

Town of Oregon Comprehensive Plan Update

* 1. How long have you lived in the Town of Oregon?

- Less than one year 11 to 20 years
- 1-5 years More than 20 years
- 6 to 10 years Property owner only, I do not live in the town

* 2. Do you rent or own?

- Own home
- Rent home
- own agricultural land
- rent agricultural land

* 3. What best describes your home?

- single family house, non-farm residence apartment or duplex
- single family house, farm residence condo
- Part time or vacation home group home (for example senior center)

* 4. If you own property, approximately how many acres do you own?

- Less than 1 acre 35 - 100 acres
- 1 - 5 acres 101 - 200 acres
- 6 - 20 acres More than 200 acres
- 21 - 34 acres Not applicable

* 5. What is your age?

- Under 18 45-59
- 18-24 60-75
- 25-34 75+
- 35-44

* 6. Over the last ten years, how would you describe the quality of life in the town?

- Improved
- Stayed the same
- Declined
- Don't know/no opinion

* 7. The approximate population of the town is 3,400. What would be the ideal town population 20 years from now?

- Less than today
- Same as today
- More than today
- No opinion

* 8. What are the 3 most important reasons for living in the town?

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Farming opportunities | <input type="checkbox"/> Located near my job |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Liked the house | <input type="checkbox"/> Property tax level |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Liked the site/property | <input type="checkbox"/> High quality residential neighborhoods |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing cost | <input type="checkbox"/> Nature-based recreational opportunities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Proximity to natural resources (public parks and natural areas, water, bluffs) | <input type="checkbox"/> Rural atmosphere |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community services | <input type="checkbox"/> Close proximity to metropolitan area |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Natural beauty | <input type="checkbox"/> Quality schools |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Close to family and friends | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify) | |

* 9. How satisfied are you with the town as a place to live?

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="radio"/> Very satisfied | <input type="radio"/> Dissatisfied |
| <input type="radio"/> Satisfied | <input type="radio"/> Very dissatisfied |
| <input type="radio"/> Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | |

* 10. The following are statements related to choices about future directions for growth and development in the town. Please provide your opinion of each statement.

| | Strongly agree | Agree | Neither agree or disagree | Disagree | Strongly disagree |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| The town should be mostly rural. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| New business development should be promoted. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| The town should promote preservation of farmland. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| The town plan should allow more development. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Most new developments should occur adjacent to areas which are already mostly developed. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| The town should promote more tourism and recreation oriented business. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Development should mostly occur in cities and villages, not in the town of Oregon. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Land use conflicts between agriculture and residential areas is a problem in the town. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| It is important to coordinate the town's future plans with surround towns, cities and villages. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Agricultural businesses should be promoted. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Residential subdivisions (5 or greater lots) should not be allowed in rural areas of the town. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Small family non-farm businesses should be allowed in rural areas. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

Strongly agree Agree Neither agree or disagree Disagree Strongly disagree

The town should consider "dark skies" policies that define lighting design requirements to prevent light pollution and preserve the town's night skies.

The town should encourage the preservation of historic homesteads and other historic buildings and sites.

The town should participate in environmental improvement projects to maintain and improve water quality.

The town should add more parks.

The town should add improvements to town parks (for example, play equipment, sports courts, benches, etc.). If you agree, please answer Question 11.

The town should increase property taxes to support improvements to town parks

11. If you believe that the town should add improvements to town parks, what sort of development would you like to see?

* 12. Which types of new businesses would you like to see in the Town in the future? You may check more than one answer.

- Small stores and shops serving mostly town residents
- Convenience stores
- Developments with a mix of residential, office and and retail
- Quarries and/or gravel pit operations
- Agriculture related businesses
- Medical facilities
- Other (please specify)

* 13. Do you think that speeding is a problem in the town?

