



## IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY

Implementation of the LRMP calls for County officials to administer a set of refined and updated Champaign County land use and resource management policies. The LRMP Implementation Strategy is a compilation of information for use by Champaign County officials to achieve the goals objectives and policies of the LRMP. The Implementation Strategy details tasks, potential responsible parties, suggested time frames for completion, and a recommended local priority to each action and project. The Implementation Strategy is based on:

- issues and trends identified in the LRMP Existing Conditions and Trends Report;
- LRMP goals, objectives and policies;
- public input garnered throughout the LRMP planning process; and
- input from the LRMP Steering Committee and County Board officials

The LRMP Implementation Strategy includes:

- a list of priority items regarding implementation of the LRMP goals, objectives and policies for annual review by the Environment and Land Use Committee of the County Board (ELUC) and County Board members
- assumptions regarding potential funding sources to accomplish identified priority items
- suggested time frames for completion of priority items
- potential responsible parties to complete priority items
- discussion of future planning topics for consideration
- recommended procedure for monitoring LRMP implementation
- recommended procedure for future revisions to the LRMP

County implementation actions (i.e., 'priority items') are identified for each proposed LRMP policy and for each proposed 'stand-alone' LRMP objective (i.e., those LRMP objectives with no associated LRMP policy at present). Information regarding potential responsible parties and potential funding sources is provided for each proposed implementation priority item.

### Assigned Timeframe

Each proposed implementation priority item is assigned a suggested timeframe for completion. The assignment of time frame categories to each priority item is based on factors that include: time limit stated within a LRMP objective or policy; estimated availability of County staff resources and time with which to complete a priority item; and potential funding availability. The suggested time frame categories are:

- Ongoing** ... already in progress and to be continued
- Immediate** ... to be implemented immediately upon LRMP adoption
- Near Term** ... to be implemented within 1 - 3 years of LRMP adoption
- Mid Term** ... to be implemented within 3 - 6 years of LRMP adoption
- Long Term** ... to be implemented within 6 - 10 years of LRMP adoption

The Environment and Land Use Committee of the County Board (ELUC) and County Board members will select and prioritize the priority items included in this Implementation Strategy on a year-to-year basis. A summary of larger scale priority items for ELUC and County Board consideration, found on Page 7, includes the suggested timeframes of the Implementation Strategy.

Several proposed LRMP priority items can be affected through text amendments to the existing Champaign County Zoning Ordinance and administered with existing County staff resources.

The text amendment process to review and approve these proposed Zoning Ordinance modifications could begin within the first year following LRMP adoption, if the County Board so chooses. The text amendment review procedure would be: (1) review proposed amendment with ELUC; (2) proceed with text amendment after ELUC approves the general amendment; and (3) review proposed Zoning Ordinance text amendments at the Champaign County Zoning Board of Appeals, and follow with ELUC and County Board review and adoption.

Various proposed LRMP priority items will require text amendments to the County's existing Subdivision Regulations or other existing County ordinances. A similar sequence of review would be: (1) review proposed amendment with ELUC; (2) proceed with text amendment after ELUC approves the general amendment; and (3) review proposed text amendments at appropriate County Committee, and follow with ELUC review (as may be necessary) and County Board review and adoption.

### **Potential Funding Sources**

In order to implement the identified LRMP priority items, funding sources must be found and successfully solicited for funding. Funding sources are assumed to be available at federal, state, and local levels. In some cases different funds can be combined to complete a project (e.g., federal and state funding can sometimes be combined to fully fund a project). Alternatively, other funding sources at the federal and state levels require a local funding match.

Funding sources described below are organized based on general topics related to LRMP goal and objectives. In some cases, funding sources may be applicable to multiple themes. Funding sources listed do not represent all potential sources of available funding; these sources are available at the time of publication but might not necessarily remain available in the future.

#### ***Federal***

##### Transportation

- Surface Transportation Program (STP) provides funding for all types of transportation projects, including pedestrian and bicycle facilities. Within STP funding, there are several unique funding programs:
  - Safety: 10% of STP funds are available only for safety programs such as railway-highway crossing projects and hazard elimination.
  - Transportation Enhancements: 10% of STP funds are available for projects that include pedestrian and bicycle facilities, educational programs, landscaping, and historic preservation.
- Appropriation Earmarks  
The federal government creates a transportation appropriations bill every six years. Within this bill, a small percentage of the funding goes to earmarked projects garnered through political support and based on community need. Earmarked funds are used in almost any type of transportation construction project. While this can be a significantly large funding source opportunity, it also is the least frequent (every six years or more), can have a long process (SAFETEA-LU took two years to be passed), and is the least likely to be successful due to the national competition for earmarks.

##### Public Infrastructure

- The Economic Development Administration has a variety of programs that can help communities plan for, construct, and implement economic development initiatives.

Funding is available for buildings, infrastructure, planning, research, and collaborative efforts with universities.

- US Department of Agriculture has grant and loan programs designed specifically for rural communities. Programs include grants for businesses, economic development, and community facilities.

Energy Conservation

- The US Department of Energy can fund upgrades to power systems such as geothermal energy for schools.

Natural Resources

- Environmental Protection Agency offers numerous grant programs, including programs related to watershed protection and management, wetland preservation, research, education, cleanup, plants and animals.
- US Department of Agricultural funds air quality, water quality and other initiatives related to natural resources.
- US Army Corps of Engineers funds civil works, floodplain management services and aquatic ecosystem restoration services.

Parks, Preserves and Recreation

- National Park Service provides grants for stewardship of state and local parks.

Historic and Cultural Resources

- National Park Service provides grants for educational programs and the preservation of historic properties and cultural artifacts.
- National Endowment for the Humanities provides grants for preservation and conservation of collections and on a more limited scale, facilities improvements.

**State**

Transportation

- Motor Fuel Taxes (MFT) are collected on each gallon of gasoline/diesel sold in the state. The funds are then distributed to:
  - Municipalities, based on population
  - Counties, based on the number of vehicle registrations in their jurisdiction;
  - Road districts/townships, based on their proportion of total road mileage in the state

MFT monies can be used for roadway construction and maintenance projects with the authorization of the IDOT District office. Allocations are provided monthly and are a relatively stable source of external income for local governments.

- *Bonds* are debt obligations issued by states, cities, counties and other governmental entities to raise money to build projects for their communities. Issuing a bond often requires a referendum to determine if the public backs the idea. Bonds can be used to pay for a variety of projects such as roadway improvements, libraries, and schools. Bonds can be repaid using such tools as: property tax levies that sometimes are assessed only in areas benefitting from the improvement; sales taxes, and special fees (i.e., sewer fees, parking fees, etc.)
- Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program provides funding for community based projects that expand travel choices and enhance the transportation experience by improving the cultural, historic, aesthetic and environmental aspects of transportation infrastructure.

- Illinois Commerce Commission facilitates construction of railroad crossing safety projects through its Grade Crossing Protection Fund.
- Gas tax increases can be used to fund transportation projects at the state level. Counties and municipalities can also institute a gas tax to help pay for one or more transportation projects or for general transportation system maintenance and operation.

#### Public Infrastructure

- Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity administers the Community Development Assistance Program (CDAP), which assists in financing eligible economic development, public facilities and housing rehabilitation projects.

#### Public Services

- The State of Illinois' Capital Development Board is responsible for construction and renovation of state-owned facilities such as colleges, prisons, and government buildings, and also can assist local areas with school construction through its School Construction Grant Program.

#### Historic and Cultural Resources

- The Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity provides grants through its Tourism Attraction Development Grant Program (TAP) and other similar programs.
- The Illinois State Museum offers grants through its Illinois Public Museum Grants Program.

#### Parks, Preserves, and Recreation

- Illinois Department of Natural Resources offers grants for land acquisition and development, trails, and other recreational facilities.

#### Natural Resources

- Illinois Department of Natural Resources through its Office of Resource Conservation offers grants to help protect, acquire, enhance or manage wildlife habitat, including research and education.
- The Illinois Department of Agriculture offers a Sustainable Agriculture Grant Program to facilitate research, education, and on-farm demonstration projects regarding sustainable agricultural practices.

### **Local**

#### ▪ Local Budgets

County, municipal, and township budgets all potentially have funding available for roadway construction, infrastructure, and other types of improvements. In most cases, plans for how to spend that funding are found in a Capital Improvements Plan (CIP), which generally extends for 10 years, or another shorter term project plan.

#### ▪ Private Contributions

Private donations of land, capital, or infrastructure can be essential to initiating and/or completing a project. As private businesspersons, developers will often give something extra to a development such as open space or a shared-use path. They may also sometimes make roadway improvements in anticipation of the traffic their establishment might create. Public-private partnerships help remove some of the burden from government budgets while promoting community involvement and interest in a project.

- **Special Assessments**  
This type of funding is a one-time charge that state and local governments may impose on property owners who benefit from the construction of adjacent road or sewer lines. A bond is issued to cover the initial costs, and the property owners pay their share over a pre-determined time period.
- **Special Service Area**  
Business and property owners may choose to create a special service area (SSA) in concert with a local government entity. Taxes or assessments (with a term that typically runs between 10 and 20 years) are determined fairly based on proportioning a property's equalized assessed value or width of property frontage or property area. SSA's may fund such things as marketing, infrastructure improvements, or unique street signs. An SSA must be approved by a majority of the benefitting property owners and businesses.
- **Local Special Tax**  
Special taxes can be levied at the municipal or county level in order to raise funds for community needs. Examples of this include increasing the sales tax to fund schools and levying a local gas tax to pay for road improvements.
- **Bonds** (see state funding section)

### **Topics for Further Consideration**

There are several topics that were discussed during the LRMP planning process, but still require discussion among stakeholders and a more detailed analysis to permit their complete resolution.

- **Economic Development Element**  
During the creation of the goals, objectives, and policies, consideration was given to several economic development statements which were ultimately rejected in favor of a generalized statement regarding prosperity. Future consideration of the intrinsic links between economic development, land use, and infrastructure would promote logical economic development and prosperity in Champaign County. Such a discussion would not necessarily begin with the Champaign County Board, but the Board should be an integral part of economic development despite it not being fully discussed during the LRMP planning process.
- **Housing Element**  
Early discussion of the goals, objectives and policies included having a Housing element in the plan that focused on ensuring provision of a range of housing types and costs. This discussion changed focus over time to center on the quantity of housing that the County should allow in rural areas. Future consideration of providing a variety of housing types and costs is an important step toward improving quality of life in Champaign County. Such a discussion could be initiated by a variety of agencies and should involve the County when appropriate.

An unresolved issue related to provision of adequate housing in the County that is noted in the LRMP Existing Conditions and Trends Report is the existing County zoning classification of certain unincorporated residential areas. The County Zoning Ordinance assigned non-residential zoning to some unincorporated residential areas and made them nonconforming. Such conflicts prohibit significant investment and repairs in residences and leads to a general decline in the residential environment.

## Monitoring LRMP Implementation

The LRMP includes objectives and policies that call for a regular schedule of plan updates, including:

- Preparation of an annual report that informs County Board members of trends or new development with regard to land resource management conditions within the County.
- Based on the annually prepared report of trends and new developments to the County Board, provide a recommendation to ELUC regarding minor LRMP changes each year. Provide public notice of proposed LRMP changes and invite public input regarding proposed changes.
- Approximately ten years after Champaign County adoption of the LRMP, after such time that relevant U.S. Census data becomes available, prepare and submit a proposal to ELUC and County Board regarding the LRMP comprehensive update. The proposal should encompass guidelines for establishing a Steering Committee.

Annual reviews will facilitate improved tracking and record-keeping of progress toward implementation, and allow for an easier, more efficient comprehensive update. The annual and comprehensive reviews cycle will begin at the time of County Board adoption of the LRMP.

