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# LOUDOUN 2040 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN Supervisor Letourneau's Dulles Direct Town Hall April 25, 2019



# What is Loudoun 2040?

- New Comprehensive Plan for Loudoun County
- Combines the General Plan and the Countywide Transportation Plan
- Responds to Changes in the County over last 20 Years and Plans for the Future

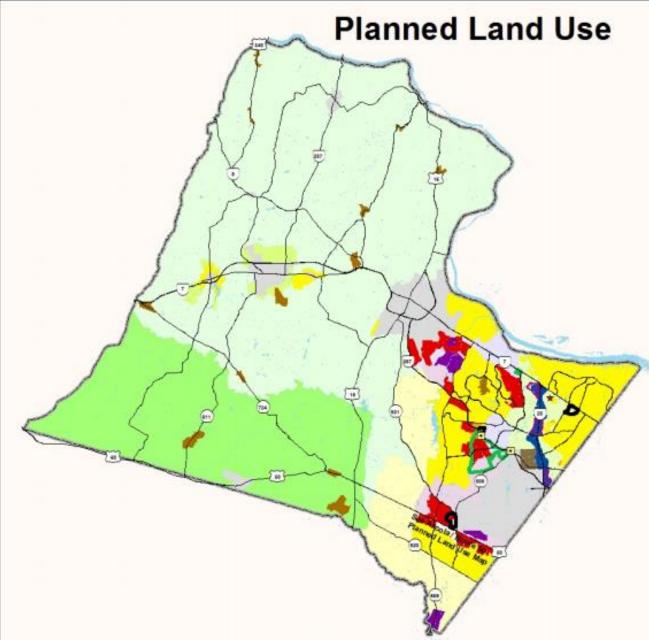


# How was Loudoun 2040 Developed?

- Board adopted Plan Charter April 2016
- Envision Loudoun Stakeholders Committee
  - $\circ$  Two year effort
  - 16 Community Public Outreach Workshops
  - Stakeholders Committee Recommended Draft Plan
    - www.loudoun.gov/5117/Prior-Planning-Commission-Work-Sessions
- Planning Commission
  - $_{\odot}\,$  Began review of the draft Plan in July 2018
  - $_{\odot}\,$  Made recommendations to the Board and Certified the draft Plan on March 26, 2019
  - Planning Commission Recommended Plan
    - www.loudoun.gov/4957/Loudoun-2040-Comprehensive-Plan



### **Revised General Plan**



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# How is Loudoun 2040 Different from the Revised General Plan?

- Uses "Place Types" instead of traditional land use designations
  - Provides more flexibility to respond to changing markets
  - Broader range of densities/intensities and mix of uses

 $_{\odot}$  Wider range of housing types

- Creates new Urban Policy Areas around Metro Stations
- Addresses need for a continuum of housing across the income spectrum



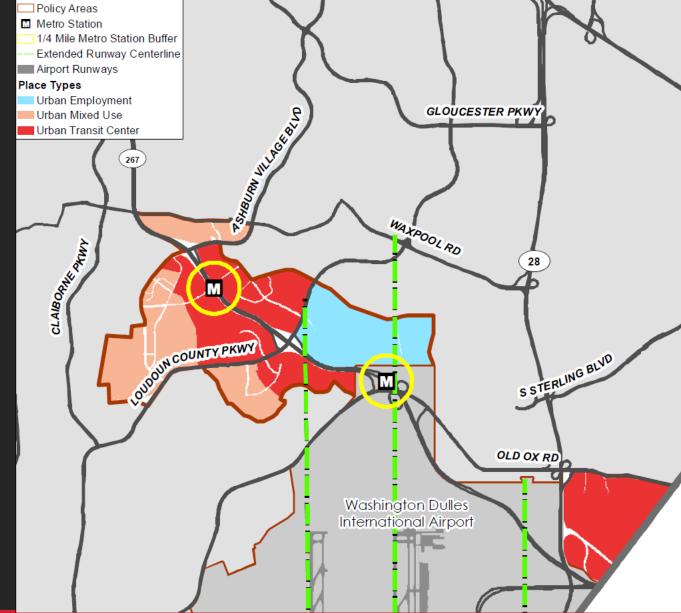
# Residential Forecast by Policy Area 2021 – 2040: Loudoun 2040 v. RGP

