

Coconino County Comprehensive Plan Updates 2015

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Comprehensive Planning Partnership

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Foreword

One of the most spectacular places on earth, Coconino County is home to the Grand Canyon, Vermilion Cliffs, San Francisco Peaks, and Oak Creek Canyon, among other unique natural features. Each year, it attracts millions of visitors and hundreds of new residents who are drawn to its welcoming communities and open spaces. Residents express widespread satisfaction with Coconino County as a place to live; however, they also want to manage growth and development to ensure that the qualities they value are not lost in the process of accommodating change.

This *Coconino County Comprehensive Plan* serves as a roadmap for the future by establishing goals and policies to direct growth responsibly, solve problems, and improve the quality of life for county residents. The *Comprehensive Plan's* main objectives are to:

- Conserve and promote stable, safe, attractive, rural communities where residents share a sense of pride.
- Safeguard and enhance the choices residents expect for living, working, recreation, and circulation.
- Coordinate strategies for economic development, transportation, and affordable housing so that we can better link the places where people work and live.
- Protect our unique natural and cultural resources, ecosystems, and habitats.

Not only will the *Comprehensive Plan* guide land use decisions, but it also serves as a comprehensive reference and blueprint for community programs, as well as for public and private-sector initiatives. This plan is driven not only by issues that residents have identified as critical, but also by long-range goals based on our vision for the future.