Ongoing opportunities for citizen input will remain an essential component of the LRMP review and maintenance process. Efforts to inform the public and to allow for their effective participation as the LRMP is reviewed and updated are described as follows:

- LRMP Website  
The LRMP website (<http://www.ccrpc.org/planning/planningservices/lrmpcc/lrmpcc.php>) established by the Champaign County Regional Planning Commission will be maintained, providing a means to both share information with the public about development of the LRMP and to facilitate public feedback regarding the LRMP. The website will include the annual update reports to the County Board, and information regarding agendas, meetings pertaining to the future comprehensive review of the LRMP.
- Public Notice of LRMP Meetings  
A public notice of LRMP Steering Committee Meetings will be published as per the Illinois Open Meetings Act.
- Public Service Announcements (PSAs) and Press Releases  
PSA's and press releases that include information about the LRMP updates and opportunities for ongoing public participation in the LRMP annual and comprehensive reviews will be issued.
- Public Meetings  
The future comprehensive review of the LRMP will include opportunities for public input.

### List of Proposed LRMP Priority Items

The following list of proposed LRMP priority items are sorted based on each LRMP objective and policy. The suggested timeline for each proposed priority item is included. Information regarding the potential responsible parties for each priority item is listed, along with a potential funding source for completion of the priority item.

The following table displays the proposed timeframe of the larger scale proposed LRMP priority items:

#### Proposed Timeframe of Larger Scale LRMP Priority Items for County Board Consideration

<p><b>Near Term</b></p> <p>To be completed within 1 - 3 years of LRMP adoption....</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Amend Champaign County Zoning Ordinance to include provisions of LRMP goals, objectives and policies (GOPs)</li> <li>2) Amend other Champaign County ordinances to include provisions of LRMP goals, objectives and policies (GOPs)</li> <li>3) Complete required revisions to Phase II NPDES Storm Water Management Program [Priority Item 8.4.5a]</li> <li>4) Work with County Facilities Committee toward the completion of an energy audit for County facilities. [Priority Item 9.1.3]</li> <li>5) Submit a proposal to ELUC regarding Champaign County review of recommended changes to the Site Assessment Portion of LESA [Priority Items 4.5a &amp; b]</li> </ol>
<p><b>Mid Term</b></p> <p>To be implemented within 3 - 6 years of LRMP adoption....</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6) Submit a proposal to ELUC regarding adopting a building code and a property maintenance code for unincorporated Champaign and proceed with ELUC recommendations [Priority Items 6.3a &amp; b; 6.1.4b &amp; c]</li> <li>7) Submit proposal to ELUC for development of a multi-jurisdictional countywide transportation plan that is consistent with the LRMP [Priority Item 7.2.1]</li> <li>8) Submit proposal to ELUC regarding comprehensive update of the Champaign County Waste Management Plan [Priority Items 6.4a &amp; b]</li> </ol>
<p><b>Long Term</b></p> <p>To be implemented within 6 - 10 years of LRMP adoption ....</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9) Submit proposal to ELUC regarding adopting a voluntary purchase or transfer of development rights program in Champaign County [Priority Items 4.6.1a &amp; b]</li> <li>10) Submit proposal to ELUC regarding the feasibility of developing <i>rural</i> landscape character design guidelines for the County and followup regarding ELUC recommendation [Priority Items 4.9.1a &amp; b]</li> <li>11) Submit proposal to ELUC regarding developing a natural resource assessment system and complete development of such a system [Priority Items 8.9a &amp; b]</li> <li>12) Submit proposal to ELUC to research possible voluntary incentives consistent with Policy 8.7.5 for application in the County [Priority Item 8.7.5a]</li> <li>13) Submit proposal to ELUC and County Facilities Committee to identify historic structures, places and landscapes in the County [Priority Item 10.1.1b]</li> <li>14) After the 2010 U.S. Census data becomes available, submit a proposal to ELUC regarding the LRMP comprehensive update [Priority Items 1.4.1 &amp; 1.4.2]</li> </ol>

## Implementation Strategy Sorted by Goals

### GOAL 1 PLANNING AND PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

Champaign County will attain a system of land resource management planning built on broad public involvement that supports effective decision making by the County.

	Priority Items
<p><b>Objective 1.1</b>  <b>GUIDANCE ON LAND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT DECISIONS</b>                      Champaign County will consult the LRMP that formally establishes County land resource management policies and serves as an important source of guidance for the making of County land resource management decisions.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 1.1a</b> Review all zoning map amendments for conformance to relevant GOPs.                      Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir                      Suggested Timeframe: Immediate                      Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 1.1b</b> Amend relevant Champaign County ordinances (e.g., Zoning, Subdivision, Stormwater, etc.).                      Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir                      Suggested Timeframe: Near Term                      Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Objective 1.2 UPDATING OFFICIALS ON LAND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT CONDITIONS</b>                      Champaign County will annually update County Board members with regard to land resource management conditions within the County.</p>	
<p><b>Policy 1.2.1</b>                      County planning staff will provide an annual update to County Board members with regard to land resource management conditions within the County.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 1.2.1</b> Prepare a report that informs County Board members of trends or new development with regard to land resource management conditions within the County each year.                      Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir                      Suggested Timeframe: Immediate, then Ongoing                      Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Objective 1.3 LRMP INCREMENTAL UPDATES</b>                      Champaign County will update the LRMP, incrementally, on an annual or biannual basis to make minor changes to the LRMP or to adjust boundaries of LRMP Future Land use Map areas to reflect current conditions (e.g., <i>contiguous urban growth areas</i>, or rural residential areas).</p>	
<p><b>Policy 1.3.1</b>                      ELUC will recommend minor changes to the LRMP after an appropriate opportunity for public input is made available.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 1.3.1</b> Based on the annually prepared report of trends and new developments (refer to Action 1.2.1), provide a recommendation to ELUC regarding LRMP map changes each year. Provide public notice of LRMP changes and invite public input regarding proposed changes.                      Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir                      Suggested Timeframe: Immediate, then Ongoing                      Funding Source: County General Fund</p>

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<p><b>Objective 1.4 LRMP COMPREHENSIVE UPDATES</b> Champaign County will comprehensively update the LRMP at a regular interval of no more than 15 or less than 10 years, to allow for the utilization of available updated census data and other information.</p>	
<p><b>Policy 1.4.1</b> A Steering Committee that is broadly representative of the constituencies in the County but weighted towards the unincorporated area will oversee comprehensive updates of the LRMP.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 1.4.1</b> Approximately 10 years after Champaign County adoption of the LRMP, and after relevant U.S. Census data becomes available, prepare and submit a proposal to ELUC and County Board regarding the LRMP comprehensive update. The proposal should encompass guidelines for establishing a Steering Committee, as indicated in Policy 1.4.1.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Long Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
	<p><b>Priority Item 1.4.2</b> In the proposal for the LRMP comprehensive update (refer to Priority Item 1.4.1), include opportunities for public and County Board input throughout the planning process.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: County Planner Suggested Timeframe: Long Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>

**GOAL 2 GOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION**

Champaign County will collaboratively formulate land resource and development policy with other units of government in areas of overlapping land use planning jurisdiction.

	Priority Items
<p><b>Objective 2.1 LOCAL AND REGIONAL COORDINATION</b> Champaign County will coordinate land resource management planning with all County jurisdictions and, to the extent possible, in the larger region.</p>	
<p><b>Policy 2.1.1</b> The County will maintain an inventory through the LRMP, of <i>contiguous urban growth areas</i> where connected sanitary service is already available or is planned to be made available by a public sanitary sewer service plan, and development is intended to occur upon annexation.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 2.1.1</b> Review municipal limits and <i>contiguous urban growth area</i> boundaries with municipal representatives on a regular basis in order to update LRMP Future Land Use Map and Land Management Area Map boundaries. Complete review and revisions to LRMP maps in time for preparation of the annual report to be provided to the County Board each January.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir/CCGIS Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund, CCGIS Fund</p>

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<p><b>Policy 2.1.2</b> The County will continue to work to seek a county-wide arrangement that respects and coordinates the interests of all jurisdictions and that provides for the logical extension of municipal land use jurisdiction by annexation agreements.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 2.1.2</b> Inform ELUC and County Board of Illinois legislation regarding coordination of interests of jurisdictions in Champaign County with regard to municipal annexations, and coordinate County efforts at the local level, consistent with Policy 2.1.2. <i>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir</i> <i>Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing</i> <i>Funding Source: County General Fund</i></p>
<p><b>Policy 2.1.3</b> The County will encourage municipal adoption of plan and ordinance elements which reflect a mutually consistent (County and municipality) approach to the protection of <i>best prime farmland</i> and other natural, historic, or cultural resources.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 2.1.3</b> Review municipal plan and ordinance elements for potential improvements with regard to reflecting a mutually consistent (County and municipality) approach to the protection of <i>best prime farmland</i> and other natural, historic, or cultural resources. Share recommendations with representatives of each municipality. <i>Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir</i> <i>Suggested Timeframe: Mid Term</i> <i>Funding Source: to be determined</i></p>
<p><b>Objective 2.2 INFORMATION SHARING</b> Champaign County will work cooperatively with other units of government to ensure that the CCGISC and CCRPC have the resources to effectively discharge their responsibilities to develop, maintain and share commonly used land resource management data between local jurisdictions and County agencies that will help support land use decisions.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 2.2</b> Continue ongoing support of CCGISC and CCRPC through County CCRPC membership fee, technical planning service contract with CCRPC, and funding support of CCGISC. <i>Potential Responsible Parties: ELUC/CC Finance Committee/County Board</i> <i>Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing</i> <i>Funding Source: County General Fund</i></p>

**GOAL 3 PROSPERITY**

Champaign County will encourage economic growth and development to ensure prosperity for its residents and the region.

	Priority Items
<p><b>Objective 3.1 BUSINESS CLIMATE</b> Champaign County will seek to ensure that it maintains comparable tax rates and fees, and a favorable business climate relative to similar counties.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 3.1a</b> During annual budget review and planning, consider the tax rates of similar Illinois counties and feasibility of proposing an adjustment to Champaign County tax rates. <i>Potential Responsible Party: County Administrator</i> <i>Suggested Timeframe: Near Term, then Ongoing</i> <i>Funding Source: County General Fund</i></p> <p><b>Priority Item 3.1b</b> Review fees of similar Illinois counties and propose adjustments to Champaign County fees, as appropriate. <i>Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir</i> <i>Suggested Timeframe: Near Term, then Ongoing</i> <i>Funding Source: County General Fund</i></p>

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<p><b>Objective 3.2 EFFICIENT COUNTY ADMINISTRATION</b> Champaign County will ensure that its regulations are administrated efficiently and do not impose undue costs or delays on persons seeking permits or other approvals.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 3.2</b> Continue to provide CCDPZ services in a timely and efficient manner using the resources available.  Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Objective 3.3 COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT POLICY</b> Champaign County will maintain an updated Champaign County Economic Development Policy that is coordinated with and supportive of the LRMP.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 3.3</b> Update the Champaign County Economic Development Policy to one that is coordinated with and supportive of the LRMP.  Potential Responsible Party: County Board Suggested Timeframe: Mid Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>

**GOAL 4 AGRICULTURE**  
Champaign County will protect the long term viability of agriculture in Champaign County and its land resource base.

