**21. Would you support activities that promote Community Supported Agriculture opportunities in the list below, please check YES for acceptable, NO for unacceptable, and MAYBE for acceptable with restrictions.**

Activity	Yes	No	Maybe
A. Agriculture Tourism			
B. Direct Fann Product Sales			
C. Overnight Lodgin_g/Ag Bed and Breakfast			
D. Workdays and Educational Opp,ortunities			



22. In areas of existing development, different commercial land uses could exist and may be developed in the future. In the list below, please check YES for acceptable, NO for unacceptable, and MAYBE for acceptable use with restrictions.

Type of Business	Yes	No	Maybe
A. Arts and Entertainment			
B. Construction			
C. Gas Station			
D. Grocery Store			
E. Health Services			
F. Industry			
G. Lodging			
H. Manufacturing			
I. Professional Offices (accounting, real estate, insurance etc)			
J. Restaurant/Tavern Bar			
K. Retail Sales			
L. Tourism			
M. Warehousing			
N. Wholesale trade			
O. Other			

23. In the Town of Winfield would you support small business development or large business development in the rural areas? (Small business being defined as an average year round full-time equivalent employees numbering 10 or less).

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|---------|--------|
| A Small | C Both |
| B Large | D None |

24. Would you support small business development or large business development adjoining the City of Reedsburg, but still within the Town of Winfield? (Small business being defined as an average year round full-time equivalent employees numbering 10 or less).

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|---------|--------|
| A Small | C Both |
| B Large | D None |

25. In the Town of Winfield, different commercial land uses could exist and may be developed in the future. In the list below, please check YES for acceptable, NO for unacceptable, and MAYBE for acceptable use with restrictions.

Type of Business	Yes	No	Maybe
A. Airport or Landing Strip			
B. Dog Kennels/Stables			
C. Ethanol Stills			
D. Farm Implement Dealers			
E. Feed Mills			
F. Fertilizer Dealers			
G. Government Services (e.g. police, fire, road service garages)			
H. Landfill			
I. Parks and Campgrounds			
J. Quarries/Mineral Extractions			
K. Sawmills			
L. Shelter or Group Home			
M. Stockyards			
N. Veterinary Services			
O. Waste Treatment Facilities			
P. Other:			

26. Would you support initiatives aimed at developing tourism and outdoor recreation opportunities in the Town of Winfield? In the list below, please check YES for acceptable, NO for unacceptable, and MAYBE for acceptable use with restrictions.

Activity	Yes	No	Maybe
A. Bike Trails/Routes			
B. Cross Country Ski Trails			
C. Education/Interpretative Centers			
D. Game Farms			
E. Golf Course			
F. Local Nature or Heritage Based Arts and Entertainment			
G. Local Nature or Heritage Based Retail and Sales			
H. Nature Sanctuary (Wildlife, Natural Areas)			
I. Parks			
J. Riding Stables			
K. Shooting Range			
L. Ski Hills			
M. Snowmobile Trails			
N. ATV Trails			
O. Other:			

**PART 6 UTILITIES AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES**

27. The Town of Winfield should allow landowners to pursue the following energy alternatives as a form of economic development and self-sustainability. For the following energy alternatives indicate your opinion: Strongly Agree (SA), Agree (A), Disagree (D), Strongly Disagree (SD), No Opinion (NO).

Facility	SA	A	D	SD	NO
A. Ethanol Plants					
B. Methane Production					
C. Solar Ener.					
D. Wind Ener:					

28. Please rate each of the following services as excellent, good, fair or poor. Choose "not applicable" if the item does not pertain to you or you are not sure about the item.

Services	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Not Applicable
A. Ambulance Service					
B. Bridge Maintenance					
C. Cell Phone Service					
D. Electrical Service/Su					
E. Fire Protection					
F. Garbage Collection					
G. Park & Recreation Facilities					
H. Police Protection					
I. Public Library (Reedsburg)					
J. Public School system					
K. Recycling Program					
L. Road Maintenance					
M. Snow Removal					
N. Storm Water Management					
O. Telephone/Internet					

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29. With regard to park and natural area facilities, please indicate your opinions:  
Strongly Agree (SA), Agree (A), Disagree (D), Strongly Disagree (SD), No Opinion (NO).

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Facilities	SA	A	D	SD	NO
A. A campground, complete with parking pads should be developed					
B. Current facilities are adequate					
C. Facilities such as a playground should be added to the Town					
D. Hiking trail systems should be developed in the Town					
E. Picnic areas should be developed in the Town					
F. Primitive 'backpacking' campsites should be provided in the Town					
G. The town should consider establishing town parks and/or forests					

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**PART 7 NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES**

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30. Please indicate, in your opinion, about the importance of natural and cultural resources in your community. How important is it to protect the following?

Resources	Essential	Very Important	Important	Not Important	No Opinion
A. Air Quality					
B. Drinking water quality					
C. Farmland					
D. Floodplains					
E. Hillsides/Steep Slopes					
F. Historically significant features, places and structures					
G. Natural Areas					
H. Rural Character					
I. Scenic Views and Undeveloped Hills					
J. Shoreline					
K. Streams/Rivers					
L. Water quality of lakes, streams, creeks and rivers					
M. Wetlands					
N. Wildlife Habitat					
O. Woodlands					

31. To what extent do you consider each of the following to be a concern?

	Not a Concern	A Slight Concern	A Moderate Concern	A Serious Concern	A Very Serious Concern	Don't Know
11. Overall well water quality						
B. WeJJ water pollution due to faulty/substandard septic systems						
C. Ground water pollution due to runoff from homes, cabins, resorts and other development during construction						
D. Ground water pollution due to runoff from roads						
E. Ground water pollution due to residential fertilizer and chemical use						
F. Pollution coming into the Township from the watershed :i.e. farm fields						
G. Declining wildlife habitat						
H. Declining aquatic habitat						
I. Wetland filling in Township						
J. Light pollution impacting night sky						
K. Inadequate public roads						
L. Inadequate public safety (e.g., fire, police, Land emergency services)						
M. Vegetation (non-invasive) removal by property owners						
N. Other:						

32. For the following questions please provide your opinions. Please note that housing density refers to the number of housing units per acres. Your choices are: Strongly Agree (SA), Agree (A), Disagree (D), Strongly Disagree (SD), No Opinion (NO).

	SA	A	D	SD	NO
A. Multiple unit/higher density development is an appropriate type of development around the Township.					
B. Multiple unit/higher density development in some parts around the Town of Winfield is appropriate if this would be offset by other parts of the Township remaining undeveloped or developed in lower densities than currently permitted.					
C. Maintain the current level of public land within the Township.					
D. Add public lands to the Township of Winfield to increase natural area protection or provide more recreation areas.					

**PARTS TRANSPORTATION**

33. For the following questions please provide your opinions. Your choices are: Strongly Agree (SA), Agree (A), Disagree (D), Strongly Disagree (SD), No Opinion (NO).

	SA	A	D	SD	NO
A. The overall road network (roads, highways) meets the needs of the citizens					
B. The condition of Town roads is adequate for intended uses					
C. Biking and walking could be important modes of transportation in the Town					
D. There should be expanded transportation services for the elder]					

34. Which of the following transportation opportunities would you support the inception or expansion of? (Check an that apply).

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|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| A _ Snowmobile Trails | E _ Biking Routes           |
| B _ ATV trails        | F _ Rustic Road Designation |
| C _ Town/County Roads | G _ Public Transportation   |
| D _ Hiking Trails     | H Other: _____              |

35 Are there any transportation related hazards or problems in the Town of Winfield that need to be addressed?

- A Yes                      B No                      C Unsure

Part B- If Yes, explain which locations and why.

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**PART 9 LAND USE**

36. The following are several statements that suggest choices about the future directions for the Town of Winfield. Please let us know if you agree, disagree, or have no opinion on each statement by placing a check in the appropriate box next to the statement.

	Agree	Disagree	No Opinion
A. In the Town of Winfield housing subdivisions should be allowed in the rural areas.			
B. Housing subdivisions should be allowed only in areas adjoining the City of Reedsburg, but still within the Town of Winfield.			
C. It is acceptable to build houses on tillable land.			
D. Landowners should be able to sell any land they feel is appropriate for development.			
E. Small scale commercial and business development should be permitted in the Town.			
F. Small, family-run non-farm businesses should be allowed in the Town.			
G. More rural houses will increase conflicts between farmers and non-farmers.			
H. New housing should only be directed primarily to areas with existing development.			
I. More houses in the Town will lower everyone's property taxes.			
J. There are odor problems in the Town.			
K. There is a problem with excessive noise from business or farm operations in the Town.			
L. The Town should consider night lighting requirements to preserve the Town's 'night skies'.			
M. Your neighbors should not be allowed to infringe on your farming operation.			
N. The Town should support programs that help preserve agricultural lands for future farming opportunities.			
O. The Town should support programs that purchase easements on natural area lands, such as wetlands, floodplains, woodlands, and farmland for preservation and recreation purposes.			
P. The Town should offer residential development alternatives such as new home clustering in exchange for natural area preservation.			
Q. The Town should encourage the preservation of historic homesteads and other historic sites.			
R. The Town should participate in watershed improvement projects on area creeks for trout population and habitat restoration.			
S. The Town should encourage the use of a "Purchase of Development Rights" program			
T. The Town should pursue opportunities and programs that will give farmers the ability to up-grade their farming operations.			
U. The Town should adopt signage regulations along roads and highways.			
V. Coordinating the land use plans of Winfield with neighboring municipalities should be a high priority.			
W. Development adjoining the City of Reedsburg should be inclusive of a mix of single-family and multi-family residential.			
X. Development adjoining the City of Reedsburg should be traditional in size, scale and appearance.			
Y. The Town should allow rural subdivisions anywhere within the Town.			
Z. There is a problem with new houses on farmland, using up good farmland and creating conflicts with farming operations.			
AA. Other:			

37. In your opinion, what are the three most important land use issues in the Town of Winfield? (Write "1" in the space next to the most important issue, "2" in the space next to the second most important issue, and "3" in the space next to the third most important issue).