Suburban and Urban Policy					*
Areas	SFD	SFA	MF	Total	a
Loudoun 2040 Draft	2,130	7,800	17,740	27,670	s
Revised General Plan	440	2,310	13,510	16,260	r
Difference	1,690	5,490	4,230	11,410	ι
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Transition Policy Area	SFD	SFA	MF	Total	C
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Rural Policy Area/Towns/JLMA	SFD	SFA	MF	Total	p
Loudoun 2040 Draft	7,880	2,230	950	11,060*	R
Revised General Plan	6,550	1,840	1,300	9,690	
Difference	1,330	390	-350	1,370*	

The 1,370 additional units shown in the RPA ow are only those units located in and Bays P1 and Q1, which are proposed to move nto the TPA. There are no other lensity changes proposed in the RPA/Towns/JLMA

# **Urban Policy Area**

- Incorporates Prior Silver Line
   CPAM Area
- Promotes an Urban Environment
- Concentrates High Density Growth Around Metro
- Flexible Land Uses: Employment, Residential, Entertainment, Retail, etc.
- Three Place Types: Transit Center, Mixed-Use, Employment





# Urban Mixed Use

- Multi-Family Residential, Single-Family Attached, Office, Retail/Commercial, Active Adult, Entertainment, Special Activities, etc.
- Maximum 1.5 FAR
- 2 8 Stories, depending on use

#### **Urban Mixed Use**



Urban Mixed Use areas take advantage of their fringe proximity to the Metro stations to provide opportunities for dense urban residential development including a mix of commercial uses. The Urban Mixed Use areas will develop as high-density walkable urban neighborhoods that encourage social connections because their mix of uses, multimodal infrastructure, and public spaces create vibrant public realms.

Urban Mixed Use areas provide opportunities for a mix of housing types that meet the housing needs for all ages, abilities, and socioeconomic groups. The small-lot patio homes, townhomes, rowhouses, duplexes, quadruplexes, and multifamily residences are designed to fit within or adjacent to a traditional single-family style neighborhood. Accessory residential units are also appropriate for the area and may consist of apartments in the principal structure, garage apartments, or other outbuildings approved by the County. Development will have slightly larger average unit sizes than in the Urban Transit Center and a large amount of residential development. Small scale office, retail and service uses should be integrated into the neighborhood.

Core Uses	Complementary Uses	<b>Conditional Uses</b>
<ul> <li>Multi-Family Residential</li> <li>Single Family Attached Residential</li> <li>*Residential restrictions in noise-sensitive areas located within 65 Ldn noise contours</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Office</li> <li>Retail &amp; Service Commercial</li> <li>Active Adult Retirement Communities</li> <li>Civic, Cultural, &amp; Community</li> <li>Institutional</li> <li>Entertainment Commercial</li> </ul> Preferred Mix of Uses	<ul> <li>Public Facilities</li> <li>Accessory Residential Units</li> <li>Small Lot Single Family Detached Residential</li> <li>Special Activities</li> <li>Parks &amp; Recreation</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Possible Ranges:</li> <li>Res: 70-90%</li> <li>Non-Res: 10-30%</li> <li>Public/Civic: 5%+</li> </ul>	Non Residential 15% Residential 80%	



# Urban Transit Center

- Multi-Family Residential, Office, Retail/Commercial, Entertainment, Hotel, Conference Center, Sports Arena, Special Activities, etc.
- Within ¼ mile of Metro:
   Minimum 2.0 FAR
  - 8+ Stories
- Outside ¼ mile of Metro:
   Minimum 1.4 FAR
   6+ Stories

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#### **Urban Transit Center**



Urban Transit Center areas take advantage of proximity to transit to provide opportunities for dense urban development and a host of economic, entertainment, and community activities. Each area serves as a gateway to the county from the greater region and a major destination in its own right. The Urban Transit Center has two focus areas: within a <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> mile of the Metrorail Station and outside of the <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> mile. Development within a <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> mile of the station will have smaller average unit sizes, a higher minimum FAR, and a more equal mix of residential and non-residential development.