Priority Items	
<p><b>Objective 4.1 AGRICULTURAL LAND FRAGMENTATION AND CONSERVATION</b> Champaign County will strive to minimize the fragmentation of the County’s agricultural land base and conserve farmland, generally applying more stringent development standards on <i>best prime farmland</i></p>	<p><b>Priority Item 4.1.1</b> Amend Champaign County Zoning Ordinance.  Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 4.1.2</b> Continue to implement the provisions of Policy 4.1.2.  Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 4.1.3</b> Continue to implement the provisions of Policy 4.1.3.  Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 4.1.1</b> Commercial agriculture is the highest and best use of land in the areas of Champaign County that are by virtue of topography, soil and drainage, suited to its pursuit. The County will not accommodate other land uses except under very restricted conditions or in areas of less productive soils.</p>	
<p><b>Policy 4.1.2</b> The County will guarantee all landowners a <i>by right development</i> allowance to establish a non-agricultural use, provided that public health, safety and site development regulations (e.g., floodplain and zoning regulations) are met.</p>	
<p><b>Policy 4.1.3</b> The <i>by right development</i> allowance is intended to ensure legitimate economic use of all property. The County understands that continued agricultural use alone constitutes a reasonable economic use of <i>best prime farmland</i> and the <i>by-right development</i> allowance alone does not require accommodating non farm development beyond the <i>by right development</i> allowance on such land.</p>	

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<p><b>Policy 4.1.4</b> The County will guarantee landowners of one or more lawfully created lots that are recorded or lawfully conveyed and are considered a <i>good zoning lot</i> the <i>by right development</i> allowance to establish a new single family dwelling or non agricultural land use on each such lot, provided that current public health, safety and transportation standards are met.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 4.1.4</b> Continue to implement the provisions of Policy 4.1.4.  Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 4.1.5</b> a. The County will allow landowner by <i>right development</i> that is generally proportionate to tract size, created from the January 1, 1998 configuration of tracts on lots that are greater than five acres in area, with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 1 new lot allowed per parcel less than 40 acres in area;</li> <li>▪ 2 new lots allowed per parcel 40 acres or greater in area provided that the total amount of acreage of <i>best prime farmland</i> for new by right lots does not exceed three acres per 40 acres; and</li> <li>▪ 1 authorized land use allowed on each vacant <i>good zoning lot</i> provided that public health and safety standards are met.</li> </ul> <p>b. The County will not allow further division of parcels that are 5 acres or less in size.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 4.1.5</b> Amend the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance.  Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 4.1.6</b> Provided that the use, design, site and location are consistent with County policies regarding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. suitability of the site for the proposed use;</li> <li>ii. adequacy of infrastructure and public services for the proposed use;</li> <li>iii. minimizing conflict with agriculture;</li> <li>iv. minimizing the conversion of farmland; and</li> <li>v. minimizing the disturbance of natural areas,</li> </ul> <p>then,</p> <p>a. on <i>best prime farmland</i>, the County may authorize discretionary residential development subject to a limit on total acres converted which is generally proportionate to tract size and is based on the January 1, 1998 configuration of tracts, with the total amount of acreage converted to residential use (inclusive of <i>by-right development</i>) not to exceed three acres plus three acres per each 40 acres (including any existing right-of-way), but not to exceed 12 acres in total; or</p> <p>b. on <i>best prime farmland</i>, the County may authorize non-residential <i>discretionary</i></p>	<p><b>Priority Item 4.1.6a</b> Continue to implement the provisions of Policy 4.1.6.  Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 4.1.6b</b> Make no changes in the review of Rural Residential Overlay rezoning cases until the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance has been amended to include the provisions of Policy 4.1.6.  Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Immediate Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 4.1.6c</b> Review all Zoning Map amendments for conformance to all relevant GOPs.  Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Immediate Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 4.1.6d</b> Amend the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance.  Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term</p>

<p><i>development; or</i></p> <p>c. the County may authorize <i>discretionary review</i> development on tracts consisting of other than <i>best prime farmland</i>.</p>	<p>Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 4.1.7</b> To minimize the conversion of <i>best prime farmland</i>, the County will require a maximum lot size limit on new lots established as <i>by right development on best prime farmland</i>.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 4.1.7</b> Continue to implement the provisions of Policy 4.1.7.  Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 4.1.8</b> The County will consider the LESA rating for farmland protection when making land use decisions regarding a <i>discretionary development</i>.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 4.1.8</b> Continue to implement the provisions of Policy 4.1.8.  Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 4.1.9</b> The County will set a minimum lot size standard for a farm residence on land used for agricultural purposes.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 4.1.9</b> Amend the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance.  Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Objective 4.2 DEVELOPMENT CONFLICTS WITH AGRICULTURAL OPERATIONS</b> Champaign County will require that each <i>discretionary review</i> development will not interfere with agricultural operations.</p>	
<p><b>Policy 4.2.1</b> The County may authorize a proposed business or other non-residential <i>discretionary review</i> development in a <i>rural</i> area if the proposed development supports agriculture or involves a product or service that is provided better in a <i>rural</i> area than in an <i>urban</i> area.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 4.2.1a</b> Continue to implement the provisions of Policy 4.2.1.  Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 4.2.1b</b> Make no changes in the review of Special Use Permits until the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance has been amended to include the provisions of Policy 4.2.1.  Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Immediate Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 4.2.1c</b> Amend the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance.  Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 4.2.2</b> The County may authorize <i>discretionary review</i> development in a <i>rural</i> area if the proposed development:</p> <p>a. is a type that does not negatively affect agricultural activities; or</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 4.2.2a</b> Continue to implement the provisions of Policy 4.2.2.  Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 4.2.2b</b> Make no changes in the</p>

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<p>b. is located and designed to minimize exposure to any negative affect caused by agricultural activities; and</p> <p>c. will not interfere with agricultural activities or damage or negatively affect the operation of agricultural drainage systems, <i>rural</i> roads, or other agriculture-related infrastructure.</p>	<p>review of Special Use Permits until the <i>Champaign County Zoning Ordinance</i> has been amended to include the provisions of Policy 4.2.2.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Immediate Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 4.2.2c</b> Review all Zoning Map amendments for conformance to all relevant GOPs.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Immediate Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 4.2.2d</b> Amend the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 4.2.3</b> The County will require that each proposed <i>discretionary development</i> explicitly recognize and provide for the right of agricultural activities to continue on adjacent land.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 4.2.3a</b> Review all Zoning Map amendments for conformance to all relevant GOPs.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Immediate Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 4.2.3b</b> Amend the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 4.2.4</b> To reduce the occurrence of agricultural land use and non-agricultural land use nuisance conflicts, the County will require that all <i>discretionary review</i> consider whether a buffer between existing agricultural operations and the proposed development is necessary.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 4.2.4a</b> Review all Zoning Map amendments for conformance to all relevant GOPs.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Immediate Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 4.2.4b</b> Amend the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Objective 4.3 SITE SUITABILITY FOR DISCRETIONARY REVIEW DEVELOPMENT</b> Champaign County will require that each <i>discretionary review</i> development is located on a suitable site.</p>	
<p><b>Policy 4.3.1</b> On other than <i>best prime farmland</i>, the County may authorize a <i>discretionary review</i> development provided that the site with proposed improvements is <i>suited overall</i> for the proposed land use.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 4.3.1a</b> Continue to implement the provisions of Policy 4.3.1.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p>

	<p><b>Priority Item 4.3.1b</b> Review all Zoning Map amendments for conformance to all relevant GOPs. Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Immediate Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 4.3.1c</b> Amend the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance. Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 4.3.2</b> On <i>best prime farmland</i>, the County may authorize a <i>discretionary review</i> development provided the site with proposed improvements is <i>well-suited overall</i> for the proposed land use.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 4.3.2a</b> Continue to implement the provisions of Policy 4.3.2. Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 4.3.2b</b> Review all Zoning Map amendments for conformance to all relevant GOPs. Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Immediate Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 4.3.2c</b> Amend the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance. Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 4.3.3</b> The County may authorize a <i>discretionary review</i> development provided that existing <i>public services</i> are adequate to support to the proposed development effectively and safely without undue public expense.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 4.3.3a</b> Continue to implement the provisions of Policy 4.3.3. Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 4.3.3b</b> Review all Zoning Map amendments for conformance to all relevant GOPs. Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Immediate Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 4.3.3c</b> Amend the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance. Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 4.3.4</b> The County may authorize a discretionary review development provided that existing public infrastructure, together with proposed improvements, is adequate to support the proposed development effectively and safely without undue public expense.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 4.3.4a</b> Continue to implement the provisions of Policy 4.3.4. Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p>

	<p><b>Priority Item 4.3.4b</b> Review all Zoning Map amendments for conformance to all relevant GOPs.  <b>Potential Responsible Party:</b> CCDPZ Dir  <b>Suggested Timeframe:</b> Immediate  <b>Funding Source:</b> County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 4.3.4c</b> Amend the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance.  <b>Potential Responsible Parties:</b>  County Planner/CCDPZ Dir  <b>Suggested Timeframe:</b> Near Term  <b>Funding Source:</b> County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 4.3.5</b>  On <i>best prime farmland</i>, the County will authorize a business or other non-residential use only if:</p> <p>a. it also serves surrounding agricultural uses or an important public need; and cannot be located in an <i>urban</i> area or on a less productive site; or</p> <p>b. the use is otherwise appropriate in a <i>rural</i> area and the site is very well suited to it.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 4.3.5a</b> Continue to implement the provisions of Policy 4.3.5.  <b>Potential Responsible Party:</b> CCDPZ Dir  <b>Suggested Timeframe:</b> Ongoing  <b>Funding Source:</b> County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 4.3.5b</b> Review all Zoning Map amendments for conformance to all relevant GOPs.  <b>Potential Responsible Party:</b> CCDPZ Dir  <b>Suggested Timeframe:</b> Immediate  <b>Funding Source:</b> County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 4.3.5c</b> Amend the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance.  <b>Potential Responsible Parties:</b>  County Planner/CCDPZ Dir  <b>Suggested Timeframe:</b> Near Term  <b>Funding Source:</b> County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Objective 4.4 REGULATIONS FOR RURAL RESIDENTIAL DISCRETIONARY REVIEW</b>  Champaign County will update County regulations that pertain to <i>rural</i> residential <i>discretionary review</i> developments to best provide for site specific conditions by 2010.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 4.4a</b> Make no changes in the review of Rural Residential Overlay rezoning cases until the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance has been amended to include the provisions of Policy 4.1.6.  <b>Potential Responsible Party:</b> CCDPZ Dir  <b>Suggested Timeframe:</b> Immediate  <b>Funding Source:</b> County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 4.4b</b> Amend the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance.  <b>Potential Responsible Parties:</b>  County Planner/CCDPZ Dir  <b>Suggested Timeframe:</b> Near Term  <b>Funding Source:</b> County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Objective 4.5</b>  <b>LESA SITE ASSESSMENT REVIEW AND UPDATES</b>  By the year 2012, Champaign County will review the Site Assessment portion of LESA for possible updates; thereafter, the County will periodically review the Site Assessment portion of LESA for potential updates at least once every 10 years.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 4.5a</b> Submit a proposal to ELUC for Champaign County review of recommended changes to the Site Assessment portion of LESA.  <b>Potential Responsible Parties:</b>  County Planner/CCDPZ Dir  <b>Suggested Timeframe:</b> Near Term  <b>Funding Source:</b> County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 4.5b</b> Prepare changes to the Site Assessment portion of LESA and submit changes</p>

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	<p>for public review and approval by ELUC and County Board.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir</p> <p>Suggested Timeframe: Near Term</p> <p>Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Objective 4.6 PROTECTING PRODUCTIVE FARMLAND</b> Champaign County will seek the means to encourage and protect productive farmland within the County.</p>	
<p><b>Policy 4.6.1</b> The County will utilize, as may be feasible, tools that allow farmers to permanently preserve farmland.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 4.6.1a</b> Submit a proposal to ELUC regarding the feasibility of adopting voluntary farmland preservation tools (e.g., easement donation, agricultural areas, Purchase (or Transfer) of Development Rights program) in Champaign County.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: County Planner</p> <p>Suggested Timeframe: Long Term</p> <p>Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 4.6.1b</b> Follow up recommended action by ELUC regarding establishment of voluntary farmland preservation tools (e.g., easement donation, agricultural areas, Purchase (or Transfer) of Development Rights program) in Champaign County.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: County Planner</p> <p>Suggested Timeframe: Long Term</p> <p>Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 4.6.2</b> The County will support legislation that promotes the conservation of agricultural land and related natural resources in Champaign County provided that legislation proposed is consistent with County policies and Ordinance, including those with regard to landowners' interests.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 4.6.2</b> Monitor and bring to the attention of ELUC and County Board any relevant legislation for any necessary action by the County.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Parties: CCDPZ Dir/County Planner</p> <p>Suggested Timeframe: Immediate, then Ongoing</p> <p>Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 4.6.3</b> The County will implement the agricultural purposes exemption, subject to applicable statutory and constitutional restrictions, so that all full- and part-time farmers and retired farmers will be assured of receiving the benefits of the agriculture exemption even if some non-farmers receive the same benefits.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 4.6.3</b> Continue to implement the provisions of Policy 4.6.3.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir</p> <p>Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing</p> <p>Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Objective 4.7 RIGHT TO FARM RESOLUTION</b> Champaign County affirms County Board Resolution 3425 pertaining to the right to farm in Champaign County.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 4.7</b> Provide a copy of County Board Resolution 3425 with each new rural residential zoning use permit for a new non-farm dwelling and for each new relevant zoning inquiry.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir</p> <p>Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing</p> <p>Funding Source: County General Fund</p>

<p><b>Objective 4.8</b> <b>LOCALLY GROWN FOODS</b> Champaign County acknowledges the importance of and encourages the production, purchase, and consumption of locally grown food.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 4.8</b> Monitor and pursue potential funding opportunities to achieve provisions of Objective 4.8. <b>Potential Responsible Party:</b> County Planner <b>Suggested Timeframe:</b> Mid Term <b>Funding Source:</b> County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Objective 4.9</b> <b>LANDSCAPE CHARACTER</b> Champaign County will seek to preserve the landscape character of the agricultural and <i>rural</i> areas of the County, and, at the same time, allow for potential <i>discretionary development</i> that supports agriculture or involves a product or service that is provided better in a <i>rural</i> area.</p>	
<p><b>Policy 4.9.1</b> The County will develop and adopt standards to manage the visual and physical characteristics of <i>discretionary development</i> in <i>rural</i> areas of the County.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 4.9.1a</b> Submit a proposal to ELUC regarding the feasibility of developing rural landscape character design and management guidelines for Champaign County. <b>Potential Responsible Parties:</b> County Planner/CCDPZ Dir <b>Suggested Timeframe:</b> Long Term <b>Funding Source:</b> County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 4.9.1b</b> Follow ELUC direction regarding development of rural landscape character design and management guidelines for Champaign County. <b>Potential Responsible Parties:</b> County Planner/CCDPZ Dir <b>Suggested Timeframe:</b> Long Term <b>Funding Source:</b> County General Fund</p>

**GOAL 5 URBAN LAND USE**

Champaign County will encourage *urban development* that is compact and contiguous to existing cities, villages, and existing unincorporated settlements.