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|-----|----------------------------------|---|--|
| A _ | Cropland disappearance           | F | Too little housing development   |
| B _ | Scenic beauty                    | G | Quarrying/Mineral Extraction   |
| C _ | Protection of water resources    | H | Upkeep of existing homes/structures  |
| D   | Preservation of wooded hillsides | I | Natural Areas  |
| E _ | Too much housing development     | J | Preservation of rural "look" character<br>(visibility of new homes/structures) |

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**PART 10 GENERAL OPINIONS**

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38. What do you feel is the most positive and unique aspect of the Town of Winfield?

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39. What do you feel is the single biggest issue facing the Town of Winfield over the next several years.?

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40. What do you want the Town of Winfield to look like in 20 years?

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**PART 11 PubJic Input Opportunities**

The Town of Winfield will be developing a Comprehensive Plan, which is inclusive of specific focus group study areas. These focus groups are made up of "experts" and include governmental officials and representatives of the Town's Comprehensive Plan Committee. Most importantly the focus groups include residents and landowners in the Town of Winfield.

One way we would like to get public input is to invite residents and landowners of the Town to become members of one or more of the focus groups. The number of focus group meetings will vary depending upon the issues and discussion brought forth, The meetings are expected to begin in the Fall of 2005

If you are interested in becoming a member of one or more of the focus groups, please place a check in the appropriate box. So that we may contact you, please provide your full name, address and phone number.

If you do not wish to become a member of a focus group, there will be numerous opportunities for public review through a community vision session and open house to review and comment on the draft Comprehensive Plan. Notices of such opportunities will appear in the local newspaper as well as through public postings in the Town. Additionally, comments and questions can be directed to the Comprehensive Plan Committee by contacting Brad Schyvinck- Chair of the Comprehensive Plan Committee, (608) 524-2502, or Aaron Hartman; Planner - Sauk County Planning & Zoning Department, phone 355- 3285, ext. 3443, email ahartman@co.sauk.wi.us .

Focus Group Selections	Check Area(s) of Interest
A. Housing	
B. Transportation	
C. Utilities & <u>Community Facilities</u>	
D. Natural & Cultural Resources	
E. <u>Agricultural</u> Resources	
F. Economic Development	
G. Inter governmental Cooperation	
H. LandUse	

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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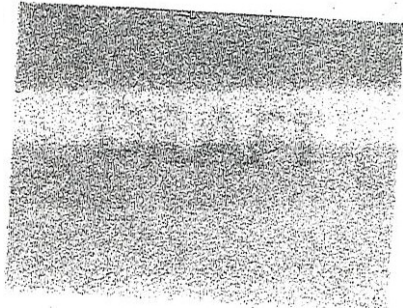
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

If you are interested in becoming a member of a focus group(s) and prefer that your survey response remains anonymous, feel free to detach this page and mail it separately to the address below.

Department of Planning and Zoning  
 Sauk County West Square Building  
 505 Broadway  
 Baraboo, WI 53913

Thank you for your time and interest. Your input is valuable to the success of this project!





**TOWN OF WINFIELD COMMUNITY SURVEY RESULTS 2005**

**Question 2: If you own land in the Town of Winfield, what is the primary use?**

	A. Ag/Working Farm	B. Non-Farm Residence/Full Time Residence	C. Non-Farm Residence/Part Time Residence	D. Recreational Land	E. Farm Related Business	F. Other	Total Respondants to this question
Raw Score	32	43	6	11	7	2	101
Percentage of people who responded to this question	31.68%	42.57%	5.94%	10.89%	6.93%	1.98%	100.00%
Comments:	Nursery. Rural Cluster Subdivision. Future residential property.						

**Question 3: In what year did you become a Town of Winfield Property Owner/Resident?**

	A. 2000 - 2005	B. 1995 - 1999	C. 1990 - 1994	D. 1980 - 1989	E. 1970 - 1979	F. 1969 or earlier	Total Respondants to this question
Raw Score	17	12	16	24	22	21	112
Percentage of people who responded to this question	15.18%	10.71%	14.28%	21.43%	19.64%	18.75%	100.00%

Town of Winfield Survey Tally Results (115/417) 27.6% return rate.

**Question 4: Approximately how many total acres in the Town of Winfield do members of your household own?**

	A. Less than 1 acre	B. 1 to 5 acre(s)	C. 6 to 20 acres	D. 21 to 34 acres	E. 35 to 100 acres	F. 101 to 200 acres	G. More than 200 acres	Total Respondants to this question
Raw Score	0	26	23	13	19	20	12	113
Percentage of people who responded to this question	0.00%	23.01%	20.35%	11.50%	16.81%	17.70%	10.62%	100.00%

**Question 5: If you answered NO to the above question (question 4), approximately how much time do you spend at your property in the Town of Winfield?**

	A. 1 - 3 acres	B. 3 - 6 acres	C. 6 - 9 acres	D. 9 - 12 acres	Total Respondants to this question
Raw Score	15	3	2	3	23
Percentage of people who responded to this question	65.22%	13.04%	8.70%	13.04%	100.00%

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**Question 7: Where do you work?**

	A. At home/On Farm	B. In Sauk County	C. Outside of Sauk County (in WI)	D. Out of State	Total Respondants to this question
Raw Score	26	49	14	5	94
Percentage of people who responded to this question	27.66%	52.13%	14.89%	5.32%	100.00%

**Question 8: How far do you travel to work?**

	A. At home on farm	B. 0 - 10 miles	C. 11 - 20 miles	D. 21 - 40 miles	E. 40 miles or more	Total Respondants to this question
Raw Score	25	35	18	4	11	93
Percentage of people who responded to this question	26.88%	37.63%	19.35%	4.30%	11.83%	100.00%

**Question 9: What is your employment status?**

	A. Employed full time	B. Employed part time	C. Unemployed	D. Self-employed	E. Retired	F. Other	Total Respondants to this question
Raw Score	48	5	1	24	20	0	98
Percentage of people who responded to this question	48.98%	5.10%	1.02%	24.49%	20.41%	0.00%	100.00%

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Question 10: What is the total number of adults (18+), including yourself, living in the household and what are there ages?							
	A One	B Two	C Three	D Four	E Five or more	Total Respondants to this question	
Raw Score	8	44	39	20	0	111	
Percentage of people who responded to this question	7.21%	39.64%	35.14%	18.02%	0.00%	81.98%	
Ages listed:	50,50,55,42,58,24,46,90	69,69,69,69,73,178,80,72,42,42,140,40,51,50,52,153,56,58,78,44,38,54,61,60,58,32,31,31,28,45,36,44,47,36,44,60,55,53,26,23,35,37,67,67,70,75,60,55,62,60,40,37,70,63,65,69,56,56,21,55,58,44,34,40,82,78,42,44,53,53,62,61,68,75,77,75,73,49,79,81,52,53,50,55,36,42,58,63,37,38,44,43,57,29,36,51,54,36,44,52,45,47,54,54,56,50,50,78,60,64,56,46,45,20,46,40,30,75,54,51,67,73,60,63,67,64,67,69,50,50,34,27,28,29,52,62,48,54,63,65,55,68,52,61	42,22,20,49,42,19,67,47,56,58,57,20,55,50,25,49,53,81,27,55,60,18,39,39,62,61,37,56,55,23,80,80,56,40,42,19,41,38,18	49,48,20,18,50,48,21,18,18,22,43,47,48,46,22,19,19,22,46,52			

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Question 11: How many children (under 18), live in the household and what are there ages?							
	A None	B One	C Two	D Three	E Four	F Five or more	Total Responants to this question
Raw Score	62	10	22	15	8	0	117
Percentage of people who responded to this question	52.99%	8.55%	18.80%	12.82%	6.84%	0.00%	100.00%
Ages listed:	15,15	11,e,14,16,17,5,15,11,7,1	3,1,12,10,15,12,12,10,1s,10,1s,12,17,14,11,13,6,2,16,13,1,3	,1616144 8 fl 9; 3 9 7 5 10 8	115,12,3,2,1s,14,10,10		

Question 12: What is your household income range?								
	A Less than \$15,000.00	B \$15,000 to \$24,999	C \$25,000 to \$49,999	D \$50,000 to \$74,999	E \$75,000 to \$99,999	F \$100,000 or more	G Rather Not Share	Total Responants to this question
Raw Score	4	7	25	22	19	11	14	102
Percentage of people who responded to this question	3.92%	6.86%	24.51%	21.57%	18.63%	10.78%	13.73%	89.22%

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Question 15: Rank by order of importance the reasons for which you and your family choose to live in the Town of Winfield. (Choose Only Three)

	Rank	Percentage of people who responded to this question
A. Agriculture	39	11.96%
B. Appearance of Homes	6	1.84%
C. Arts and Culture	0	0.00%
D. Community Services	2	0.61%
E. Cost of Home	12	3.68%
F. Historical Significance	9	2.76%
G. Inherited family Farm	9	2.76%
H. Low Crime Rate	9	2.76%
I. Natural Beauty	66	20.25%
J. Near Family & Friends	46	14.11%
K. Near Job or Employment Opportunities	21	6.44%
L. Property taxes	15	4.60%
M. Quality Neighborhoods	15	4.60%
N. Quality Schools	7	2.15%
O. Recreational Opportunities	19	5.83%
P. Small Town Atmosphere	42	12.88%
Q. Other	9	2.76%
Total Responants to this question	326	100.00%

THREE most important reasons for you and your family to live in the Town of Winfield.

- 1 Natural Beauty
- 2 Near Family & Friends
- 3 Small Town Atmosphere

Comments: Developing my land in hopes of living there some day, in Winfield. Vacation home.

