

RIVER CENTRAL

LEHIGH VALLEY, PENNSYLVANIA



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Planning Steering Committee

Tuesday, April 11th

**Welcome +
Introductions**

Municipal Representatives

Other Agencies

Members of the Public



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Minutes

March 14th, 2023



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Draft Plan Comments

Draft Plan Comments – LNAA

Policy 2.4 (Page 67) Proposed Action

- Review and update zoning ordinances to ensure appropriate Airport Zoning and compatible land uses.

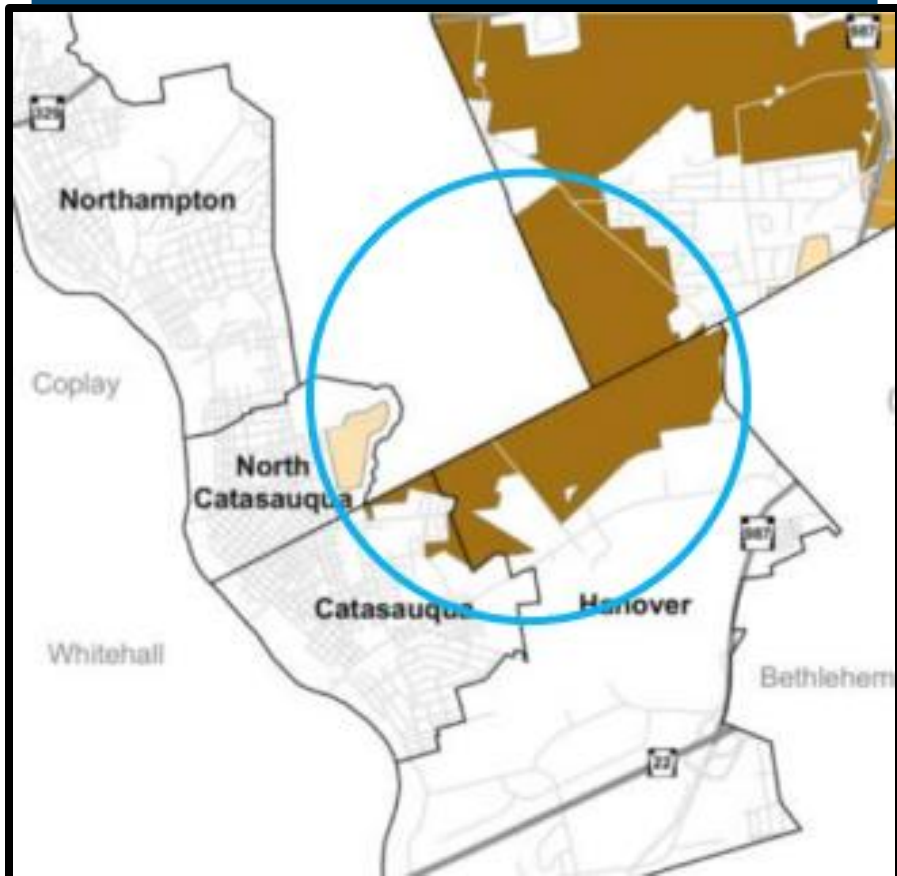
Implementation Action:

Work with ABE to implement appropriate Airport Zoning and compatible land use and ensure all municipalities meet requirements established by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Act 164, Chapter 59, Airport Operation and Zoning.

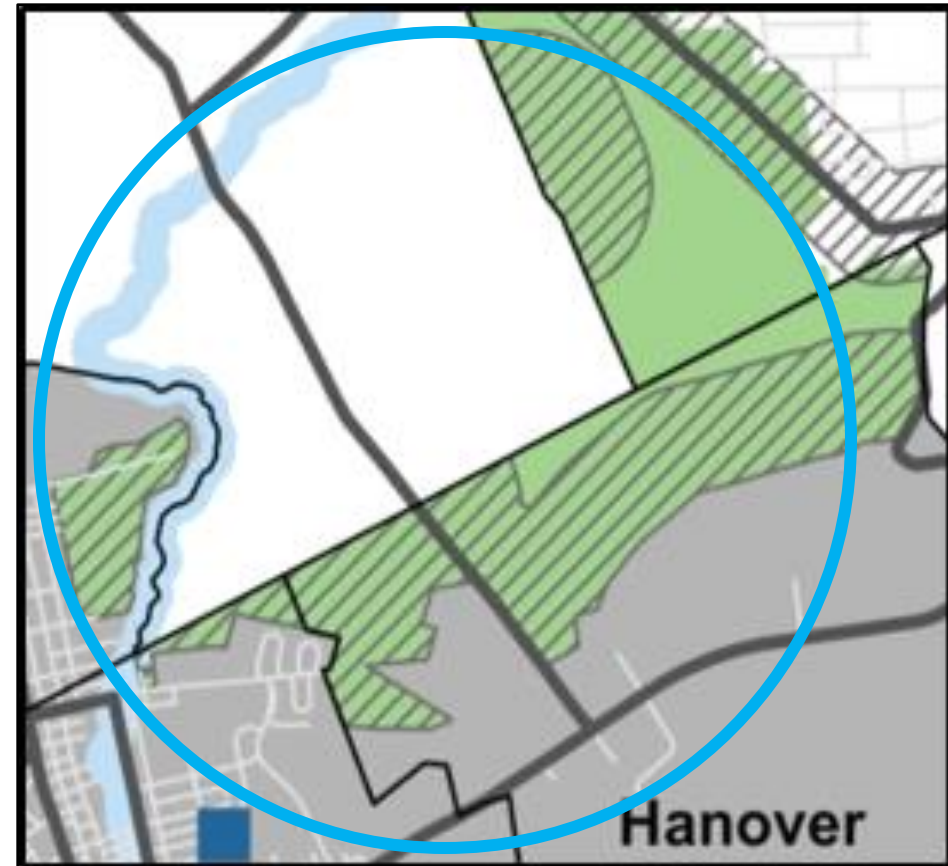
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Farmland Preservation Map Edits

