Franklin Township Comprehensive Plan

Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting #1

January 23rd, 2024 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM Franklin Township Administration Building





AGENDA

• Welcome and Introductions

• Comprehensive Planning Process

- What is a Comprehensive Plan?
- Role of the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)
- Why Plan?
- Past Plans
- Existing Conditions Report
- o Website
 - Timeline
 - Future Meetings
- Stakeholder Findings
- Vision Statement Introduction
- Adjournment



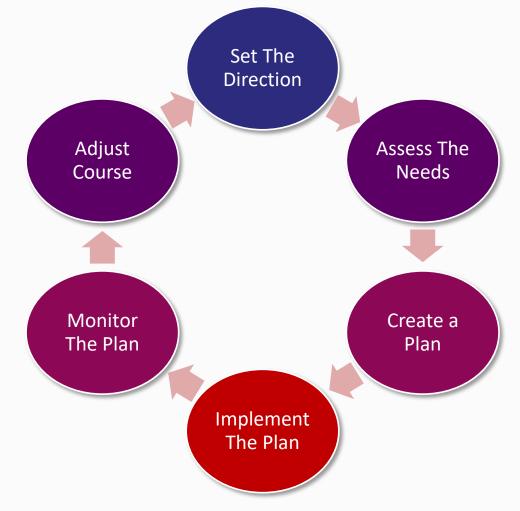
INTRODUCTIONS

CAC Members, Township & RPC Staff



COMPREHENSIVE PLAN BASICS

Determines community goals & aspirations Ο **Expresses public policies on:** Ο 5. 1. Transportation, Recreation, 6. Infrastructure, 2. Revitalization, 7. Housing. 3. Utilities, 4. Land use, Typically encompass a broad range of topics & cover Ο a long-term time horizon (20 years).



COMPREHENSIVE PLAN BASICS

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:

A long-range document that guides development and future growth of a community for 20 or more years.

For example, the Reinvent Franklin 2040 Comprehensive Plan.

The Comprehensive Plan sets the foundation for other planning.

AREA PLAN:

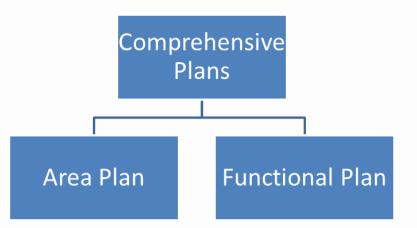
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jurisdictions, typically for a					
timeframe of 5 to 7 years.					
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For example, the Hunter-Red Lion Area Plan.

FUNCTION PLAN:

A medium range plan that focuses on a specific function within the community, usually for a 10-to-15-year timeframe.

For example, the Lebanon Turtlecreek Trails Initiative Plan. Similar plans may focus on trails, parks, sewer service, roadways, streetscapes, and gateways.



Why Plan?

• Enables guidance for creating a great Township.

Builds consensus & commitment from elected &

appointed officials, staff, the overall Township & other

interested stakeholders.

• **Provides** guidance for future decision-making.

• **Prepares** the community for action.

Prioritize

Work to determine realistic guidelines to implement the goals and incorporate citizen input into the township plan.

Set Goals

Determine goals about the future of the township and establish actions to work toward them.

Gain Citizen Input

Allow citizens to voice concerns and hopes for the future of their township.

ROLE OF THE CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC)

- Representing the residents, businesses,
 neighborhoods, community organizations,
 educational institutions, & other stakeholders.
- The CAC will assist and guide the WCRPC &
 Township staff in developing the
 Comprehensive Plan.







ROLE OF THE CAC

- Contribute thoughts & ideas
- Monitor public participation processes
- Serve as a sounding board for the Township
- Review draft plan elements
- Forward recommendations on to the Regional

Planning Commission & Township Staff









ROLE OF THE CAC

• CAC MEETINGS: Attend six (6) meetings through the entirety of the project (not

to exceed 1 & 1/2 hours) that will occur every month. CAC members may be asked to review content and materials before the meeting.

• ONLINE SURVEY: With input from the CAC, a community survey will be posted on the Township and Project websites. Committee members should promote the

survey and provide comment.





ROLE OF THE CAC

OPEN HOUSE: 2 open houses.

- CAC members should be available to facilitate conversation & answer questions.
 These open houses are meant for the public to engage with the Staff & the CAC and contribute to the development of the Plan.
- Members will be available at each display

to explain the Plan.







CAC BINDERS



Comprehensive Plan

Citizens' Advisory Committee Information Binder

CAC Role & Responsibilities

Scope of Work & Project Timeline

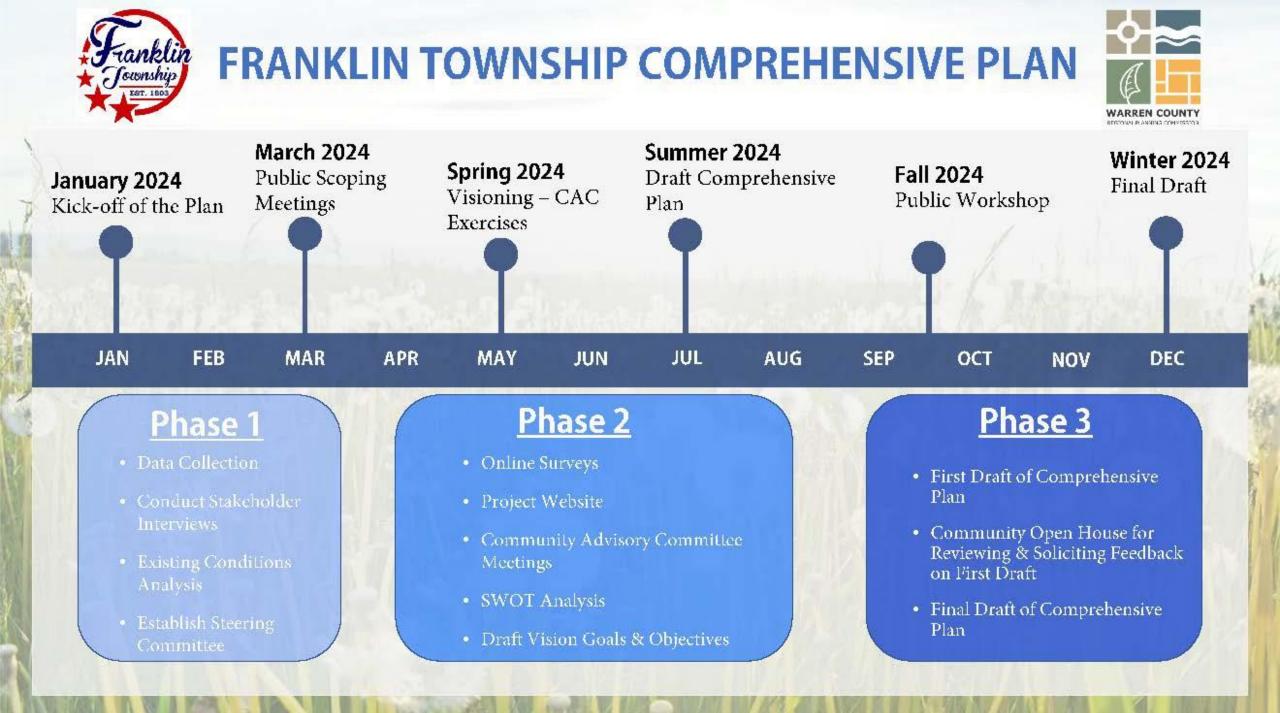
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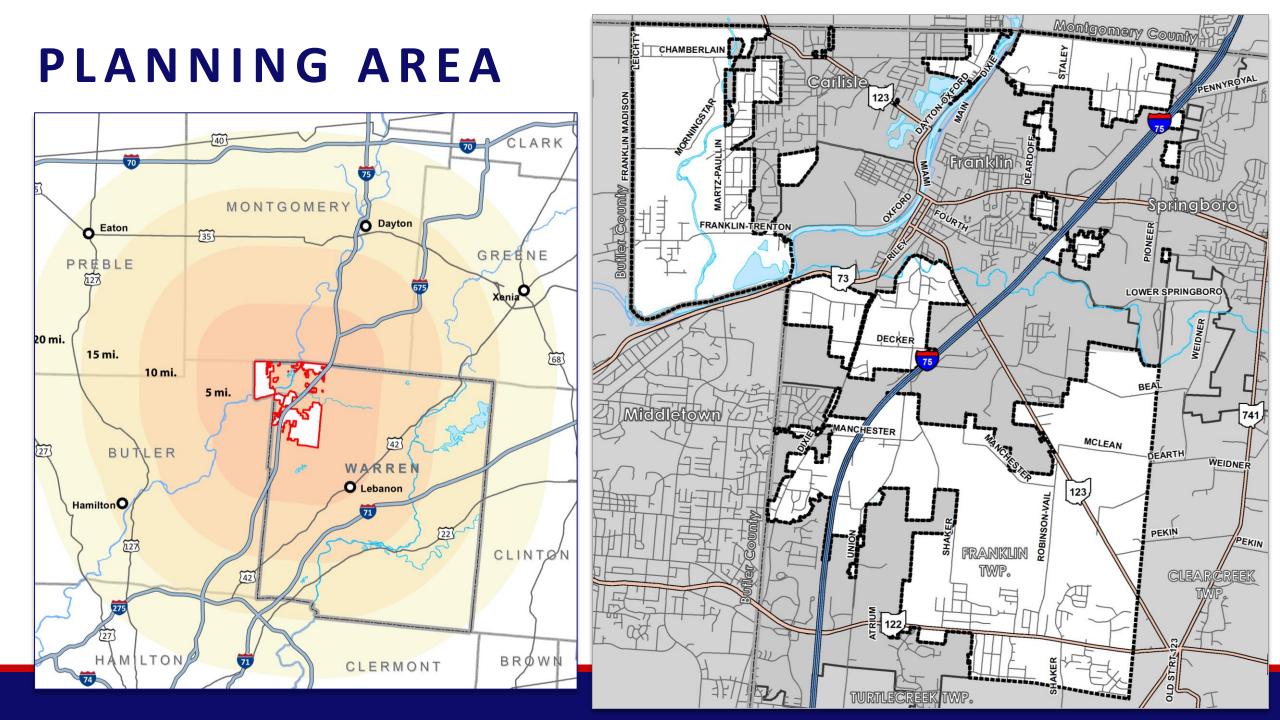
Previous Plans