Priority Items	
<p><b>Objective 5.1</b> <b>POPULATION GROWTH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</b> Champaign County will strive to ensure that the preponderance of population growth and economic development is accommodated by new <i>urban development</i> in or adjacent to existing population centers.</p>	
<p><b>Policy 5.1.1</b> The County will encourage new <i>urban development</i> to occur within the boundaries of incorporated municipalities.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 5.1.1a</b> Continue to administer the provisions of Policy 5.1.1. <b>Potential Responsible Party:</b> CCDPZ Dir <b>Suggested Timeframe:</b> Ongoing <b>Funding Source:</b> County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 5.1.1b</b> Continue to bring relevant</p>

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	<p>proposed municipal development to the attention of ELUC.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 5.1.1c</b> Amend the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 5.1.2</b></p> <p>a. The County will encourage that only compact and contiguous <i>discretionary development</i> occur within or adjacent to existing villages that have not yet adopted a municipal comprehensive land use plan.</p> <p>b. The County will require that only compact and contiguous <i>discretionary development</i> occur within or adjacent to existing unincorporated settlements.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 5.1.2a</b> Continue to administer the provisions of Policy 5.1.2.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 5.1.2b</b> Bring relevant proposed municipal development to the attention of ELUC.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 5.1.2c</b> Make no changes to the review of Special Use Permits until the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance has been amended to include the provisions of Policy 5.1.2.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Immediate Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 5.1.2d</b> Review all Zoning Map amendments for conformance to all relevant GOPs.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Immediate Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 5.1.2e</b> Amend the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 5.1.3</b></p> <p>The County will consider municipal extra-territorial jurisdiction areas that are currently served by or that are planned to be served by an available public sanitary sewer service plan as <i>contiguous urban growth areas</i> which should develop in conformance with the relevant municipal comprehensive plans. Such areas are identified on the 2030 Future Land Use Map.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 5.1.3a</b> Make no changes to the review of Special Use Permits until the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance has been amended to include the provisions of Policy 5.1.3.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Immediate Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 5.1.3b</b> Review all Zoning Map amendments for conformance to all relevant GOPs.</p>

	<p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Immediate Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 5.1.3c</b> Amend relevant Champaign County ordinances (e.g., Zoning, Subdivision, Stormwater, etc.).</p> <p>Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 5.1.4</b></p> <p>The County may approve <i>discretionary development</i> outside <i>contiguous urban growth areas</i>, but within municipal extra-territorial jurisdiction areas only if:</p> <p>a. the development is consistent with the municipal comprehensive plan and relevant municipal requirements;</p> <p>b. the site is determined to be <i>well-suited overall</i> for the development if on <i>best prime farmland</i> or the site is <i>suited overall</i>, otherwise; and</p> <p>c. the development is generally consistent with all relevant LRMP objectives and policies.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 5.1.4a</b> Make no changes to the review of Special Use Permits until the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance has been amended to include the provisions of Policy 5.1.4.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Immediate Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 5.1.4b</b> Review all Zoning Map amendments for conformance to all relevant GOPs.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Immediate Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 5.1.4c</b> Amend relevant Champaign County ordinances (e.g., Zoning, Subdivision, Stormwater, etc.).</p> <p>Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 5.1.5</b></p> <p>The County will encourage <i>urban development</i> to explicitly recognize and provide for the right of agricultural activities to continue on adjacent land.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 5.1.5a</b> Continue to administer the provisions of Policy 5.1.5.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 5.1.5b</b> Bring relevant proposed municipal development to the attention of ELUC.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 5.1.5c</b> Review all Zoning Map amendments for conformance to relevant GOPs.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Immediate Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 5.1.5d</b> Amend the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir</p>

	<p><b>Suggested Timeframe:</b> Near Term  <b>Funding Source:</b> County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 5.1.6</b>          To reduce the occurrence of agricultural land use and non-agricultural land use nuisance conflicts, the County will encourage and, when deemed necessary, will require <i>discretionary development</i> to create a sufficient buffer between existing agricultural operations and the proposed <i>urban development</i>.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 5.1.6a</b> Continue to administer the provisions of Policy 5.1.6.  <b>Potential Responsible Party:</b> CCDPZ Dir  <b>Suggested Timeframe:</b> Ongoing  <b>Funding Source:</b> County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 5.1.6b</b> Bring relevant proposed municipal development to the attention of ELUC.  <b>Potential Responsible Party:</b> CCDPZ Dir  <b>Suggested Timeframe:</b> Ongoing  <b>Funding Source:</b> County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 5.1.6c</b> Review all Zoning Map amendments for conformance to all relevant GOPs.  <b>Potential Responsible Party:</b> CCDPZ Dir  <b>Suggested Timeframe:</b> Immediate  <b>Funding Source:</b> County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 5.1.6d</b> Amend the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance.  <b>Potential Responsible Parties:</b>          County Planner/CCDPZ Dir  <b>Suggested Timeframe:</b> Near Term  <b>Funding Source:</b> County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 5.1.7</b>          The County will oppose new <i>urban development</i> or development authorized pursuant to a municipal annexation agreement that is located more than one and one half miles from a municipality's corporate limit unless the Champaign County Board determines that the development is otherwise consistent with the LRMP, and that such extraordinary exercise of extra-territorial jurisdiction is in the interest of the County as a whole.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 5.1.7a</b> Bring relevant proposed municipal development to the attention of ELUC.  <b>Potential Responsible Party:</b> CCDPZ Dir  <b>Suggested Timeframe:</b> Ongoing  <b>Funding Source:</b> County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 5.1.7b</b> Amend relevant Champaign County ordinances (e.g., Zoning, Subdivision, Stormwater, etc.).  <b>Potential Responsible Parties:</b>          County Planner/CCDPZ Dir  <b>Suggested Timeframe:</b> Near Term  <b>Funding Source:</b> County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 5.1.8</b>          The County will support legislative initiatives or intergovernmental agreements which specify that property subject to annexation agreements will continue to be under the ordinances, control, and jurisdiction of the County until such time that the property is actually annexed, except that within 1-1/2 miles of the corporate limit of a municipality with an adopted comprehensive land use plan, the subdivision ordinance of the municipality shall apply.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 5.1.8a</b> Monitor and bring to the attention of ELUC relevant legislation for any necessary action by the County.  <b>Potential Responsible Parties:</b>          CCDPZ Dir/County Planner  <b>Suggested Timeframe:</b> Ongoing  <b>Funding Source:</b> County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 5.1.8b</b> Assess and report to ELUC the feasibility of developing an intergovernmental agreement with each municipality that has adopted a municipal comprehensive land use plan that includes Policy 5.1.8 provisions.  <b>Potential Responsible Parties:</b></p>

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	<p>CCDPZ Dir/County Planner Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 5.1.9</b> The County will encourage any new <i>discretionary development</i> that is located within municipal extra-territorial jurisdiction areas and subject to an annexation agreement (but which is expected to remain in the unincorporated area) to undergo a coordinated municipal and County review process, with the municipality considering any <i>discretionary development</i> approval from the County that would otherwise be necessary without the annexation agreement.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 5.1.9</b> Bring relevant proposed municipal development to the attention of ELUC.  Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Objective 5.2 NATURAL RESOURCES STEWARDSHIP</b> When new <i>urban development</i> is proposed, Champaign County will encourage that such development demonstrates good stewardship of natural resources.</p>	
<p><b>Policy 5.2.1</b> The County will encourage the reuse and redevelopment of older and vacant properties within <i>urban land</i> when feasible.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 5.2.1a</b> Review all Zoning Map amendments for conformance to all relevant GOPs.  Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Immediate Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 5.2.1b</b> Amend relevant Champaign County ordinances (e.g., Zoning, Subdivision, Stormwater, etc.).  Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 5.2.2</b> The County will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. ensure that <i>urban development</i> proposed on <i>best prime farmland</i> is efficiently designed in order to avoid unnecessary conversion of such farmland; and</li> <li>b. encourage, when possible, other jurisdictions to ensure that <i>urban development</i> proposed on <i>best prime farmland</i> is efficiently designed in order to avoid unnecessary conversion of such farmland.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Priority Item 5.2.2a</b> Continue to administer the provisions of Policy 5.2.2.  Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 5.2.2b</b> Review all Zoning Map amendments for conformance to all relevant GOPs.  Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Immediate Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 5.2.2c</b> Amend relevant Champaign County ordinances (e.g., Zoning, Subdivision, Stormwater, etc.).  Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>

<p><b>Policy 5.2.3</b></p> <p>The County will:</p> <p>a. require that proposed new <i>urban development</i> results in no more than minimal disturbance to areas with significant natural environmental quality; and</p> <p>b. encourage, when possible, other jurisdictions to require that proposed new <i>urban development</i> results in no more than minimal disturbance to areas with significant natural environmental quality.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 5.2.3a</b> Review all Zoning Map amendments for conformance to all relevant GOPs.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Immediate Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 5.2.3b</b> Amend relevant Champaign County ordinances (e.g., Zoning, Subdivision, Stormwater, etc.).</p> <p>Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Objective 5.3 ADEQUATE PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE AND SERVICES</b></p> <p>Champaign County will oppose proposed new <i>urban development</i> unless adequate utilities, infrastructure, and <i>public services</i> are provided.</p>	
<p><b>Policy 5.3.1</b></p> <p>The County will:</p> <p>a. require that proposed new <i>urban development</i> in unincorporated areas is sufficiently served by available <i>public services</i> and without undue public expense; and</p> <p>b. encourage, when possible, other jurisdictions to require that proposed new <i>urban development</i> is sufficiently served by available <i>public services</i> and without undue public expense.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 5.3.1a</b> Continue to administer the provisions of Policy 5.3.1.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 5.3.1b</b> Review all Zoning Map amendments for conformance to all relevant GOPs.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Immediate Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 5.3.1c</b> Amend relevant Champaign County ordinances (e.g., Zoning, Subdivision, Stormwater, etc.).</p> <p>Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 5.3.2</b></p> <p>The County will:</p> <p>a. require that proposed new <i>urban development</i>, with proposed improvements, will be adequately served by <i>public infrastructure</i>, and that related needed improvements to <i>public infrastructure</i> are made without undue public expense; and</p> <p>b. encourage, when possible, other jurisdictions to require that proposed new <i>urban development</i>, with proposed improvements, will be adequately served by <i>public infrastructure</i>, and that related needed improvements to <i>public infrastructure</i> are made without undue public expense.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 5.3.2a</b> Continue to administer the provisions of Policy 5.3.2.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 5.3.2b</b> Review all Zoning Map amendments for conformance to all relevant GOPs.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Immediate Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 5.3.2c</b> Amend relevant Champaign County ordinances (e.g., Zoning, Subdivision, Stormwater, etc.).</p> <p>Potential Responsible Parties:</p>

	<p>County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 5.3.3</b> The County will encourage a regional cooperative approach to identifying and assessing the incremental costs of public utilities and <i>public services</i> imposed by new development.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 5.3.3</b> Submit a proposal to ELUC, County Board and CCRPC regarding County participation in a regional cooperative approach to identifying and assessing incremental costs of public utilities and <i>public services</i> imposed by new development.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: County Planner Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>

**GOAL 6 PUBLIC HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

Champaign County will ensure protection of the public health and public safety in land resource management decisions.

