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Section 19. SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL FACILITY

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- (c) There is no substantive evidence that the facility will endanger the public health or the environment.
- (d) The special use permit will be valid for a period of time set by the Board of County Commissioners. For the permit to be approved sixty (60%) of all property owners within one (1) mile of the proposed location must approve of the proposed facility.

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GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

This section lists the goals and objectives of the Eddy County Comprehensive Plan. The goals and objectives provide a description of what the county is trying to achieve. Therefore these goals and objectives represent the basis for the land use plan, the transportation plan, and the public facility plan which are in the following sections.

The goals are generalized statements of commonly held values of county residents. The objectives are similar to the goals; however, they are more specific and further describe the goals. These goals and objectives should not be viewed as regulations or commitments of public expenditures.

Because of the general nature of the goals and objectives, it is common to have goals/objectives that appear to conflict with each other. It is also difficult to describe the exact meaning of each goal/objective. However, it was necessary to reach agreement on general goals/objectives before specific plans and policies could be developed in the following sections.

The specific plans and policies in the land use plan, transportation plan and public facility plan are based on achieving the goals and objectives in this section. The plans are also based on the existing characteristics of Eddy County which are described in the next section.

EDDY COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Goals and objectives

NATURAL RESOURCES

Goal - Develop a land use plan which encourages the utilization, conservation and protection of agricultural, mineral, water, and wildlife resources which contribute to the economic base and aesthetic quality of the county.

Objectives

1. Protect the county's productive agricultural land from encroachment of nonagricultural activities.
2. Encourage the development of mineral resources in a way that will not impair the long-term value of other resources.
3. Protect wildlife and habitat resources in the county.
4. Maintain the quality and quantity of groundwater and surface water resources.
5. Protect agricultural operations from nonagricultural activities which would hinder farm operations.
6. Reduce the loss of soil erosion and prevent the spread of noxious weeds.
7. Reduce soil erosion and flooding caused by man-made and natural drainage patterns.

TRANSPORTATION

Goal - Develop a transportation system which will support and serve future land uses and residents of the county.

Objectives

1. Provide a road system that efficiently and economically serves the needs of county residents.
2. Develop a land use plan which utilizes the existing road system to serve new development.

3. Develop standards of design and construction for new roads and bridges constructed in the county.
4. Discourage development in areas where the costs of providing or maintaining roads is excessive.
5. Replace unsafe bridges according to their importance to the overall transportation system.
6. Identify roads that are not needed and consider discontinuing maintenance on them.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Goal - Develop a plan which will encourage and accommodate economic growth in the county.

Objectives

1. Provide an environment which is conducive to maintaining existing employment and creating new employment and business opportunities.
2. Provide areas for industrial land uses which will have a minimal effect on agricultural or other land uses.
3. Provide adequate transportation and public facilities to serve the needs of business.
4. Provide support for activities which encourage economic development in the county.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Goal - Develop land use patterns which preserve and improve the aesthetic character of communities.

Objectives

1. Provide adequate land for residential, commercial, industrial, recreational, and other land uses.
2. Minimize conflicts between different land uses.
3. Encourage the maintenance, conservation, and rehabilitation of existing structures.
4. Maintain and improve the aesthetic quality of residential areas.

5. Protect residential areas from heavy through traffic.

PUBLIC FACILITIES

Goal - Provide adequate public services and facilities for residents of the county.

Objectives

1. Stabilize the costs of providing public services by guiding future development to areas that can be served in a cost effective manner.
2. Assure that adequate water, sewer and solid waste facilities are available prior to new development occurring.
3. Develop adequate recreational facilities for county residents.
4. Encourage land use patterns which can be served with public facilities and services in a cost effective manner.

HUMAN SERVICES

Goal - Provide county residents with basic services that are necessary to maintain decent standards of health, safety, education, and welfare.

Objectives

1. Improve and maintain availability of medical, education, and social services in the county.
2. Provide services to elderly, handicapped and low-income residents needing special assistance.
3. Deliver human services in a cost effective manner.

