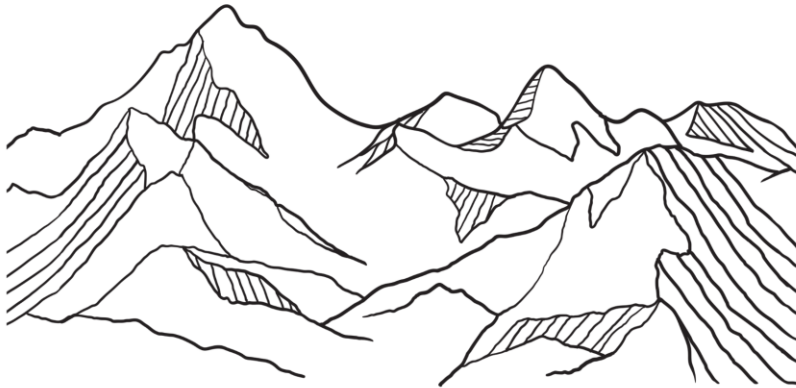


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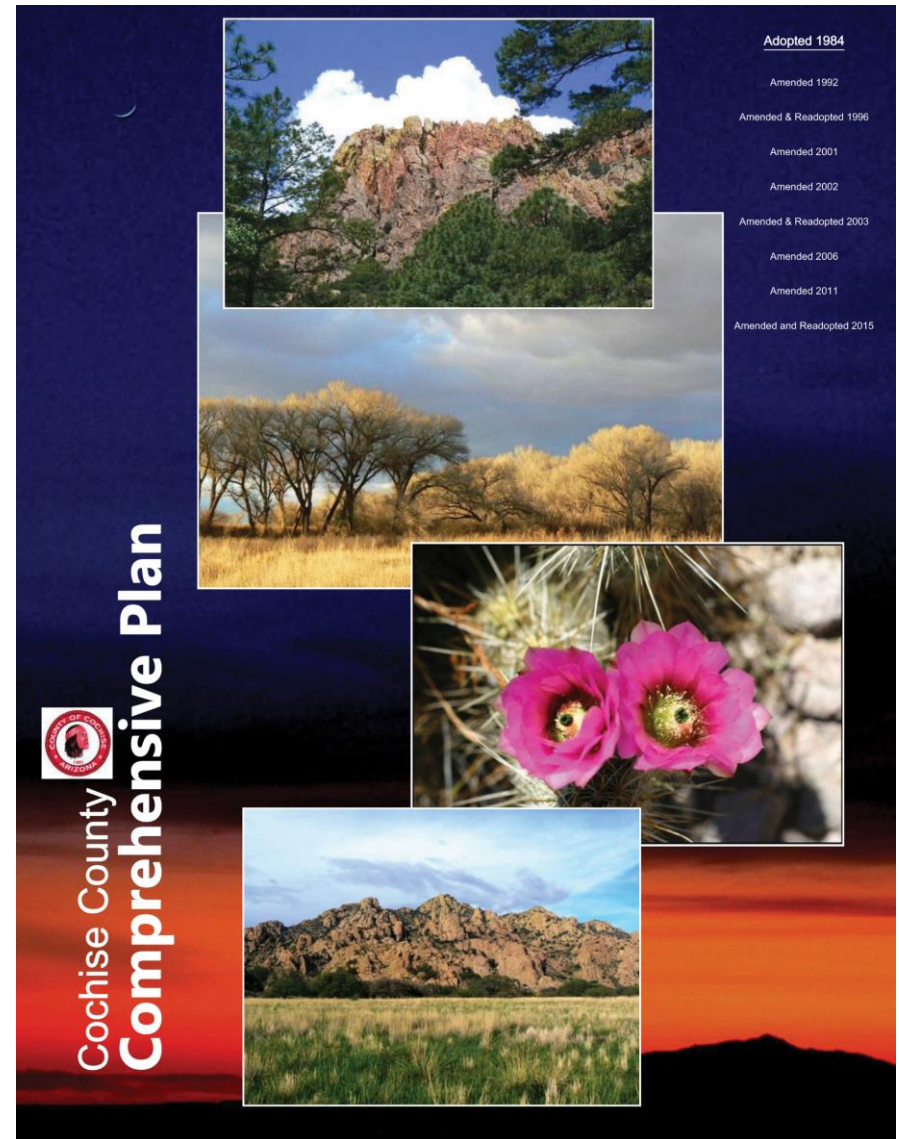


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May 7, 2024

Plan Purpose

- Guide development pursuant to the present and future needs.
- Assist the planning commission and the board of supervisors in performing their duties.
- Address specific policies and considerations included in ARS 11-804.



