

County-Wide Comprehensive Plan (Chapter 31.02 CCC)

Note: There is no separation of specific elements, like the Land Use Element, within the Clallam County Comprehensive Plan. It is recommended to reorganize Clallam County Code (CCC) 31.02 and following chapters to group policies together by element to make compliance easier to ascertain.

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<p>CCC 31.01.200(4) - Housing. Plan for and accommodate Encourage the availability of housing affordable to all economic segments of the population of this State, promote a variety of residential densities and housing types, and encourage preservation of existing housing stock.</p>	<p>Revised to account for change to RCW 36.70A.020 in 2021 in HB 1220.</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.120(2) - Clallam County should provide incentives to encourage continued agriculture operations by providing property tax incentives, education and technical assistance, and the permitting of compatible on-farm enterprises <i>and accessory uses</i> subject to applicable performance standards.</p>	<p>Accessory uses from RCW 36.70A.177(3).</p>
<p>CCC 31.01.300 - ... The 1982 Comprehensive Plan, however, did not achieve many of the objectives that the Growth Management Act of 1990 intended to address. Some of the issues that the current Plan tries to address subsequent Comprehensive Plan amendments addressed include:...</p> <p>... This Comprehensive Plan periodic update, based on the requirements of the Growth Management Act (GMA), establishes a framework for coordinated and</p>	<p>Added proposed language in this section to reflect changes in the GMA and address the focus areas required in this update.</p> <p>Suggest removing word “affordable” here to reflect that the housing element addresses housing that is affordable to ALL economic segments of the community and that “affordable housing” means something more specific.</p>

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<p>comprehensive planning which will help Clallam County and its cities to manage growth in a manner which best fits Clallam County. ...</p> <p>For the 2025 periodic update as required by the GMA, major focus areas include housing, as Clallam County must now lead the countywide planning for housing allocations by income band and make land use and capital facilities changes to accommodate the allocated housing units, and climate change, as Clallam County must now adopt a Climate Element and Resiliency Sub-Element and implement regulations and programs that support this.</p> <p>Those issues that are of a County-wide nature are: forest and mineral lands, urban growth and sprawl, transportation, economic development, affordable housing, natural, historical and cultural resources, utilities and capital facilities.</p>	
<p>CCC 31.01.400 - ... The following figure identifies the relationship of development regulations and capital budget decisions which must be consistent with the Plan.</p>	<p>There is no such figure in section 31.01.400. Consider removing.</p>
<p>CCC 31.01.500 - ... Many of the County’s plan elements have been developed through citizen advisory committees, either special task forces or standing committees like the County Planning</p>	<p>The term “citizen” is used in the GMA, but since being a citizen is not a requirement to participate in the planning process, we suggest removing the word where appropriate and changing to “resident” where appropriate.</p>

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<p>Commission and Shorelines and Sensitive Areas Committee. ...</p> <p>... The County has reached out to citizens residents and landowners through various means to ensure that proposals and alternatives reach the affected parties.</p>	
<p>CCC 31.01.500 - The citizens of Clallam County recognize mining as an important part of the local and regional economy. In recognition of its importance, and in order to modernize those sections of the Comprehensive Plan and the related development regulations relating to the extraction of mineral resources as well as comply with a Growth Board remand, Community Development (“DCD”) proposed and the County Commissioners approved a seven-step Public Participation Plan or “PPP” in mid-2019. To implement the PPP, staff created a Mineral Resource Lands website containing a survey for citizens to complete. Notice of four regional meetings was mailed to more than 1,000 landowners, primarily anyone who owns land within 1,000 feet of an existing surface mine. Those meetings were advertised some 10 to 14 days before their scheduled date in local newspapers such as the Forks Forum. DCD then conducted those regional meetings, each lasting two hours, in Forks, Port Angeles, Sequim and Clallam Bay. These workshops were attended by approximately 80</p>	<p>This section will need to be re-written and updated with public engagement the County has conducted and will conduct as part of the 2025 update.</p>

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<p>individuals. The County received some 30 comments during the time when the proposal was before the Planning Commission. In addition, from June 2019 to July 2020, the Planning Commission held approximately 15 public meetings where MRL was discussed and public comments were received. Some of the edits and additions suggested by the public were included in the proposed text sent to the County Commission. A list of “interested parties,” some 25 in all, received notice of every Planning Commission meeting and the related proposals. This public outreach process included having Rian Skov, a geologist with the Washington State Department of Natural Resources, Geology and Earth Resources Section, attend the Planning Commission meeting on February 5, 2020. The County learned its existing text regarding mineral resource lands needed augmentation and intends to adopt more thorough text on this topic into its Comprehensive Plan and development regulations by the end of 2020. The Planning Commission discussed and reviewed proposed changes to the development regulations and the Comprehensive Plan in its April and May 2020 meetings. A public hearing, properly noticed, was held before the Planning Commission on July 1, 2020, and on July 20, 2020, the Planning Commission sent the proposed text to the County Commission recommending approval. The County Commission held two work sessions on the</p>	

