

Handout #2: Community Comment & Discussion Worksheet

Use this sheet to capture your priorities, locations, and policy ideas.

Your answers will directly inform the drafting of the 2050 Comprehensive Plan.

1. Managing Growth & Utilities

The County wants to encourage growth near existing towns to prevent sprawl. Because current state law limits our ability to strictly ban private "package" water/sewer plants, how should we handle large-scale rural development proposals? *(Check all that apply)*

- Focus on Incentives:** Offer density bonuses or expedited permitting to developers who choose to build *inside* existing Municipal Service Districts instead of rural areas.
- Strict Conditions:** If a developer builds a package plant in a rural area, require them to pay 100% of the costs and turn the facility over to the public to ensure it is maintained properly.

Other Ideas: _____

2. Solving the Solid Waste Problem

Our data shows we are producing nearly double our target for trash per person. Which strategies would you support adding to the 2050 Plan? *(Check all that apply)*

- Expand public recycling drop-off locations/transfer stations.
- Implement mandatory yard-waste separation (no leaves/branches in normal trash).
- Explore a countywide franchised or licensed trash collection system to improve efficiency.
- Host more frequent "hazardous waste" and "bulk item" drop-off days.

3. Transportation Safety & Commercial Nodes

We want to avoid "strip mall sprawl." While we cannot currently take away existing commercial zoning, we *can* designate future "commercial nodes" and incentivize businesses to locate there.