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**Question 14: Housing is an important part of how a community grows. How do you agree with each of the following? For the following questions, indicate your opinion about the development of housing in your community.**

	Strongly Agree	Percentage of people who responded to this question:	Agree	Percentage of people who responded to this question:	Disagree	Percentage of people who responded to this question:	Strongly disagree	Percentage of people who responded to this question:	No opinion	Percentage of people who responded to this question:	Total Respondants to this question:
A. Your local jurisdiction should focus on maintaining (up-keep existing housing quality).	32	28.63%	51	45.95%	11	9.91%	6	5.41%	11	9.91%	111
B. Singly family housing is needed.	7	6.42%	25	22.94%	36	33.03%	18	16.61%	23	21.10%	109
C. Duplexes (2 units) are needed.	1	0.92%	7	6.42%	32	29.36%	48	44.04%	21	19.27%	109
D. Apartments (3 or more units) are needed.	1	0.93%	1	0.93%	31	28.70%	57	52.78%	18	16.67%	108
E. Affordable housing is needed in the town.	3	2.75%	37	33.94%	27	24.77%	24	22.02%	18	16.51%	109
F. Elderly housing is needed in the town.	9	8.04%	27	24.11%	35	31.25%	19	16.96%	22	19.64%	112
G. Starter (first-time buyer) homes are needed in the town.	4	3.77%	26	24.53%	31	29.25%	26	24.53%	19	17.92%	106

**Question 15:** Which of the following options below best describes your ideas of where new housing should be located in the Town. # 1 = most desirable idea for new housing, # 5 = least desirable idea for new housing.

	1's	2's	3's	4's	5's
A. In and near developed areas	53	15	5	3	4
B. In and near existing rural concentrations of homes	2	41	28	7	3
C. In newly developed clusters of small 'rural' lots (cluster being defined as 1 or 3 lots)	4	10	27	28	13
D. Scattered on large lots (40+ acres) throughout the Town	17	8	12	10	33
E. Directed to newly proposed rural subdivisions (4 or more lots)	5	6	9	32	29
F. Other		0	0	0	0

- Desireable location for housing in the survey.
- 1 In and near developed areas (i.e. adjoining the City of Reedsburg
  - 2 In and near existing rural concentrations of homes
  - 3 In newly developed clusters of small 'rural' lots (cluster being defined as 1 or 3 lots)
  - 4 Directed to newly proposed rural subdivisions (4 or more lots)
  - 5 Scattered on large lots (40+ acres) throughout the Town

Comments:

Don't want our forest and cropland destroyed, natural beauty.  
 No development on my property.  
 This is farmland, NO housing in AG land.  
 I don't think lot size should be a restriction, example 40 acres is too large, I would say 1 acre is large enough.  
 Require 240 acres for a dwelling.  
 Don't want more housing, we are not suburb or Reedsburg.  
 A farmer should be able to sell 1- acres to someone to build a house on rather than 20-40 acres that the person  
 ,Mobile homes should be allowed.  
 In areas not farmable, add to you tax base.  
 Leave agriculture/forestry land as is, no urban development.



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**Question 16: Which of the following options below best describes your ideas of what types of new housing should be located in the Town. Rank 1-4.**

	1's	2's	3's	4's
A. Multi-Family up to 4 units in a single building	2	14	30	27
B. Single Family only	65	5	3	0
C. Mixed use, such as a single family unit above a business on a lower level	0	47	19	7
D. A mixture of A, B and C	6	7	21	38

Comments:

No development at all.

It see\Tis to me farming is less al the time. The burden the farmers have been releived of is now on residents entirely. Maybe more businesses could lessen this tax burned, specially for retired.lifetime residents. Between the new school and recreation tax, retired people cannot afford the taxes on a limited income. Where will these people go? a lifetime investment gone when [they most need it.

Ideas of what types of new housing according to the survey

- 1 Single Family only.
- 2 Mixed use, such as a single family unit above a business on a lower level.
- 13 MultiFamily up to 4 units in a single building.

A mixture of A, B;and C.

**Question 17: Would you most prefer housing built in;**

	Total	Percentage of people who responded to this question.
Option A: Conventional layout of one house per 1/2 acre by certified survey map.	7	7.07%
Option B: Cluster subdivision design, housed on smaller lots surrounded by natural area(s).	25	25.25%
Option C: Newly developed conventional subdivision	4	4.04%
Option D: No new housing development	63	63.64%
Total Respondants to this question	99	100.00%

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**Question 18a: Are you in favor of the Town remaining zoned Agriculture?**

	A Yes	B No	C Unsure	Total Responants to this question
Raw Score	81	17	11	109
Percentage of people who responded to this question	74.31%	15.60%	10.09%	100.00%

**Question 18b: Currently agriculture zoning requires a minimum of 1/2 acre to build a new house. Are you in favor of keeping this requirement?**

	A Yes	B No	C Unsure	Total Responants to this question
Raw Score	69	29	9	107
Percentage of people who responded to this question	64.49%	27.10%	8.41%	100.00%
Comments:	Should be 1 acre.			

**Question 18c: Are you in favor of increasing the 1/2 acre loc size to build a new house (I.e. 5 acre minimum lot size)?**

	A Yes/increase to:	B No	C Unsure	D No change (maintain 1/2 acre lot)	Total Responants to this question
Raw Score	61	8	8	26	69
Percentage of people who responded to this question	88.41%	11.59%	11.59%	37.68%	100.00%
Increase to:	1,40,40,1,2,50,3 1,40,40,1,2,50,3 05,1- 2,1,1,40,35,1,15, 5,2,1,40,40,40,2 0 ,b4Q2				

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**Question 19: Recognizing that Winfield is a farming community, what scale of farming do you support?**

	Smaller than existing	Percentage of people who responded to this question.	Existing area about the right size.	Percentage of people who responded to this question.	Larger than existing	Percentage of people who responded to this question.	Unsure	Percentage of people who responded to this question.	Total Respondents to this question
A. Beef feedlot	11	10.19%	81	75.00%	10	9.26%	6	5.56%	108.00
B. Crop Farming	1	0.89%	84	75.00%	24	21.43%	3	2.68%	112.00
C. Dairy operation	3	2.75%	88	80.73%	15	13.75%	3	2.75%	109.00
D. Forestry	3	2.75%	68	62.39%	32	29.36%	6	5.50%	109.00
E. Fur, Fish or Game Farms	11	10.58%	56	53.85%	11	10.58%	26	25.00%	104.00
F. Pig confinement unit	35	33.02%	49	46.23%	5	4.72%	17	16.04%	106.00
G. Poultry farming	27	25.23%	60	56.07%	3	2.80%	17	15.89%	107.00

**Question 20: Do you feel there are adequate agriculture support and complimentary servises in northern Sauk County to keep agriculture business in the Town of Winfield economically viable?**

	A. Yes	B. No	C. Unsure	Total Respondents to this question
Raw Score	62	12	40	114
Percentage of people who responded to this question.	54.39%	10.53%	35.09%	100.00%

**Question 20b: If 'NO' to q20, what services do you feel are needed.**

Lower taxes, so they can afford a small business.
Keep greedy rich from buying up land and selling it to create housing, pass land use law.
To much farmland is set aside, too few working farms, need more business so taxes don't fall entirely on resident.
Retail/farmers markets.
The farming economy and improvement of such is beyond the scope of this county and this survey.
Not enough aagricultural sunnly stores.
Repair: senior services, lavarounds, walkina oaths.
Low interest farm restoration, buildina structure loans.
Federal grants.

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**Question 21: Would you support activities that promote Community Supported Agricultural opportunities?**

	Yes	Percentage of people who responded to this question	No	Percentage of people who responded to this question	Maybe	Percentage of people who responded to this question	Total Respondants to this question
A. Agriculture Tourism	58	50.88%	20	17.54%	36	31.58%	114
B. Direct Farm Product Sales	87	76.32%	3	2.63%	24	21.05%	114
C. Overnight Lodging/Ag Bed & Breakfast	62	54.39%	26	22.81%	26	22.81%	114
D. Workdays and Educational Opportunities	65	57.02%	9	7.89%	40	35.09%	114

**Question 22: In areas of existing development different commercial land uses may be developed in the future. In the list below, please check YES for acceptable, NO for unacceptable, and MAYBE for acceptable use with restrictions.**

	YES	Percentage of people who responded to this question	NO	Percentage of people who responded to this question	MAYBE	Percentage of people who responded to this question	Total Respondants to this question
A. Arts and Entertainment	38	36.89%	45	43.69%	20	19.42%	103
B. Construction	23	22.77%	48	47.62%	30	29.70%	101
C. Gas Station	23	22.12%	62	59.62%	19	18.27%	104
D. Grocery Store	31	30.10%	53	51.46%	19	18.45%	103
E. Health Services	36	35.29%	47	46.08%	19	18.63%	102
F. Industry	19	18.45%	66	64.08%	18	17.48%	103
G. Lodging	34	33.33%	43	42.16%	25	24.51%	102
H. Manufacturing	14	13.86%	70	69.31%	17	16.83%	101
I. Professional offices (accounting, real estate, insurance etc)	26	25.24%	58	56.31%	19	18.45%	103
J. Restaurant/Tavern/bar	22	20.95%	58	55.24%	25	23.81%	105
K. Retail sales	26	25.49%	56	54.90%	20	19.61%	102
L. Tourism	40	38.83%	37	35.92%	26	25.24%	103
M. Warehousing	21	20.59%	58	56.86%	23	22.55%	102
N. Wholesale trade	18	17.82%	58	57.43%	25	24.75%	101
O. Other	5	45.45%	1	9.09%	5	45.45%	11
Comments:	Daycare						

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**Question 23: In the Town of Winfield would you support small business development or large business development in the rural areas**

	A Small	B Large	C Both	D None	Total Responants to this question
Raw Score	49	0	12	48	109
Percentage of people who responded to this question	44.95%	0.00%	11.01%	44.04%	100.00%

**Question 24: Would you support small business development or large business development adjoining the Village of Reedsburg, but still within the Town of Winfield?**

	A Small	B Large	C Both	D None	Total Responants to this question
Raw Score	49	2	31	26	108
Percentage of people who responded to this question	45.37%	1.85%	28.70%	24.07%	100.00%

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Question 25. In the Town of Winfield, different commercial land uses may be developed in the future. Check YES for acceptable, NO for unacceptable, MAYBE for acceptable with restrictions.