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<p>proposed text in August 2020 and held a properly noticed public hearing on September 29, 2020, which was extended to October 13, 2020. Adoption of the changes by the County Commission occurred on November 10, 2020.</p>	
<p>CCC 31.02 – Creation of a Land Use Element. Article II Land Use Article III Rural Development Article IV Housing Article V Capital Facilities Article VI Natural, Historical, and Cultural Resources Article VIII Transportation Article VIII Economic Development Article IX Utilities</p>	<p>Our recommendation in the policy recommendation tables is to group all the existing land use sections in Chapter 31.02 together and clearly label them as such to more clearly distinguish the “elements” in the comprehensive plan format. County to confirm required language for chapter differentiation.</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.050(2) - “Affordable housing” refers to housing which costs no more than 33 30 percent of the income of extremely low, very low, low, and moderate income households families, defined as:</p> <p>(a) “Extremely low income” shall mean those households that have incomes at or below 30 percent of the County-wide median household income adjusted for household size, as reported by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).</p> <p>(b) “Very low income” shall mean those households that have incomes that are below</p>	<p>Changed from 33 to 30 percent to be consistent with definitions of housing affordability in RCW 36.70A.030.</p> <p>Added extremely low income households to this list/delineation to be consistent with RCW 36.70A.030 and RCW 36.70A.070(2).</p> <p>Added this clause (HUD reference) to each of these sub-bullets, to ensure this is consistent with the definitions in RCW 36.70A.030.</p> <p>Households include families and is the more inclusive term (also accounts for one-person households, for example).</p> <p>The RCW definition for moderate-income households is below 120 percent of the median. This is typically operationalized in</p>

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<p>are between 50 and 80 percent of the County-wide median household income adjusted for household size, per HUD.</p> <p>(c) “Low income” shall mean those households that have incomes that are below are between 50 and 80 percent of the County-wide median household income adjusted for household size, per HUD.</p> <p>(d) “Moderate income” shall mean those households that have incomes within in range of 80 to 95 between 80 and 120 percent of the County-wide median household income adjusted for household size, per HUD.</p>	<p>jurisdictions to mean 80 to 120, since low income starts at 80 and goes down from there.</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.050(17) - “Essential public facilities” means facilities that are typically difficult to site, such as airports, State education facilities, and State or regional transportation facilities as defined in RCW 47.06.140, State and local correctional facilities, solid waste handling facilities, opioid treatment programs including both mobile and fixed-site medication units, recovery residences, harm reduction programs excluding safe injection sites, and in-patient facilities including substance abuse facilities, mental health facilities, group homes, and secure community transition facilities as defined in RCW 71.09.020.</p>	<p>Added these clauses to be consistent with changes to RCW 36.70A.200.</p>

CCC 31.02.100 - General land use policies.

(1) Clallam County shall work with local jurisdictions within the county to ensure relevant county-wide planning policies are integrated into the local planning process, and ensure local goals and policies are consistent.

(2) Clallam County shall identify lands useful for public purposes such as utility corridors, transportation corridors, landfills, sewage treatment facilities, stormwater management facilities, recreation, schools, and other public uses. The county shall work with the state and the cities within its borders to identify areas of shared need for public facilities. The jurisdictions within the county shall prepare a prioritized list of lands necessary for the identified public uses including an estimated date by which the acquisition will be needed in accordance with RCW 36.70A.150.

(3) Clallam County shall give special consideration to achieving environmental justice when implementing land use goals and policies, including efforts to avoid creating or worsening environmental health disparities in accordance with RCW 36.70A.070.

Creation of a General Land Use Policy chapter to implement RCW 36.70A.150 and WAC 365-196-340. Inclusion of climate impact language to reflect amendments to RCW 36.70A.070(1) (HB 1181).

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<p>(4) Clallam County shall reduce and mitigate the risk to lives and property posed by wildfires by using land use planning tools and through wildfire preparedness and fire adaptation measures in accordance with RCW 36.70A.070.</p>	
<p>CCC 31.02.115 Agricultural resource land inventory and issues. ... (2) <i>Agricultural Land Protection Programs.</i> ... (3) Benefits provided to Clallam County citizens residents by farms and farmland include: (6) <i>Changes in Local Agricultural Industry.</i> ...</p>	<p>The inclusion of historical information regarding agricultural lands creates an issue of the need for continuous update. We recommend the historical information be moved into an appendix. County should consult with the Conservation District to update the information and trends described in this section.</p> <p>Are all the programs listed in this sub-section (Agricultural Land Protection Programs) still in place?</p> <p>The County may want to consider sending this section (Changes in Local Agricultural Industry.) to local ag organizations to see if any information needs to be updated. This may lead to policy changes as well.</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.120 – Agricultural and resource land use goals policies</p>	<p>We suggest changing this to policies rather than goals and add “use” to reflect that this is part of the land use element.</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.120(2) - Clallam County should provide incentives to encourage continued agriculture operations by providing property tax incentives, education and technical assistance, and the permitting of compatible on-farm enterprises and</p>	<p>Accessory uses from RCW 36.70A.177(3).</p>