Demographic Profile

Existing Conditions Maps

Contact Information





PUBLIC PARTICIPATION



Stakeholders Interviews



Website Comment Box



Community Survey



Press Releases



Citizen Advisory Committee



Open House Event











PUBLIC PARTICIPATION





FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP COMPREHENSIVE PLAN Welcome Background Public Participation The Plan Contact **Comprehensive** Plan www.FranklinTownshipPlan.com

> In late 2023, the Warren County Regional Planning Commission began a comprehensive planning effort for Franklin Township, a process that will consist of many public meetings and require ample public input over the next year. Check this website regularly for upcoming meetings, and newly added draft documents.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- \bigcirc Welcome
- Background
- PublicParticipation
- The Plan

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Contact Us

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Phone: 513.695.1223

Franklin Township

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406 Justice Drive, Lebanon, OH 45036

Darryl Cordrey, Township Administrator

Comment *

VISIONING SURVEY

 \bigcirc 10 Questions

~5 Minutes toComplete

Accessible onWebsite

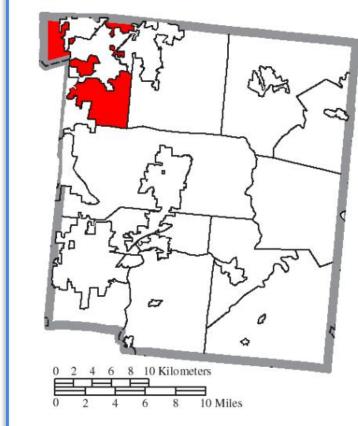




Franklin Township Comprehensive Plan

Community Visioning Survey

Do you live or work in the Franklin Township?



In 10 years, I would like the Township to....

Please finish the statement.



Long answer text

What primarily established the image / reputation of the Township? Choose the best one.

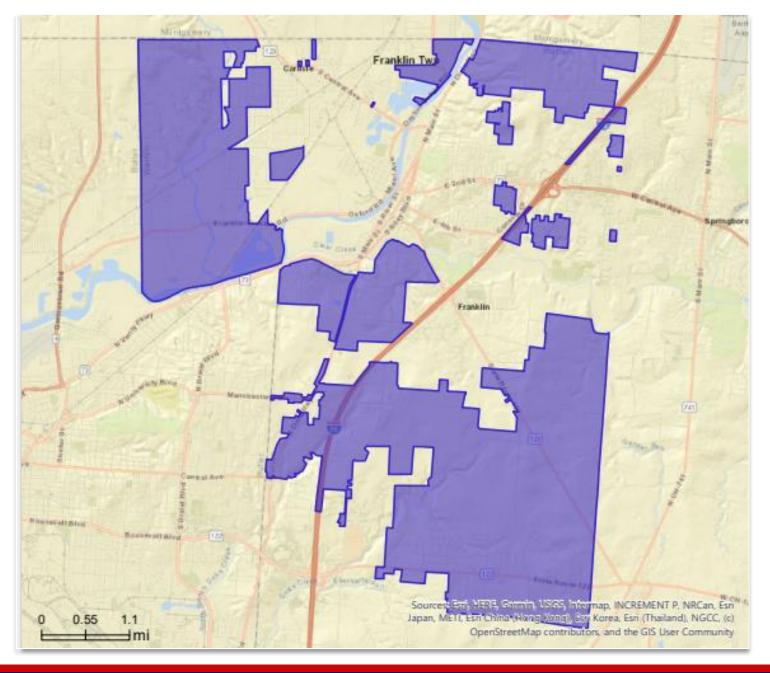


TOWNSHIP DATA

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- Median Age: 42.8
- Total Housing Units: 4,929



- Occupancy Status:
- Occupied: 94.6%Vacant: 5.4%
- Median Household Income: \$83,477
- o Employment Rate: 97.3%
- Bachelor's Degree or Higher: 13.0%
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TOWNSHIP AND COUNTY DATA

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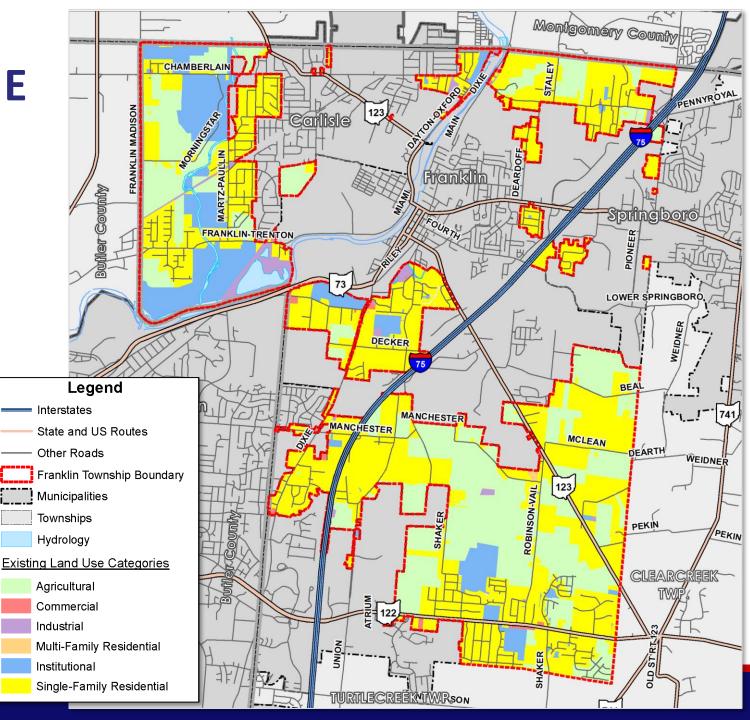
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- **Population:** 242,337
- Median Age: 39.7
- Total Housing Units: 93,878
- **Occupancy Status:**
- Occupied: 94.7% Vacant: 5.3%
- Median Household Income: \$100,784
- **Employment Rate:** 97.1%
- Bachelor's Degree or Higher: 28.2%
- **Poverty:** 4.82% households below poverty line

Source: Esri forecasts for 2023 and 2028. U.S. Census Bureau 2010 decennial Census data converted by Esri into 2020 geography.