	YES	Percentage of people who responded to this question.	NO	Percentage of people who responded to this question.	MAYBE	Percentage of people who responded to this question.	Total Respondents to this question
A. Airport or Landing Strip	25	22.94%	77	70.64%	7	6.42%	109
B. Dog Kennels/Stables	41	37.96%	33	30.56%	34	31.48%	108
C. Ethanol Still	19	17.76%	66	61.68%	22	20.56%	107
D. Farm Implement Dealers	30	28.04%	47	43.93%	30	28.04%	107
E. Feed Mills	36	33.33%	38	35.19%	34	31.48%	108
F. Fertilizer Dealers	28	26.42%	49	46.23%	29	27.36%	106
G. Government Services (e.g. police, fire, road service, garages)	47	44.76%	30	28.57%	28	26.67%	105
H. Landfill	4	3.70%	86	79.63%	18	16.67%	108
I. Parks and Campgrounds	54	50.94%	22	20.75%	30	28.30%	106
J. Quarries/Mineral Extraction	18	16.67%	65	60.19%	25	23.15%	108
K. Sawmills	41	38.68%	32	30.19%	33	31.13%	106
L. Shelter or Group Home	27	25.00%	56	51.85%	25	23.15%	108
M. Stockyards	17	15.74%	68	62.96%	23	21.30%	108
N. Veterinary Services	59	55.14%	18	16.82%	30	28.04%	107
O. Waste Treatment Facilities	11	10.19%	75	69.44%	22	20.37%	108
P. Other	0	0.00%	2	2.22%	7	7.78%	9
Comments:	Quarries with reclamation.						

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**Question 26: Would you support initiatives aimed at developing tourism and outdoor recreation opportunities in the Town?**  
**Check YES for acceptable, NO for unacceptable, MAYBE for acceptable with restrictions.**

	YES	Percentage of people who responded to this question:	NO	Percentage of people who responded to this question:	MAYBE	Percentage of people who responded to this question:	Total Respondents to this question
A. Bike Trails/Routes	75	70.75%	15	14.15%	16	15.09%	106
B. Cross-Country Ski Trails	78	72.90%	17	15.89%	12	11.21%	107
C. Education/Interpretive centers	63	59.43%	21	19.81%	22	20.75%	106
D. Game Farms	49	46.23%	32	30.19%	25	23.58%	106
E. Golf Course	27	25.00%	64	59.26%	17	15.74%	108
F. Local nature or heritage based arts and entertainment	47	44.34%	33	31.13%	26	24.53%	106
G. Local nature or heritage based retail and sales	36	33.64%	46	42.99%	25	23.66%	107
H. Nature Sanctuary	79	73.15%	13	12.04%	16	14.81%	108
I. Parks	69	63.89%	19	17.59%	20	18.52%	108
J. Riding Stables	54	50.47%	27	25.23%	26	24.30%	107
K. Shooting Range	38	36.19%	41	39.05%	26	24.76%	105
L. Ski Hills	44	41.90%	44	41.90%	17	16.19%	105
M. Snowmobile Trails	52	48.60%	36	33.64%	19	17.76%	107
N. ATV Trails	39	36.79%	46	43.40%	21	19.81%	106
O. Other	0	0.00%	3	3.33%	6	6.67%	9

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Indicate your opinion: \_\_\_\_\_ on the following energy alternatives as a form of economic development. For the following energy alternatives

	Strongly Agree	Percentage of people who responded to this question	Agree	Percentage of people who responded to this question	Disagree	Percentage of people who responded to this question	Strongly disagree	Percentage of people who responded to this question	No opinion	Percentage of people who responded to this question	Total Respondents to this question
A. Ethanol Plants	18	16.67%	29	26.65%	27	25.00%	17	15.74%	17	15.74%	108
B. Methane Production	16	15.24%	23	21.90%	31	29.52%	19	18.10%	16	15.24%	105
C. Solar Energy	60	55.56%	39	36.11%	3	2.78%	3	2.78%	3	2.78%	108
D. Wind Energy	61	57.01%	33	30.84%	5	4.67%	3	2.80%	5	4.67%	107

Question 10: Please rate each of the following services as excellent, good, fair or poor. Choose not applicable if the item does not pertain to you or you are not sure about the item.

	Excellent	Percentage of people who responded to this question	Good	Percentage of people who responded to this question	Fair	Percentage of people who responded to this question	Poor	Percentage of people who responded to this question	NA	Percentage of people who responded to this question	Total Respondents to this question
A. Ambulance Service	35	32.71%	48	44.88%	4	3.74%	0	0.00%	20	18.66%	107
B. Bridge Maintenance	22	20.58%	47	43.93%	23	21.50%	8	7.48%	7	6.54%	107
C. Cell Phone Service	2	1.84%	20	19.42%	26	25.24%	40	38.83%	15	14.56%	108
D. Electrical Service/Supply	25	23.68%	46	42.88%	25	23.36%	9	8.41%	2	1.87%	107
E. Fire Protection	39	36.45%	49	45.78%	4	3.74%	1	0.93%	14	13.08%	107
F. Garbage Collection	38	35.51%	54	50.47%	7	6.54%	2	1.87%	6	5.61%	107
G. Park and Recreation Facilities	13	12.38%	50	47.62%	17	16.19%	5	4.76%	20	19.05%	105
H. Police Protection	16	15.24%	54	51.43%	19	18.10%	4	3.81%	12	11.43%	105
I. Public Library (Reedsburg)	52	47.27%	43	39.09%	4	3.64%	1	0.91%	10	9.09%	110
J. Public school system	30	27.27%	55	50.00%	10	9.09%	4	3.64%	11	10.00%	110
K. Recycling program	27	25.23%	62	57.84%	9	8.41%	3	2.80%	6	5.61%	107
L. Road Maintenance	25	23.15%	54	50.00%	23	21.30%	5	4.63%	1	0.93%	108
M. Snow Removal	26	25.24%	59	57.28%	14	13.83%	3	2.81%	1	0.97%	103
N. Stormwater management	11	10.48%	39	37.14%	10	9.52%	4	3.81%	41	39.05%	105
O. Telephone/Internet	6	5.94%	42	41.68%	25	24.75%	16	15.84%	12	11.88%	101
Comments:	Why not plow to the depth of the asphalt? Garbage collection (get charged for entire year but yet only use on weekends). Garbage collection (get charged for entire year but yet only use on weekends).										



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**Question 29: With regard to park and natural area facilities, please indicate your opinions:**

	Strongly Agree	Percentage of people who responded to this question	Agree	Percentage of people who responded to this question	Disagree	Percentage of people who responded to this question	Strongly disagree	Percentage of people who responded to this question	No opinion	Percentage of people who responded to this question	Total Respondents to this question
A. A campground, complete with parking pads, should be developed.	7	7.87%	16	17.98%	33	37.08%	15	16.85%	18	20.22%	89
B. Current facilities are adequate.	12	13.48%	46	51.69%	18	20.22%	4	4.49%	9	10.11%	89
C. Facilities, such as a playground, should be added.	13	14.28%	27	29.67%	27	29.67%	10	10.99%	14	15.38%	91
D. Hiking Trail systems should be developed in the town.	18	20.00%	37	41.11%	15	16.67%	7	7.78%	13	14.44%	90
E. Picnic areas should be developed.	13	14.28%	36	39.56%	23	25.27%	5	5.49%	14	15.38%	91
F. Primitive backpacking campsites should be provided.	12	13.19%	16	17.56%	31	34.07%	15	16.48%	17	18.68%	91
G. The town should consider town parks and forests.	19	20.86%	24	26.37%	18	19.78%	13	14.29%	17	18.68%	91

**Question 30: Please indicate your opinion about the importance of natural and cultural resources in your community. How important is it to protect the following?**

	Essential	Percentage of people who responded to this question	Very important	Percentage of people who responded to this question	Important	Percentage of people who responded to this question	Not important	Percentage of people who responded to this question	No Opinion	Percentage of people who responded to this question	Total Respondents to this question
A. Air Quality	58	64.44%	24	26.67%	8	8.89%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	90
B. Drinking water quality	69	75.82%	20	21.88%	2	2.20%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	91
C. Farmland	46	50.55%	33	36.26%	12	13.19%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	91
D. Floodplains	36	39.56%	29	31.87%	18	19.78%	5	5.49%	3	3.30%	91
E. Hillsides/steep slopes	39	42.86%	20	21.88%	26	28.57%	4	4.40%	2	2.20%	91
F. Historically significant features, places, and structures	33	36.67%	18	20.00%	27	30.00%	10	11.11%	2	2.22%	90
G. Natural Areas	46	50.55%	21	23.08%	19	20.88%	4	4.40%	1	1.10%	91
H. Rural Character	49	53.85%	24	26.37%	14	15.38%	3	3.30%	1	1.10%	91
I. Scenic views and undeveloped hills/cliffs	50	54.95%	19	20.88%	19	20.88%	2	2.20%	1	1.10%	91
J. Shoreline	37	41.57%	18	20.22%	23	25.84%	3	3.37%	8	8.99%	89
K. Stream/Rivers	45	50.56%	23	25.84%	20	22.47%	1	1.12%	0	0.00%	89
L. Water quality of lakes, stream, and creeks	52	57.14%	20	21.88%	19	20.88%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	91
M. Wetlands	44	48.35%	22	24.18%	19	20.88%	4	4.40%	2	2.20%	91
N. Wildlife habitat	48	53.33%	23	25.56%	17	18.89%	2	2.22%	0	0.00%	90
O. Woodlands	50	54.95%	25	27.47%	16	17.58%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	91

