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To: ADVISORY GROUP & WORKING GROUP

Subject: Regional Housing & Growth Issues Partnership Meeting Update and Prioritization Survey - Participation Requested!

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Regional Housing & Growth Issues Partnership Meeting Update and Prioritization Survey:

The first full meeting of the Regional Housing and Growth Issues Partnership took place today at 3pm. Of the invited participants and advisory organizations, 95% attended - approximately 40 people were in attendance.

Each meeting will have focused agenda items for discussion. Since the joint jurisdiction resolution regarding prairie management was a potential starting point for amendment consideration, a Review of the Shared Principles and Common Goals for the Rathdrum Prairie 2008 Resolution was presented by Melissa Cleveland (City of Hayden) and Glenn Miles (KMPO) with links to detailed articles and outcomes, followed by some discussion and questions.

The group was surveyed using live polling in the Zoom webinar to help establish for priorities for the Partnership. The same questions will be in an online survey that will be pushed out by the CDA Press and regional organizations on the Advisory Group (**see survey questions and link below at the bottom of the email**).

In addition to the presentation and overview of the group, purpose, and goals, the meeting included a Q&A and discussion from the panelists. Questions were answered during the meeting. Some of the comments/questions required further input and will be responded to, with all questions and answers to be shared on the KMPO website. The meeting was recorded, and links and resources will be posted to the KMPO.net website at this [link](#). The Coeur d'Alene Press is doing a story and pushing out link to the online survey tomorrow. Please help spread the word by pushing the survey out to your groups! Also, please note that under Question 3 below, there is more detail than on the online survey. It may be helpful for better explaining the topics and ranking community priorities.

The survey questions include:

QUESTION 1:

Where do you live?

- Unincorporated Kootenai County
- Coeur d'Alene
- Hayden
- Post Falls
- Rathdrum
- Dalton Gardens
- Hauser
- Huetter
- Other

QUESTION 2:

Have you reviewed the FAQs on the KMPO website prior to this meeting or taking the survey (provide link)?

- Yes
- No

QUESTION 3:

What topics would you like for the Partnership to prioritize for discussion? (*Ranking: 1 = Top Priority; 7 = Lowest Priority*)

1. A coordinated planning effort between the County and cities to address growth and open space on the prairie.
 - This could build off the 2008 Joint Effort referred to as the “Endorsement of Shared Principles and Common Goals” between Kootenai County and the cities of Coeur d’Alene, Dalton gardens, Hauser, Hayden, Post Falls and Rathdrum.
 - Renegotiating and Updating Area of City Impact Agreements between the County and cities.
 - Review and Prioritize Kootenai County Planners’ options on growth management applications (See Kootenai County White Paper on growth management).
 - Regional open space/greenbelt (that could include working lands, recreation, and land application sites) between the cities on the prairie, including possible tools to incentivize land preservation, funding sources, and mechanisms required to achieve this goal.
 - Recommendations can be formalized for presentations to city councils and the county commission for consideration and direction.
2. Water Conservation – encourage the adoption of regional *Model Efficient Irrigation Design Standard for Irrigation Systems* recommended by the Idaho Washington Aquifer Collaborative (IWAC) to help protect the aquifer.
 - IWAC has procedures in place that can be adopted by municipalities that would require any new irrigation systems follow water conservation installation procedures. This will save up to 30% use, reduce costs to cities and further protect our aquifer. (Presentation by board member and Coeur d’Alene Water Department Director Terry Pickle available)
3. Housing Options and Possible Code Amendments to allow for additional housing choices and incentivize workforce housing and attainable housing.
4. Transportation Projects to address regional transportation challenges and needs.
5. School Impacts – planning for growth and school needs
 - Note refer to the FAQs regarding restrictions from the state on collecting developer impact fees for schools.
 - What else can be done to support growth impacts to schools?
6. Legislative Actions that can aid in growth management
 - Are there legislative changes that can support decisions made by planning commissions, city councils, county commissioners and school districts that can aid in growth management? What are they and how can or should the group form committees to take action?
7. Other topic (comment box)_____

The online Survey link is: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/92SVH6S>

We are requesting survey responses by Wednesday, May 5th.

Thank you for participating!

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on behalf of the Working Group of the Regional Housing & Issues Partnership

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"If you fail to plan, you plan to fail!" - Benjamin Franklin