Future Land Use

Agricultural and other natural resources in Eddy County are very important to the economic base and quality of life of the county. Because of this they should be maintained and protected from land uses which would have an adverse affect on them. There is sufficient land in more developed areas of the county that can provide for the residential, commercial, and industrial needs that will likely occur in the future. These more developed areas include industrial parks, commercial areas in existing cities, residential areas in and adjacent to existing cities, and existing rural subdivisions. Also, these areas can be served with public facilities and services at lower costs than less developed rural areas.

While most future land use needs should be able to be accomodated in the more developed areas of the county, there will be a need to allow some special land uses in the rural areas. These include agricultural processing or other facilities with a need for large sites, certain transportation facilities, or need to be located adjacent to certain natural resources. It would also include special land uses best located in undeveloped areas that may have an adverse affect on adjacent land uses such as landfills, although the affect of these on adjacent land should be minimized as much as possible.

Other special land uses appropriate for rural areas are recreation land uses that are located next to lakes or other natural resources. These would include lake residences, campgrounds, parks, recreation facilities, and businesses which serve people using these recreation areas.

When development is being considered in the rural area of the county these are some things that should be considered. Development should not occur in areas where the development could be damaged by flooding.

Development should not result in inadequate drainage, severe soil erosion, groundwater pollution, or other adverse affects on the enviroment or adjacent land uses.

Development in rural areas should also occur in locations where the cost of providing public facilities and services will be of least burden to the county. The development should occur on an existing road, and in areas where other facilities and services can be provided at a lower cost. In addition, developers in rural areas should provide money to pay for any new public facilities needed to serve them.

Future Road System

Eddy County is fortunate to have good north-south and east-west paved highways in the county which are part of the state highway system. These roads should be viewed as the primary road system in the county for travel within the county and travel outside of the county.

The farm to market roads and township roads should primarily handle travel between the state highways and the farms, businesses, and residences in the rural areas as well as some local traffic.

In the future, upgrading roads and building new roads should be a low priority. Emphasis should first be on maintaining existing roads. The number of farms and rural residents in the county continues to decline, so there is little need for an expanded road system. However, service should be maintained to all existing rural land uses.

The county should begin to work with township and other local officials to prioritize roads according to their importance. Transportation dollars should then be concentrated on the high priority roads, while still insuring that everyone maintains adequate access to the primary road system. County, township, and other local officials should identify unimportant roads and designate these as minimum maintenance roads. The minimum maintenance roads would only be maintained in order to serve occasional or intermittent traffic. A minimum maintenance road should not be designated if it is only access to an existing residence or business.

It is important for Eddy County to have well maintained roads to all of its rural land uses. However, this does not require that all existing roads be maintained at the same level. Some roads can be maintained at a lower level while access to all rural land uses is maintained.

Future Public Facilities

The public facilities now serving the county are adequate at this time. There has been a decline in the population of the county and if the trend continues, there will not be a need to expand public facilities. The emphasis should be on maintenance of existing facilities.

If development does occur in the county, it would be best if the development occurs in cities that have existing public facilities. This way the existing public facilities would be readily available to serve the development and there would not be the high costs of building new public facilities in other areas of the county.

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Dated 5-26, 1995.

The above resolution was adopted by the Eddy County Board of County Commissioners on the above date.

EDDY COUNTY BOARD
OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

by: Lorraine Almarae
Chairman, Board of
County Commissioners

State of North Dakota)
County of Eddy) ss.

I, Darlene Haugen, Eddy County Auditor, do hereby certify that the above is an exact copy of the original resolution which is in my office, and was adopted by the Eddy County Board of County Commissioners on 5-26, 1995.

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OFFICE OF REGISTER OF DEEDS
EDDY COUNTY, N.D.

I hereby certify that the within instrument was filed
in this office for record on the 5th day of
June A.D. 19 95 at 9:00
o'clock A. M., and was duly recorded as
Doc. No. 99789
Charlotte L. Erickson Reg. of Deeds
By Jessan Brown Deputy
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