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	Preferred Mix of Uses		
Within <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> Mile		Outside <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> Mile	
Public/Civi Possible Ranges: • Res: 40-60% • Non-Res: 40-60% • Public/Civic: 5%+	ic Possible Ranges • Res: 60-809 • Non-Res: 20-40% • Public/Civit 5%+	% Non Residențial 25%	

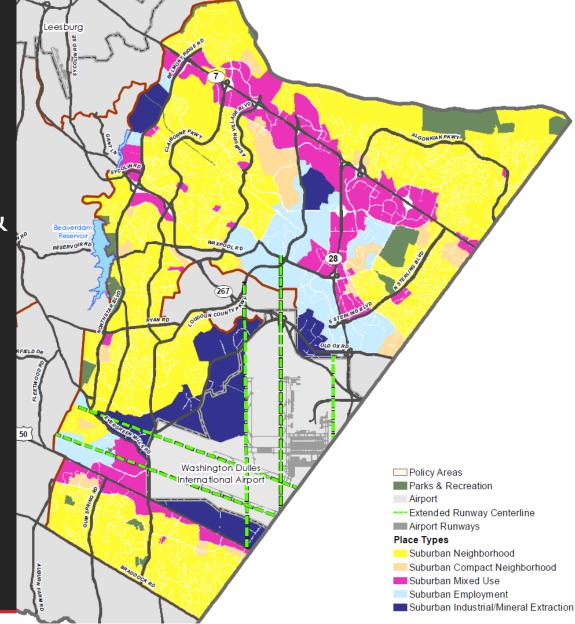
# Suburban Policy Area

• Eliminates Keynote Employment and introduces new Place Types:

 Suburban Employment: Office, Data Centers, Light Production, Research & Development, Flex, Retail/Commercial

 Suburban Mixed-Use: Retail/Commercial, Office, Entertainment, Hotel, Multi-Family Residential, Small Lot Single Family Attached and Detached, etc.

 Increased Density in Infill and Redevelopment Areas





# Suburban Mixed Use

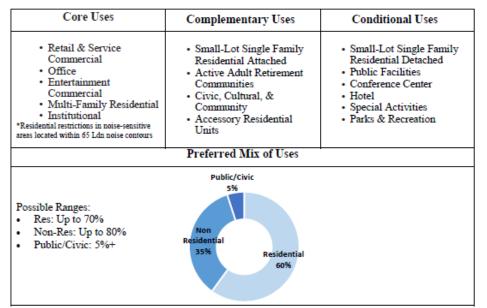
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#### Suburban Mixed Use



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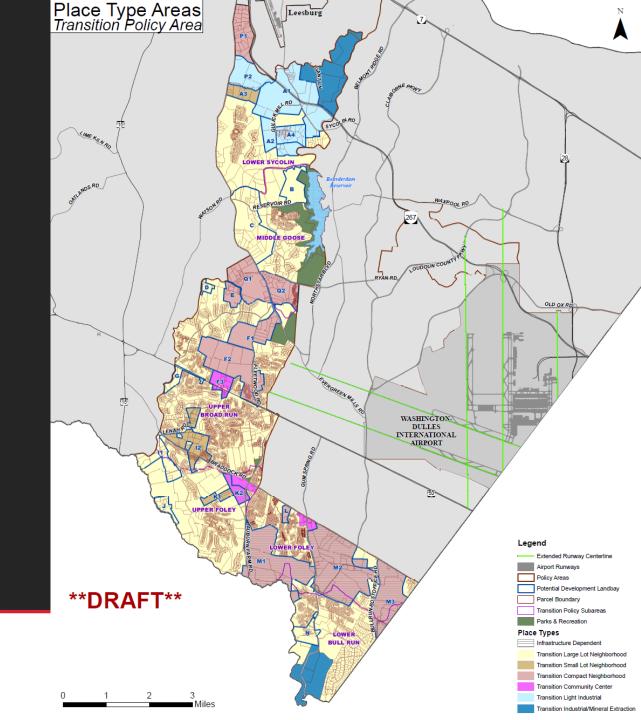


# **Transition Policy Area**

- Proposes Increased Density
   in Targeted Areas
- Allows Limited Commercial
   Uses to Serve Community
- Expansion of Light Industrial Along Sycolin Road Corridor
- Expands the Small Area Plan Boundary to include the Entirety of the TPA