The image shows the cover of the Cochise County Comprehensive Plan. It features a dark blue background with several landscape photographs: a rocky mountain peak with green trees, a field of yellow wildflowers under a cloudy sky, a close-up of pink cholla cactus flowers, and a field of green grass with a rocky mountain range in the background. On the left side, the text "Cochise County Comprehensive Plan" is written vertically in white. On the right side, a list of amendments and adoptions is provided.

Cochise County
Comprehensive Plan

Adopted 1984
Amended 1992
Amended & Readopted 1996
Amended 2001
Amended 2002
Amended & Readopted 2003
Amended 2006
Amended 2011
Amended and Readopted 2015

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Timeline

- A comprehensive plan is effective for up to 10 years from the date the plan was initially adopted or until the plan is readopted or a new plan is adopted.
- The current plan was adopted May 2015.
- Spring 2025 adoption date for the update is proposed.

INTRODUCTION

The State of Arizona requires each county to update their comprehensive plans every 10 years. A comprehensive plan is a long-range planning document that takes a holistic approach to growth and development. It is the primary tool for guiding the future of Cochise County. Overall, the purpose is to guide sustainable and equitable development, promote economic vitality, preserve natural and cultural resources, and enhance the overall quality of life for residents both now and in the future.

KEY GOALS

- IDENTIFY STRENGTHS & CHALLENGES
- PRIORITIZE ACTION ITEMS
- GUIDE DECISION-MAKING
- ALIGN PLANNING WITH BOARD PRIORITIES
- CREATE A UNIFYING VISION



APRIL 2024

Project Kick-off

- Develop timeline and outline
- Develop public engagement strategy
- Identify stakeholders
- Board of Supervisor Work Session (X/XX)

APRIL-DEC 2024

Plan Development

- Launch public engagement
- Stakeholder coordination
- Draft plan creation



DECEMBER 2024

Work Session

- Finalize draft plan
- Work Session, Planning & Zoning Commission



DEC 24-FEB 2025

60-Day Review

- Mandatory transmittal
- 60-day agency review
- Make document edits based on recommendations



FEB 2025

Recommendations

- Public Hearing, Planning & Zoning Commission
- Make document edits based on recommendations



MARCH 2025

Adoption

- Public Hearing, Board of Supervisors
 - Adoption by Resolution
 - Post to County Website
 - Begin Zoning Amendments



Public Input

Key goals – get ideas and feedback from the public with an informative, interactive, wide-ranging, transparent, and well-organized public outreach campaign.

Online communication:

- Develop a webpage devoted to the project, which includes an engagement hub. Within the hub, include project information, regular project updates, surveys, staff contact information, project email signup, and newsletters.
- Social media – over 70% of Americans use some form of social media. Sites like Facebook and NextDoor provide an online platform for the community to discuss shared interests. Embed links the project webpage/engagement hub within social media posts.
- Online/virtual meetings.
- Online surveys.

Public Input



Instagram Squares



Facebook Posts

Public Input



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Community Meeting
June XX, 2024
Location



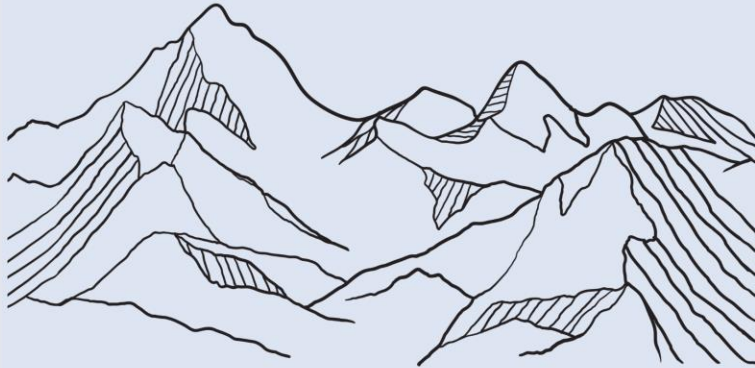
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Day
Time

