

Forum 3: Implementation

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Welcome

- Introductions
- Purpose of a county comprehensive plan

Format of our plan

- Introduction
- Larger context
- Topics of concern: Forum 1
- Opportunities & challenges: Forum 2
- Implementation: Forum 3

The plan focuses on building resiliency for agriculture in the county through:

- Risk reduction & mitigation strategies
- Smart land-use planning
- Availability to education and expertise
- Expanding local leadership to promote Jasper County agriculture

Implementation Process

Implementation includes

- Specific strategy description
- Objectives
- Options for partnerships
- Potential action items & time-line

Highlighting collaborate with:

- Organizations
- Federal and state programs
- Regional groups
- Member of the non-farming community

Farming Preservation Board

- **Objectives**
 - Build relationships between the farming & non-farming community
 - Demonstrate Jasper County's commitment to agriculture
 - Facilitate land-use planning discussions to further the preservation of farmland in the county
 - Expand local leadership
 - Support for young & beginning farmers
- **Partnerships**
- **Action Items**
 - Formation of voluntary board
 - Comprised of farming, non-farming & business community
 - Develop mission statement
 - Launch messaging and branding campaign for Jasper County agriculture

Farmer-led Programs

- **Objectives**
 - Collaborating with regional organizations/agencies on conservation
 - Develop farmer-led model to address areas of environmental concern
 - Making conservation visible in the county
- **Partnerships**
- **Action Items**
 - Voluntary programs
 - Farmer led watershed council
 - South Skunk River Water Quality Initiative
 - Farmer led conservation compliance program
 - Farmstead, cropping, livestock, forest, wetland & habitat systems
 - Crop strategy planning
 - Mixed varieties and maturities

Education: Connect the County

- **Objectives**
 - Increase visibility of agricultural activities
 - Promote access to technical assistance events
 - Support events that demonstrate Jasper County agriculture
- **Partnerships**
- **Action Items**
 - Petition for field days, workshops and forums to be located in Jasper County
 - Meet the buyers events
 - Increase county website events page
 - County website www.co.jasper.ia.us
 - Educational materials

Next Steps

- Upcoming draft plan will be submitted to Synder & Associates November 2019
- For further comment
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- Thank you Jasper County