



# LUPAC MEETING #1: SUMMARY

April 25, 2022

Members of the project team held a kick-off meeting with the Land Use Plan Advisory Committee (LUPAC) on April 25, 2022. The purposes of the kick-off meeting were to introduce the committee members to the project team, other LUPAC members, and the project goals, as well as orient them to their role in the planning process and offer an opportunity to ask County staff and consultants questions.

## ATTENDEES

### LUPAC Members

Name	Participation	Planning Area
Andy Quick	Present	Cody Local
Bret Allard	Present	Sunlight
Brett Trudo	Present	Lower South Fork
Dave Hoffert	Present	Clark
Jerry Thompson	Present	Commercial/Industrial
Kathleen Jachowski	Present	Environmental
Kelly Spiering	Absent	Agriculture
Laurie Steward	Present	North Fork
Marion Morrison	Present	Cody/Powell Rural
Matt Curtis	Present - Virtually	Upper South Fork
Mike Bromley	Present - Virtually	Middle South Fork
Rebekah Burns	Present	Economics
Richard Lasko	Present	Sage Creek
Tiffanie May	Present	Meeteetse Local
Tracy Lafollette	Present	Upper Clark's Fork
Tye Whitlock	Present	Powell/Real Estate

## Project Team

Name	Participation	Organization/Role
Lloyd Thiel	Present	Park County Commissioner
Joy Hill	Present	Director of Planning and Zoning
Kim Dillivan	Present	Planner II
Darcie White	Present - Virtually	Clarion Associates
Paul Donegan	Present	Clarion Associates
Matt Prosser	Present - Virtually	EPS
Brian Clarkson	Present - Virtually	T-O Engineers

## DISCUSSION

LUPAC members were presented with key themes and issues that were raised during the initial focus group meetings to see if they felt important matters were not raised that needed to be. Additionally, LUPAC members asked the project team questions about the planning process. The following items were discussed:

- Whether this planning process is more of a plan update or an overhaul of the current land use plan.
  - This project will result in a brand-new plan, although material that from the 1998 plan may be incorporated into the new version.
- Whether federal agencies will be involved in this process, which is important because of the amount of federal land in Park County
  - The project team has already conducted several meetings with critical agencies and there will be additional opportunities to engage with them through Technical Working Group meetings and specific outreach.
- Whether there will be advertising and community engagement over the radio.
  - The project team has already been advertising through KPOW and BHRN, and have planned outreach through various outlets including radio, newspaper, Facebook, movie theaters, etc.
- Whether meetings be recorded and made available for people to watch afterwards.
  - County staff will investigate options for Zoom recordings and audio recordings. For very long meetings, it may be difficult to make that information readily available due to file sizes.
- There was a question about the role of the email address for each member.
  - The email addresses are meant to act as another conduit for the public to get their thoughts in. Each member is meant to represent their planning area and essentially represent/communicate for their constituents. It is not meant to be a back-and-forth communication stream for debating. It is a comment-collecting mechanism.
- The following specific topics were also raised by LUPAC members to ensure they are addressed in the planning process:
  - The role and impact of vacation rentals (Airbnb, Vrbo, etc.)
  - Dark skies and light pollution

- Education on the nature and limitations of public lands (including differences between National Park and National Forest)
- How minimum lot size regulations influence growth and where density makes sense
- The County's cooperator status with federal agencies
- Coordination with cities on incorporation and growth
- Water rights, irrigation, and aquifers
- Generational differences in how people think about housing, economic development, and employment
- Housing availability and affordability
- The role of the County in providing and maintaining infrastructure (vs other entities)
- Wildlife corridors and the impacts of fencing