Location

Map



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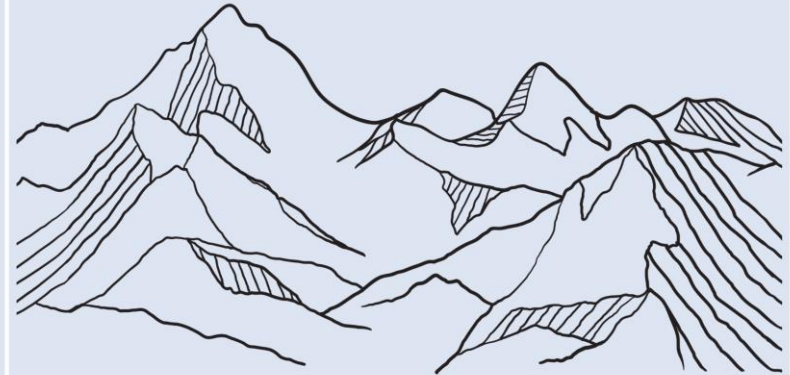


1. Learn about
the Plan

2. Take a
survey /sign up
for updates

3. Attend a
meeting (or
two)

4. Encourage
family and
friends to
participate



Learn more!



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Off-line communication:

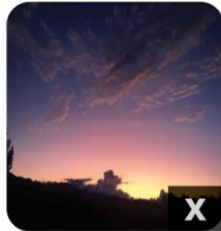
- Develop flyers, which can be handed out at public events, placed in public spaces, and around county offices. Also, work with local community organizations to display or distribute flyers
- In person community meetings
- Outreach to municipalities in Cochise County and their councils
- Work sessions with the Board and the Planning and Zoning Commission

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- Information about Cochise County and its history
- Demographics
- Previous Plans
- Community Engagement in the planning process



ARTICLE 2 AMENDMENTS

- Major Amendments
- Minor Amendments



ARTICLE 3 LAND USE

- Types of Land Use
- Density and Intensity by Land Use
- Land Use and Zoning Compatibility
- Compact Development
- Air Quality
- Access to incident solar energy
- Sources of Aggregate
- Territory in the vicinity of a military airport
- Goals and Strategies



ARTICLE 4 CIRCULATION

- Vehicular Circulation
- Bikes and Pedestrian Circulation
- Railroads
- Transit
- Airports
- Goals and Strategies



ARTICLE 5 WATER RESOURCES

- Surface Water, Groundwater, Effluent
- Water Demand
- Water Service for Future Growth
- Goals and Strategies



ARTICLE 6 ENERGY

- Energy Efficiencies Incentives
- Renewable Energy Incentives
- Goals and Strategies

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- Area Plans

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Adoption Process

- Create draft
- 60-day review transmittal
- Make corrections, final draft
- Public Hearing before Planning and Zoning Commission
- Public Hearing before Board of Supervisors, Adopt by Resolution

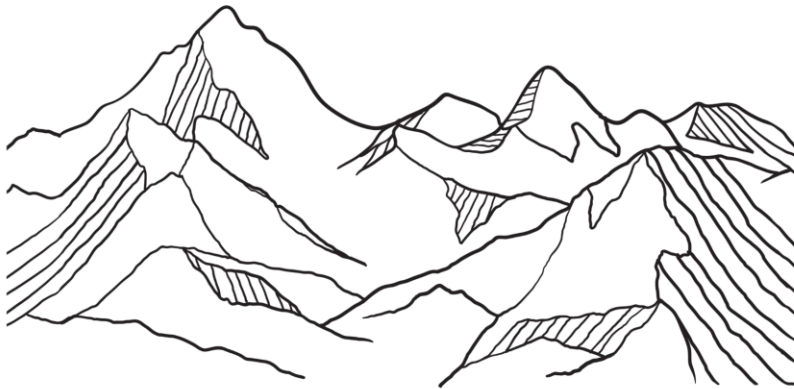
Board Feedback and Direction

- Are there any other elements the Board would like to see addressed in the Comprehensive Plan?
- How much involvement would the board like in the process? (Number and frequency of updates from staff)
- **Does the Board wish to authorize staff to initiate the Comprehensive Planning process?**

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