

10.0 Capital Facilities Plan Element

The capital facilities element is a requirement of the Growth Management Act that helps ensure the coordination of the County's physical capital facilities planning with sound fiscal planning. The element also incorporates the approaches to coordination identified in County-wide Planning Policy #2.

10.1 CFP Goal

It is the Capital Facilities Plan (CFP) goal of Stevens County to:

Ensure that adequate capital facilities and services are planned for, located, designed and maintained in an economical, efficient and equitable manner, according to the future development plans of the County as shown on the Future Land Use Map and in the other elements of this comprehensive plan.

10.2 CFP Policies

In furtherance of the CFP Goal and the overall GMA goals, it is the CFP Policy of Stevens County to:

- CFP-1 Regularly update the six-year financing program for capital facilities that meets the requirements of the GMA, achieves the county's objectives for level of service, and is within the County's financial capabilities to carry out.
- CFP-2 Ensure that sufficient land is identified to accommodate projected capital facility needs. Periodically update capital facility background information used for the Comprehensive Plan, and maintain this information as an inventory of facilities and service providers that can be used to estimate future needs. Ensure that planned capital facilities will be available concurrently with the demand or need for such facilities.
- CFP-3 Plan for capital improvements and facilities based on demand, on the County's projected growth and development as reflected in this comprehensive plan, and on a realistic assessment of the financial capacity of the County to pay for the improvements.
- CFP-4 Coordinate capital facility planning among all county and non-County facility providers, including cities, fire districts, school districts, sewer and water districts, and public and private utilities, with the goal of supporting future land use patterns as promoted in this comprehensive plan and County-wide Planning Policies.
- CFP-5 If probable funding for the CFP falls short of meeting existing needs, reassess the land use element and other appropriate parts of this comprehensive plan to ensure consistency.

CFP-6 Ensure, through the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) and other applicable County codes, that public facilities and services are available, or that financial commitments are in place, to provide a consistent acceptable level of service at the time of development approval.