EXISTING LAND USE





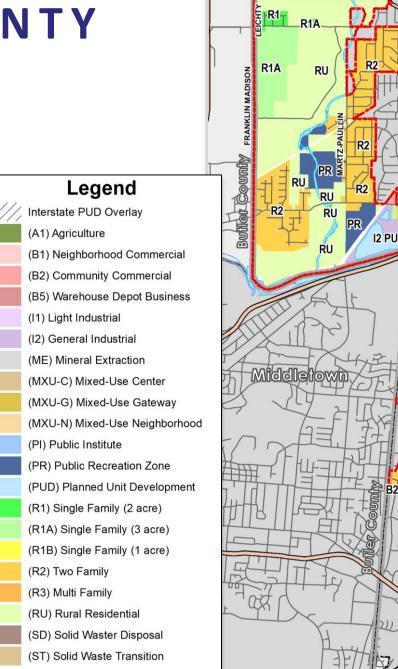


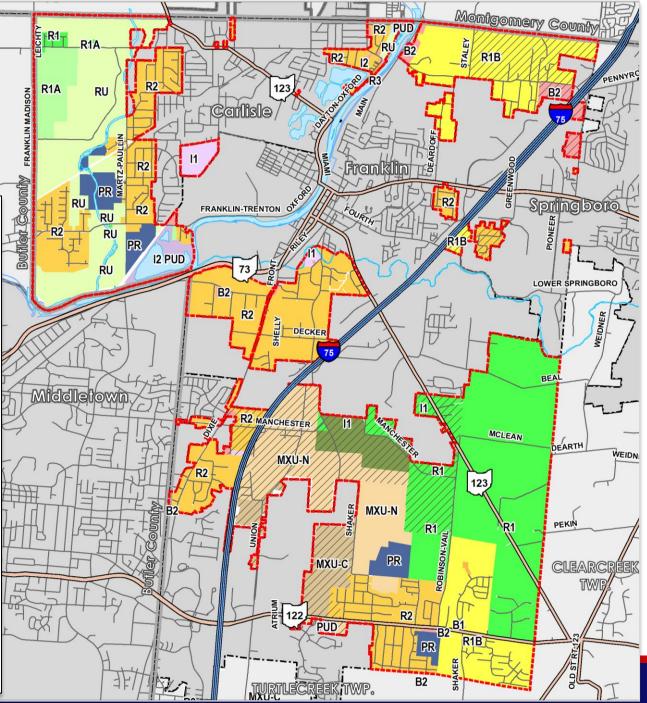
WARREN COUNTY ZONING



Township







FUTURE LAND USE

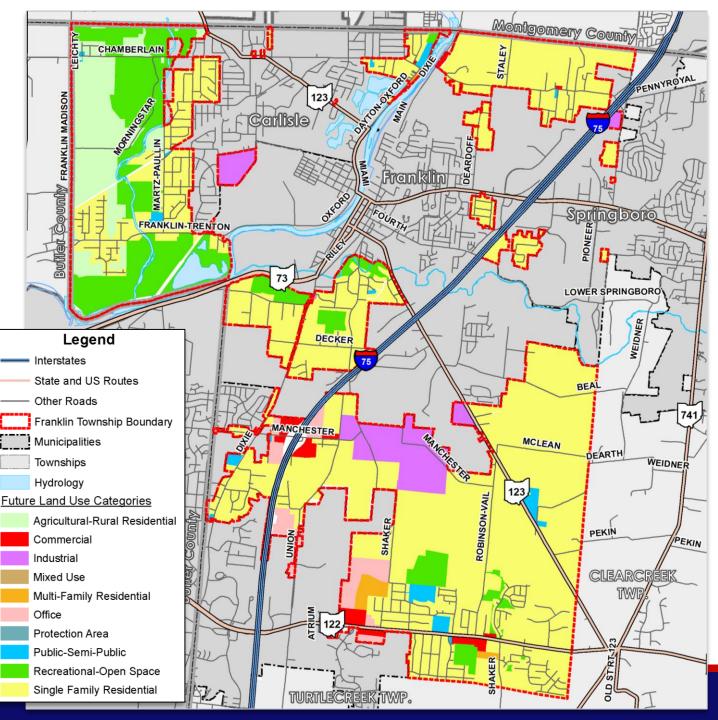
What is a Future Land Use Map?

A future land use map (FLUM) graphically communicates the Township's vision and projects how the Township should develop over the course of the planning time frame (20 years).

This map doesn't necessarily reflect current uses, but rather the uses desired in the near future.

The future land use map is not a zoning map.