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accessory uses subject to applicable performance standards.	
CCC 31.02.120(8) - Clallam County shall enhance the food security of its residents citizens and develop the local farm economy by actively supporting producers of food and other agricultural products for local consumption and supporting policies that encourage local institutions to purchase local food.	We suggest removing the word “citizen” and changing to “resident” where appropriate.
CCC 31.02.130(1) - The forest lands within the County are of significant economic importance to its residents citizens	We suggest removing the word “citizen” and changing to “resident” where appropriate.
CCC 31.02.140 – Forest land use goats policies	Changed to policies to reflect the specificity of this content. Added “use” to reflect that this is part of the land use element.
CCC 31.02.150(1) - ... Therefore, the citizens residents of Clallam County recognize mineral resource extraction as ...	We suggest removing the word “citizen” and changing to “resident” where appropriate.
CCC 31.02.1670 – Classification of mineral resource lands.	Re-order within land use element.
CCC 31.02.1780 – Designation of mineral resource lands.	Re-order within land use element.
CCC 31.02.1890 – Mineral resource land overlay districts.	Re-order within land use element.
CCC 31.02.1960 – Mineral land use goats policies .	Changed to policies, added “use” to reflect that is part of the land use element.
CCC 31.02.210 – Urban growth and sprawl issues. ... In the twenty (20) year period from 1970 to 1990, the population of the three (3) cities grew by less than	This can be updated using most recent growth. We suggest removing the word “citizen” and changing to “resident” where appropriate.

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<p>4,600 people while the unincorporated area grew by more than 17,000 people. Most of the rural growth occurred in the east end of the County, some of it in planned communities such as Sunland, Solmar, Mains Farm, and Diamond Point, but also a significant portion in one-acre tracts. The West End also experienced significant population growth in the 1970's, but during the 1980's, approximately half of the population gain was lost.</p> <p>...</p> <p>... Not only does this provide recreational benefit to the citizens residents, it also provides a clear distinction of urban areas from the rural area.</p>	
<p>CCC 31.02.220 – Urban growth areas. Establishing urban growth areas is a major step that Clallam County will take in managing growth. Urban growth areas must include areas and densities sufficient to accommodate the County's expected growth for the succeeding twenty (20) years. Clallam County population forecasts indicate that an additional 10,000 to 12,000 people in the next twenty (20) years should be planned for. Sufficient areas for growth must be provided within the urban growth areas. However, it is not expected that all growth will occur in urban growth areas. It is not the intent of these policies or the GMA to stop rural growth; it is the intent of these</p>	<p>The 2022 OFM GMA forecasts about 9,500 population growth between 2020 and 2045.</p>

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<p>policies to encourage a shift to urban growth where adequate public facilities and services can be provided in a financially feasible manner while conserving resource lands, rural landscapes, and environmental quality.</p> <p>The Growth Management Act states that growth outside urban growth areas can occur “only if it is not urban in nature.” Furthermore, urban governmental services should not be extended into rural areas. The County-wide Planning Policies state that the “County should designate as urban growth areas those unincorporated areas not in proximity to existing cities, provided that such areas meet the principles established for UGAs and that appropriate service providers are identified to provide the specified urban governmental services.”</p> <p>Public water systems exist in both of the unincorporated UGAs. A public sewer system exists in Clallam Bay-Seki. These water systems do not exist only for public health reasons. These water systems exist also for economic development (fire protection for commercial/industrial uses) and to serve urban</p>	<p>We could not find this quote in the existing CPPs. Have they been revised since this language was written?</p> <p>These code sections don’t refer to utility extensions anymore. RCW 36.70A.110 may be a more appropriate citation. (https://app.leg.wa.gov/rcw/default.aspx?cite=36.70a&full=true#36.70A.110)</p>

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<p>residential land uses. Section 34 and 35 of ESHB 2929 (RCW 56.08.020 and 57.16.010) also appear to prohibit the extension or location of water and sewer facilities outside UGAs. If GMA prohibits extension of these systems in rural areas, then the vision for extension of these systems within the UGAs and within the financial constraints of the water or sewer purveyor will be thwarted.</p>	
CCC 31.02.2350 – Urban growth area amendment process.	Re-order within land use element.
CCC 31.02.2355 – Urban growth area locations.	Re-order within land use element.
CCC 31.02.2430 – Urban growth area designation policies.	<p>Re-order within land use element.</p> <p>This whole chapter should be revised with updated population projection numbers.</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.2430(1) Minimum urban growth areas (UGAs) shall be established based upon land use demand as determined by the Clallam County twenty (20) year forecast of population for the County and specified subareas, so long as the County-wide forecast is not less than the most recent forecasts available from the Office of Financial Management (OFM). The County</p>	<p>The medium series OFM projection has been selected for the official population projection for the County for 2045. Most of this section can be removed. Deleted documentation of linear projection and added language explaining the use of the medium series OFM projection. We have also added a placeholder table to enter the official projections when adopted.</p>