	Priority Items
<p><b>Objective 6.1</b> PROTECT PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY Champaign County will seek to ensure that development in unincorporated areas of the County does not endanger public health or safety.</p>	
<p><b>Policy 6.1.1</b> The County will establish minimum lot location and dimension requirements for all new <i>rural</i> residential development that provide ample and appropriate areas for onsite wastewater and septic systems.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 6.1.1a</b> Continue to administer the provisions of Policy 6.1.1. Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 6.1.1b</b> Review all Zoning Map amendments for conformance to all relevant GOPs. Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Immediate Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 6.1.1c</b> Amend the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance to reflect the requirements of the Champaign County Health Ordinance, and vice versa. Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 6.1.2</b> The County will ensure that the proposed wastewater disposal and treatment systems of <i>discretionary development</i> will not endanger public health, create nuisance conditions for adjacent uses, or negatively impact surface or groundwater quality.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 6.1.2a</b> Continue to administer the provisions of Policy 6.1.2. Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 6.1.2b</b> Review all Zoning Map amendments for conformance to all relevant GOPs.</p>

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	<p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Immediate Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 6.1.3</b> The County will seek to prevent nuisances created by light and glare and will endeavor to limit excessive night lighting, and to preserve clear views of the night sky throughout as much of the County as possible.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 6.1.3a</b> Review all Zoning Map amendments for conformance to all relevant GOPs. Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Immediate Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 6.1.3b</b> Amend relevant Champaign County ordinances (e.g., Zoning, Subdivision, Stormwater, etc.). Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 6.1.4</b> The County will seek to abate blight and to prevent and rectify improper dumping.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 6.1.4a</b> Continue to administer provisions of the Champaign County Public Nuisance Ordinance that relate to Policy 6.1.4. Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 6.1.4b</b> Submit a proposal to ELUC for a report on the feasibility of adopting a property maintenance code for unincorporated Champaign County. Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Mid Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 6.1.4c</b> Proceed with ELUC recommendations regarding the adoption of a property maintenance code for unincorporated Champaign County. Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Mid Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Objective 6.2 PUBLIC ASSEMBLY LAND USES</b> Champaign County will seek to ensure that public assembly, dependent population, and multifamily land uses provide safe and secure environments for their occupants.</p>	
<p><b>Policy 6.2.1</b> The County will require public assembly, dependent population, and multifamily premises built, significantly renovated, or established after 2010 to comply with the Office of State Fire Marshal life safety regulations or equivalent.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 6.2.1a</b> Review all Zoning Map amendments for conformance to all relevant GOPs. Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Immediate Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 6.2.1b</b> Amend relevant Champaign County ordinances to include provisions of Policy 6.2.1.</p>

	<p>Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 6.2.2</b> The County will require CC Liquor Licensee premises to comply with the Office of State Fire Marshal life safety regulations or equivalent by 2015.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 6.2.2</b> Amend County Liquor Ordinance.  Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 6.2.3</b> The County will require Champaign County Recreation and Entertainment Licensee premises to comply with the Office of State Fire Marshal life safety regulations or equivalent by 2015.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 6.2.3</b> Amend County Recreation and Entertainment Ordinance.  Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Objective 6.3 DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS</b> Champaign County will seek to ensure that all new non-agricultural construction in the unincorporated area will comply with a building code by 2015.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 6.3a</b> Submit a proposal to ELUC adopting a Building Code for unincorporated Champaign County.  Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Mid Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 6.3b</b> Proceed with ELUC recommendations regarding the adoption of a Building Code.  Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Mid Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Objective 6.4 COUNTYWIDE WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN</b> Champaign County will develop an updated <i>Champaign County Waste Management Plan</i> by 2015 to address the re-use, recycling, and safe disposal of wastes including: landscape waste; agricultural waste; construction/demolition debris; hazardous waste; medical waste; and municipal solid waste.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 6.4a</b> Submit proposal to ELUC and County Board regarding the comprehensive update of the Champaign County Waste Management Plan  Potential Responsible Party: County Planner Suggested Timeframe: Mid Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 6.4b</b> Proceed with ELUC recommendations regarding the preparation of an updated waste management plan for unincorporated Champaign County.  Potential Responsible Party: County Planner Suggested Timeframe: Mid Term Funding Source: to be determined</p>

**GOAL 7 TRANSPORTATION**

Champaign County will coordinate land use decisions in the unincorporated area with the existing and planned transportation infrastructure and services.

	Priority Items
<p><b>Objective 7.1</b> <b>TRAFFIC IMPACT ANALYSES</b> Champaign County will consider traffic impact in all land use decisions and coordinate efforts with other agencies when warranted.</p>	
<p><b>Policy 7.1.1</b> The County will include traffic impact analyses in <i>discretionary review</i> development proposals with significant traffic generation.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 7.1.1</b> Continue to administer the provisions of Policy 7.1.1.  Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Objective 7.2</b> <b>COUNTYWIDE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM</b> Champaign County will strive to attain a countywide transportation network including a variety of transportation modes which will provide rapid, safe, and economical movement of people and goods.</p>	
<p><b>Policy 7.2.1</b> The County will encourage development of a multi-jurisdictional countywide transportation plan that is consistent with the LRMP.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 7.2.1</b> Submit proposal to ELUC and County Board for development of a multi-jurisdictional countywide transportation plan that is consistent with the LRMP.  Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner and CUUATS Suggested Timeframe: Mid Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 7.2.2</b> The County will encourage the maintenance and improvement of existing County railroad system lines and services.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 7.2.2a</b> Establish and maintain contact with railroad systems with lines and services in Champaign County. Request to be notified regarding proposed grade crossing improvements at locations throughout Champaign County. Notify ELUC regarding proposed grade crossing improvements. Request County Board written support in the form of a letter be provided on a timely basis.  Potential Responsible Party: County Planner Suggested Timeframe: Immediate, then Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 7.2.2b</b> Monitor Transportation Service Board petitions for abandonments, mergers throughout Champaign County. Notify ELUC regarding such petitions. Request that County Board written comment in the form of a letter or resolution be provided on a timely basis.  Potential Responsible Party: County Planner Suggested Timeframe: Immediate, then Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p>

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<p><b>Policy 7.2.3</b> The County will encourage the maintenance and improvement of the existing County road system, considering fiscal constraints, in order to promote agricultural production and marketing.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 7.2.3</b> Continue to monitor and pursue potential funding opportunities to achieve provisions of Policy 7.2.3.  Potential Responsible Parties: County Highway Engineer and County Planner Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: to be determined</p>
<p><b>Policy 7.2.4</b> The County will seek to implement the County's Greenways and Trails Plan.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 7.2.4a</b> Monitor and pursue potential funding opportunities that may allow County involvement in completing a Champaign County Greenways and Trails Plan Priority Item.  Potential Responsible Party: County Planner Suggested Timeframe: Immediate, then Ongoing Funding Source: to be determined</p> <p><b>Priority Item 7.2.4b</b> Participate in the Greenways and Trails Committees that are coordinated by CCRPC.  Potential Responsible Party: County Planner Suggested Timeframe: Immediate, then Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 7.2.5</b> The County will seek to prevent establishment of incompatible <i>discretionary development</i> in areas exposed to noise and hazards of vehicular, aircraft and rail transport.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 7.2.5</b> Continue to administer the provisions of Policy 7.2.5.  Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 7.2.6</b> The County will seek to protect <i>public infrastructure</i> elements which exhibit unique scenic, cultural, or historic qualities.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 7.2.6</b> Monitor and pursue potential funding opportunities to establish an inventory of public infrastructure elements in Champaign County meeting the criteria of Policy 7.2.6.  Potential Responsible Party: County Planner Suggested Timeframe: Immediate, then Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p>

**GOAL 8 NATURAL RESOURCES**

Champaign County will strive to conserve and enhance the County’s landscape and natural resources and ensure their sustainable use.

	Priority Items
<p><b>Objective 8.1</b> <b>GROUNDWATER QUALITY AND AVAILABILITY</b> Champaign County will strive to ensure adequate and safe supplies of groundwater at reasonable cost for both human and ecological purposes.</p>	
<p><b>Policy 8.1.1</b> The County will not approve <i>discretionary development</i> using on-site water wells unless it can be reasonably assured that an adequate supply of water for the proposed use is available without impairing the supply to any existing well user.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.1.1a</b> Continue to administer the provisions of Policy 8.1.1. <i>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir</i> <i>Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing</i> <i>Funding Source: County General Fund</i></p> <p><b>Priority Item 8.1.1b</b> Make no changes to the review of Special Use Permits until the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance has been amended to include the provisions of Policy 8.1.1. <i>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir</i> <i>Suggested Timeframe: Immediate</i> <i>Funding Source: County General Fund</i></p> <p><b>Priority Item 8.1.1c</b> Review all Zoning Map amendments for conformance to all relevant GOPs. <i>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir</i> <i>Suggested Timeframe: Immediate</i> <i>Funding Source: County General Fund</i></p> <p><b>Priority Item 8.1.1d</b> Amend the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance. <i>Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir</i> <i>Suggested Timeframe: Near Term</i> <i>Funding Source: County General Fund</i></p>
<p><b>Policy 8.1.2</b> The County will encourage regional cooperation in protecting the quality and availability of groundwater from the Mahomet Aquifer.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.1.2a</b> Submit proposal to CCRPC Commissioners to review CCRPC capability of providing funds or other support to MAC as it seeks to implement a regional water supply plan. <i>Potential Responsible Party: County Planner</i> <i>Suggested Timeframe: Immediate</i> <i>Funding Source: County General Fund</i></p> <p><b>Priority Item 8.1.2b</b> Submit proposal to ELUC, Champaign County Finance Committee and County Board to review Champaign County capability to contribute funds to MAC to implement a regional water supply plan. <i>Potential Responsible Party: County Planner</i> <i>Suggested Timeframe: Immediate</i> <i>Funding Source: County General Fund</i></p>

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<p><b>Policy 8.1.3</b> As feasible, the County will seek to ensure that withdrawals from the Mahomet Aquifer and other aquifers do not exceed the long-term sustainable yield of the aquifer including withdrawals under potential drought conditions, particularly for shallow aquifers.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.1.3</b> As they become available, review MAC recommendations regarding measures to ensure that withdrawals from the Mahomet Aquifer and other aquifers in Champaign County do not exceed the long-term sustainable yield, as described in Policy 8.1.3. As appropriate, amend relevant Champaign County ordinances (e.g., Zoning, Subdivision, etc.).</p> <p>Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir</p> <p>Suggested Timeframe: Near Term, then Ongoing</p> <p>Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 8.1.4</b> To the extent that distinct recharge areas are identified for any aquifers, the County will work to prevent development of such areas that would significantly impair recharge to the aquifers.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.1.4</b> Monitor progress toward identification and mapping of distinct recharge areas in and adjacent to CC. In the event that such areas are identified, amend relevant Champaign County ordinances (e.g., Zoning, Subdivision, etc.) to prevent development of such areas.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir</p> <p>Suggested Timeframe: Near Term, then Ongoing</p> <p>Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 8.1.5</b> To the extent that groundwater in the County is interconnected with surface waters, the County will work to ensure that groundwater contributions to natural surface hydrology are not disrupted by groundwater withdrawals by <i>discretionary development</i>.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.1.5</b> Continue to administer the provisions of Policy 8.1.5.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir</p> <p>Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing</p> <p>Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 8.1.6</b> The County will encourage the development and refinement of knowledge regarding the geology, hydrology, and other features of the County's groundwater resources.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.1.6</b> Monitor and pursue potential joint grant opportunities for applied research regarding aspects of Champaign County groundwater resources.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: County Planner</p> <p>Suggested Timeframe: Immediate, then Ongoing</p> <p>Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 8.1.7</b> The County will ensure that existing and new developments do not pollute the groundwater supply.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.1.7</b> Continue to administer the provisions of Policy 8.1.7.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir</p> <p>Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing</p> <p>Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 8.1.8</b> The County will protect community well heads, distinct aquifer recharge areas and other critical areas from potential sources of groundwater pollution.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.1.8</b> Continue to administer the provisions of Policy 8.1.8.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir</p> <p>Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing</p> <p>Funding Source: County General Fund</p>