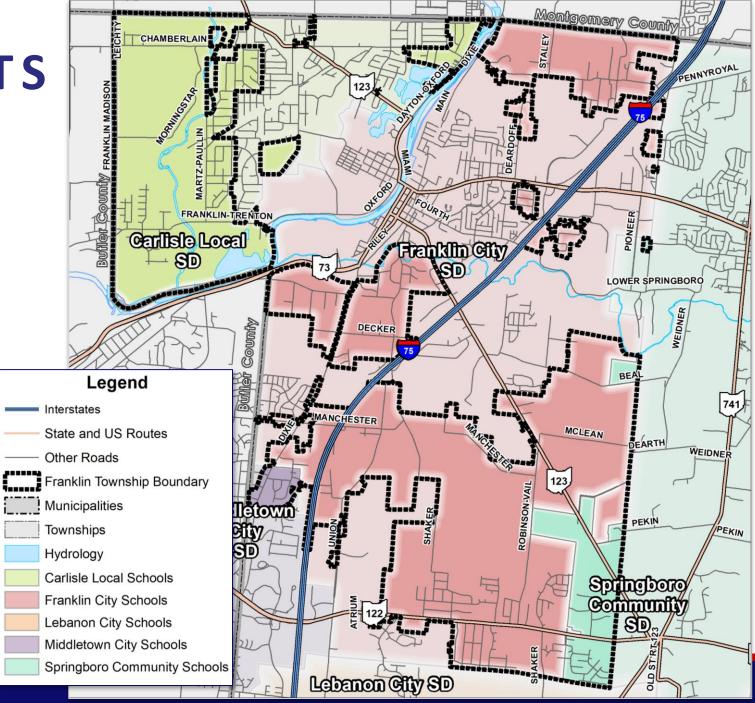




SCHOOL DISTRICTS







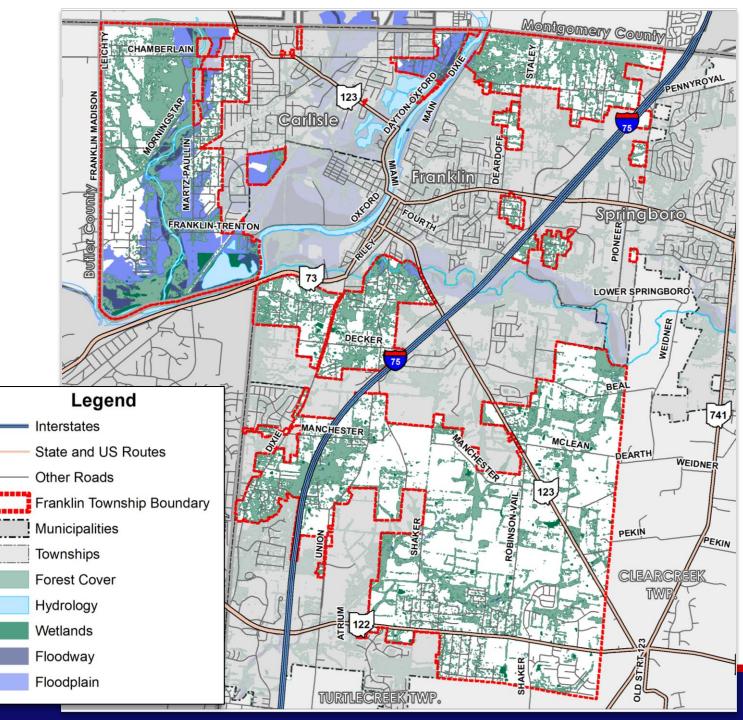


ENVIRONMENTAL

FEATURES



Great Miami River



GROUNDWATER

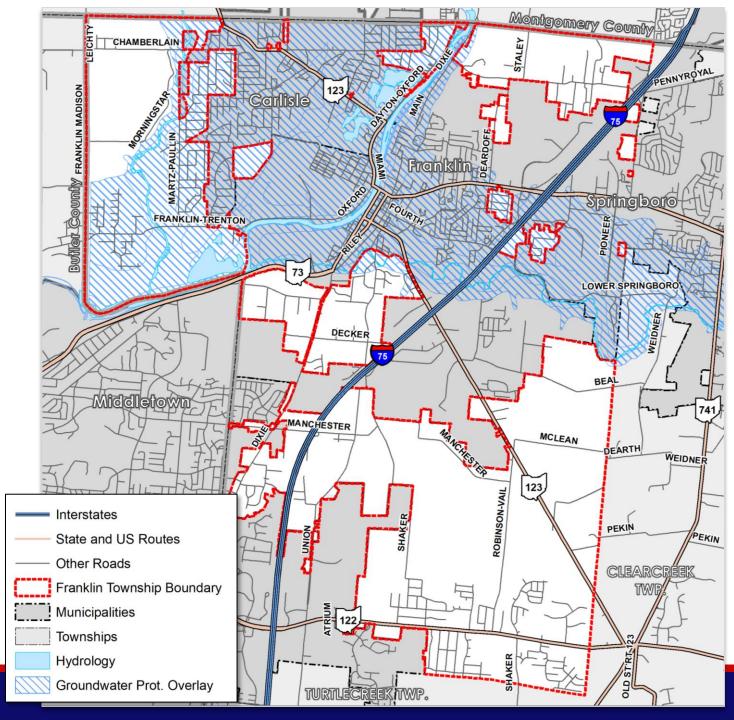
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OVERLAY

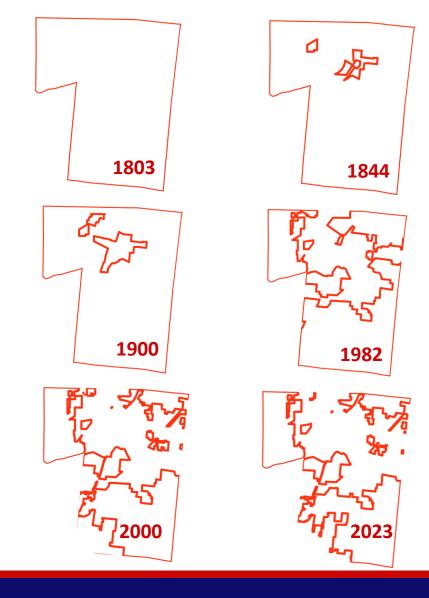
"The purpose of the Groundwater Protection Overlay is to safeguard the public health, safety, and general welfare in the Warren County Zoning jurisdiction and to provide for the protection and availability of the existing and future potable groundwater supply in Warren County."

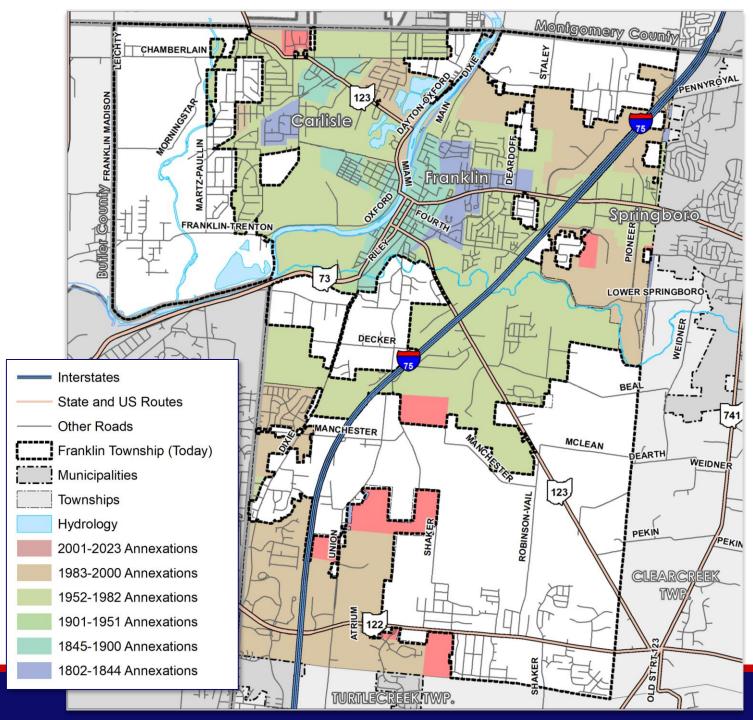
- Warren County Zoning Code





ANNEXATIONS



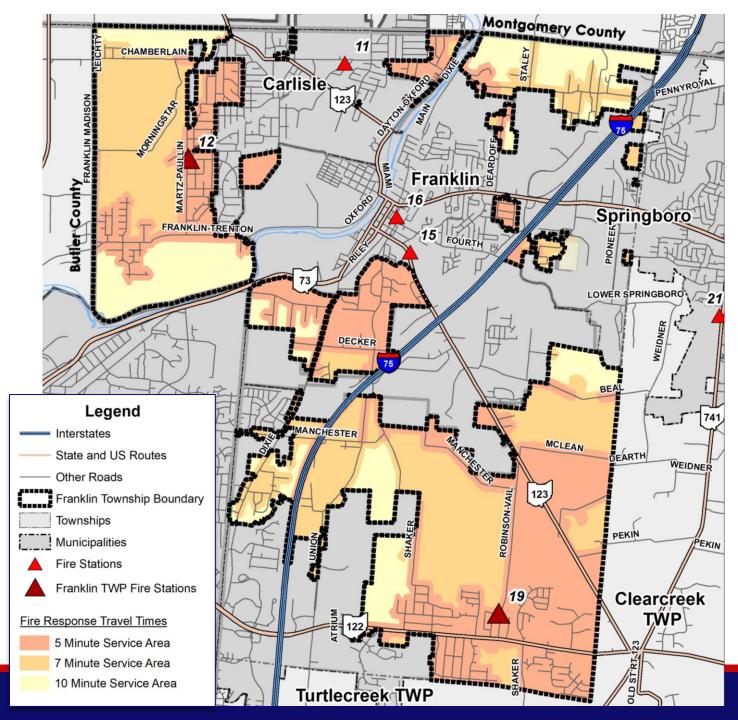


FIRE RESPONSE TRAVEL TIMES

National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Standard 1710 Goal:

- <u>EMS First Response</u>: 5 minute fire "response time" (60 second "turnout time" and 240 second "travel time" benchmark time goal for not less than 90% of dispatched incidents.
- Fire Response: 5 minute 20 seconds "response time" (80 second "turnout time" and 240 second "travel time") benchmark time goal for not less than 90% of dispatched incidents

Franklin TWP averages 15minute response times, with 1-2 calls a day.



