

The Master Land Use Plan is concerned with the type of physical environment sought by the Town of Pinedale. The goals and policy statements that follow are responsive to the needs which have been identified through citizen participation and the analysis of inventory data.

I. Citizen participation in the Planning process.

Goal: "Provide citizens with information and opportunities to participate in the planning process of local government."

Policy #1: The Town of Pinedale has formed a Planning and Zoning Commission to serve as the vehicle for citizen involvement in the planning process. Said commission is comprised of residents who live within five (5) miles of Pinedale, and shall have the responsibility for planning and related activities.

Policy #2: The Pinedale Planning and Zoning Commission shall have the primary responsibility for citizen participation.

Policy #3: Information will be distributed to the public to increase their awareness, by making that information available to the public in the town hall and through the media.

Policy #4: Decisions will be made by mutual agreement through open planning process public meetings and public hearings.

II. Environmental Quality.

Goal: "To maintain or improve the quality of air, water, land resources and open space."

Policy #1: Land use plans will identify existing areas currently utilized for waste water treatment plants and solid waste disposal sites. A projected life expectancy/capacity of those systems shall be identified.

Policy #2: The town will encourage enforcement of federal and state air, land and water quality standards.

Policy #3: The town will cooperate with the Department of Environmental Quality in the operation of any sanitary landfill site serving the Town of Pinedale.

Policy #4: The extension of sewer systems to land designated as flood plain or agricultural is not favored and will be discouraged.

Policy #5: The town shall not extend sewer services to subdivisions or individual property owners which are not located adjacent to existing sewer mains, except at the sole expense and maintenance cost of the developer or property owner.

Policy #6: Intrusions such as tall signs and structures into open spaces shall be minimized.

Policy #7: Nuisances and pests such as mosquitos shall be minimized or controlled with environmentally safe methods.