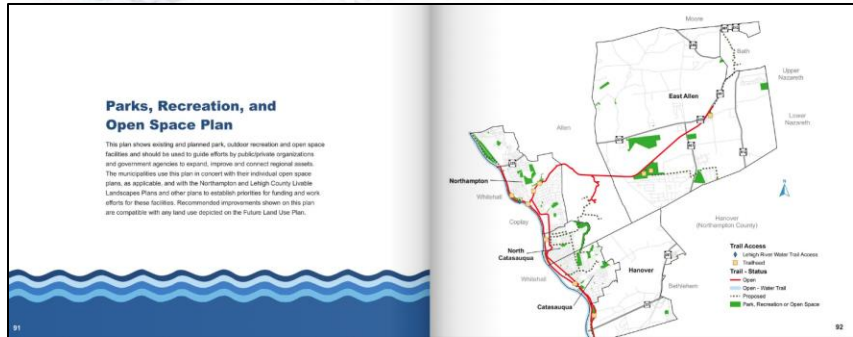
Farmland Preservation Plan



Future Land Use Plan



Draft Plan Comments - Northampton Borough



Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Plan

This plan shows existing and planned park, outdoor recreation and open space facilities and should be used to guide efforts by public/private organizations and government agencies to **expand, improve and connect regional assets.** The municipalities use this plan in concert with their individual open space plans, as applicable, and with the Northampton and Lehigh County Livable Landscapes Plans and other plans to establish priorities for funding and work efforts for these facilities. Recommended improvements shown on this plan are compatible with any land use depicted on the Future Land Use Plan.

... expand, improve and connect regional assets and pursue a multi-municipal approach to park and recreation programming.

Draft Plan Comments – Hanover Township

Comments to be included in
Second Draft Plan (and listed in
comment tracker):

- Specific to Hanover Township
- Text clarification / wording

Comments not included, with
response in comment tracker:

- Additional detail beyond the
scope and intent of the
Comprehensive Plan

Draft Plan Comments – Hanover Township

FUTURE LAND USE PLAN



FARMLAND PRESERVATION PLAN



Potential Addition: "Agricultural properties adjacent to or in proximity to the Lehigh Valley International Airport should remain as farmland until used for airport expansion as identified in the ABE Master Plan".

Draft Plan Comments – Hanover Township

LAND USE REGULATION

POLICY	ACTION
5.2	Revise zoning ordinances to incentivize providing a minimum percentage of low-and-moderately-priced units in residential development projects through density bonuses and streamlined approvals.

Potential Edit: Remove "a minimum percentage of", so the action reads "Revise zoning ordinances to incentivize low-and-moderately priced units..."

Draft Plan Comments – Hanover Township

AGRICULTURE		
POLICY	ACTION	TIMEFRAME
3.3	Lobby to the state to end the death tax, which makes it difficult to leave farms to children.	Long

Potential edit: Revise “Lobby to” to “Advocate for”

Project Schedule

Part 1 – Organization, Analysis and Foundation of the Plan

Phase 1. Project Initiation (Complete)	Feb – Apr 2021
Phase 2. Inventory and Analysis (Complete)	Mar – Sept 2021
Phase 3. Vision and Guiding Principles (Complete)	May – Oct 2021

Part 2 – Implementable Comprehensive Plan Adoption

Phase 4. Plan and Policy Framework (Complete)	May 2022 – Sept 2022
Phase 5. Draft Plan (Complete)	Aug 2022 – Dec 2022
Phase 6. Review and Adoption (In Progress)	Jan 2023 – July 2023

- Public Meetings (Planning Commissions) **(Complete)**
- 45-Day Review and Comment
- Public Hearings and Adoption (Governing Bodies)

Plan Review and Adoption Timeline

March

April

May

June

July



First Draft Plan Review

Review by County,
School Districts,
Contiguous Muni's

Public Hearings +
Adoption
(Governing Body)

Public Draft Plan Distribution
& Public Comments

45 day
review period

**Closing
Remarks +
Adjournment**

**Next Meeting:
Tuesday, May 9th – 7pm**

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