



MEMORANDUM

TO: Deschutes County Board of Commissioners
Deschutes County Planning Commission

FROM: Peter Gutowsky, AICP, Director
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DATE: September 21, 2023

SUBJECT: Joint Deschutes County Board of Commissioners / Planning Commission Work Session

The Board of County Commissioners (Board) and Planning Commission will conduct a joint work session on September 28 at 5:30 p.m. at the Deschutes Services Center, 1300 Wall Street, Barnes and Sawyer rooms. Staff prepared a draft agenda for the Board and Planning Commission’s consideration.

I. PURPOSE

The joint work session allows commissioners to engage in open, informal conversations, discussing one’s background, land use interests, and topics identified in the Community Development Department (CDD) Fiscal Year 2023-24 Work Plan. Long range planning staff will be in attendance to respond to any questions.

II. AGENDA

- A. Welcome and Roundtable Introductions**
- B. Public Comments**
- C. Background / Land Use Interests**

This is an opportunity for commissioners to discuss land use issues that interest them. The following topics represent some of the most prominent projects that are currently active; however, staff encourages discussion of any others that may be of importance.

Comprehensive Plan Update

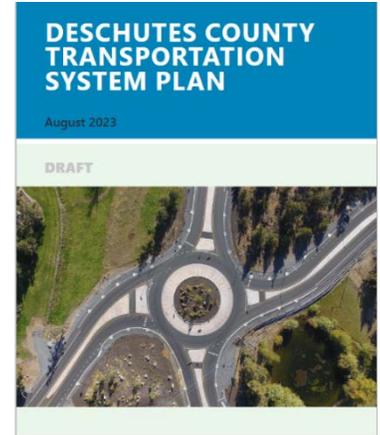
Deschutes County initiated an update to its Comprehensive Plan. This update, Deschutes County 2040, provides overarching policy guidance on land use and planning related issues for the years 2020-2040. The document applies to areas under County planning jurisdiction, excluding cities and federally owned land. Topics covered include housing, recreation, jobs, natural hazards, community engagement, farm and forest lands, historic and cultural resources, and natural resources.



A draft of the updated Comprehensive Plan has been released for public review. The Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on this matter on October 26 at 5:30 pm. More information can be found at the project hearing website: <https://www.deschutes.org/cd/page/247-23-000644-pa-deschutes-county-2040-comprehensive-plan-update-hearing-page>.

Transportation System Plan Update

The Road Department funded an update of the Deschutes County Transportation System Plan (TSP) to 2040, which deals with arterials, collectors, bicycles, pedestrians, transit, and freight movements among other topics. The County is requesting a Plan Amendment and Text Amendment to update the 2010-2030 TSP and accompanying map to 2040. The 2020-2040 TSP will provide new traffic volumes and prioritize improvement projects including but not limited to: motor vehicles, bicycles, and pedestrians; new goals and policies; and resetting the functional reclassifications of selected County roads.

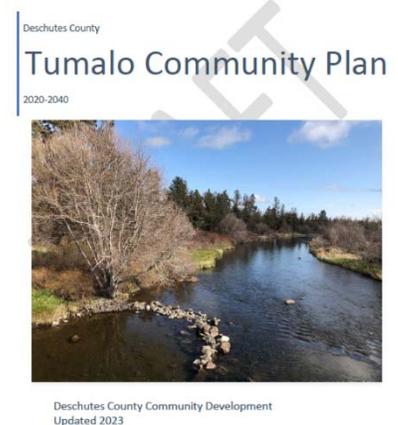


A draft of the 2020-2040 TSP has been released for public review. The Planning Commission will deliberate on this matter on October 12 at 5:30 pm. More information can be found at the project hearing website: <https://www.deschutes.org/cd/page/transportation-system-plan-update-2020-2040-247-23-000507-pa-508-ta>

Tumalo Community Plan 2020-2040

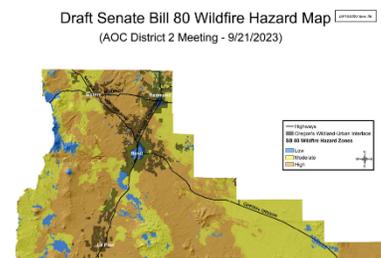
CDD initiated an update to the Tumalo Community Plan (TCP) to guide development, capital improvements, and land use planning for a 20-year period from 2020-2040. The TCP sets an overall vision along with goals and policies regarding land use, transportation, and infrastructure in the unincorporated community of Tumalo. A draft of the 2020-2040 TCP has been released for public review. The Planning Commission will deliberate on this matter on October 12 at 5:30 pm. More information can be found at the project hearing website:

<https://www.deschutes.org/cd/page/tumalo-community-plan-update-2020-2040-247-23-000509-pa-510-ta>



Wildfire Mapping / SB 762 & SB 80

In 2022, the Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) and Oregon State University developed administrative rules and a statewide wildfire risk map required under Senate Bill (SB) 762. The rules, adopted by the Board of Forestry, established the criteria by which the map was developed, updated, and maintained. The map also showed what properties in Oregon fall within the wildland-urban interface (WUI), as defined by the Board of Forestry in rule in 2021. The initial draft of the wildfire risk map was released on June 30, 2022.



However, on August 4, 2022, the draft wildfire risk map was temporarily withdrawn for further refinement. SB 80, passed in the 2023 Oregon legislative session, outlines changes that ODF is required to make to the map before it goes public again. ODF and the Association of Oregon Counties hosted a Wildfire Hazard Map meeting for District 2 which includes Deschutes County on Thursday, September 21 in Klamath Falls. Public meetings are expected later in the fall and/or winter.

Recreational Vehicles / SB 1013

The Oregon Legislature adopted SB 1013 into law on July 23, 2023; the law becomes effective January 1, 2024. SB 1013 authorizes a county to allow an owner of a lot or parcel in a rural area to site on the property one recreational vehicle (RV) that is used for residential purposes and is subject to a residential rental agreement and certain development standards. SB 1013 does not obligate a county to allow RVs as residential tenancies. SB 1013 shares some criteria with recent rural Accessory Dwelling Unit legislation in SB 391, such as the requirement to provide sewage disposal, and differs in other ways—for instance, no fire hardening requirements are written into SB 1013, nor is there a minimum acreage. The Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider adopting SB 1013 into County Code on November 9. A project hearing website is forthcoming.

Clear and Objective Standards for Residential Development / HB 3197

The Oregon Legislature recently enacted House Bill (HB) 3197 into law. It requires counties to adopt and apply clear and objective standards, conditions, and procedures regulating housing in unincorporated communities, Rural Residential Exception Areas, and nonresource lands. It has a two-year effective date of July 1, 2025. This month CDD received a Department of Land Conservation and Development grant to develop and implement a multi-phased and likely multi-year work program to comply. This law requires amending definitions, land division code, five rural residential zones, Sunriver Urban Unincorporated Community zones, Tumalo and Terrebonne Rural Community zones, Flood Plain Zone, and Landscape Management, Sensitive Bird and Mammal, and Wildlife Area Combining Zones, with detailed findings, including those relating to Goal 5.

D. Other Board / Planning Commission Coordination Issues

Additional issues may be discussed by commissioners during the work session that do not directly relate to CDD's FY 2023-24 work plan.

E. Adjourn