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<p>shall provide forecasts for the designation of urban growth areas. <u>For the 2025 Comprehensive Plan, Clallam County has adopted as the official population target the 2045 Medium Series projection from OFM, with an overall county population of 86,700. Compared to the previous comprehensive plan, in which OFM projections were significant under-estimates and a linear projection for county communities was used, the County and the Cities within the county have determined that the 2022 projection medium series from OFM is suitable for 2045. This total has also been used in the HAPT tool used to calculate housing allocations as described in the Housing Element.</u></p>	<p>Alternatively, this entire section could potentially be replaced by simply referring to the 2022 OFM Population Projections. (https://ofm.wa.gov/washington-data-research/population-demographics/population-forecasts-and-projections/growth-management-act-county-projections/growth-management-act-population-projections-counties-2020-2050)</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.2430(1)</p>	<p>The medium series OFM projection has been selected for the official population projection for the County for 2045. Most of this section can be removed. We suggest adding the population projections for the various jurisdictions of the county, including the unincorporated UGAs, and describing why the medium series was selected.</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.2540 – Urban growth area implementation policies.</p>	<p>Re-order within land use element.</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.260 – Master planned resorts land use policies.</p>	<p>Re-order within land use element.</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.270 – Commercial and industrial land use policies.</p>	<p>Re-order within land use element.</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.2860 – Rural growth land use policies.</p>	<p>Re-order within land use element.</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.28165 – Existing rural centers.</p>	<p>Re-order within land use element.</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.28263 – Limited areas of more intensive rural development.</p>	<p>Re-order within land use element.</p>

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<p>CCC 31.02.283 – Limited areas of more intensive rural development goals and policies.</p> <p>(4)–Goal and Policies. The intent of these goals and policies is to guide development of the County’s existing LAMIRDs ...</p>	<p>Suggestion to replace the existing CCC 31.02.263(4) with a Goals and Policies chapter for LAMIRDs</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.280 Housing</p> <p>(1) <i>Housing Element.</i> ...</p> <p>(a) CCC 31.02.210 through 31.02.255 governing urban growth area issues;</p> <p>(b) CCC 31.02.285 governing essential public facilities, including in-patient facilities, group homes, and secure community transition facilities;</p> <p>(c) CCC 31.02.510 and 31.02.520 ...</p>	<p>The inclusion of historical information regarding housing creates an issue of the need for continuous update. We recommend the historical information be moved into an appendix.</p> <p>County, check to ensure these ((1)(a)-(c)) are referencing the right chapters/sections with all the reorganization once that is finalized.</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.281 – General Housing Policies</p> <p>(4)–Policies. Based on consideration of all of the growth management goals and unique local circumstances, Clallam County adopts the following policies to achieve its goal of ensuring a variety of housing options planning for and accommodating housing affordable to all economic segments of the population, and to create creating vital communities where people live close to work, attend school, receive services and recreate, and have access to viable public and multi-model transportation options:</p> <p>(a) <i>Policy 1.</i> ...</p>	<p>Suggestion to replace the existing CCC 31.02.280(4) with a Goals and Policies chapter for housing.</p> <p>Recommend to match language in Housing goal in RCW 36.70A.020.</p> <p>We suggest re-organizing with numbered “Policy” labels.</p> <p>Change all references to Accessory Housing Units (AHUs) to Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) for consistency with RCW.</p>

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<p>(b) <i>Policy 2.</i> ... (c) <i>Policy 3.</i> ... (d) <i>Policy 4.</i> ... (e) <i>Policy 5.</i> Accessory <i>housing dwelling units</i> (ADHUs) ... (f) <i>Policy 6.</i> ... (g) <i>Policy 7.</i> ... (h) <i>Policy 8.</i> ... (i) <i>Policy 9.</i> ... (j) <i>Policy 10.</i> ...</p>	
<p>CCC 31.02.282 – Affordable housing issues. ... (2) <i>Measuring Housing Need: A Data Toolkit for Clallam County</i> includes the following findings: ...</p>	<p>Re-order within land use element.</p> <p>This (data toolkit) will need to be updated as well. This would be more appropriate as an appendix.</p> <p>This section could be reduced to just housing element boilerplate and reference the appendix containing the adequate provisions documentation such as the toolkit.</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.283 – Affordable housing policies.</p>	<p>Re-order within land use element.</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.283(1) - Policy 1. Clallam County's affordable housing efforts should be directed at preserving and creating housing that is affordable to those with <i>extremely low</i>, very low, low, and moderate income, <i>as defined as: in this chapter.</i> (a)–“Very low income” means a household income below 50 percent of the Countywide median; (b)–“Low income” means a household income between 50 and 80 percent of the Countywide median.</p>	<p>We suggest citing the definitions section to reduce redundancy.</p>