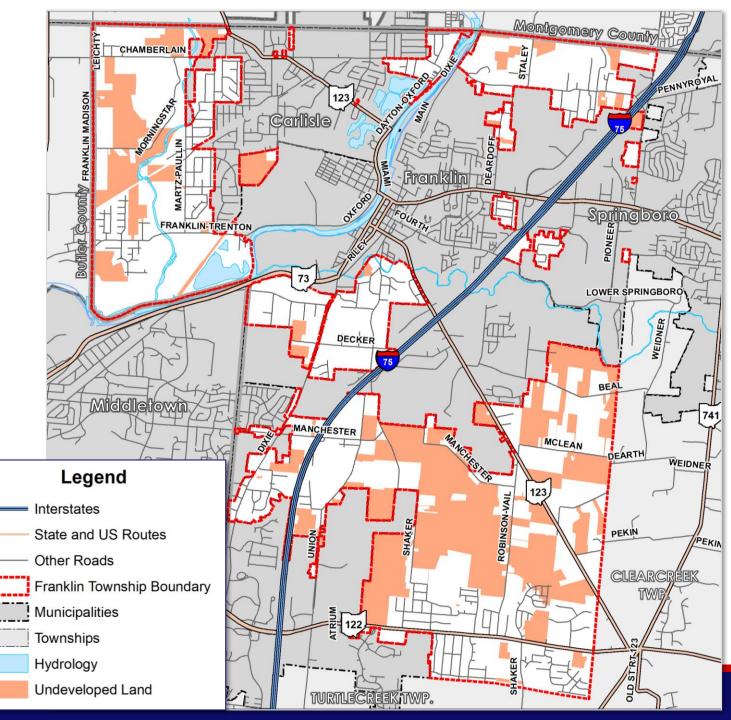
UNDEVELOPED

LAND

Shaker Road

Land as identified by the Warren County Auditor's Office to be Agricultural, Vacant (no structure present), or Current Agricultural Use Value (C.A.U.V).



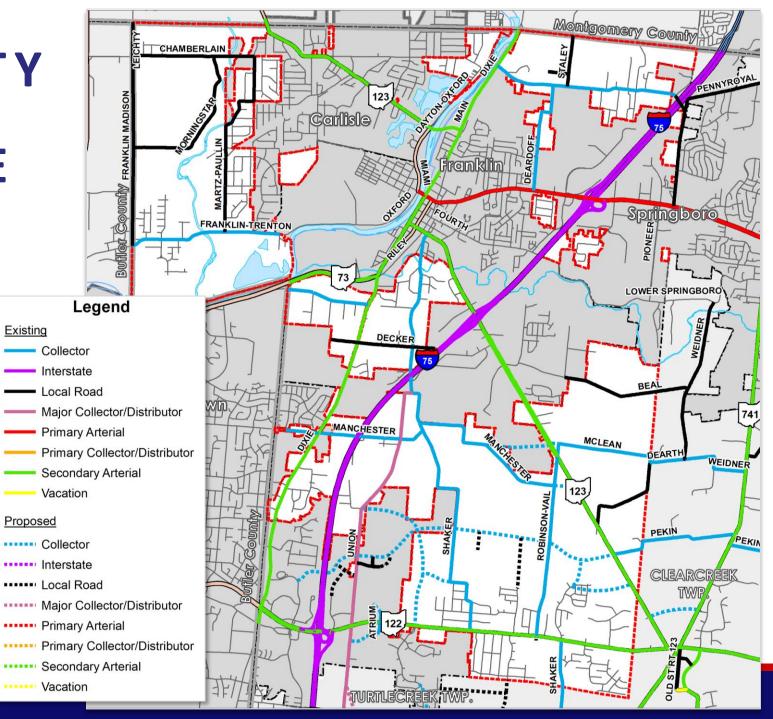


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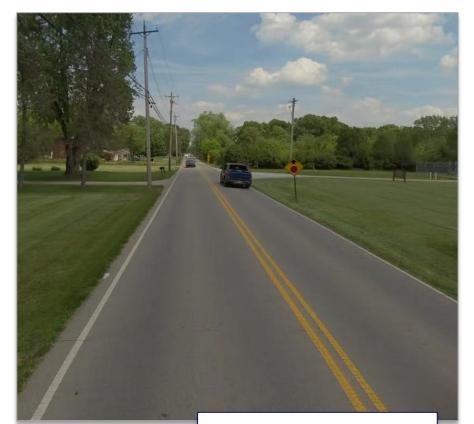
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PLAN



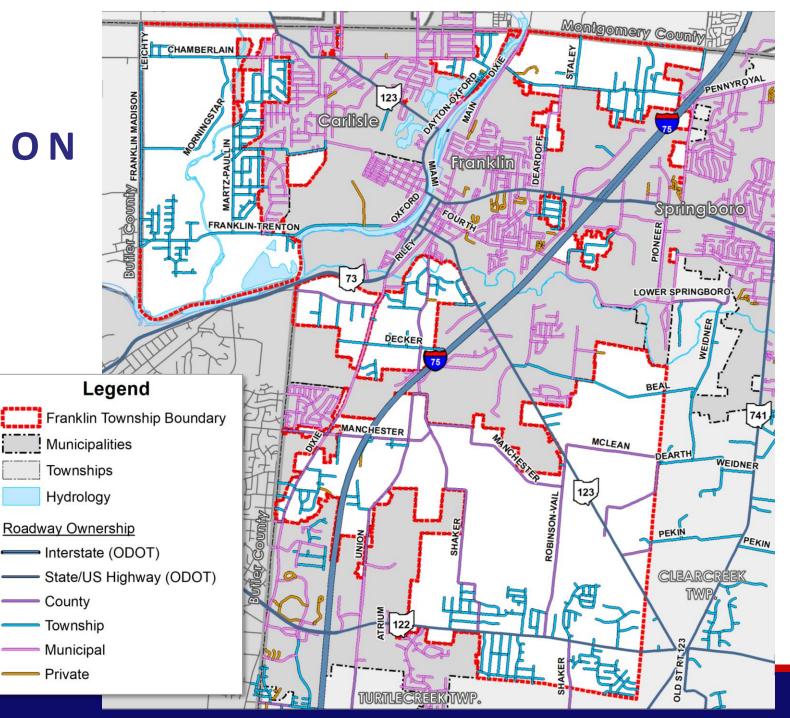


WARREN COUNTY ROAD CLASSIFICATION



Franklin-Trenton Road

Maintain approximately 55 miles of road.

