

The Planning Board reviewed the Comprehensive Plan at their Sept 5<sup>th</sup>, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, and special meeting held on October 17<sup>th</sup>. The Planning Board had a number of recommended changes to the Plan. The first list describes the recommendations that have been accepted as minor adjustments. The following list of recommended changes require decisions from the County Board of Commissioners before consideration of adoption.

## RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE PLANNING BOARD

1. On Page 74, Under Housing Strategy 3.5: Recommend changing wording “~~Encourage~~ **Require** energy efficiency in affordable housing.
2. On Page 75: Recommend new Recommendation 5 “**Create land banking for schools, public facilities, and parks. As well as a new Strategy 5.1 to achieve this recommendation**  
**“Coordinate with schools, parks and recreation, towns and developers to anticipate future land needs”**
3. On Page 123: **Parks and Recreation Strategy 4.3 Partner with towns to create a potential land banking fund**
4. On Page 106, Under Natural Resources Strategy 2.3: **Recommend defining Heritage trees.**
5. **Tree Protection provisions included on Page 106, Under Natural Resources as a Strategy (needs to acknowledge state legislation)**
6. In the Natural Resources Action Items, Recommend addition of new action item: **Work with towns, county law enforcement, Fire Safety, and Health Department for a regular review and update of the Disaster Response Strategies.**
7. Planning Board Recommends a Resource Page be created for the Comprehensive Plan.

## PLANNING BOARD’S RECOMMENDATIONS AND REASONING FOR MAP CHANGES (SEE MAP ON NEXT PAGE)

1. Planning Board recommends that the conservation designation should be extended to match previous versions of the Future Land use map for the following reasons:
  - a. Public Input from one of the land owners in the area in support of this decision (*spoke at public hearing and at Planning Board meeting 10/3/17*)
  - b. Large tracts of land that are undeveloped and in forestry use in that area
  - c. This is an Aquatic Habitat for Mussels
  - d. This area is both important for Agriculture and Conservation reasons
2. Planning Board recommends the Gum Springs village designation should be changes to crossroads community for the following reason:
  - a. This would be consistent with the plan in that it would continue to encourage growth toward towns instead of competing with them
  - b. Gum Springs is in close proximity to NC87/US64 intersection and Pittsboro’s ETJ
3. Planning Board recommends Conservation designation along 15-501 be applied between Fearington to the Haw River for the following reason:
  - a. Should be changed from rural designation to conservation designation because 15-501 would be a natural boundary of where to draw the line from conservation to rural.
4. Planning Board recommends Goldston Employment Center be shifted for the following reason:
  - a. Move south to match current existing already zoned commercial businesses.

## FUTURE LAND USE & CONSERVATION MAP

**LEGEND**

- TOWN CENTER
- EMPLOYMENT CENTER
- COMMUNITY CENTER
- NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER
- VILLAGE & VILLAGE CENTER
- CROSSROADS COMMUNITY
- COMPACT RESIDENTIAL
- ETJ
- RURAL
- AGRICULTURE
- CONSERVATION
- PARK / PROTECTED