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(c)–“Moderate income” means a household with income within the range of 80 to 95 percent of the Countywide median.	
CCC 31.02.300285 – Public utilities, facilities and services.	Re-order within land use element.
General removal of “Policy No. #” within CCC 31.02.300. Also replacement of [...] with (...).	Suggest edit for formatting consistency with other chapters.
<p>CCC 31.02.310 – Capital Facility Plan issues. [...]Chapter 82.46 RCW authorizes counties and cities to impose an additional excise tax on the sale of real estate to finance public facility construction. This additional tax is authorized in two (2) increments of one-quarter of one percent of the sale price. Clallam County adopted the first one-quarter of one percent in 1990 and has set aside funds for capital improvements. Another new taxing source which is considered for purchase of parks and open space lands is the Conservation Futures Tax, Chapter 84.34 RCW This source is taxed on all parcels of property at a rate up to \$0.0625 per \$1,000 assessed valuation.</p> <p>[...]</p> <p>The level of service summary shows that the County may expend up to \$6,700,000 over the next six (6)</p>	<p>Re-order within land use element.</p> <p>Is the “\$0.0625 per \$1,000 assessed valuation” statement still true? If not, should be updated.</p> <p>Propose deleting to add a new section referring to the 2024 6-year CIP.</p>

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<p><u>years to maintain the level of services that residents now enjoy. Of these costs, revenue sources of \$1,380,000 have not been identified, although \$1,100,000 may be eliminated by being able to use the old Courthouse in the solution of office space. There is also about \$2,000,000 in parks and recreation which will be spent over the next twenty (20) years, not necessarily by the year 2000. These facts bring the funded portion of the Plan in line with revenues.</u></p> <p><u>There is a problem with this positive outlook. There are no costs as of yet to resolve the Jail prisoner separation problem. This is still in the analysis stage and could be a significant impact on the Capital Facility Plan. One possible solution for this problem lies in the reuse of the old Juvenile Facility which becomes available in late 1994. The alternatives could range in cost from \$100,000 to over \$1,500,000. This Plan is expected to be modified when this data is available.</u></p> <p><u>The County's 2024-2028 capital plan indicates a total planned improvement budget of \$25,952,234. Of which \$12,386,432 is grant/loan funded.</u></p>	

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<p><u>The funding to make this Plan work includes the second one-quarter percent local real estate excise tax as allowed under Chapter 82.46 RCW. This revenue source would be in lieu of development impact fees. This presents a logical method for financing the needed capital facilities without the negative aspect of impact fees reducing development. The other significant revenue source is the use of conservation futures and bonds for the large expenditures in park land. Thus, the people will have a say in the approval of those large acquisitions which impact them the most and advance the park system the most. If funding sources are not realized, then either the LOS Standards will have to be adjusted in recognition of the ultimate abilities of the County resources, or limits on future development and land uses will have to be enacted.</u></p> <p><u>Throughout the Capital Facilities Plan, noncapital alternatives are presented to reduce the financial impact of needed capital facilities. It is expected that these alternatives will lessen the imbalance in the financial resources of the plan. Also, not all of the park expenditures are necessary to accomplish the plan.</u></p>	<p>The County should review this section for consistency with current financing resources.</p>

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<p><u>Only those which present the best opportunity for park enhancement will be accomplished and thus some savings should be realized.</u></p>	
<p>CCC 31.02.320 – Goals of the Capital Facility Plan policies. [...] <u>(5) Policy 5. Prepare a six (6) year financial plan for any public facilities which need to be developed as a result of LOS requirements and projected changes in population. The six (6) year financial plan should be based on cost estimates for capital improvements which are identified in the plan. See Table 14 and 15 for a summary of Capital Plan for detailed the financing plan.</u></p>	<p>Re-order within land use element. Suggest renaming from goals to policies.</p> <p>Capital Plan is located on the County’s draft budget page online.</p>
<p>Renaming of stated goals to “<i>Policy #</i>” within CCC 31.02.320.</p>	<p>Suggest reformatting to clearly state as Comprehensive Plan policies.</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.3310 – Natural, historical, and cultural resource issues.</p>	<p>Re-order within land use element.</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.330 - In putting forth growth management legislation, Washington State recognized that the environment, open space and recreation, historical and</p>	<p>Suggested replacement of “citizen”.</p>

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<p>archaeological resources, and citizen participation and coordination were integral to quality of life of its citizens people.</p> <p>...</p> <p>The citizens residents of Clallam County have invested time, energy, and tax dollars in implementing education, incentive, and regulatory programs to prevent nonpoint source pollution through citizen-based watershed management plans. ... Clallam County has a responsibility to protect citizens' residents' investment in environmental quality.</p> <p>...</p> <p>As land develops, we marginally lose aesthetic values which contribute to the quality of life for our citizens residents. ...</p>	
<p>CCC 31.02.3420 - Environment and open space goals policies.</p>	<p>Re-order within land use element.</p>
<p>General removal of "Policy No. #" within CCC 31.02.340. Also replacement of [...] with (...).</p>	<p>Suggest edit for formatting consistency with other chapters.</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.340(1)(c) - The critical areas ordinance shall be utilized by Clallam County to help achieve environmental objectives, prevent environmental degradation, and to manage land use activities within the natural and intrinsic constraints of the landscape. The interim critical areas ordinance which classifies, designates and protects critical areas shall be adopted as the County's final critical areas ordinance. The ordinance shall be amended as necessary to implement watershed or special area studies and to maintain consistency with the</p>	<p>Since the CAO in Chapter 27.12 Clallam County Code does not appear to be an interim ordinance, propose deleting this clause. The CAO will be updated this cycle as well.</p>