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	Not a Problem	Percentage of people who responded to this question	A Slight Problem	Percentage of people who responded to this question	A Moderate Problem	Percentage of people who responded to this question	A Serious Problem	Percentage of people who responded to this question	A Very Serious Problem	Percentage of people who responded to this question	No Opinion
A. Overall well water quality	12	13.33%	12	13.33%	17	18.89%	18	20.00%	30	33.33%	1
B. Well water pollution due to faulty/substandard septic systems	11	11.96%	11	11.96%	16	17.39%	23	25.00%	28	30.43%	3
C. Ground water pollution due to runoff from homes, cabins, resorts, and other development during construction	13	14.13%	14	15.22%	23	25.00%	17	18.48%	22	23.81%	3
D. Ground water pollution due to runoff from roads	16	16.84%	15	15.79%	31	32.63%	15	15.79%	16	16.84%	2
E. Ground water pollution due to residential fertilizer and chemical use	6	6.57%	12	13.33%	21	23.33%	27	30.00%	22	24.44%	2
F. Pollution coming into the lake(s) from the watershed (i.e. farm fields)	8	8.60%	17	18.28%	28	30.11%	20	21.51%	18	19.35%	2
G. Declining wildlife habitat	13	14.29%	12	13.19%	24	26.37%	19	20.88%	22	24.16%	1
H. Declining aquatic bird habitat	12	13.18%	18	17.58%	28	30.77%	13	14.28%	19	20.88%	3
I. Wetland filling near the lake(s)	12	13.33%	12	13.33%	34	37.74%	9	10.00%	19	21.11%	4
J. Light pollution impacting night sky	20	22.22%	19	21.11%	21	23.33%	6	6.67%	21	23.33%	3
K. Inadequate public roads	37	40.66%	23	25.27%	19	20.66%	4	4.40%	6	6.59%	2
L. Inadequate public safety (i.e. fire, police, and emergency services)	38	41.76%	21	23.08%	15	16.48%	6	6.59%	9	9.89%	2
M. Vegetation (non-invasive) removal by property owners	23	25.00%	29	31.52%	20	21.74%	5	5.43%	9	9.78%	6
N. Other	1	1.00%	0	0.00%	1	1.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0
Comments:	People dumping trash/furniture along roads.										
Comments:	With more building there will be less wildlife habitat.										
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Comments:	IL .ngng of campground dev.tues land and property.										
Comments:	ICeH towers microwave towers, turnoff alrnon becon after 9pm										

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**Question 32: For the following questions please provide your opinions. Your choices are: Strongly agree(SA), Agree (A), Disagree(D), Strongly disagree(SD), No Opinion (NO)**

	SA	Percentage of people who responded to this question	A	Percentage of people who responded to this question	D	Percentage of people who responded to this question	SD	Percentage of people who responded to this question	NO	Percentage of people who responded to this question	Total Respondents to this question
A. Multiple unit high density development is an appropriate type of development around the lakes.	2	2.22%	3	3.33%	21	23.33%	59	65.56%	5	5.56%	90
B. Multiple unit high density development in some parts around the lakes in the townships of Winfield is appropriate, this would be offset by other parts of the lake remaining undeveloped on lower densities than currently permitted.	6	6.67%	19	21.11%	18	20.00%	37	41.11%	10	11.11%	90
C. Maintain the current level of public land within the township.	27	30.00%	52	57.78%	6	6.66%	1	1.11%	5	5.56%	90
D. Add Public lands to the Township of Winfield to increase natural area protection or provide more recreation areas.	27	29.67%	29	31.67%	17	18.66%	8	8.79%	10	10.99%	91

**Question 33: Please provide your opinions to the following transportation statements.**

	Strongly Agree	Percentage of people who responded to this question	Agree	Percentage of people who responded to this question	Disagree	Percentage of people who responded to this question	Strongly Disagree	Percentage of people who responded to this question	No opinion	Percentage of people who responded to this question	Total Respondents to this question
A. The overall road network (roads, highways) meets the needs of the citizens.	27	28.42%	62	65.26%	4	4.21%	1	1.05%	1	1.05%	95
B. The condition of the town roads is adequate for intended uses.	21	22.58%	60	64.52%	8	8.60%	3	3.23%	1	1.08%	93
C. Biking and walking are important modes of transportation in the township.	15	16.35%	46	48.84%	22	23.40%	3	3.19%	8	8.61%	92
D. There should be expanded transportation services for the elderly.	5	5.38%	45	48.39%	21	22.65%	2	2.15%	20	21.51%	93

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**Question 34: Which of the following transportation opportunities would you support the inception or expansion of? Check all that apply.**

	Raw Score	Percentage of people who responded to this question
A. Snowmobile trails	27	11.20%
B. ATV trails	31	12.86%
C. Town/ Country Roads	22	9.13%
D. Hiking Trails	52	21.58%
E. Biking Routes	50	20.75%
F. Rustic Road Designation	43	17.84%
G. Public Transportation	15	6.22%
H. Other	1	0.41%
Total Respondants to this question	241	100.00%

**Question 35a: Are there any transportation related hazards or problems in the Town of Winfield that need to be addressed?**

	Raw Score	Percentage of people who responded to this question
A. YES	23	29.11%
B. NO	34	43.04%
C. UNSURE	22	27.85%
Total Respondants to this question	79	100.00%

**Question 35b: If Yes to question 35, explain which locations and why.**

Slower speed limits near city of Reedsburg.  
 Improve road name signs.  
 Mow vegetation and trees.  
 Bike and horse riding, unsafe lanes.

The difference between Juneau CO 'K' and Sauk CO 'K' is unbelievable, after a snow storm, they must care more about their roads and travelers.

Lack of speed limit signs by the Keedsburg outdoor club and combined with alcohol consumption by club members equals tossed beer cans along roadside and speeding. Why does the township of Winfield continue to allow/turn a blind eye to the alcohol consumption with firearm use at the Reedsburg outdoor club? This is a fine example of our future generations right?

Make speeds in territorial areas 35mph and enforce on HWY 'H'.  
 Bridge on HWY 'F' between HWY 'K' and Churchill Rd. is junk. I can't believe the township paid for it or that my tax dollars paid for it.

The taxes are way too high for the roads to be kept in such terrible condition.

The bridge on HWY 'F' just off HWY 'K' near Hay Creek school/park.

On the lake road around Lake Redstone is rather hazardous, especially around the corners.

New bridge by Hay Creek. The one with the bump in it. What a waste of tax money, take it out and put in a good one.

Need wider roads on HWY 'K' to Mauston! and HWY 'K' to HWY 'F' to narrow.

HWY 'Y' towards Lake Redstone, problems with unsafe speeds.

People drive too fast and pass on double yellow and do not respect people in bikes or walking.

Ernstmeier addition biking trail for kids to pool and baseball fields.

North Dewey has a sharp, dangerous curve between the Meister subdivision and town.

This curve is very dangerous for bikers and pedestrians and could use a bike trail path. The roadsides need to be mowed and maintained.

Drunk driving and people throwing trash out car windows.

The dumping of trash on the side of the road.

Need a 'Dead End' sign on Meadow Vies Rd. to cul-de-sac.

The speed driven by tourists endangers the local walkers, bikers, etc...

The side roads need attention earlier during inclement weather.

Deer in general areas.

Deer hazard, eliminate the deer.

HWY 'V' should be widened for biking and walking into town and between town and the bike trail and the campground.

Corner of Giles and HWY 'K'.

Bikes on roads.

Sharp curve on Farmer Rd. at HWY 'F' going west on Farmer Rd. is covered with ice, no sun hit road.

Bass Rd. bridge is very rough.

Shoulders on North Dewey need to be moved frequently for safety of runners and bikers.

Narrow bridges.

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Question 36: The following are several statements that suggest choices about the future directions for the Town of Winfield. Please indicate your opinion.							
	Agree	Percentage of people who responded to this question	Disagree	Percentage of people who responded to this question	No Opinion	Percentage of people who responded to this question	TOTAL Respondents to this question
A. In the Town of Winfield housing subdivisions should be allowed in the rural areas.	12	12.77%	76	80.85%	6	6.38%	94
B. Housing subdivisions should be allowed adjoining the City of Reedsburg, but still within the Town of Winfield.	48	52.17%	39	42.39%	5	5.43%	92
C. It is acceptable to build houses on tillable land.	29	30.53%	58	61.05%	8	8.42%	95
D. Landowners should be able to sell any lands they feel is appropriate for development.	87	55.41%	44	28.03%	26	16.56%	157
E. Small scale commercial and business development should be permitted in the Town.	48	51.08%	36	38.30%	10	10.64%	94
F. Small family non-farm businesses should be allowed in the Town.	64	68.82%	19	20.43%	10	10.75%	93
G. More rural houses will increase conflicts between farmers and non-farmers.	70	73.68%	23	24.21%	2	2.11%	95
H. New housing should be directed to areas with existing development.	65	68.42%	24	25.26%	6	6.32%	95
I. More houses in the Town will lower everyone's property taxes.	10	10.64%	70	74.47%	14	14.89%	94
J. There are odor problems in the Town.	15	16.30%	59	64.13%	18	19.57%	92
K. There is a problem with excessive noise from business or farm operations in the Town.	6	6.38%	76	80.85%	12	12.77%	94
L. The Town should consider night lighting requirements to preserve the Town's night skies.	41	38.68%	35	33.02%	30	28.30%	106
M. Your neighbors should not be allowed to interfere on your farming operation.	75	79.79%	10	10.64%	9	9.57%	94
N. The Town should support programs that help preserve agricultural lands for future farming opportunities.	88	82.63%	2	2.11%	5	5.26%	95
O. The Town should support programs that purchase easements on open space lands, such as wetlands, floodplains, woodlands, and farmland for preservation and recreation purposes.	50	53.76%	32	34.41%	11	11.83%	93
P. The Town should offer residential development alternatives such as new home clustering in exchange for natural area preservation.	30	32.26%	53	56.99%	10	10.75%	93
Q. The Town should encourage the preservation of historic homesteads and other historic sites.	77	81.91%	10	10.64%	7	7.43%	94
R. The Town should participate in watershed improvement projects on area creeks for trout population and habitat restoration.	72	76.80%	12	12.77%	10	10.64%	94
S. The Town should encourage the use of a Purchase of Development Rights program.	18	19.78%	28	30.77%	45	49.45%	91

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U. The Town should give farmers the ability to upgrade their farming operations.	78	62.11%	7	7.37%	10	10.53%	95
U. The Town should adopt signage regulations along roads and highways.	51	53.68%	16	16.84%	28	29.47%	95
V. Coordinating the land use plans of Winfield with neighboring municipalities should be a high priority.	57	60.64%	20	21.28%	17	18.08%	94
W. Development adjoining the Village of Winfield should be inclusive of a mix of single-family and multi-family residential.	36	38.30%	42	44.68%	16	17.02%	94
X. Development adjoining the Village of Winfield should be traditional in size, scale and appearance.	64	70.33%	13	14.29%	14	15.38%	91
Y. The Town should allow rural subdivisions inclusive of four or more lots.	5	5.38%	79	84.95%	9	9.68%	93
Z. There is a problem with new houses on farmland, using up good farmland and creating conflicts with farming operations.	5	5.38%	79	84.95%	9	9.68%	93
AA. Other.	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	1	100.00%	1

Comments:	<p>Have people consider what it means to build next to a farm (noise and odor)</p> <p>Have people consider what it means to build next to a farm (noise and odor)</p> <p>Taxes too high.</p> <p>No corporate farming.</p> <p>Nightly Shooting at the Reedsburg outdoor club.</p> <p>Don't want any more development adjoining the City of Reedsburg.</p> <p>Odor prof. Jems!! Ner from campground.</p>
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**Question 37: In your opinion what are the three most important land use issues in the Town of Winfield? Rank 1 to 3 with 1 being most important issue.**

	1's	2's	3's
A. Cropland Disappearance	20	13	9
B. Scenic Beauty	9	14	12
C. Protection of water resources	17	10	13
D. Preservation of wooded hillsides	3	9	13
E. Too much housing development	24	12	8
F. Too little housing development	0	0	2
G. Quarrying/Mining Extraction	1	0	1
H. Upkeep of existing homes/structures	1	10	9
I. Natural Areas	2	8	6
J. Preservation of rural 'look' character	7	7	10

Top 3 issues within the Town of Winfield according to the survey

- 1 Too much housing development.
- 2 Scenic beauty.
- 3 Protection of water resources / Preservation of wooded hillsides.