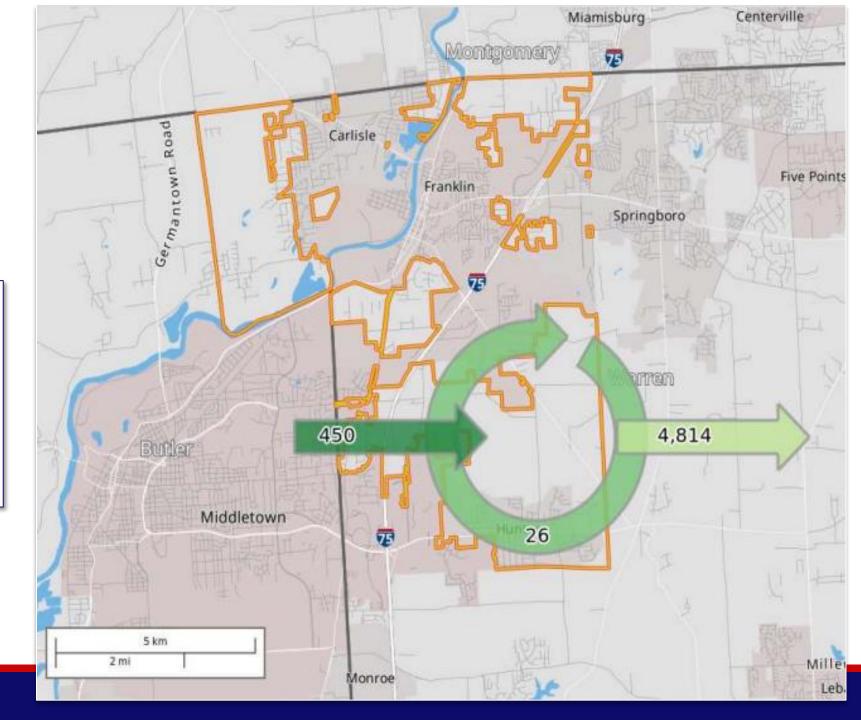




LIVE & WORK LOCATION

Inflow/Outflow

- → Employed and Live in Selection Area
- ➡ Employed in Selection Area, Live Outside
- ⇒ Live in Selection Area, Employed Outside
 Note: Overlay arrows do not indicate directionality of
 worker flow between home and employment
 locations.





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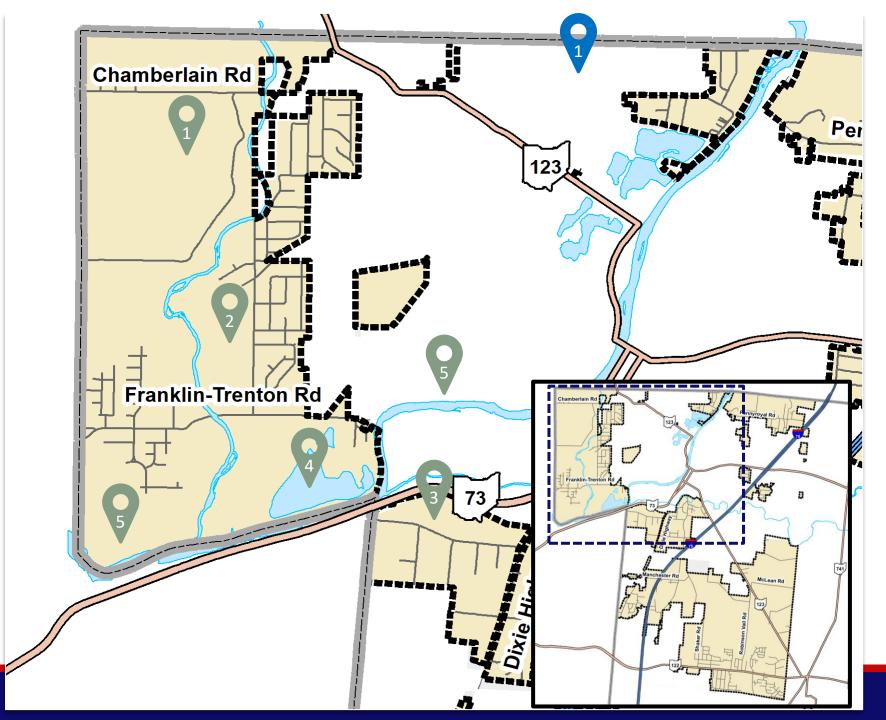
INTEREST

Parks & Cemeteries

- 1. Twin Creek MetroPark
- 2. Carmody Park
- 3. Woodhill Cemetery
- 4. Arrowhead Quarry
- 5. Great Miami River

Institutional Uses

1. Franklin Township Offices





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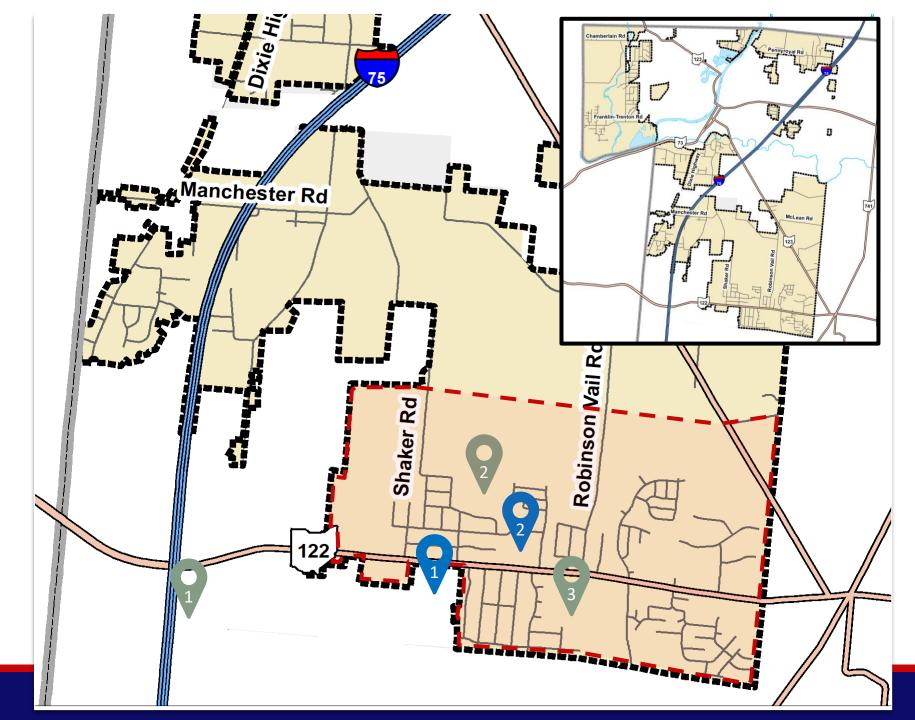
- 1. Dick's Creek Cemetery
- 2. Shaker Rd. Property
- 3. Hunter Park