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Comprehensive Plan. Practices under this chapter should be evaluated periodically to ensure regulatory effectiveness in achieving stated objectives and fair notification to affected property owners.	
CCC 31.02.340(1)(d) - Education and incentives should be provided to citizens the public to ensure their understanding of the principles behind regulatory protection and to increase support for protection outside of the regulatory framework.	Suggested replacement of “citizen”.
CCC 31.02.340(10) - <i>Hazardous Areas. (Policy 26)</i> The public should be protected from personal injury, loss of life, or property damage from environmental hazards. Land use practices in hazard areas should not cause or exacerbate natural processes which endanger the lives, property and resources of citizens residents. Undevelopable hazardous areas should be utilized as open space whenever possible.	Suggested replacement of “citizen”.
CCC 31.02.340(14)(e) - <i>Policy 38.</i> Public access sites and public open spaces should provide for nonmotorized recreation and for transportation trails for citizens people of all levels of ability. Educational and interpretive activities are a desirable component of public spaces, especially where water resources are present.	Suggested replacement of “citizen”.
CCC 31.02.3530 – Historic and cultural resources policies.	Re-order within land use element.
Renaming of stated goals to “ <i>Policy #</i> ” within CCC 31.02.350.	Suggest reformatting to clearly state as Comprehensive Plan policies.

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<p>CCC 31.02.415 – Transportation – Inventory.</p> <p>CCC 31.02.415(1)</p> <p>CCC 31.02.415(2) <i>Port, Marine Terminals and Moorage.</i> The Port of Port Angeles was created in 1922 and began operations shortly thereafter. Currently, the Port provides various transportation related facilities which include marine terminals, industrial districts and airports. The Port Angeles Harbor is the westernmost natural deepwater harbor in the Puget Sound which requires no dredging. The Port currently owns and operates two deep-water terminals with a total capacity of five vessels. The Port Angeles Boat Haven covers 16.1 acres on the south shore of the Port Angeles Harbor. Moorage space accommodates 563 commercial and recreational vessels. <i>The marina provides 244 permanent moorage slips, plus 22 transient slips, and has an ultimate capacity of 355 slips.</i></p> <p>CCC 31.02.415(3)</p> <p>CCC 31.02.415(4)</p>	<p>Confirm current ADT of Highway 101 (currently cited at 20,600 vehicles per day).</p> <p>Current plan cites that the Road Department maintains 487.32 miles of County road. Public works should confirm.</p> <p>Description of federal financing of roads and the ISTEA seems outdated. Should remove and replace this with updated description of transportation requirements and federal funding.</p> <p>Public works to confirm existing conditions numbers on Port of Port Angeles. Last sentence deleted because it is repeated in the following paragraph of the subsection.</p> <p>Public works to confirm existing conditions numbers in subsection 3 on ferries.</p>

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<p>CCC 31.02.415(5)</p> <p>CCC 31.02.415(6)</p> <p>Figure 31.02.415(B) Olympic Discovery Trail</p>	<p>Public works to confirm existing conditions numbers in subsection 4 on airports.</p> <p>Consider sending subsection 5 to Clallam Transit to update.</p> <p>Parks Department/Public Works to confirm data on non-motorized transportation in subsection 6.</p> <p>Added an updated version of the parks map. High res version here: https://www.clallamcountywa.gov/576/Maps</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.420</p> <p>...</p> <p>(a) {Policy No. 1.} ...</p> <p>(b) {Policy No. 2.} ...</p> <p>(c) {Policy No. 3.} Increase regional mobility of goods, services and passengers and increase access to regional attractions while preserving and enhancing the urban commercial corridor.</p> <p>(i) Insist upon the State Legislature and Department of Transportation to complete improvements in the Sequim-Dungeness subregion as described in the final environmental impact statement for SR 101, Palo Alto to O'Brien Road.</p> <p>(d) {Policy No. 4.} ...</p> <p>(e) {Policy No. 5.} ...</p> <p>(f) {Policy No. 6.} ...</p> <p>(g) {Policy No. 7.} ...</p>	<p>General policy number reformatting</p> <p>Public works to confirm if this is needed (see CCC 31.02.420(1)(c)(i)).</p> <p>Nothing in the policies below reflects this phrase (see Policy 8). Consider removing last sentence.</p> <p>This should just lead readers to the most current engineering standards to avoid having to update the policy in the future (see CCC 31.02.420(1)(j)(iv); Policy 10).</p> <p>Is the information in Policy 12 on rest area needs still accurate? Public works to confirm.</p> <p>Suggested replacement of "citizen". See Policy 16.</p>

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<p>(h) {Policy No. 8.} Create an awareness for sharing the road with bicyclists. Promote a change of attitude.</p> <p>(i) {Policy No. 9.} ...</p> <p>(j) {Policy No. 10.} Road safety should continually increase as population growth occurs.</p> <p>...</p> <p>(iv) New development should not be allowed unless accessed by a County road meeting County engineering. the following minimum standards:</p> <p>Surface Width—16 feet</p> <p>Grade—12 percent maximum</p> <p>Curves—Centerline radii not less than 100 feet</p> <p>(k) {Policy No. 11.} ...</p> <p>(l) {Policy No. 12.} Provide rest areas which promote safety and provide for views of culturally or historically significant sites and information to augment the travelers' enjoyment of the highways. Rest areas are needed in the following areas:</p> <p>(i) Between the Hood Canal Bridge and Sequim;</p> <p>(ii) Between Lake Crescent and the Hoh River;</p> <p>(iii) Between Port Angeles and Clallam Bay along Highway 112.</p> <p>...</p> <p>(a) {Policy No. 13.} ...</p> <p>(b) {Policy No. 14.} ...</p> <p>...</p>	