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38. What do you feel is the most positive and unique aspect of the Town of Winfield?

- Winfield has a lot of Rolling Hills and Forests and Cropland, dotted with small farms and some single family homes. There are some small businesses. A Really good place to live yet only a few miles from Reedsburg.
- They have good roads, they keep them maintained well and during the winter they are all plowed at appropriate times.
- Natural scenic beauty.
- Unspoiled natural beauty.
- Rural life style.
- The rural life. I'm a farmer and I don't want to live in a subdivision of Reedsburg.. I want to live in an area surrounded by farms, not housed built by city folk. If city folk want to live here let them buy an existing farmhouse, don't let them put up a new house in a beautiful field.
- Its country atmosphere and its beautiful landscape. A feeling of the "old world".days gone by.
- Pride of ownership and pride of community.
- Nature and its peacefulness.
- The beauty of the rolling hills, farmlands, and forests.
- Friendly neighbors.
- The ability to be very diverse in agriculture, housing, and recreation.
- The people who live in Winfield.
- Diverse scenic countryside.
- Rolling hills with valleys and streams. With no subdivisions dividing up the open country.and scenic views.
- Small town atmosphere controlled by the residents.
- Tradition.
- Scenic beauty.
- Not a lot of trailers on one or two acre parcels.
- Still feels like a rural setting.
- Beautiful hills and beauty of area.
- Its rural setting and neutral landscape.
- Not letting the city run over township the way they run the city, spend, spend, and spend.
- That we are still able to walk outside and not have your neighbors a stone throw away.
- Its natural beauty.
- It is a nice, clean, friendly and well-maintained township.
- Rural.
- The quietness and peacefulness.
- Forests are unique.
- Definitely the people that live here.



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- Its rural character and scenic beauty.
- The landscape of hills, trees, and farms.
- Growing up here, living here to retirement age is great; I do not want to have to leave because of taxes I can no longer pay.
- It currently offers wide-open spaces, woodlands, farmland, and wildlife with hunting and fishing opportunities.
- Forestry.
- Beautiful landscapes and rural character with quick access to important services.
- Farming.
- Rural look character.
- Good land.
- I was drawn to Winfield because of the "folksy" atmosphere.
- Natural beauty.
- Scenic beauty.
- Good location, rural setting yet close to cities and attractions.
- Being concerned for each tax-paying citizen to resolve all of our issues.
- Rolling hills, wooded.
- The rural character.
- The natural aspect of the town.
- The best part of it is the undeveloped parts of the town.
- Beautiful hills and valleys, hay creek and low population density.
- The rural look.
- The beauty of the hills and the farms would create a beautiful place to live and raise families.
- Quality of life.
- Beautiful scenery, recreational opportunities within a short drive, feeling of being part of nature, lack of noise and population density.
- Woodlands.
- Small farms
- Peace, quiet, and undeveloped.
- The farms.
- The scenic beauty.
- The nice people.
- Rural, farming, keep it that way and allow dust and smell of the farm.
- Rural area.
- Limited traffic.
- Rural area.
- Rural feel.
- Friendly neighbors.

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- Scenic beauty:
- Peace and tranquility.
- The rolling hills, wooded areas and family farms. This is a beautiful area and would love to see it stay that way. •
- People.
- Country living.
- Very beautiful rural area with neighbors close enough to enjoy, but not too close to be on top of one another.
- The people. •
- The beauty of the rolling hills and undeveloped land.
- The ability to be able to (still) implement beautification areas.
- Open spaces.
- Woodlands.
- Little development.
- Quiet.
- Used to be privacy and friendship, which no longer exists with all the new building.
- Safe.
- The opportunity to expend with the city.
- Natural beauty.
- Rural character.
- No opinion.
- Scenic climate. •
- Low crime.
- Hartje learning center is great.
- A community who knows each other. Sad that its growing so fast, I only know the older ones. So many new homes and rich people here not freidnly.
- Beautiful scenery.
- Farm friendly.
- Quiet.
- Rural look, farms and community. •

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39. What do you feel is the single biggest issue facing the Town of Winfield over the next several years?

- Letting it grow without multi family housing and large developments.
- Keeping it similar to what it is now.
- The buildings of new houses and then they will be complaining of the farmer. Too much noise, odors, and complaining about the size of farms.
- With all the people moving in they will think they need services that Reedsburg provides.
- Keep big government out.
- Too much housing.
- City of Reedsburg housing development coming too fast.
- The City of Reedsburg trying to annex this township. NO NO NO! If I wanted to live in the city I would have moved there. We do not need sidewalks, city water, or city problems.
- Tax increases; mostly do to unions, road maintenance, schools (teachers union).
- Too much housing.
- Over building on small lots.
- Overdevelopment and higher taxes. The more you let them build, the more services they will need, and the higher the taxes will go. Big cities always have higher taxes.
- Urban sprawl.
- Keeping our taxes down by controlling urban development.
- Gradual loss of land to development.
- Quality of water.
- Developments, housing, balancing everything pertaining to property tax balance. Property taxes are going out of site. It's getting harder to pay our property taxes when they keep going up and up.
- Reedsburg expanding.
- I don't know.
- Too much housing development.
- What will happen with the campground?
- Housing development.
- Increase in population and housing.
- Water pollution.
- Housing.
- Duplexes.
- More people in the Town of Winfield.
- Well-planned growth and development.
- Development.

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- Growth.
- Expansionism.
- Housing development.
- Population growth and the frenzied housing growth that comes along with it. Not only the growth, but also the kind of construction being done.
- Schools.
- Police and fire personnel.
- Over use of roads.
- Loss of farms.
- Development.
- Neighbors should have some say when land is being sold to developer. We live here because it is rural and may not want a hundred houses next door.
- Urban sprawl.
- Keep big government from ruling the town, town should not be controlled by county or state government.
- The explosion of people moving to the county building any and everywhere.
- Too high taxes.
- Too much new housing.
- Too much new rural housing.
- Master planning the town for controlled, organized development that is thought out and not spotty with no sense to the development pattern or correlation from one use to the next.
- Hoping new housing will lower taxes.
- That we have to remember we are living in the country because this is where we love to be. If we wanted to live in a town we would move to one. Don't bring the town to us.
- Too much building.
- Housing.
- Better cell phone and Internet services, little to no good reception for emergency situations.
- Fixing the roads.
- Too many new housing developments.
- Urban sprawl. I support individual's rights to their own land decisions as long as it doesn't negatively affect others.
- Creating ATV trails.
- Taxes.
- Over development and over population.
- Too much housing development or rural business i.e. gift shops, flea markets, craft sales.
- Housing development.
- Urban development.
- Losing our agriculture and forestland.

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- Polluting our creeks, changing our wildlife pattern.
- City of Reedsburg moving into township.
- To much development.
- Taxes are too high now and more housing increases those taxes.
- New housing.
- Monitor growth in the Reedsburg area.
- Los of tax dollars to city.
- The government.
- Home building, too many.
- Development causing loss of farmland.
- Feel that the city development coming into Winfield is a large concern.
- Population growth will change rural character of area.
- Small farms are being pushed out.
- Urban sprawl.
- Water quality.
- City of Reedsburg.
- Land use.
- Housing development.
- City of Reedsburg moving into the township.
- Ernstmeyer development getting out of control.
- Over development iOousing bordering the city of Reedsburg.
- Development (concrete and asphalt)
- .Development.
- Water quality.
- Land going for housing, expensive, greedy people.
- Farmland, too much housing development.
- Land use.
- Fiscal responsibility.
- Reedsburg expanding outward.
- Property owners loosing their rights to do as they wish with their property.
- Air quality.

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40. What do you want the Town of Winfield to look like in 20 years?

- It would be nice to keep it somewhat like it is, although it will grow like everything.
- Keep it the same as much as possible.
- Rustic development with careful attention being paid to the environment and not over crowded with too many new houses ect... Keeping it "rustic".
- Stay as it is now.
- No more housing developments.
- Similar to now.
- With more natural areas.
- Less building.
- I want it to be a mixture offanns and natural areas the way it mostly is now.
- Like it is now, saving our farmlands. Once the farmland is used for new housing you can never use it again.
- Scenic natural woods.
- Like it looked like 20-years ago.
- It should look like a farming community, not like a subdivision of Reedsburg.
- There are to many houses now, they should be restricted as to how many could be built.
- Famlng community.
- Similar to present with addition of hiking and bike trails with natural preservation areas.
- Sorry, it will not happen! The way it used to be, before all the new people started moving in.
- Just like it looks now.
- Similar to now.
- Farming.
- A modern, transitional link to the City of Reedsburg.
- Rural farming commurlity with less urban sprawl.
- Open and agricultural.
- Similar as today.
- We will provide water sewer and utilities to the 30 subdivisions North of Reedsburg. Then we will have to offer public land for recreational use for hiking, biking, and fishing.
- The same.
- No more doublewide's unless preferably out of site.