<p><b>Policy 8.1.9</b> The County will work to ensure the remediation of contaminated land or groundwater and the elimination of potential contamination pathways.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.1.9</b> Monitor IEPA annual reports and available data from IEPA and the MAC to identify contaminated land or groundwater areas requiring remediation in Champaign County. Submit proposal regarding Champaign County action or response for ELUC review and County Board adoption.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: County Planner Suggested Timeframe: Immediate, then Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Objective 8.2 SOIL</b> Champaign County will strive to conserve its soil resources to provide the greatest benefit to current and future generations.</p>	
<p><b>Policy 8.2.1</b> The County will strive to minimize the destruction of its soil resources by non-agricultural development and will give special consideration to the protection of <i>best prime farmland</i>. <i>Best prime farmland</i> is that comprised of soils that have a Relative Value of at least 85 and includes land parcels with mixed soils that have a Land Evaluation score of 85 or greater as defined in the LESA.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.2.1</b> Continue to administer the provisions of Policy 8.2.1.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Objective 8.3 UNDERGROUND MINERAL AND ENERGY RESOURCE EXTRACTION</b> Champaign County will work to ensure future access to its underground mineral and energy resources and to ensure that their extraction does not create nuisances or detract from the long-term beneficial use of the affected property.</p>	
<p><b>Policy 8.3.1</b> The County will allow expansion or establishment of underground mineral and energy resource extraction operations only if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) the operation poses no significant adverse impact to existing land uses;</li> <li>b) the operation creates no significant adverse impact to surface water quality or other natural resources; and</li> <li>c) provisions are made to fully reclaim the site for a beneficial use.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.3.1</b> Amend the <i>Champaign County Zoning Ordinance</i>.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Objective 8.4 SURFACE WATER PROTECTION</b> Champaign County will work to ensure that new development and ongoing land management practices maintain and improve surface water quality, contribute to stream channel stability, and minimize erosion and sedimentation.</p>	
<p><b>Policy 8.4.1</b> The County will incorporate the recommendations of adopted watershed plans in its policies, plans, and investments and in its <i>discretionary review</i> of new development.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.4.1a</b> Continue to administer the provisions of Policy 8.4.1.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p>

	<p><b>Priority Item 8.4.1b</b> Maintain an inventory of local and regional watershed plans to provide to the CCDPZ for review of applicable recommendations of local and regional watershed plans in <i>discretionary review</i> of new development.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: County Planner Suggested Timeframe: Immediate, then Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 8.4.2</b> The County will require stormwater management designs and practices that provide effective site drainage, protect downstream drainage patterns, minimize impacts on adjacent properties and provide for stream flows that support healthy aquatic ecosystems.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.4.2a</b> Continue to administer the provisions of Policy 8.4.2.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 8.4.2b</b> Amend relevant Champaign County ordinances</p> <p>Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 8.4.3</b> The County will encourage the implementation of agricultural practices and land management that promotes good drainage while maximizing stormwater infiltration and aquifer recharge.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.4.3a</b> Continue to administer the provisions of Policy 8.4.3.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 8.4.3b</b> Amend relevant Champaign County ordinances.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 8.4.4</b> The County will ensure that point discharges including those from new development, and including surface discharging on-site wastewater systems, meet or exceed state and federal water quality standards.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.4.4</b> Submit proposal to ELUC to research Champaign County options with regard to fulfilling Policy 8.4.4 provisions.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: County Planner Suggested Timeframe: Mid Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 8.4.5</b> The County will ensure that non-point discharges from new development meet or exceed state and federal water quality standards.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.4.5a</b> Complete required revisions to Phase II National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Storm Water Management Program.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Parties: CCDPZ Dir and consultant Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 8.4.5b</b> Administer the provisions of the updated Phase II NPDES Storm Water Management Program.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term, then Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p>



	<p><b>Priority Item 8.4.5c</b> Submit proposal to ELUC to research Champaign County options with regard to fulfilling Policy 8.4.5 provisions.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: County Planner Suggested Timeframe: Mid Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 8.4.6</b> The County recognizes the importance of the drainage districts in the operation and maintenance of drainage.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.4.6</b> Continue to recognize the importance of the drainage districts in the operation and maintenance of drainage.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Objective 8.5 AQUATIC AND RIPARIAN ECOSYSTEMS</b> Champaign County will encourage the maintenance and enhancement of aquatic and riparian habitats.</p>	
<p><b>Policy 8.5.1</b> For <i>discretionary development</i>, the County will require land use patterns, site design standards and land management practices that, wherever possible, preserve existing habitat, enhance degraded habitat and restore habitat.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.5.1</b> Amend Champaign County Zoning Ordinance.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 8.5.2</b> The County will require in its <i>discretionary review</i> that new development cause no more than minimal disturbance to the stream corridor environment.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.5.2</b> Amend Champaign County Zoning Ordinance.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 8.5.3</b> The County will encourage the preservation and voluntary restoration of wetlands and a net increase in wetland habitat acreage.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.5.3</b> Monitor and pursue potential funding opportunities to achieve provisions of Policy 8.5.3.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: County Planner Suggested Timeframe: Immediate, then Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 8.5.4</b> The County will support efforts to control and eliminate invasive species.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.5.4</b> Monitor and pursue potential funding opportunities to achieve provisions of Policy 8.5.4.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: County Planner Suggested Timeframe: Immediate, then Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 8.5.5</b> The County will promote drainage system maintenance practices that provide for effective drainage, promote channel stability, minimize erosion and sedimentation, minimize ditch maintenance costs and, when feasible, support healthy aquatic ecosystems.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.5.5</b> Monitor and pursue potential funding opportunities to achieve provisions of Policy 8.5.5.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: County Planner Suggested Timeframe: Immediate, then Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p>

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<p><b>Objective 8.6 NATURAL AREAS AND HABITAT</b> Champaign County will encourage resource management which avoids loss or degradation of areas representative of the <i>pre-settlement environment</i> and other areas that provide habitat for native and game species.</p>	
<p><b>Policy 8.6.1</b> The County will encourage educational programs to promote sound environmental stewardship practices among private landowners.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.6.1</b> Monitor and pursue potential funding to achieve provisions of Policy 8.6.1.  Potential Responsible Party: County Planner Suggested Timeframe: Immediate, then Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 8.6.2</b> a. For new development, the County will require land use patterns, site design standards and land management practices to minimize the disturbance of existing areas that provide habitat for native and game species, or to mitigate the impacts of unavoidable disturbance to such areas.  b. With regard to <i>by-right development</i> on <i>good zoning lots</i>, or the expansion thereof, the County will not require new zoning regulations to preserve or maintain existing onsite areas that provide habitat for native and game species, or new zoning regulations that require mitigation of impacts of disturbance to such onsite areas.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.6.2</b> Amend Champaign County Zoning Ordinance to include provisions of Policy 8.6.2.  Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 8.6.3</b> For discretionary development, the County will use the Illinois Natural Areas Inventory and other scientific sources of information to identify priority areas for protection or which offer the potential for restoration, preservation, or enhancement.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.6.3</b> Amend Champaign County Zoning Ordinance.  Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 8.6.4</b> The County will require implementation of IDNR recommendations for <i>discretionary development</i> sites that contain endangered or threatened species, and will seek to ensure that recommended management practices are maintained on such sites.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.6.4</b> Amend Champaign County Zoning Ordinance.  Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 8.6.5</b> The County will continue to allow the reservation and establishment of private and public hunting grounds where conflicts with surrounding land uses can be minimized.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.6.5</b> Continue to implement provisions of Policy 8.6.5.  Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 8.6.6</b> The County will encourage the purchase, donation, or transfer of development rights and the like, by public and private entities, of significant natural areas and habitat for native and game species for the purpose of preservation.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.6.6</b> Monitor and pursue potential funding opportunities to achieve provisions of Policy 8.6.6.  Potential Responsible Party: County Planner Suggested Timeframe: Immediate, then Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p>

<p><b>Objective 8.7 PARKS AND PRESERVES</b> Champaign County will work to protect existing investments in <i>rural</i> parkland and natural area preserves and will encourage the establishment of new public <i>parks and preserves</i> and protected private lands.</p>	
<p><b>Policy 8.7.1</b> The County will require that the location, site design and land management of <i>discretionary development</i> minimize disturbance of the natural quality, habitat value and aesthetic character of existing public and private <i>parks and preserves</i>.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.7.1</b> Amend Champaign County Zoning Ordinance.  Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 8.7.2</b> The County will strive to attract alternative funding sources that assist in the establishment and maintenance of <i>parks and preserves</i> in the County.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.7.2</b> As a cooperative and adjunct effort to the ongoing efforts Champaign County Forest Preserve District efforts, monitor and pursue potential funding opportunities that can assist in the establishment and maintenance of parks and preserves in Champaign County.  Potential Responsible Party: County Planner Suggested Timeframe: Immediate, then Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 8.7.3</b> The County will require that <i>discretionary development</i> provide a reasonable contribution to support development of <i>parks and preserves</i>.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.7.3</b> Amend Champaign County Zoning Ordinance.  Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 8.7.4</b> The County will encourage the establishment of public-private partnerships to conserve woodlands and other significant areas of natural environmental quality in CC.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.7.4</b> As a cooperative and adjunct effort to any similar action of the Champaign County Forest Preserve District or the Champaign County Soil and Water Conservation District, develop an information package regarding voluntary establishment of public-private partnerships to conserve woodlands and other significant areas of natural environmental quality in Champaign County.  Potential Responsible Party: County Planner Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: unknown at this time</p>
<p><b>Policy 8.7.5</b> The County will implement, where possible, incentives to encourage land development and management practices that preserve, enhance natural areas, wildlife habitat and/or opportunities for hunting and other recreational uses on private land.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.7.5a</b> Submit proposal to ELUC to research possible voluntary incentives consistent with Policy 8.7.5 for application in Champaign County.  Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Long Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 8.7.5b</b> Amend Champaign County Zoning Ordinance.  Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>

<p><b>Policy 8.7.6</b> The County will support public outreach and education regarding site-specific natural resource management guidelines that landowners may voluntarily adopt.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.7.6</b> As a cooperative and adjunct effort to any similar action of the Champaign County Forest Preserve District or the Champaign County Soil and Water Conservation District, develop an information package regarding site-specific natural resource management guidelines that landowners in Champaign County may voluntarily adopt.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: County Planner Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: unknown at this time</p>
<p><b>Objective 8.8 AIR POLLUTANTS</b> Champaign County considers the atmosphere a valuable resource and will seek to minimize harmful impacts to it and work to prevent and reduce the discharge of ozone precursors, acid rain precursors, toxics, dust and aerosols that are harmful to human health.</p>	
<p><b>Policy 8.8.1</b> The County will require compliance with all applicable Illinois Environmental Protection Agency and Illinois Pollution Control Board standards for air quality when relevant in <i>discretionary review</i> development.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.8.1a</b> Administer the provisions of Policy 8.8.1.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Immediate, then Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 8.8.1 b</b> Amend relevant Champaign County ordinances.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Policy 8.8.2</b> In reviewing proposed <i>discretionary development</i>, the County will identify existing sources of air pollutants and will avoid locating sensitive land uses where occupants will be affected by such discharges.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.8.2</b> Continue to administer the provisions of Policy 8.8.2.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Party: CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Objective 8.9 NATURAL RESOURCES ASSESSMENT SYSTEM</b> Champaign County will, by the year 2016, adopt a natural resources specific assessment system that provides a technical framework to numerically rank land parcels based on local resource evaluation and site considerations, including: groundwater resources; soil and mineral resources; surface waters; aquatic and riparian ecosystems; natural areas; parks and preserves; known cultural resources; and air quality.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 8.9a</b> Submit a proposal to ELUC for Champaign County development of a Natural Resources Assessment System.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Long Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 8.9b</b> Complete development of a Champaign County Natural Resources Assessment System and submit to ELUC and County Board for review and adoption.</p> <p>Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Long Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>

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**GOAL 9 ENERGY CONSERVATION**

Champaign County will encourage energy conservation, efficiency, and the use of renewable energy sources.

