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# Growth Policy Kick-Off

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# Roosevelt County Growth Policy

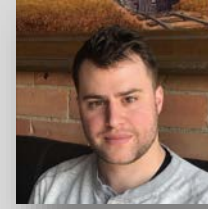
- A Growth Policy provides foundational set of policies for community's physical and economic development
  - Consensus-driven, guiding, non-regulatory
  - Tools to implement long-range planning goals
- MCA 76-1-601 enables Counties to create and implement a growth policy
- Interstate Engineering was selected to write the new growth policy on April 21, 2020

# Interstate Engineering's Planning Team



**Brent Moore**

- Regional VP/Planning Director
- Planner in Eastern MT for 14 years
- Written Several Growth Policies for Counties in MT:
  - Granite
  - Sheridan
  - Carbon
  - Treasure
  - Daniels



**Matt Lower**

- Planning Manager/Grant Writer
- 5-years experience in rural development across the western United States
- Former Tribal Planner for the Kalispel Tribe of Indians



1. Outreach/Information Gathering (35%)
2. Plan Creation (55%)
3. Refinement and Adoption (10%)



## Three Phase Approach



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# Phase 1: Outreach/Information Gathering



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# Stakeholder Interviews

- County Commissioners
- Staff Member of Each Incorporated Town
- Large Business Owners
- Community Groups
- Great Northern Development Corporation
- Schools
- Tribal Executives/Staff

# Public Survey

- Survey Monkey
- Work with County, Municipalities, and Tribal Governments to publish online
- Make Available in Public Locations, i.e. Library



# Existing Conditions Review

- Existing Plans/Policies/Studies
- On-going projects
- Demographics
- Housing
- Environmental
- Basic Economic Analysis



# Phase 2: Plan Creation



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1. Policy Overview
2. Existing Conditions
3. Land Use and Transportation
4. Economic Development
5. Streamlined Service Delivery
6. Natural Resources
7. Implementation Matrix



Anticipated Chapters



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# Land Use and Transportation

## Potential Items of Discussion:

- Subdivision Revisions
- Sub-Area Planning
- Ways to Promote Compatible Development
- Transportation Impacts
- Non-Motorized and/or OHV Transportation
- Amtrak
- Protecting Property Rights/Agriculture Land

# Economic Development

## Potential Items of Discussion:

- Housing Policy
- Shovel-Ready Sites
- Tax-Title Properties
- Opportunity Zones
- New Markets Tax Credits
- Partnerships

# Streamlined Service Delivery

## Potential Items of Discussion:

- Inter-Government Coordination
- Capital Facilities Planning
- Emergency Operations Planning
- State/Federal Grants
- Health and Social Services

# Natural Resources

## Potential Items of Discussion:

- Oil and Gas Extraction
- Renewable Energy
- Agricultural Issues
- Weed Control
- The Missouri River
- Tourism

# Community Meetings

- Anticipate 2-3 Meetings to present the draft plan in Early-Mid Fall
  - Wolf Point
  - Poplar
  - Culbertson
- Meeting Topics:
  - Contents of the Draft Plan
  - Good things about living in Roosevelt County
  - What opportunities for improvement did we miss?

# Phase 3: Adaption- Early 2021



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# Timeline

## Phase 1

Outreach Activities

June-Aug

## Phase 2

Plan Creation

July-Dec

Community Meetings

Early-Mid Fall

## Phase 3

Adoption

Jan-Feb (2021)

# Questions?

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