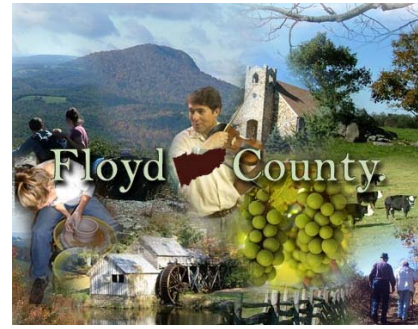


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RE: Our Floyd: Community Focus Groups

Is your farm struggling? Are you concerned about water in Floyd or recreation opportunities or development? Do you have ideas for improving farm profitability or creating other good jobs in Floyd? Any ideas or concerns related to land, economy, housing, transportation, energy and services are welcomed in the County's current Comprehensive Planning process.

Now is the time to get involved to help shape the future of Floyd County and Town. A Comprehensive Plan is required by State Code, but is shaped locally. This plan will be a roadmap for the community's future—what we want to protect and what we want to change. A draft is developed by the Floyd-Floyd County Planning Commission with community help. Later it will be presented to the local governing bodies for consideration.

Several focus group meetings have been set to gather input and ideas. Citizens are invited to attend and participate:

- Tourism Planning, Thursday, February 18<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Jacksonville Center
- Water, Wastewater and Transportation Infrastructure Planning, Thursday, February 25<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Floyd County Administration Building (120 West Oxford Street)
- Economic Development, Friday, February 26<sup>th</sup> from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Floyd County Administration Building
- Energy, Monday, March 1<sup>st</sup> from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the Floyd County Administration Building
- Recreation and Wellness, Monday, March 8<sup>th</sup> from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Floyd County Administration Building
- Solid Waste Management and Recycling, Friday, March 19<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Floyd County Administration Building

If you are unable to attend one of these sessions, but would like to share your thoughts, please visit [www.floydcova.org](http://www.floydcova.org) or contact Lydeana Martin at 540 745-9300 or [lmartin@floydcova.org](mailto:lmartin@floydcova.org)