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### Transition Compact Neighborhood

- Single Family Residential, Office, Retail & Service Commercial, Entertainment Commercial, etc.
- 4-8 Units/Acre
- 50% Open Space

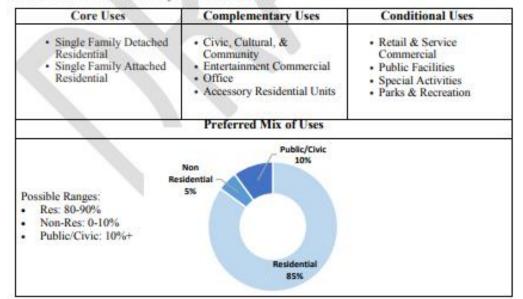


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# Comparison of Residential Units in the TPA

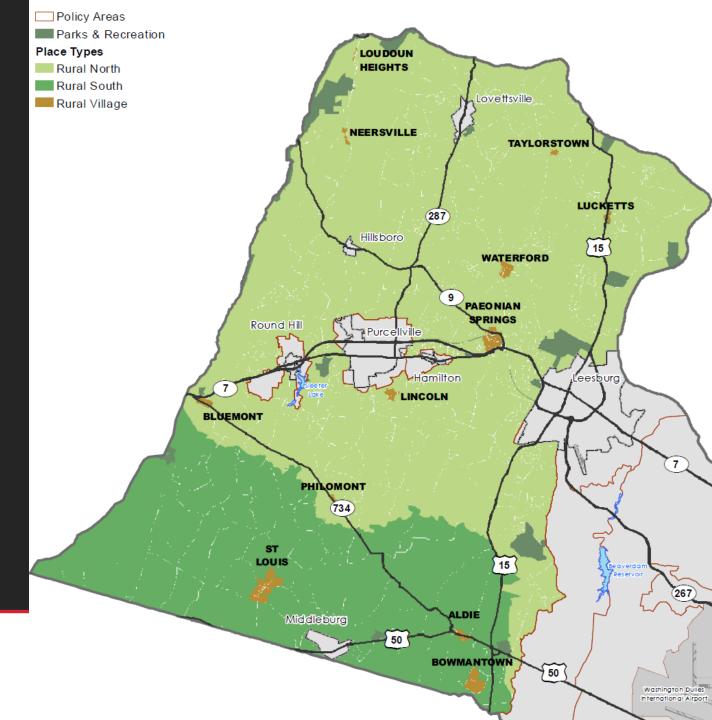
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# Rural Policy Area

- No Changes to Allowed Densities, Development Patterns, Uses, or Subdivision Options
- Protects Rural Economy Uses





# Planning Commissioner Jeff Salmon



# **Residential Units Comparison to Market Demand**

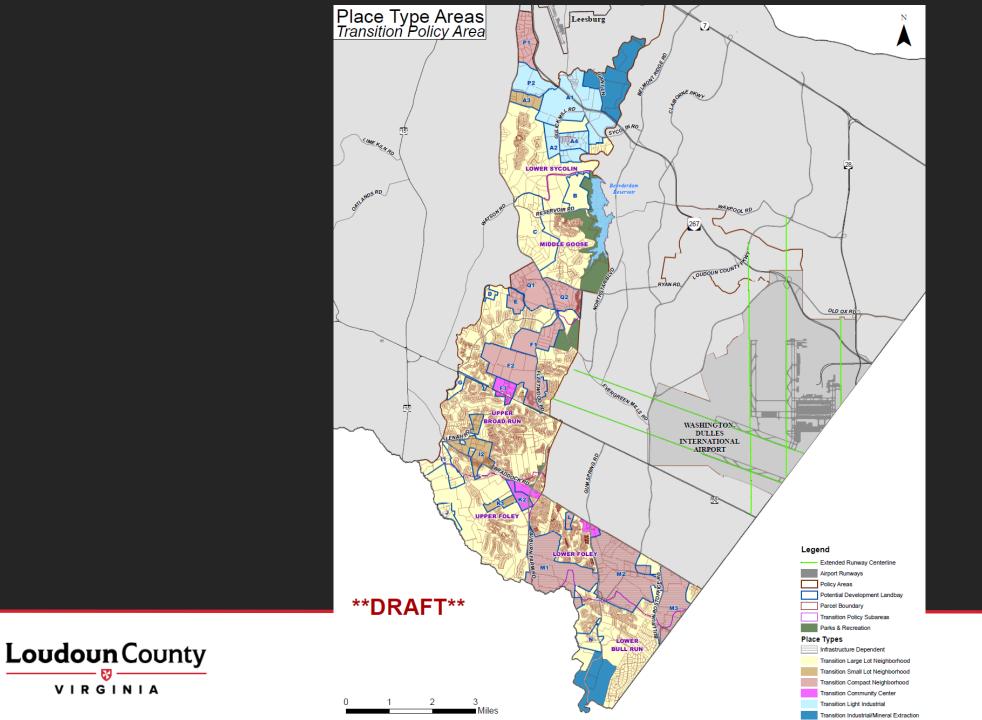
• Market Demand forecasted to exceed RGP by ~30,640 units