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<p>(a) {Policy No. 13.} ...</p> <p>(b) {Policy No. 14.} ...</p> <p>...</p> <p>(a) {Policy No. 15.} ...</p> <p>...</p> <p>(a) Policy 16. Maintain air transportation as a safe, efficient, economical, and environmentally acceptable travel mode serving the needs of County citizens residents and visitors.</p> <p>...</p> <p>5. Trails, Paths and Sidewalks. (Policy 29.) ...</p> <p>6. Finance. ({Policy 30.}) ...</p> <p>7. Mitigation. ({Policy 31.}) ...</p>	
<p>CCC 31.02.432 – Future transit service needs.</p>	<p>Looks like this entire section is based on the 1993 transit comp plan and will need to be updated. Consider sending section to long-range planners at Clallam Transit to update.</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.435 – Transit-compatible design standards and development checklist.</p>	<p>Consider moving this out of the comprehensive plan entirely and into development standards elsewhere in County code.</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.440 - The goal of this bicycle plan is to improve conditions for bicycling in Clallam County and to encourage more cycling as a healthy, traffic-reducing alternative to motorized transportation.</p> <p><i>This plan will incorporate alternate modes of transportation with development that increase physical activity and reduce per capita vehicle miles traveled within the jurisdiction, but without increasing greenhouse gas emissions elsewhere in the state. will enhance the transportation system by providing new levels of personal mobility for a moderate cost while encouraging cleaner air and</i></p>	<p>Added GHG emission reduction intention per RCW 36.70A.070(1) (amended in 2023).</p>

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<p>providing increased access to free or inexpensive opportunities for physical activity to promote a healthier population...</p>	
<p>CCC 31.02.610 - The Growth Management Act encourages economic development throughout the State that is consistent with adopted comprehensive plans, promotes economic opportunity for all citizens residents, especially for unemployed and for disadvantaged persons, supports growth in areas experiencing insufficient economic growth, all within the capacities of the area’s natural resources, public services, and public facilities.</p>	<p>Suggested replacement of “citizen”.</p>
<p>Table 31.02.610(B).</p>	<p>Update with new acreage once capacity and gaps are identified.</p>
<p>Figure 31.02.610(F). Clallam County Planning Regions, Urban Growth Areas, and Rural Nodes.</p>	<p>Recommendation to update map once capacity is calculated/mapped</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.610(7)(b) - ... The Clallam County public transportation system increases the mobility of our citizens residents regardless of age or abilities, which supports economic development.</p>	<p>Suggested replacement of “citizen”.</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.610(8)(a) - Agriculture. The Agriculture Industry Cluster Team consists of local agricultural producers of produce, seed, livestock, fiber, lavender and cheese products, in addition to the WSU Extension, conservation organizations such as “Friends of the Fields,” education representatives, and private citizens members of the public. Interest has more recently broadened to include nonagricultural food enterprises such as seafood and artisan bread.</p>	<p>There is a group that performs similar functions, but with a different name and perhaps different composition. This will need to be updated.</p> <p>Suggested replacement of “citizen” if there is no citizenship requirement for the Agriculture Industry Cluster Team.</p>

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<p>CCC 31.02.610(8)(b) <i>Building Trades</i>. The Building Trades Cluster Team is a formation of the North Peninsula Builders Association, the realtors associations, and interested citizens members of the public.</p>	<p>There is a group that performs similar functions, but with a different name and perhaps different composition. This will need to be updated.</p> <p>Suggested replacement of “citizen” if there is no citizenship requirement for the Building Trades Cluster Team.</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.610(8)(c) – <i>Education</i>. The “Education/Training Centers of Excellence” cluster team is made up of...</p>	<p>There is a group that performs similar functions, but with a different name and perhaps different composition. This will need to be updated.</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.610(8)(d) - <i>Finance</i>. The Olympic Peninsula Finance Advisory Network (OPFAN) cluster team consists of...</p>	<p>There is a group that performs similar functions, but with a different name and perhaps different composition. This will need to be updated.</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.610(8)(e) - <i>Forest Resources</i>. The Forest Resources Cluster Team is made up of representatives from logging and trucking companies, local wood products manufacturing industries, government representatives (USDA, DNR, Clallam County, city of Forks, etc.), timber companies, and citizens private members of the public.</p>	<p>There is a group that performs similar functions, but with a different name and perhaps different composition. This will need to be updated.</p> <p>Suggested replacement of “citizen” if there is no citizenship requirement for the Forest Resources Cluster Team.</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.610(8)(f) - <i>Health Services</i>. The Health Services Cluster Team (“Transforming Healthcare in Clallam County” (THCC)) is composed of a wide variety of representatives from local public and private medical facilities, tribal clinics, County and city representatives, citizen groups members of the public, and other community representatives.</p>	<p>There is a group that performs similar functions, but with a different name and perhaps different composition. This will need to be updated.</p> <p>Suggested replacement of “citizen” if there is no citizenship requirement for the Health Services Cluster Team.</p>

