

Comprehensive Plan - Fact Sheet

What is the Comprehensive Plan?

The Envision Eugene Comprehensive Plan incorporates the community vision into City goals and policies. These goals and policies provide long-term direction related to growth and land use, which is then translated into on-the-ground actions. Every city in Oregon is required by law to have a comprehensive plan, which must address all applicable Statewide Planning Goals (below) and include an urban growth boundary (UGB) to designate land available for urban development.

A comprehensive plan is an adopted, regulatory document that is required by state law and legally binding. It is important to differentiate between the regulatory nature of the Comprehensive Plan, which focuses on City actions, and the regulatory nature of City code, which contains regulations directed at residents and developers.

How will the Comprehensive Plan be developed?

Until now, Eugene and Springfield have shared a UGB and comprehensive plan through the Eugene-Springfield Metropolitan Area General Plan (*Metro Plan*). In 2017, we adopted our first ever Eugene-specific UGB and the first phase of the comprehensive plan.

Because of the resource-intensive nature of moving from one comprehensive plan structure to another, the Envision Eugene Comprehensive Plan will be developed in phases. This phased approach allows each chapter to have focused public involvement prior to adoption. The first phase was adopted in 2017 and includes all elements that were essential to establishing our own Eugene-specific UGB, including



expanding the UGB for jobs, parks and schools. The next phase will address additional topics, such as livability and compact development.

As each phase is adopted, the Eugene-specific policies will take the place of the regional policies in the *Metro Plan*. Throughout the process of transitioning to a local comprehensive plan, local issues and the Statewide Planning Goals will always be addressed in either the *Metro Plan* or the Envision Eugene Comprehensive Plan.

QUICK FACTS

- We're adopting our own, Eugene-specific comprehensive plan
- The comprehensive plan will be developed in phases
- The first phase allowed us to adopt our own urban growth boundary
- Phase II is underway. Learn more at envisioneugene.org



What was included in the first phase of the Comprehensive Plan?

The first phase of the Comprehensive Plan consists of the following chapters and was [adopted in 2017](#), along with appendices for the Eugene Urban Growth Boundary, Employment Land Supply Study, and Residential Land Supply Study.

- Introduction
- Economic Development
- Transportation
- Administration and Implementation
- Eugene Urban Growth Boundary
- Glossary

What will be included in the next phase?

The next phase of the Comprehensive Plan involves administrative updates to many of the chapters from the first phase along with the development of the following chapters:

- Public Involvement
- Compact Development and Urban Design
- Housing
- Community Health and Livability
- Natural Resources and Environmental Quality
- Community Resiliency
- Public Facilities and Services

Which Statewide Planning Goals Apply to Eugene?

Goal 1 - Citizen Involvement

Goal 2 - Land Use Planning

Goal 3 - Agricultural Lands (not applicable)

Goal 4 - Forest Lands (not applicable)

Goal 5 - Natural Resources, Scenic and Historic Areas, and Open Spaces

Goal 6 - Air, Water and Land Resources Quality

Goal 7 - Areas Subject to Natural Hazards

Goal 8 - Recreational Needs

Goal 9 - Economic Development

Goal 10 - Housing

Goal 11 - Public Facilities and Services

Goal 12 - Transportation

Goal 13 - Energy Conservation

Goal 14 - Urbanization

Goal 15 - Willamette River Greenway

Goal 16 - Estuarine Resources (not applicable)

Goal 17 - Coastal Shorelands (not applicable)

Goal 18 - Beaches and Dunes (not applicable)

Goal 19 - Ocean Resources (not applicable)

When the next phase is adopted, the Envision Eugene Comprehensive Plan will address all applicable Statewide Planning Goals (shown above) and the seven pillars of Envision Eugene, which were the result of extensive public outreach. These Comprehensive Plan goals and policies will address land use in Eugene (what land can be used for, and how much land we need for expected uses) and how that land use intersects with other goals of the community, like prosperity and health.

Need more details?

- Visit the [Envision Eugene Comprehensive Plan](#) webpage for project updates, the latest timeline of events, opportunities for comment, and other project information.
- Subscribe to the [Envision Eugene newsletter](#) for regular project updates.