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- Naturally beautiful.
- Remove all housing on less than 200 acres..
- Farmland.
- Like a prosperous rural community.
- Similar to today.
- More small farms.
- Would like the town to retain its natural beauty.
- Still be family farms.
- A rural community. Not part of the city.
- Still have some farms.
- Diverse.
- The way it looked in 2000
- About the same as now.
- A "Green" Environment.
- Continue to be rural with some features of in town convenience (good cell reception, DSL services, bike path to town).
- An independent town not controlled by planning and zoning of county government.
- A rural farm area where we can hunt, fish, and be great neighborhood and be able to help each other when we need help.
- The same that it is now.
- To be a rural-country appearance.
- Like now.
- A high-end version of today's, scenic under developed rural country.
- Look like the rural area it is.
- The same as it does now. I love where we live and I wouldn't change a thing about our area.
- Lets not lose the rural character. Keep housing development to a minimal.
- The same.
- Just about the way it looks now.
- Open spaces left.
- We want it to look like were still living in the country and not the city.
- Same as now:
- The same.
- Well kept and cared for.
- Just like it is now.
- The same, with increased consideration for the elderly.
- No big subdivisions.
- Keep the farmland for farm use only.

Town of Winfield Survey Tally Results (115/417) 27.6% return rate.

- Clean and green.
- The same.
- Not housing developments.
- Stay natural so we can keep our wildlife.
- Sometimes progress can turn into regression. Should we ask 20 years later "Oh what happened? Where did we go wrong?" When our grandchildren are eating asphalt and cement.
- A nice place to live and work.
- New housing developments well planned.
- The way it does now.
- Any further development should be on 50+ acre sites that could be used for farming.
- Land used mostly for agriculture and recreation.
- Keep a good mix of field and forest.
- Protect our water resources.
- Keep it rural.
- Rural, with development in the city of Reedsburg.
- Would like to keep the farming community and keep it like it is a great place to live.
- Just like it is now but with more of a rural character. It is starting to feel like a suburb.
- No houses like it was when I was a kid.
- Losing the "old" feel, the "overgrown" look that made the area seem like you're really away from the city.
- Like to see the 400 bike trail extended through the Town of Winfield to the dells.
- If we are to have business development, we prefer small mom and pop business.
- The current mix of housing and farms is just right for us "as is".
- If Reedsburg annexes our subdivisions, we will move out.
- More parks, natural areas, and bike routes would be nice.
- Rural area.
- Mixture of farms and single-family housing, maybe some cluster subdivisions.
- As close to today's appearance as possible.
- Much like it is today.
- Houses spaced out to retain the feel of living in the country.
- A bike trail would be great.



# **Appendix B**

## **Vision Session Handouts and Results**



Town of Winfield Comprehensive Plan Committee  
Vision Session and Open House  
Agenda

November 3, 2005; 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

From 6:30 to 7:00 participants will have an opportunity to talk with members of the Comprehensive Plan Committee and begin rating the picture survey which will be completed during the break.

1. **Welcome and Introduction** 7:00 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.
- Welcoming Comments 10min.
    - Introduction to the Town of Winfield Comprehensive Planning Process
    - Ice Breaker-- What do you like best about Winfield?
    - Overview of efforts to date
  - Orientation to workshop objectives and schedule 5 min.
2. **Development of a Shared Future Vision for the Town of Winfield** 7:15 p.m. - 8:25 p.m.
- Break into small groups 5min.
  - Select Facilitator, Recorder & Reporter for each group (see handout)
  - Identify the Town's, Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats related to the elements of comprehensive plan. 10 min.
  - Small group develops Key Vision Elements based on SWOTs (see handout) 25 min.
  - Small groups report Key Vision Elements to larger group 20min.
  - Large group prioritizes list of Key Vision Elements through voting, top five identified. 10 min.
3. **BREAK (During Break Rate Pictures)** 8:25 p.m. - 8:40 p.m.
4. **Development of Preliminary Strategies to Achieve Vision** 8:40 p.m. - 9:25 p.m.
- Break into small groups 5 min.
    - One group for each of the top five Key Vision Elements from Task 2 above
  - Identify strategies to achieve Vision Elements on large sheets 25 min.
  - Report strategies from each small group 15 min.
5. **Wrap-Up** 9:25 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
- Discuss main outcomes of the workshop
  - Describe next steps in the planning process
  - Complete evaluations (see handout) and collect workshop materials

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**FACILITATOR**

- Helps keep the group on task
- Watch the time to assure that the group completes the task
- Assure that everyone is able to participate (no one is dominating, no one is excluded)
- Remind people to listen as other are talking
- Encourage people to respect different perspectives and views

**RECORDER**

- Listen for key words
- Capture the basic ideas and essence a discussion
- Write rapidly
- Write legibly
- Number each sheet, reference topic, group
- Do not worry about spelling

**REPORTER**

- Be sure you understand what you are expected to report
- Listen carefully to the discussion
- Report out key points as requested at the end of the session
- "Recorder" and "Reporter" can be the same person

**RULES OF BRAINSTORMING**

- Do not judge ideas (there is no bad idea)
- Don't dismiss anything as impossible
- Repeated ideas is fine
- "Piggybacking" off of someone else's idea is fine
- The more ideas, the better
- Everyone's opinion is valid

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This exercise is intended to get your perspective on key issues as related to the nine identified elements of a comprehensive plan. Please think broadly about existing conditions and the future of the community as a whole. At the end of this meeting, we will ask you to return this sheet, so please write as neatly as possible. You do not need to address all nine elements, but rather choose to elaborate on elements of your interest or expertise within that subject area. Please take ten minutes to write down your responses to the following questions as related to your chosen elements.

What are some of the **Strengths** of the Town today and over the recent past?

1. ....
2. ....
3. ....
4. ....

What are the **Weaknesses** of the Town today and over the recent past?

1. ....
2. ....
3. ....
4. ....

What are some **Opportunities** for the Town's future?

1. ....
2. ....
3. ....
4. ....

What are some **Threats** of the Town's future?

1. ....
2. ....
3. ....
4. ....

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Now please circle the number associated with your most important strength, weakness, opportunity and threat. After everyone completes this sheet, we will ask you to share with the table your most important strengths, weakness, opportunity and threat.

When identifying Key Vision Elements, consider the following questions:

- How should we build on our key strengths, or make sure they remain strengths?
- How can we minimize and overcome our key weaknesses?
- How can we take advantage of our key opportunities?
- How can we avoid or deal with our key threats?

The following elements may help you phrase vision elements. Vision elements should be short, declarative sentences. Try to include only one idea within each vision element. Don't get too specific.

- Preserve rural character and scenic beauty
- Create better procedures for reviewing development proposals
- Develop business uses near other business uses
- Address problems with old septic systems to protect water quality

You might consider using some of the following action verbs to help you phrase Key Vision Elements:

Acquire	Encourage	Preserve
Adhere	Enforce	Prevent
Adopt	Enhance	Prohibit
Allocate	Ensure	Promote
Allow	Establish	Protect
Amend	Exercise	Provide
Approve	Extend	Publicize
Arrange	Facilitate	Pursue
Assemble	Focus	Recognize
Assist	Follow	Recommend
Assure	Guide	Reduce
Avoid	Identify	Reestablish
Capture	Implement	Regulate
Complete	Improve	Require
Conduct	Include	Reserve
Consider	Increase	Review
Coordinate	Incorporate	Revise
Create	Limit	Separate
Design	Link	Strengthen
Determine	Locate	Support
Develop	Maintain	Treat
Direct	Manage	Undertake
Discourage	Map	Update
Divert	Maximize	Upgrade
Educate	Minimize	Use
Emphasize	Permit	Utilize
Employ	Permit	Utilize
Employ	Plan	Work
Enact	Prepare	

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Summary of SWOTS Key Vision Elements from Small Groups

**Strengths**

- Maintain rural atmosphere and wooded areas
- Preserve natural beauty
- Promote healthy agricultural community
- Support strong Town Board
- Strengthen community involvement
- Protect common goals and values
- Maintain a safe community
- Control development - community involvement, guidelines what type house, acreage requirements
- Preserve and maintain natural beauty and visual character
- Support ag
- Maintain fire and ambulance services
- Encourage continued diversified population
- Maintain hunting environment
- Preserve good water and air quality

**Weaknesses**

- Guide Town Board in creating local ordinances
- Manage and regulate growth
- Preserve affordable lifestyle (taxes are too high)
- Too many programs
- Private dumps
- Promote property upkeep and maintenance
- Educate residents and landowners on invasive plants and animals

**Opportunities.**

- Preserve and recognize historical and cultural resources
- Protect nature and natural habitat
- Promote non-traditional ag uses for tourism (com maze, bed and breakfast)
- Promote non-traditional ag uses (mushrooms, ginseng)
- Encourage forest growth
- Support small business - cottage industry

**Threats**

- Maintain local control
- Control urban sprawl
- Protect water quality
- Promote and protect natural resources (forest, ag, water)
- Establish boundary agreements with the city of Reedsburg
- Reduce taxes
- Facilitate development

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Summary of Key vision Elements Shared from Small Groups and Categorized

Connections:

Vision Elements= Components to be incorporated into the Town of Winfield Vision  
(Vision Elements will become the Town's Vision)

Vision Elements= The foundation for developing Goals (Vision Elements will be used to formulate each Focus Group's overall goal)

Vision Elements = The foundation for developing Objectives (Vision Elements will also be utilized towards the development of Plan Objectives)

Summary:

The following includes a summary of all Key Vision Elements developed by attendees of the Vision Session. Although all of the Vision elements apply to all Focus Groups, they have been categorized under the most relevant Focus Group. Secondary and tertiary Focus Groups also need to strongly consider Key Elements that are not under their heading but noted by parenthesis).