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<p>CCC 31.02.610(8)(f) - <i>Information Technology</i>. The Information Technology Cluster Team consists of...</p>	<p>There is a group that performs similar functions, but with a different name and perhaps different composition. This will need to be updated.</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.610(8)(h) - <i>Marine Services</i>. The Marine Services Industry Cluster team consists of representatives from...</p>	<p>There is a group that performs similar functions, but with a different name and perhaps different composition. This will need to be updated.</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.610(8)(i) <i>Tourism</i>. The Tourism Cluster Team is made up of representatives from...</p>	<p>There is a group that performs similar functions, but with a different name and perhaps different composition. This will need to be updated.</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.620 Economic Development goals and policies.</p>	<p>Suggest reformatting to clearly state as Comprehensive Plan policies.</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.620 (1) Goal 1. ... (a) Policy 1. ... (2) Goal 2. ... (a) Policy 1. ...</p>	<p>In this section, policy numbering restarts at 1 for each goal. In the rest of the plan (for the most part), policy numbering restarts at 1 at each change in section. We recommend that you consult with your code maintenance team and your numbering guide to see how this should be done and revise if necessary for formatting consistency.</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.620(6)(a) - <i>Policy 1</i>. Invite and encourage broad representation from organizations and citizens residents in the review and update of the Clallam County economic development element and implementing land use regulations.</p>	<p>Suggested replacement of “citizen”.</p>
<p>CCC 31.02.710 - ... Electrical service to the citizens residents and businesses of Clallam County outside the City of Port Angeles is provided by the Public Utility District No. 1 of Clallam County. The telecommunication network to Clallam County is vital to quality of life of its citizens</p>	<p>Suggested replacement of “citizen”.</p>

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residents and economic development of the community.	
CCC 31.02.720 – Utility goals policies. (1) <i>Policy 1.</i> ... (2) <i>Policy 2.</i> ... (3) <i>Policy 3.</i> ... (4) <i>Policy 4.</i> ... (5) <i>Policy 5.</i> ...	Suggest reformatting to clearly state as Comprehensive Plan policies. Suggest reformatting to clearly state as Comprehensive Plan policies.
CCC 31.02.910 – ... For text, go to: http://www.clallam.net/LandUse/comprehensiveplan.html For maps, go to: http://www.clallam.net/Maps/index.html	The links provided are broken. We suggest updating or removing. Clallam.net in general redirects to current website, so any clallam.net language anywhere in the code will need to get changed.

New Policies

Policy	Source	Notes
(14) Climate change and resiliency. Ensure that comprehensive plans, development regulations, and regional policies, plans, and strategies under RCW 36.70A.210 and chapter 47.80 RCW adapt to and mitigate the effects of a changing climate; support reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and per capita vehicle miles traveled; prepare for climate impact scenarios; foster resiliency to climate impacts and natural	Added to account for new planning goals added in 2023 in HB 1181.	Placed within CCC 31.01.200 – Growth Management Goals

hazards; protect and enhance environmental, economic, and human health and safety; and advance environmental justice.		
(15) Shorelines of the state. For shorelines of the state, the goals and policies of the shoreline management act as set forth in RCW 90.58.020 shall be considered an element of the county's or city's comprehensive plan.	Added to account for new planning goals added in 2023 in HB 1181.	
Clallam County shall work with local jurisdictions within the county to ensure relevant county-wide planning policies are integrated into the local planning process, and ensure local goals and policies are consistent.	RCW 36.70A.210 WAC 365-196-305	There is a need to address the Land Use Element a. from the WA Commerce Checklist.
Clallam County shall identify lands useful for public purposes such as utility corridors, transportation corridors, landfills, sewage treatment facilities, stormwater management facilities, recreation, schools, and other public uses. The county shall work with the state and the cities within its borders to identify areas of shared need for public facilities. The jurisdictions within the county shall prepare a prioritized list of lands necessary for the identified public uses including an estimated date by which the acquisition will be needed.	RCW 36.70A.150 and WAC 365-196-340	There is discussion in the CF section (CCC 31.02.820) about interjurisdictional coordination, but not specifically about identifying suitable lands for facilities.
Clallam County shall give special consideration to achieving environmental	RCW 36.70A.070(1) amended in 2023.	This is to be part of a land use element. Perhaps this can be placed in CCC 31.02.320.

justice in goals and policies, including efforts to avoid creating or worsening environmental health disparities.		
Reduce and mitigate the risk to lives and property posed by wildfires by using land use planning tools and through wildfire preparedness and fire adaptation measures.	RCW 36.70A.070(1) amended in 2023.	This is to be part of a land use element. Perhaps this can be placed in CCC 31.02.320 or 31.02.320(10).