- Yes*
- No
- No opinion

* 14. If you do believe that speeding is a problem, please rate the following methods:

| | Most preferred | Preferred | No opinion | Least preferred | Not preferred at all |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Increase traffic enforcement | <input type="radio"/> |
| Increase signage for children's safety | <input type="radio"/> |

Other (please specify)

15. Please identify dangerous intersections in the town and explain how each one is dangerous.

* 16. Should the town work to preserve agricultural and natural resources?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure
- Other (please specify)

* 17. Would you support initiatives aimed at developing tourism and outdoor recreation opportunities in the town? Tell us how you feel about the items on the following list.

| | Acceptable | Not acceptable | Might be acceptable | No opinion |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Nature sanctuary | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Riding stables | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Golf course | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Cross country ski trails | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Snowmobile trails | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Education/interpretative centers | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Local nature or heritage based arts and entertainment | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Local nature or heritage based retail and sales | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Game farms | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Hiking trails | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Biking trails | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| ATV/UTVs on town roads | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

Other (please specify)

* 18. For the list below, please let us know if you think it is a concern.

| | Yes | No | Maybe | No opinion |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Safety of parks | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Accessibility of parks | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Parks being identified adequately | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Location of town parks | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

* 19. Please rate each of the following services. Choose "not applicable" if the item does not pertain to you.

| | Excellent | Good | Fair | Poor | Unsure | Not applicable |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Ambulance service | <input type="radio"/> |
| Fire protection | <input type="radio"/> |
| Trash/recycling services | <input type="radio"/> |
| Park & recreation facilities | <input type="radio"/> |
| Police protection | <input type="radio"/> |
| Public library | <input type="radio"/> |
| Public school system | <input type="radio"/> |
| Recycling program | <input type="radio"/> |
| Snow removal | <input type="radio"/> |
| Storm water management | <input type="radio"/> |
| Road maintenance | <input type="radio"/> |
| Bridge maintenance | <input type="radio"/> |
| Electrical service | <input type="radio"/> |
| Telephone service | <input type="radio"/> |
| Cell phone service | <input type="radio"/> |
| Internet service | <input type="radio"/> |

* 20. Please indicate, in your opinion, the importance of natural and cultural resources in your community. How important is it to protect the following:

| | Essential | Very important | Important | Not important | No opinion |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Farmland | <input type="radio"/> |
| Woodlands | <input type="radio"/> |
| Wetlands | <input type="radio"/> |
| Floodplains | <input type="radio"/> |
| Hillsides/steep slopes | <input type="radio"/> |
| Streams | <input type="radio"/> |
| Wildlife habitat | <input type="radio"/> |
| Scenic views and undeveloped hills/bluffs* | <input type="radio"/> |
| Open space | <input type="radio"/> |
| Rural character | <input type="radio"/> |
| Air quality | <input type="radio"/> |
| Groundwater resources | <input type="radio"/> |
| Historically significant features | <input type="radio"/> |

Other (please specify)

21. If you feel that a specific scenic view is an important natural or cultural resource, please describe. If not, enter "NA".

* 22. Please provide your opinion of the following items.

| | Strongly agree | Agree | Disagree | Strongly disagree | No opinion |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| The overall road networks (roads, highways) meets the needs of the citizens. | <input type="radio"/> |
| The condition of Town roads are adequate for intended uses. | <input type="radio"/> |
| Biking and walking are important modes of transportation in the town. | <input type="radio"/> |
| There should be expanded transportation services for the elderly. | <input type="radio"/> |

* 23. A density policy of one development right per 35 acres owned as of 12-19-1994 applies to the majority of land in the town. For example, a farm that was 120 acres on 12-19-1994, would have 3 development rights associated with it. 3 residential lots could be divided off and sold. If you own a development right, how likely are you to sell and transfer that right to another land owner?

- I do not own a development right
- Very likely
- Likely
- Unlikely
- Very unlikely
- Undecided

* 24. How often do you use any of the town parks?

- Weekly
- Monthly
- Yearly
- Do not use town parks