Schools

- 1. Bishop Fenwick High School
- 2. Hunter Elementary

Hunter Area







Government Complex Master Plan



PAST PROJECTS

Hunter Park Improvements



















HUNTER / RED LION AREA PLAN

Concept

Land Use

Agriculture

Hunter Red-Lion –

Shaker Rd. Property



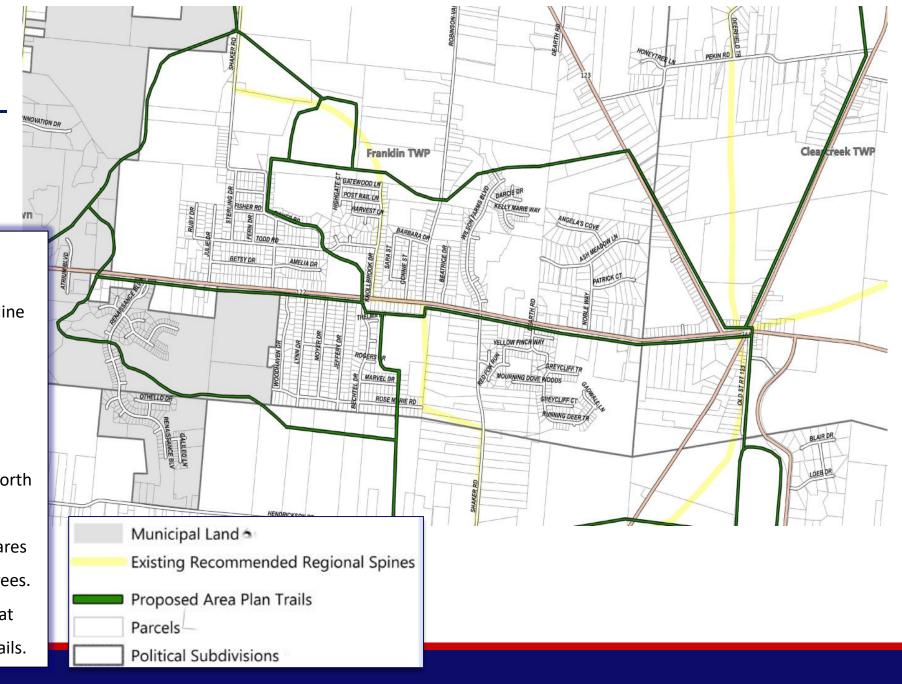




Hunter Red-Lion – Trails

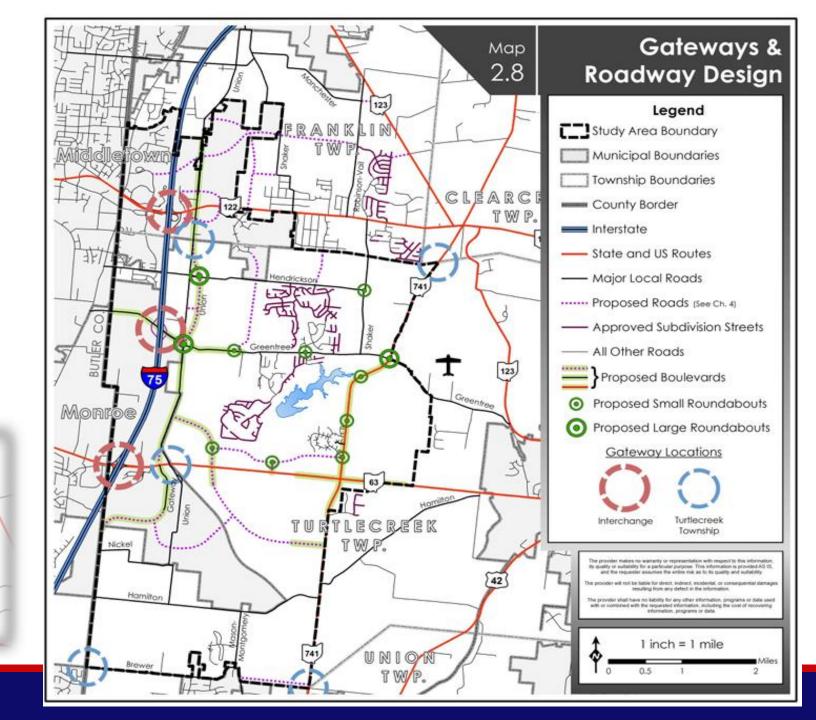
Key Features of the trails plan include the:

- Utilization of electric and natural gas pipeline easements for future development easements.
- Installation of safe pedestrian and bicycle crossings along state routes.
- Presentation of several options to travel north to south and east to west.
- Separation of trails from major thoroughfares by at least a 10' strip of grass and street trees.
- Installation of bike racks and bike parking at proposed parks and locations along the trails.



Gateway Plan - West





Woodhill Cemetery – Scatter Garden





Union Rd. Pocket Park







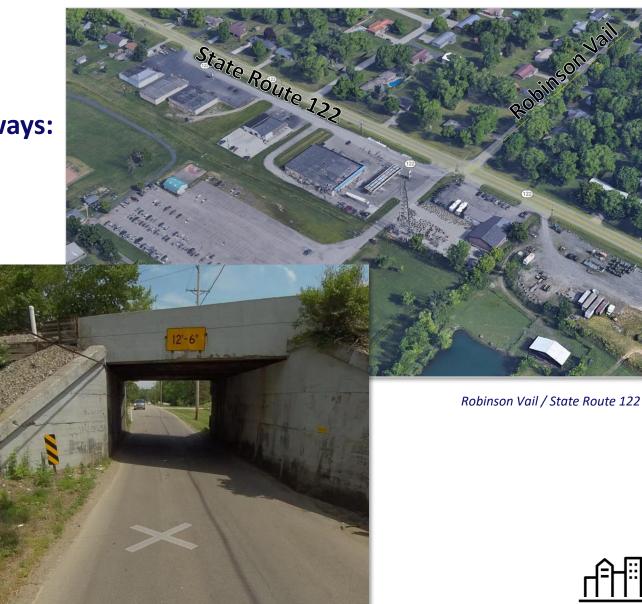
- Most important issues facing Franklin Township:
 - Annexation
 - Limited Utilities
 - Housing Costs
 - Limited Commercial Development
 - Increased Traffic

- Limited Staffing for Roads and Cemetery Departments
- New Cemetery Bridge and Garage Building
- Fire Service Response





- Address dangerous intersections and roadways: Ο
 - Robinson Vail / State Route 122
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 - Franklin-Trenton Road Underpass
 - Hendrickson Road / Union Road
 - Manchester Road / Union Road



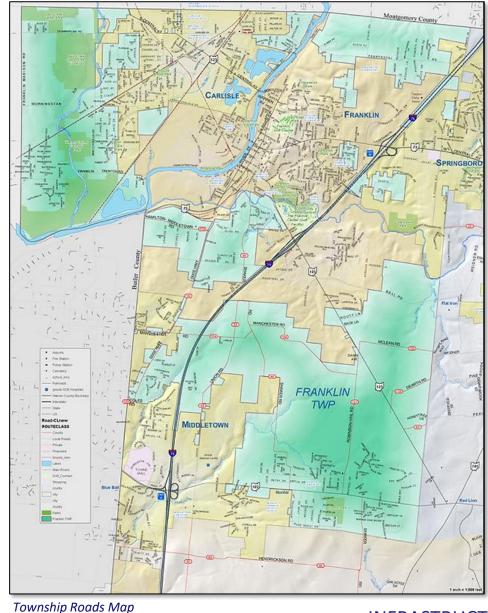


Franklin Trenton Road Underpass



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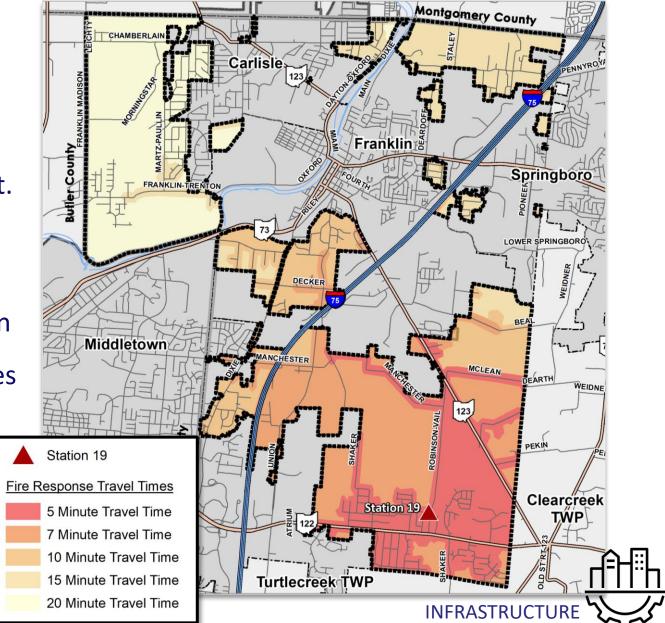
- New building for storage and maintenance of equipment.
- New equipment necessary, as existing trucks are over 20 years old.
- Township is currently building a salt storage area on campus and would consider a small storage shed at Hunter Park.







- Fire Service:
 - Affordability of a career fire department.
 - Political feasibility of a fire service levy.
 - Consideration of a Joint Station between the Township and local jurisdiction (cities of Carlisle or Franklin).
 - New equipment and more staff to improve response times are needed.