		Priority Items
<p><b>Objective 9.1 REDUCE GREENHOUSE GASES</b> Champaign County will seek to reduce the discharge of greenhouse gases.</p>		
<p><b>Policy 9.1.1</b> The County will promote land use patterns, site design standards and land management practices that minimize the discharge of greenhouse gases.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 9.1.1</b> Amend Champaign County Zoning Ordinance.   <i>Potential Responsible Parties:</i>                      County Planner/CCDPZ Dir  <i>Suggested Timeframe:</i> Near Term  <i>Funding Source:</i> County General Fund</p>	
<p><b>Policy 9.1.2</b> The County will promote energy efficient building design standards.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 9.1.2a</b> Monitor and pursue potential funding opportunities to achieve provisions of Policy 9.1.2.   <i>Potential Responsible Party:</i> County Planner  <i>Suggested Timeframe:</i> Immediate, then Ongoing  <i>Funding Source:</i> County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 9.1.2b</b> Develop information package for public dissemination.   <i>Potential Responsible Party:</i> County Planner  <i>Suggested Timeframe:</i> Near Term  <i>Funding Source:</i> to be determined</p>	
<p><b>Policy 9.1.3</b> The County will strive to minimize the discharge of greenhouse gases from its own facilities and operations.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 9.1.3</b> Work with County Facilities Committee toward the completion of an energy audit for County facilities.   <i>Potential Responsible Parties:</i>                      County Facilities Director  <i>Suggested Timeframe:</i> Near Term  <i>Funding Source:</i> to be determined</p>	
<p><b>Objective 9.2 ENERGY EFFICIENT BUILDINGS</b> Champaign County will encourage energy efficient building design standards.</p>		
<p><b>Policy 9.2.1</b> The County will enforce the Illinois Energy Efficient Commercial Building Act (20 ILCS 3125/1).</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 9.2.1</b> Amend relevant Champaign County ordinances.   <i>Potential Responsible Parties:</i>                      County Planner/CCDPZ Dir  <i>Suggested Timeframe:</i> Near Term  <i>Funding Source:</i> County General Fund</p>	
<p><b>Policy 9.2.2</b> The County will strive to incorporate and utilize energy efficient building design in its own facilities.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 9.2.2</b> Continue to work with the County Facilities Committee to achieve provisions of Policy 9.2.2.   <i>Potential Responsible Party:</i>                      County Facilities Director  <i>Suggested Timeframe:</i> Ongoing  <i>Funding Source:</i> County General Fund</p>	

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<p><b>Objective 9.3</b> LAND USE AND TRANSPORTATION POLICIES Champaign County will encourage land use and transportation planning policies that maximize energy conservation and efficiency.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 9.3</b> Amend Champaign County Zoning Ordinance.  Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner/CCDPZ Dir Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>
<p><b>Objective 9.4</b> REUSE AND RECYCLING Champaign County will promote efficient resource use and re-use and recycling of potentially recyclable materials.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 9.4a</b> Develop Champaign County webpage to achieve provisions of Objective 9.4.  Potential Responsible Parties: County Planner, CCIT Suggested Timeframe: Immediate Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 9.4b</b> Develop information package for public dissemination.  Potential Responsible Party: County Planner Suggested Timeframe: Near Term Funding Source: to be determined</p>
<p><b>Objective 9.5</b> RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES Champaign County will encourage the development and use of renewable energy sources where appropriate and compatible with existing land uses.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 9.5</b> Monitor and pursue potential funding opportunities to achieve provisions of Objective 9.5.  Potential Responsible Party: County Planner Suggested Timeframe: Immediate, then Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p>

**GOAL 10 CULTURAL AMENITIES**  
Champaign County will promote the development and preservation of cultural amenities that contribute to a high quality of life for its citizens.

Priority Items	
<p><b>Objective 10.1</b> CULTURAL AMENITIES Champaign County will encourage the development and maintenance of cultural, educational, recreational, and other amenities that contribute to the quality of life of its citizens.</p>	<p><b>Priority Item 10.1.1a</b> Monitor and pursue potential funding opportunities to achieve provisions of Policy 10.1.1.  Potential Responsible Party: County Planner Suggested Timeframe: Immediate, then Ongoing Funding Source: County General Fund</p> <p><b>Priority Item 10.1.1b</b> Develop proposal to identify historic structures, places and landscapes in the County. Submit proposal to ELUC, County Facilities Committee and County Board for review and approval.  Potential Responsible Party: County Planner Suggested Timeframe: Long Term Funding Source: County General Fund</p>

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### Implementation Table Sorted by Recommended Timeframe

This table contains priority items that are categorized by recommended timeframe. For a list of all priority items related to a particular LRMP objective or policy, please refer to the Implementation Strategy provided on pages 43 - 73 of this Chapter.

<b>TIMEFRAME: ONGOING ...already in progress and to be continued</b>		
<b>Priority Item</b>	<b>Related GOP</b>	<b>Potential Responsible Parties</b>
<b>2.1.1</b> Review municipal limits and contiguous urban growth area boundaries with municipal representatives on a regular basis in order to update LRMP Future Land Use Map and Land Management Area Map boundaries. Complete review and revisions to LRMP maps in time for preparation of the annual report to be provided to the County Board each January.	Policy 2.1.1	County Planner CCDPZ Dir CCGISC
<b>2.1.2</b> Inform ELUC and County Board of Illinois legislation regarding coordination of interests of jurisdictions in Champaign County with regard to municipal annexations, and coordinate County efforts at the local level, consistent with Policy 2.1.2.	Policy 2.1.2	CCDPZ Dir
<b>2.2</b> Continue ongoing support of CCGISC and CCRPC through County CCRPC membership fee, technical planning service contract with CCRPC, and funding support of CCGISC.	Objective 2.2	County Board ELUC CC Finance Committee
<b>3.2</b> Continue to provide CCDPZ services in a timely and efficient manner using the resources available.	Objective 3.2	CCDPZ Dir
<b>4.7</b> Provide a copy of County Board Resolution 3425 with each new rural residential zoning use permit for a new non-farm dwelling and for each new relevant zoning inquiry.	Objective 4.7	CCDPZ Dir
<b>5.1.8</b> Monitor and bring to the attention of ELUC relevant legislation for any necessary action by the County.	Policy 5.1.8	CCDPZ Dir County Planner
<b>7.2.3</b> Continue to monitor and pursue potential funding opportunities to achieve provisions of Policy 7.2.3.	Policy 7.2.3	County Highway Engineer and County Planner
<b>8.4.6</b> Continue to recognize the importance of drainage districts in the operation and maintenance of drainage.	Policy 8.4.6	CCDPZ Dir
<b>9.2.2</b> Continue to work with the County Facilities Committee to achieve provisions of Policy 9.2.2.	Policy 9.2.2	County Facilities Director
<b>Priority Items that indicate:</b> Continue to implement/administer the provisions of GOPS.	Policy 4.1.2 Policy 4.1.3 Policy 4.1.4 Policy 4.1.6 Policy 4.1.7 Policy 4.1.8 Policy 4.2.1 Policy 4.2.2 Policy 4.3.1 Policy 4.3.2 Policy 4.3.3 Policy 4.3.4 Policy 4.3.5 Policy 4.6.3 Policy 5.1.1	CCDPZ Dir

<b>TIMEFRAME: ONGOING</b> continued		
<p><b>Priority Items that indicate:</b> Continue to implement/administer the provisions of GOPS.</p>	<p>Policy 5.1.2 Policy 5.1.5 Policy 5.1.6 Policy 5.2.2 Policy 5.3.1 Policy 5.3.2 Policy 6.1.1 Policy 6.1.2 Policy 6.1.4 Policy 7.1.1 Policy 7.2.5 Policy 8.1.1 Policy 8.1.5 Policy 8.1.7 Policy 8.1.8 Policy 8.2.1 Policy 8.4.1 Policy 8.4.2 Policy 8.4.3 Policy 8.6.5 Policy 8.8.2</p>	<p>CCDPZ Dir</p>
<p><b>Priority Items that indicate:</b> Continue to bring relevant proposed municipal development to the attention of ELUC.</p>	<p>Policy 5.1.1 Policy 5.1.2 Policy 5.1.5 Policy 5.1.6 Policy 5.1.7 Policy 5.1.9</p>	<p>CCDPZ Dir</p>



<b>TIMEFRAME: IMMEDIATE to be implemented immediately upon LRMP adoption</b>		
<b>Priority Item</b>	<b>Related GOP</b>	<b>Potential Responsible Parties</b>
<b>8.1.2a</b> Submit proposal CCRPC Commissioners to review CCRPC capability of providing funds or other support to MAC as it seeks to implement a regional water supply plan.	Policy 8.1.2	County Planner
<b>8.1.2b</b> Submit proposal to ELUC, Champaign County Finance Committee and County Board to review Champaign County capability to contribute funds to MAC to implement a regional water supply plan.	Policy 8.1.2	County Planner
<b>9.4a</b> Develop Champaign County webpage to achieve provisions of Objective 9.4.	Objective 9.4	County Planner CCIT
<b>Priority Items that indicate:</b> Make no changes in the review of Special Use Permits until the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance has been amended to include the provisions of GOPs.	Policy 4.2.1 Policy 4.2.2 Policy 5.1.2 Policy 5.1.3 Policy 5.1.4 Policy 8.1.1	CCDPZ Dir
<b>Priority Items that indicate:</b> Make no changes in the review of Rural Residential Overlay rezoning cases until the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance has been amended to include the provisions of Policy 4.1.6.	Policy 4.1.6 Objective 4.4	CCDPZ Dir
<b>Priority Items that indicate:</b> Review all zoning map amendments for conformance to relevant GOPs.	Objective 1.1 Policy 4.1.6 Policy 4.2.2 Policy 4.2.3 Policy 4.2.4 Policy 4.3.1 Policy 4.3.2 Policy 4.3.3 Policy 4.3.4 Policy 4.3.5 Policy 5.1.2 Policy 5.1.3 Policy 5.1.4 Policy 5.1.5 Policy 5.1.6 Policy 5.2.1 Policy 5.2.2 Policy 5.2.3 Policy 5.3.1 Policy 5.3.2 Policy 6.1.1 Policy 6.1.2 Policy 6.1.3 Policy 6.2.1 Policy 8.1.1	CCDPZ Dir

<b>TIMEFRAME: IMMEDIATE, THEN ONGOING</b>		
<b>Priority Item</b>	<b>Related GOP</b>	<b>Potential Responsible Parties</b>
<b>1.2.1</b> Prepare a report that informs County Board members of trends or new development with regard to land resource management conditions within the County each year.	Policy 1.2.1	County Planner CCDPZ Dir
<b>1.3.1</b> Based on the annually prepared report of trends and new developments (refer to Action 1.2.1), provide a recommendation to ELUC regarding minor LRMP map changes each year. Provide public notice of LRMP changes and invite public input regarding proposed changes.	Policy 1.3.1	County Planner CCDPZ Dir
<b>4.6.2</b> Monitor and bring to the attention of ELUC and County Board any relevant legislation for any necessary action by the County.	Policy 4.6.2	County Planner CCDPZ Dir
<b>7.2.2a</b> Establish and maintain contact with railroad systems with lines and services in Champaign County. Request to be notified regarding proposed grade crossing improvements at locations throughout Champaign County. Notify ELUC regarding proposed grade crossing improvements. Request County Board written support in the form of a letter be provided on a timely basis.	Policy 7.2.2	County Planner
<b>7.2.2b</b> Monitor Transportation Service Board petitions for abandonments, mergers throughout Champaign County. Notify ELUC regarding such petitions. Request that County Board written comment in the form of a letter or resolution be provided on a timely basis.	Policy 7.2.2	County Planner
<b>7.2.4b</b> Participate in the Greenways and Trails Committees that are coordinated by CCRPC.	Policy 7.2.4	County Planner
<b>8.1.9</b> Monitor IEPA annual reports and available data from IEPA and the MAC to identify contaminated land or groundwater areas requiring remediation in Champaign County. Submit proposal regarding Champaign County action or response for ELUC review and County Board adoption.	Policy 8.1.9	County Planner
<b>8.4.1b</b> Maintain an inventory of local and regional watershed plans to provide to the CCDPZ for review of applicable recommendations of local and regional watershed plans in <i>discretionary review</i> of new development.	Policy 8.4.1	County Planner
<b>8.8.1a</b> Administer the provisions of Policy 8.8.1.	Policy 8.8.1	CCDPZ Dir
<b>Priority Items that indicate:</b> Monitor and pursue potential funding opportunities to achieve provisions of GOPs.	Objective 4.8 Policy 7.2.4 Policy 7.2.6 Policy 8.1.6 Policy 8.5.3 Policy 8.5.4 Policy 8.5.5 Policy 8.6.1 Policy 8.6.6 Policy 8.7.2 Policy 9.1.2 Objective 9.5 Policy 10.1.1	County Planner

