



Blueprints 2000

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Draft Plan 2000 Is Here!

Beginning in March, several activities are planned to get Draft Plan 2000 out to you, the public. The Spokane County Planning Commission, along with the Division of Long Range Planning, has developed several programs to help you learn about Draft Plan 2000 and, in return, give us your comments on the Plan. It is important that you have this opportunity, because the Comprehensive Plan will directly affect your future. You should have a voice in its design.

CD-ROM

A CD-ROM of Draft Plan 2000, with over 600 pages of text and 30 color maps, will be available from Spokane County for \$3.25. The Plan will be available in .PDF format, as well as Microsoft Word. An interactive form will be included so you can e-mail your comments back to us. You will also be able to print the sections that interest you, the maps, or the whole Plan.

Draft Plan 2000 "Hard Copy"

Several hardcopies of Draft Plan 2000 will be made available to the public. Many libraries will have them on hand, or you can check them out at Spokane County for a short period of time.



Meeting in a Box

All of us are busy and don't have time to go to meetings, but we would still like to be informed. What if the meeting came to you? Meeting In A Box is a program that allows you to check out materials and have the meeting in your home, the local grange, church or other convenient area. Meeting In A Box is a self-guided tour of the Draft Plan 2000. It comes complete with maps, brochures, CDs, a video, and an instruction book to help you guide the meeting. Meeting In A Box also contains a survey to allow you to write down your comments and return them to County staff. The comments may be returned when the Meeting In A Box is returned, or they can be sent to Tim Lawhead, 1026 West Broadway Avenue, Spokane, Washington 99260-0240. Comments can also be sent by e-mail to tlawhead@spokanecounty.org. It's that easy. Just call us and we will set up a Meeting In A Box for any size group. All you have to do is pick the time and date.



**SPOKANE
COUNTY WANTS
YOU!**

Planner Presentations

If you are part of a group or organization that would like to know more about Draft Plan 2000, you may schedule a planner presentation. County planning staff will be happy to attend your meeting and give your group an informative presentation about Draft Plan 2000. After the presentation, you can ask questions and find out more about Draft Plan 2000. Written comments may be submitted and will be forwarded to the Spokane County Planning Commission by the staff. To schedule a planner presentation, call Terry Liberty at 477-7230 or e-mail at tliberty@spokanecounty.org.



Open Houses.

The Planning Commission has scheduled eight open houses throughout the county during the month of March. These workshops are intended to provide an opportunity to learn about Draft Plan 2000 and talk with Planning Commission members and County staff about your concerns.



The dates and places for the upcoming Open Houses are below.

March 7, 2000, Public Works Building,
1026 W. Broadway Ave., 1:30 – 4:30 PM

March 9, 2000, Liberty Lake Sewer District,
22510 E. Mission Ave., 5:30-8:30 PM

March 14, 2000, Freeman High School,
14626 S. Jackson Rd., 5:30-8:30 PM

March 16, 2000, Airway Heights Community
Center, 13120 W.13th Ave., 5:30-8:30PM

March 21, 2000, Northwood Middle School,
12130 N. Pittsburg, 5:30-8:30 PM

March 23, 2000, Ferris High School Cafeteria,
3020 E. 37th, 5:30-8:30 PM

March 28, 2000, Horizon Junior High,
3915 S. Pines Road, 5:30-8:30 PM

March 30, 2000, Riverside High School,
4120 E. Deer Park-Milan Rd., 5:30-8:30 PM

The Internet

www.spokaneccounty.org/lrp

If you have access to the Internet, the complete Draft Plan 2000 will be available for you to view on the County website. The full text and the 30 maps will be in a .PDF format accessible by Acrobat Reader[®]. Webmaster Hal Allert has designed an interactive site to gather your comments.



Farm Expo

This year the planning staff will be attending the Country Life and Farm Expo at the Spokane Interstate Fairgrounds March 24-26 from 10:00 AM to 8:00 PM. We would like to talk to and hear from the rural people in our county about the latest changes in Draft Plan 2000 and how it affects their future.

Other Ways to Comment

If you would like to comment on the Draft Plan either verbally or with written comments, contact:
Tim Lawhead

Spokane County Public Works
1026 West Broadway Avenue
Spokane, Washington 99260-0240
509-477-7214

E-mail: tlawhead@spokaneccounty.org

As you can see, there are many ways to get involved. Choose the way that best fits your lifestyle and *be a part of the future!*

If your group or organization has a newsletter and you would like to post our open house dates, please contact Terry Liberty at 477-7230 or tliberty@spokaneccounty.org



Planning Commission Public Meetings

The Spokane County Planning Commission is putting in a lot of hours to update the Comprehensive Plan. Their meetings are held in the Commissioners Hearing Room in the basement of the Public Works Building at 1026 West Broadway, beginning at 9 am. The meeting dates are:

March 16th+, and 20th*, 30th,
April 13th+, and 27th.
(*joint Planning Commission meeting)
(+regular meeting televised)



Please call to confirm meeting date, time, place, and agenda. Planning Commission meeting agendas and minutes are available by subscription, e-mail, or on our website. Contact Kris Chase at 477-7200 ext 7216.

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