This list will be utilized to develop the Town's overall Vision. Once the Vision is developed, additional Key Vision Elements will be developed through focus group discussion. Combined, all of the Key Vision Elements will be utilized to develop a Goal for each focus group. Once the Goal is developed, the Key Vision Elements will be utilized to develop the Objectives of the Town of Winfield's *Comprehensive Plan*.

Focus Group and Identified Key Vision Elements:

\*Designates top five Key Vision Elements developed at the Vision Session

**Housing**

- Promote property upkeep and maintenance

**Utilities and Community Facilities**

- Maintain fire and ambulance services

**Natural Resources and Cultural Resources**

- Preserve natural beauty
- Preserve and maintain natural beauty and visual character
- Preserve good water and air quality
- Maintain hunting environment
- Educate residents and landowners on invasive plants and animals
- Preserve and recognize historical and cultural resources
- Protect nature and natural habitat



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- Encourage forest growth
- Protect water quality
- Promote and protect natural resources (forest, ag, water)

### **Agriculture**

- Promote healthy agricultural community
  - Support agriculture
  - Promote non-traditional ag uses for tourism (corn maze, bed and breakfast)
  - Promote non-traditional ag uses (mushrooms, ginseng)

### **Economic Development**

- Preserve affordable lifestyle (taxes are too high)
- Reduce taxes\*
- Support small business - cottage industry

### **Intergovernmental Cooperation**

- Support strong Town Board
- Strengthen community involvement
- Guide Town Board in creating local ordinances
- Establish boundary agreements with the City of Reedsburg

### **All Elements (to be considered by an focus groups)**

- Maintain rural atmosphere and wooded areas\*
- Protect common goals and values
- Maintain a safe community
- Control development - community involvement, guidelines what type house, acreage requirements
  - Manage and regulate growth\*
- Too many programs
- Private dumps
- Maintain local control
- Control urban sprawl
- Facilitate development\*

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Summary of Strategies to Achieve Top Vision Elements

Connection:

Strategies= Plan Policies (strategies will be developed into plan policies)

In addition to the strategies developed for these top Key Vision Elements, strategies will be developed for all of the Vision Elements derived from the Vision Session, Windshield Survey, Community /Survey, Alternative Future Scenarios, and any additional Vision Elements developed by Focus Groups.

Plan policies will be developed by the Focus Groups and once formed will be discussed and refined by the Comprehensive Plan Committee. The Plan policies will ultimately offer specific guidance to Town officials, residents and landowners when making decisions and will further act as a course of action to achieve the overall Town of Winfield Vision.

As results of the Open House and Vision Session, the Top Five Vision Elements and Strategies for achieving such were identified as follows:

- I. Maintain rural atmosphere and wooded areas
  - Educate landowners about programs
  - Established transfer of development rights
  - Develop new home siting guidelines
  
2. Control urban sprawl
  - Planned zoning
  - Boundary agreements
  - Purchase of development rights program
  - Conservation programs
  
3. Manage and regulate growth
  
4. Reduce taxes
  
5. Facilitate development

# **Appendix C**

## **Public Participation Plan**

# Town of Winfield

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December 2021

The town's comprehensive plan is being reviewed at this time. We invite your input on the plan. We are considering: no shared driveways, set back requirements, and lot size changes. Please review the plan on Sauk County's website: Departments = Land Resources and Environment, Planning Services, Sauk County Comprehensive Plans, Local Comprehensive Plans in Sauk County, click on Winfield.

Your input is important! Please let us know what you think about the current plan and any changes you would like to see.

You may send your comments to: Town of Winfield, E6274 Bass Road, Reedsburg, WI 53959, or e-mail to [tbass@rucls.net](mailto:tbass@rucls.net). You may also contact any member of the Plan Commission.

Current Plan Commission members include:

- Chairman Brad Schyvinck, 608-415-8601, [bkschyvinck@gmail.com](mailto:bkschyvinck@gmail.com)
- Secretary Jeremy Schyvinck, 608-963-3450, [jeremys@rucls.net](mailto:jeremys@rucls.net)
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We would appreciate receiving your comments by January 17, 2022.

Thank you for your input.

Sincerely,

TOWN OF WINFIELD

*Kurt Mead*

Kurt Mead  
Chairman

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# **Appendix D**

## **Glossary of Terms**

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## Glossary

**Average household size.** A measure obtained by dividing the number of people in households by the total number of households (or householder) since the number of households equals the number of householders.

**Cluster Development.** A form of development that concentrates buildings or lots on a part of the property (parcel) to allow the remaining land to be preserved as open space for agricultural, recreational, protection of environmentally significant resources and other open space uses.

**Cluster Remnant.** The balance of acreage protected by an easement remaining after the approval of a cluster development based on the difference between the density policy and the clustered lot size identified with a document recorded with the Sauk County Register of Deeds.

**Community Resources.** Facilities and services and/or parks and recreation, open space - can be State, County, Town, School or Privately owned/managed.

**Conservation Subdivision.** A Planned Unit Development in a rural setting that is characterized by compact lots and common open space and where the natural features of the land are maintained to the greatest extent possible.

**Cottage Industry.** Any activity undertaken for gain or profit and carried on in a dwelling, or building accessory to a dwelling, by members of the family residing in the dwelling and one (1) additional unrelated person. The cottage industry should be incidental to the residential use of the premises. The production, sale, offering of services, and keeping of stock-in-trade is allowed provided that no article is sold to walk in, retail customers, except that which is produced by the cottage industry on the premises. No activity is allowed that might result in excessive noise, smoke, dust, odors, heat, or glare beyond that which is common to a residential and/or agricultural area. No activity is allowed which involves the use or manufacture of products or operations that are dangerous in terms of risk of fire, explosion, or hazardous emissions.

**Cultural Resources.** Historic and archeological sites, and other man made areas, including those that are significant or unique.

**Density.** The net acreage required to establish one main building.

**Density Credit.** Derived by assigning a value of one (1) to each lot, existing or that can be created, as part of the underlying county zoning district's density and the Town's Comprehensive Plan rounded down to the nearest whole number.

**Density Policy.** The utilization of a density credit system to determine both the number of lots which can be created and the size of each lot typically for residential purposes. IN return for the creation of a lot resulting from the application of a density policy, a protective agreement is placed on remaining lands.

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**Development Rights.** The right to develop land by a landowner who maintains fee-simple ownership over the land or by a party other than the owner who has obtained the rights to develop. Such rights are usually expressed in terms of density allowed under existing zoning. For example, one development right may equal one unit of housing.

**Direct Economic Impact.** The money spent on any product or services. There is an immediate recipient. This recipient uses these dollars to pay wages of needed employees and taxes.

**Economic Impact.** Includes both **Direct Economic Impact** and **Indirect Economic Impact**

**Farm.** An Agriculture Land Use Business which produces \$1,000 (gross) of agricultural products per year.

**Feedlot.** Any livestock confinement area or structure along with applicable waste storage facilities (ie barnyards, etc)

**Goals.** Broad, advisory statements that express general public priorities about how the Town should approach preservation and development issues. These goals are based on key issues, opportunities and problems that affect the Town and can further be devised from the future Vision of a Town.

**Indirect Economic Impact.** The money spent in state by businesses, that are the recipients of tourism dollars, and their employees on goods and services, thus supporting more industry and jobs.

**Median** A median value represents the middle value in an ordered list of data values. It divides the values into two equal parts with one-half of the values falling below the median and one-half falling above the median.

**Natural Resources.** Land forms, topography, watersheds, soil, groundwater, flood plains, wetland, shore land, forests/woodlands, steep slopes, surface water, wildlife resources, rare and endangered species, state natural areas, prairie, open spaces and environmentally sensitive areas.

**Objectives.** Future directions in a way that is more specific than goals. The accomplishment of an objective is often not easily measured, objectives are usually attainable through policies and specific implementation activities.

**Policies.** Rules, courses of action, or programs used to ensure Plan implementation and to accomplish the goals, objectives and vision. Town decision makers should use policies, including any “housing density policy,” on a day to day basis. Success in achieving policies is usually measurable.

**Parcel.** A contiguous quantity of land in the possession of an owner, single or common interest. No street, highway, easement, railroad right-of-way, river, stream, or water body shall constitute a break in contiguity.

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**Planned Unit Development.** One or more lots, or parcels of land to be developed as a single entity, the plan for which may propose intensity increases, mixing of land uses, open space conservation, or any combination thereof, but which still corresponds to the underlying zoning jurisdictions density and use requirements that are otherwise applicable to the area in which it is located.

**Purchase of Development Rights (PDR)** A form of compensation for owners of selected lands who voluntarily agree not to develop (or subdivide) lands. The landowner retains ownership of the land and typically agrees to maintain the land in its current use (i.e., agriculture, forestland etc.).

**Road.** A public or private deeded right-of-way for vehicular or pedestrian traffic commonly referred to as a 'street'.

**Soil Limitations for Agriculture.** Divided into 8 classes by the US Soil Conservation Service. For the purposes of this plan, Class I, II and III are considered Prime Agriculture Soils.

**Class I** - Soils have few limitations to restrict use

**Class II** - Soils with some limitations that reduce the choice of plants or require moderate

**Class III** - Soils with severe limitations that reduce the choice of plants or require special conservation practices or both.

**Class IV** - Soils with very severe limitations that restrict the choice of plants, require very careful management, or both.

**Class V** - Soils that have little or no erosion hazard but have other limitations impractical to remove that limit their use largely to pasture or range, woodland, or wildlife food and cover.

**Class VI** - Soils have very severe limitations that make them generally unsuited to cultivation and should restrict their use largely to grazing, woodland, or wildlife food and cover.

**Class VII** - Soils have very severe limitations that make them unsuited to cultivation and should restrict their use largely to grazing, woodland, and wildlife, or water supply or to aesthetic purposes

**Class VIII** - Soils with very severe limitations that make them unsuited to cultivation and that restrict their use to recreation and wildlife.

**Transfer of Development Rights (TDR).** The conveyance of development rights by deed, easement or other legal instrument to another parcel of land and the recording of that conveyance.

**Vision clearance triangle.** The area in each quadrant of an intersection which is bounded by the right-of-way lines of the roads and a vision clearance setback line connecting points open each right-of-way line which are located a distance back from the intersection equal to the setback required for each road.



# **Appendix E**

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