<b>TIMEFRAME: NEAR TERM</b> ...to be implemented within 1 - 3 years of LRMP adoption		
Priority Item	Related GOP	Potential Responsible Parties
<b>4.5a</b> Submit a proposal to ELUC for Champaign County review of recommended changes to the Site Assessment portion of LESA.	Objective 4.5	County Planner CCDPZ Dir
<b>4.5b</b> Prepare changes to the Site Assessment portion of LESA and submit changes for public review and approval by ELUC and County Board.	Objective 4.5	County Planner CCDPZ Dir
<b>5.1.8b</b> Assess and report to ELUC the feasibility of developing an intergovernmental agreement with each municipality that has adopted a municipal comprehensive land use plan that includes Policy 5.1.8 provisions.	Policy 5.1.8	County Planner CCDPZ Dir
<b>5.3.3</b> Submit a proposal to ELUC, County Board and CCRPC regarding County participation in a regional cooperative approach to identifying and assessing incremental costs of public utilities and services imposed by new development.	Policy 5.3.3	County Planner
<b>6.1.1c</b> Amend the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance to reflect the requirements of the Champaign County Health Ordinance, and vice versa.	Policy 6.1.1	County Planner CCDPZ Dir
<b>6.2.2</b> Amend County Liquor Ordinance.	Policy 6.2.2	County Planner CCDPZ Dir
<b>6.2.3</b> Amend County Recreation and Entertainment Ordinance.	Policy 6.2.3	County Planner CCDPZ Dir
<b>8.1.3</b> As they become available, review MAC recommendations regarding measures to ensure that withdrawals from the Mahomet Aquifer and other aquifers in Champaign County do not exceed the long-term sustainable yield, as described in Policy 8.1.3. Amend relevant Champaign County ordinances (e.g., Zoning, Subdivision, etc.).	Policy 8.1.3	County Planner CCDPZ Dir
<b>8.1.4</b> Monitor progress toward identification and mapping of distinct recharge areas in and adjacent to Champaign County. In the event that such areas are identified, amend relevant Champaign County ordinances (e.g., Zoning, Subdivision, etc.).	Policy 8.1.4	County Planner CCDPZ Dir
<b>8.4.5a</b> Complete required revisions to Phase II National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Storm Water Management Program.	Policy 8.4.5	CCDPZ Dir and consultant
<b>8.7.4</b> As a cooperative and adjunct effort to any similar action of the Champaign County Forest Preserve District or the Champaign County Soil and Water Conservation District, develop an information package regarding voluntary establishment of public-private partnerships to conserve woodlands and other significant areas of natural environmental quality in Champaign County.	Policy 8.7.4	County Planner
<b>8.7.6</b> As a cooperative and adjunct effort to any similar action of the Champaign County Forest Preserve District or the Champaign County Soil and Water Conservation District, develop an information package regarding site-specific natural resource management guidelines that landowners in CC may voluntarily adopt.	Policy 8.7.6	County Planner

<b>TIMEFRAME: NEAR TERM</b> continued		
<b>9.1.1b</b> Develop proposal to identify historic structures, places and landscapes in the County. Submit proposal to ELUC, County Facilities Committee and County Board for review and approval.	Policy 9.1.1	County Planner
<b>9.1.3</b> Work with County Facilities Committee toward the completion of an energy audit for County facilities.	Policy 9.1.3	County Facilities Director
<b>Priority Items that indicate:</b> Amend relevant Champaign County ordinances (e.g., Zoning, Subdivision, Stormwater, etc.) to include provisions of GOPs.	Objective 1.1 Policy 5.1.3 Policy 5.1.4 Policy 5.2.1 Policy 5.2.2 Policy 5.2.3 Policy 5.3.1 Policy 5.3.2 Policy 6.1.3 Policy 6.2.1 Policy 8.4.2 Policy 8.4.3 Policy 8.8.1 Policy 9.2.1	County Planner CCDPZ Dir
<b>Priority Items that indicate: Develop information package for public dissemination.</b>	Policy 9.1.2 Objective 9.4	County Planner

TIMEFRAME: NEAR TERM <small>continued</small>		
<p><b>Priority Items that indicate:</b> Amend Champaign County Zoning Ordinance to include provisions of GOPs.</p>	<p>Policy 4.1.1                      Policy 4.1.5                      Policy 4.1.6                      Policy 4.1.9                      Policy 4.2.1                      Policy 4.2.2                      Policy 4.2.3                      Policy 4.2.4                      Policy 4.3.1                      Policy 4.3.2                      Policy 4.3.3                      Policy 4.3.4                      Policy 4.3.5                      Objective 4.4                      Policy 5.1.1                      Policy 5.1.2                      Policy 5.1.5                      Policy 5.1.6                      Policy 5.1.7                      Policy 8.1.1                      Policy 8.3.1                      Policy 8.5.1                      Policy 8.5.2                      Policy 8.6.2                      Policy 8.6.3                      Policy 8.6.4                      Policy 8.7.1                      Policy 8.7.3                      Policy 8.7.5                      Policy 9.1.1                      Objective 9.3</p>	<p>County Planner CCDPZ Dir</p>

TIMEFRAME: NEAR TERM, THEN ONGOING		
Priority Item	Related GOP	Potential Responsible Parties
<p><b>3.1a</b> During annual budget review and planning, consider tax rates of similar Illinois counties and the feasibility of proposing an adjustment to Champaign County tax rates.</p>	<p>Objective 3.1</p>	<p>County Administrator</p>
<p><b>3.1b</b> Review fees of similar Illinois counties and propose adjustments to Champaign County fees, as appropriate.</p>	<p>Objective 3.1</p>	<p>County Planner CCDPZ Dir</p>
<p><b>8.4.5b</b> Administer the provisions of the updated Phase II NPDES Storm Water Management Program.</p>	<p>Policy 8.4.5</p>	<p>CCDPZ Dir</p>

**TIMEFRAME: MID TERM**  
**...to be implemented within 3 - 6 years of LRMP adoption**

Priority Item	Related GOP	Potential Responsible Parties
<p><b>2.1.3</b> Review municipal plan and ordinance elements for potential improvements with regard to reflecting a mutually consistent (County and municipality) approach to the protection of best prime farmland and other natural, historic, or cultural resources. Share recommendations with representatives of each municipality.</p>	Policy 2.1.3	County Planner CCDPZ Dir
<p><b>3.3</b> Update the Champaign County Economic Development Policy to one that is coordinated with and supportive of the LRMP.</p>	Objective 3.3	County Board
<p><b>6.1.4b</b> Submit a proposal to ELUC for a report on the feasibility of adopting a property maintenance code for unincorporated Champaign County.</p>	Policy 6.1.4	County Planner CCDPZ Dir
<p><b>6.1.4c</b> Proceed with ELUC recommendations regarding the adoption of a property maintenance code for unincorporated Champaign County.</p>	Policy 6.1.4	County Planner CCDPZ Dir
<p><b>6.3a</b> Submit a proposal to ELUC regarding adopting a Building Code for unincorporated Champaign.</p>	Objective 6.3	County Planner CCDPZ Dir
<p><b>6.3b</b> Proceed with ELUC recommendations regarding the adoption of a Building Code.</p>	Objective 6.3	County Planner CCDPZ Dir
<p><b>6.4a</b> Submit proposal to ELUC and County Board regarding the comprehensive update of the Champaign County Waste Management Plan.</p>	Objective 6.4	County Planner
<p><b>6.4b</b> Proceed with ELUC recommendations regarding the preparation of an updated waste management plan for unincorporated Champaign County.</p>	Objective 6.4	County Planner
<p><b>7.2.1</b> Submit proposal to ELUC and County Board for development of a multi-jurisdictional countywide transportation plan that is consistent with the LRMP.</p>	Policy 7.2.1	County Planner CUUATS
<p><b>8.4.4</b> Submit proposal to ELUC to research Champaign County options with regard to fulfilling Policy 8.4.4 provisions.</p>	Policy 8.4.4	County Planner
<p><b>8.4.5c</b> Submit proposal to ELUC to research Champaign County options with regard to fulfilling Policy 8.4.5 provisions.</p>	Policy 8.4.5	County Planner

<b>TIMEFRAME: LONG TERM</b> <b>to be implemented within 6 - 10 years of LRMP adoption</b>		
Priority Item	Related GOP	Potential Responsible Parties
<b>1.4.1</b> Approximately 10 years after Champaign County adoption of the LRMP, and after relevant U.S. Census data becomes available, prepare and submit a proposal to ELUC and County Board regarding the LRMP comprehensive update. The proposal should encompass guidelines for establishing a Steering Committee, as indicated in Policy 1.4.1.	Policy 1.4.1	County Planner CCDPZ Dir
<b>1.4.2</b> In the proposal for the LRMP comprehensive update (refer to Action 1.4.1), include opportunities for public and County Board input throughout the planning process.	Policy 1.4.2	County Planner
<b>4.6.1a</b> Submit a proposal to ELUC regarding the feasibility of adopting a voluntary Purchase (or Transfer) of Development Rights program in Champaign County.	Policy 4.6.1	County Planner
<b>4.6.1b</b> Follow up recommended action by ELUC regarding establishment of a voluntary Purchase (or Transfer) of Development Rights program in Champaign County.	Policy 4.6.1	County Planner
<b>4.9.1a</b> Submit a proposal to ELUC regarding the feasibility of developing Rural Landscape Character Design guidelines for Champaign County.	Policy 4.9.1	County Planner CCDPZ Dir
<b>4.9.1b</b> Follow ELUC direction regarding development of Rural Landscape Character Design guidelines for Champaign County.	Policy 4.9.1	County Planner CCDPZ Dir
<b>8.7.5a</b> Submit proposal to ELUC to research possible voluntary incentives consistent with Policy 8.7.5 for application in Champaign County.	Policy 8.7.5	County Planner
<b>8.9a</b> Submit a proposal to ELUC for Champaign County development of a Natural Resources Assessment System.	Objective 8.9	County Planner
<b>8.9b</b> Complete development of a Champaign County Natural Resources Assessment System and submit to ELUC and County Board for review and adoption.	Objective 8.9	County Planner CCDPZ Dir
<b>10.1.1b</b> Develop proposal to identify historic structures, places and landscapes in the County. Submit proposal to ELUC, County Facilities Committee and County Board for review and approval.	Policy 10.1.1	County Planner

### Acronyms Used in the LRMP Priority Items Lists

CCGIS	Champaign County Geographic Information Systems Consortium
CCIT	Champaign County Information Technology Department
CCRPC	Champaign County Regional Planning Commission
CCZBA	Champaign County Zoning Board of Appeals
CUUATS	Champaign Urbana Urbanized Transportation System
CCDPZ	Champaign County Department of Planning and Zoning
CCDPZ Dir	Director of Champaign County Department of Planning and Zoning
ELUC	Champaign County Environment and Land Use Committee
GOPs	Goals, Objectives and Policies of the Champaign County Land Resource Management Plan
IDNR	Illinois Department of Natural Resources
LESA	Champaign County Land Evaluation and Site Assessment System
LRMP	Champaign County Land Resource Management Plan
MAC	Mahomet Aquifer Consortium
NPDES	National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System
SAFETEA-LU	Safe Accountable Flexible Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users