

# OGDEN VALLEY GENERAL PLAN UPDATE



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The General Plan is a policy document that must accurately portray the community and the community's vision. Presently, the Ogden Valley operates under the guidance of several different planning documents, and there are no recent or truly comprehensive planning documents that can be used to support the complex decisions that will be made in coming years.

The Valley has experienced new growth since the County's last significant planning efforts of 1998 and 2005. Newer and more accurate information is available regarding community topics such as demographics, land uses, transportation patterns, evolving technology, etc. This General Plan Update is focused on exploring whether the new growth or new information has created a shift in community values or vision. The General Plan Update is also focused on bringing the County's various planning resources together into one comprehensive General Plan which will help frame future decisions to achieve fiscally, socially, and environmentally responsible land uses.

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## GENERAL PLAN SCHEDULE



**Assessment and Process**  
Review current plan documents, establish existing conditions reports.

**Visioning**  
Outreach to the community and stakeholders to development a long-term sustainable vision for the Valley.

**Scenarios and Choices**  
Describe opportunities and land use concepts based on community outreach and Visioning Workshops.

**Plan Development**  
The draft plan will be presented this fall at a Public Open House, followed by a public review and comment period. Based on the comments received, the draft plan will be revised and presented to the Planning Commission for public hearings.

## THE PLANNING PROCESS

**500+**  
participants so far!



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### *Workshops and Open Houses*

Four open houses and workshops were held to inform and gather feedback from the community during different phases of the process: two Visioning Workshops in November 2014, one Scenarios Workshop in February 2015, and a community Choices Workshop in May 2015. Open houses will be held in fall 2015 to present the Draft General Plan and refine the draft with the public prior to beginning the adoption process.

### *Non-Traditional Events*

In addition to traditional public and online engagement, the County brought the planning process to the people. Mobile Workshops were held at various locations throughout the Valley to engage different demographics, and presentations at the Junior High brought together different perspectives.

### *Surveys & Online Engagement*

The [www.ValleyPlan.com](http://www.ValleyPlan.com) website was the informational hub for the plan, providing links to documents and notification of opportunities to participate. After each major event, materials were posted online to continue the dialogue and give those that weren't able to be at the event in person a chance to participate. Additionally, following the Scenarios Workshop and the Choices Workshop, online surveys were released to answer follow-up questions. By using online surveys to compliment the workshops, feedback was compiled consistently and effectively across all mediums.

### *Study Sessions*

The County Commission and Planning Commission directed the development of the Plan. Joint presentations provided unified direction for the plan vision. Separate meetings gave the County Commission and Planning Commission the opportunity to identify areas of concern, as well as recommended revisions in the process.

After a public comment period in fall 2015, the Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to review the plan, request any necessary modifications, then provide a recommendation to the County Commission. The County Commission will hold a subsequent public meeting to consider the Planning Commission's recommendation and make a final decision about plan adoption.

## Want more information?

Read [newsletter 1.2](#) for principles guiding the draft plan and explanation of the draft plan layout.