- Parks and Cemeteries:
 - Hunter Park
 - Interest in new amenities
 - Dog park, new playgrounds, splash pad
 - Parking lot and walking path need to be resurfaced
 - Park could be utilized for more festivals and events year round







- Parks and Cemeteries:
 - Shaker Road Park
 - Great potential for new park
 - Incorporate more passive trails
 - Install picnic shelters
 - Connect Shaker Road and Highgate Court
 - Coordinate improvements with the Warren
 County Park District (County owned)



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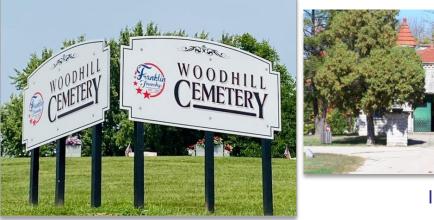
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Shaker Road Property

• Parks and Cemeteries:

- Woodhill Cemetery
 - Maintenance for existing bridge
 - A new garage building for equipment
 - Replacement of perimeter fencing
 - Building benches and seating areas
 - Building columbarium







Woodhill Cemetery

• Housing:

- Great school district, and place to raise a family.
- New residential developments are only in Hunter area
 - Trails of Greycliff
 - Wilson Farms
- Would like to see greater diversity in housing, if done well with community support.
- There is not enough housing for families and first-time home buyers.
- Do not want to overpopulate the Township

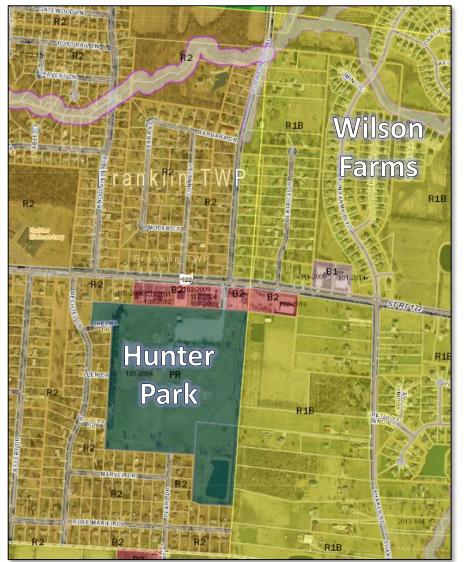






• **Commercial:**

- Township needs future commercial development growth and could utilize existing vacant buildings.
- Would like to see restaurants and more commercial along State Route 122, Hunter, and Pennyroyal Road.
- Northwest Franklin Township has one store, and limited commercial in northern half of Township.
- Future commercial is encouraged, with an adequate buffer

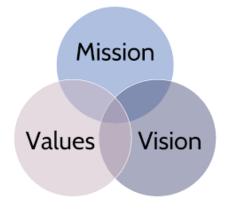


Hunter Area Zoning

LAND USE & ZONING

The vision should include:

- The common values of a community.
- The qualities or resources that make Franklin Township unique or describe its identity.
- The attributes people like and want to be sure to keep.
- The preferred future for subject areas such as land use, natural environment, parks, infrastructure, agriculture and quality of life.
- Transition issues between uses (i.e. landscape buffers, architectural mitigation, traffic management).





WHAT IS A COMMUNITY VISION?

A community vision is an image of a community's future that describes values and aspirations over the next 10 to 20 years. The statement should address all aspects that make up a community, such as social, cultural and economic fabric. The community vision helps define the direction a plan will go.

The Vision	The Plan		
Future oriented	Present leading to future		
What to do	How to do		
Vision is possibilities	Plan is policies		



The Plan puts the Vision into motion.



Example Vision Statements

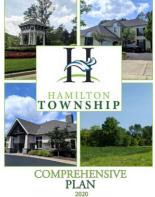
"Union Township, Warren County, Ohio is defined by idyllic settings, friendly people, and a balance between the preservation of its rural character and accommodations for sustainable growth. The Township encourages low density residential development in a manner that maximized impact on areas devoted to farming or natural preservation. Residents enjoy the beauty of the Little Miami River and nearby cultural events, good schools, entertainment, and recreational opportunities."





Example Vision Statements

"Hamilton Township is the choice community to live, work, and shop because of its diverse lifestyle choices. We are a well-planned, safe, prosperous and a fiscally responsible Township where residents and businesses value education; families; health; the Little Miami River; public safety, working farms; and enjoy its natural beauty and rural character. Our Township consists of high-quality residential neighborhoods; vibrant and thriving commercial centers; diverse housing opportunities; inviting parks; accessibility to the Little Miami riverfront; excellence schools districts, and exceptional Township services."

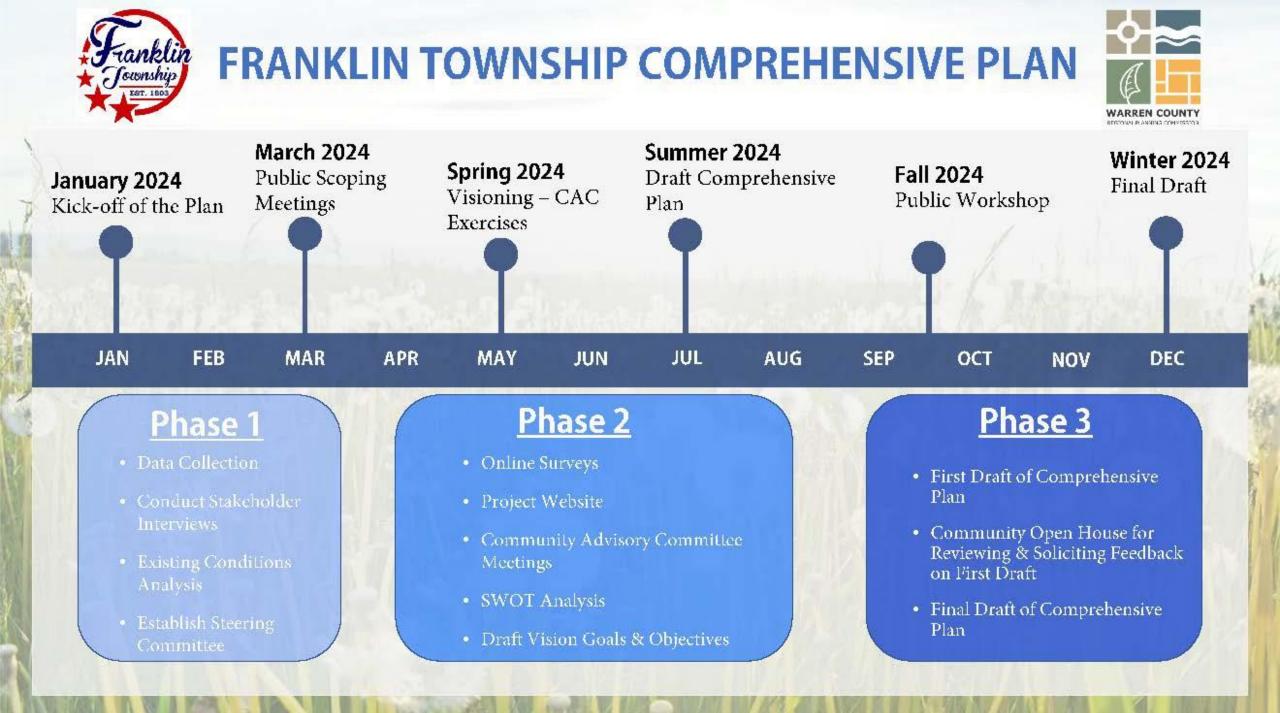


Hamilton Township

ASSIGNMENTS

S	REVIEW	the binder and provide comments
	VISIT	the website
	COMPLETE	the survey
	INVITE	ten (10) citizens to visit the website and complete the survey
	READ	the press release





NEXT MEETING

FEBRUARY 2024

Location ?

Time ?

Date?

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fr	ri	Sat
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	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
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THANK YOU!

Next Meeting: February ?? , 2024

Franklin Township Administration Building 6:00PM - 7:30PM

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