Comprehensive Plan

Since 1973, Oregon has maintained a strong statewide program for land use planning. The foundation of that program is a set of 19 Oregon Statewide Planning Goals. The goals express the state's policies on land use and on related topics, such as citizen involvement, housing, and natural resources. Most of the goals are accompanied by "guidelines," which are suggestions about how a goal may be applied. As noted in Goal 2, guidelines are not mandatory.

The local comprehensive plans must be consistent with the Statewide Planning Goals. The state's Land Conservation and Development Commission (LCDC) reviews local comprehensive plans for consistency with the Statewide Planning Goals. When LCDC officially approves a local government's plan, the plan is said to be "acknowledged." It then becomes the controlling document for land use in the area covered by the plan. Oregon's planning laws apply not only to local governments but also to special districts and state agencies. The laws strongly emphasize coordination-keeping plans and programs consistent with each other, with the goals, and with acknowledged local plans.

Clatsop County's Comprehensive Plan Goals and Policies Document, codified June 23, 2012, is divided into two sections, Countywide Elements and Community Plans. **The complete document is available by clicking on the link below, under Supporting Documents, at the bottom of this page.**

In 2019, the County will begin a complete review and update of the Comprehensive Plan and six community plans. Documents related to the Comprehensive Plan update are available here

Of special interest are the individual Community Plans, found in Section 2:

Introduction to Community Plans

- Clatsop Plains Community Plan
- Elsie-Jewell Community Plan
- Lewis & Clark Olney-Wallooskee Plan
- Northeast Area Plan
- Seaside Rural Community Plan
- Southwest Coastal Community Plan

State of Oregon Planning Goals	Clatsop County Comprehensive Plan	
Goal 1	Citizen Involvement	Clatsop 1
Goal 2	Land Use Planning	Clatsop 2
Goal 3	Agricultural Lands	Clatsop 3
Goal 4	Forest Lands	Clatsop 4
Goal 5	Open Spaces, Scenic and Historic Areas, and Natural Resources	Clatsop 5
Goal 6	Air, Water and Land Resources Quality	Clatsop 6
Goal 7	Areas Subject to Natural Disasters and Hazards	Clatsop 7
Goal 8	Recreational Needs	Clatsop 8
Goal 9	Economic Development	Clatsop 9
Goal 10	Housing	Clatsop 10
Goal 11	Public Facilities and Services	Clatsop 11
Goal 12	Transportation	Clatsop 12
Goal 13	Energy Conservation	Clatsop 13
Goal 14	Urbanization	Clatsop 14
Goal 15	Willamette River Greenway – (Willamette River area only)	n/a
Goal 16	Estuarine Resources	Clatsop 16
Goal 17	Coastal Shorelands	Clatsop 17
Goal 18	Beaches and Dunes	Clatsop 18
Goal 19	Ocean Resources	Clatsop 19

Supporting Documents

CLATSOP COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN - 2040 (Amended Ord. 23-09 and Ord. 23-10) 9.02 MB

Ordinance 15-05 Amending Comprehensive Plan Goal 12 39.75 MB

Southwest Coastal Community Plan - Original - 1979 2.72 MB