Market Analysis* and RGP Comparison (2021 – 2040)				
	Housing Units			
	SFD	SFA	MF	Total
Market Demand	22,470	18,760	18,890	60,120
RGP Forecast	10,520	4,150	14,810	29,480
Difference	11,950	14,610	4,080	30,640

Loudoun 2040 forecasted to meet ~94% of Market Demand

Loudoun 2040 and RGP Comparison (2021 – 2040)				
Countywide	SFD	SFA	MF	Total
Loudoun 2040	20,260	17,420	18,690	56,370
Revised General Plan	10,520	4,150	14,810	29,480
Difference	9,740	13,270	3,880	26,890





# Areas for Specific Discussion



# Moratorium on Development?

Virginia law does not permit a locality to impose a moratorium on development. This principle has been litigated in Virginia courts and affirmed by the Supreme Court of Virginia.

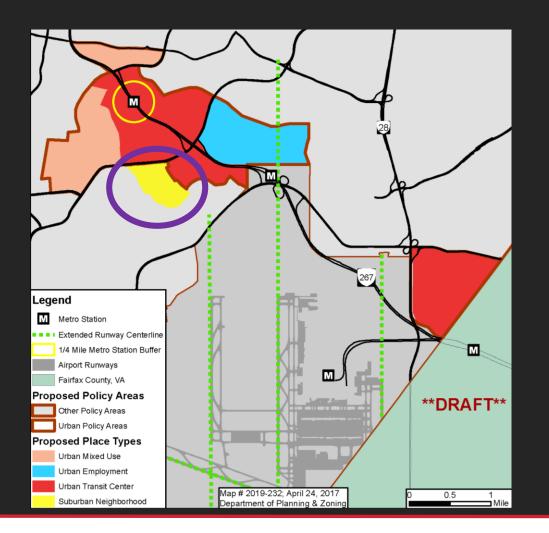


# Types of Development

- By-Right
- Re-Zonings (proffers)



# Proposed UPA Change

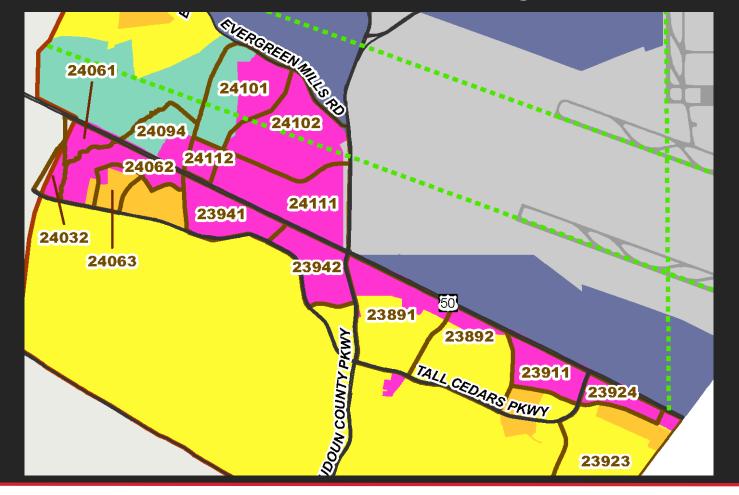


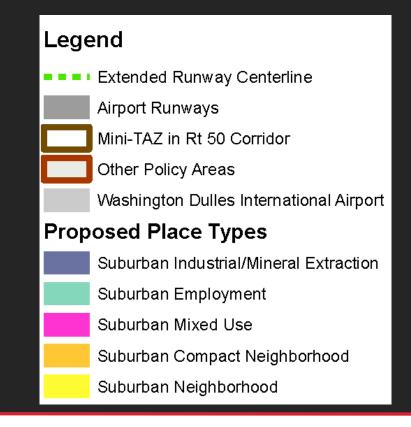
The Draft Plan includes Westwind Crossing and a portion of Loudoun Valley Estates in the Urban Policy Area.

Proposal would return those areas to the Suburban Policy Area by changing designation from Urban Mixed Use to Suburban Neighborhood place type.



### Suburban Mixed Use Area Along Route 50 Currently designated business/retail







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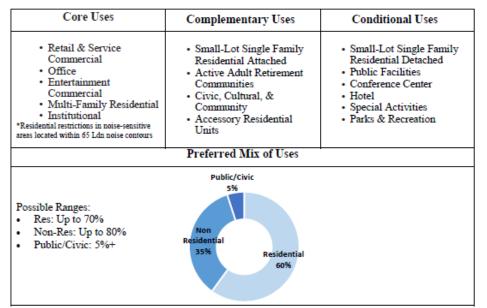
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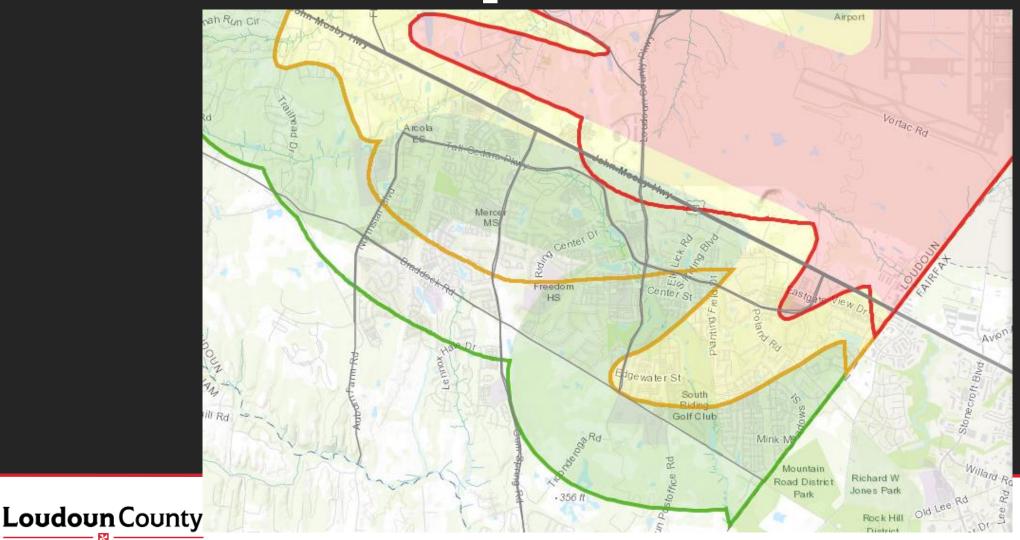


# Suburban Mixed Use Area Along Route 50 Residential Unit Comparison

Residential Units, 2021-2040	SFD	SFA	MF	Total
Loudoun 2040 Draft	100	1,190	1,710	2,990
Revised General Plan	0	380	690	1,070
Difference vs. RGP	100	810	1,020	1,920



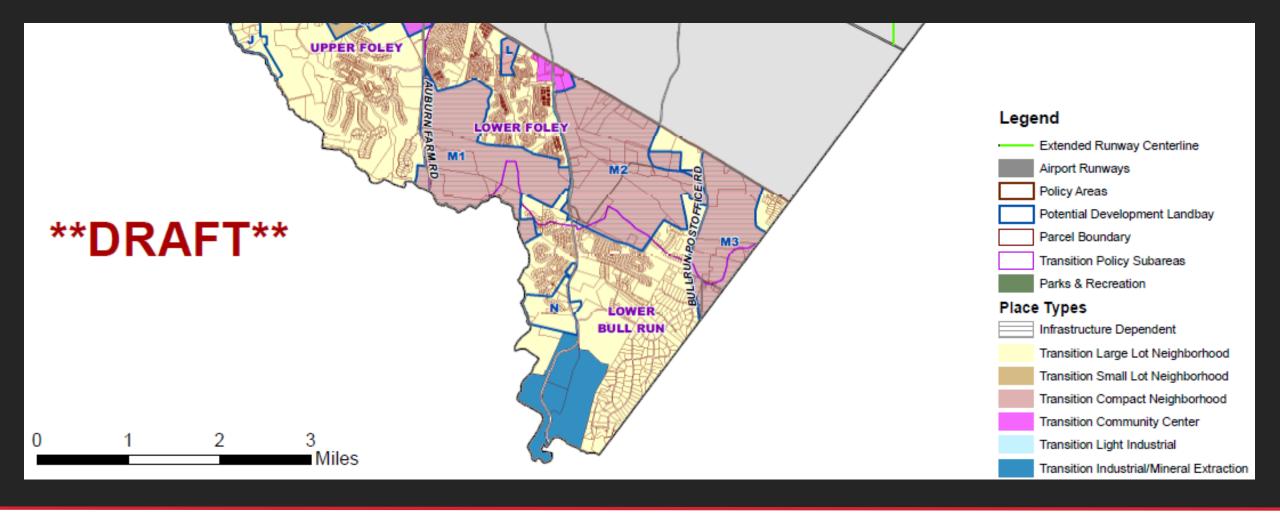
# Suburban Mixed Use Area Along Route 50 Dulles Airport Noise Contours



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### Transition Policy Area- Dulles South (M1, M2, M3)





### Transition Compact Neighborhood

- Single Family Residential, Office, Retail & Service Commercial, Entertainment Commercial, etc.
- 4-8 Units/Acre

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- 50% Open Space
- For M1, M2, M3 Only:

- Higher density deferred until sufficient infrastructure is in place. Including:

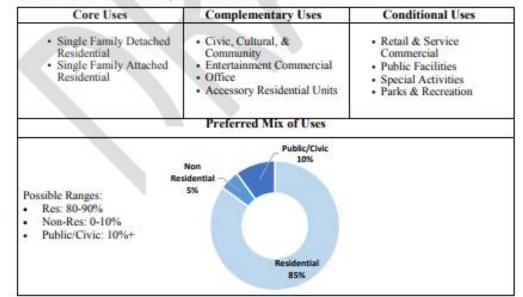
- Northstar Blvd. extended to I-66
- Braddock Rd. 4 lanes to Rt. 28

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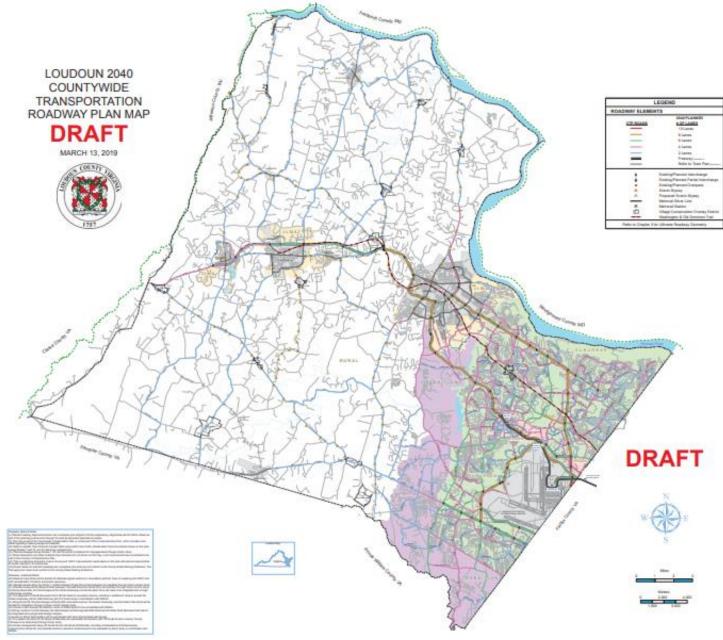
#### LANDBAYS M1, M2, M3 Residential Unit Comparison

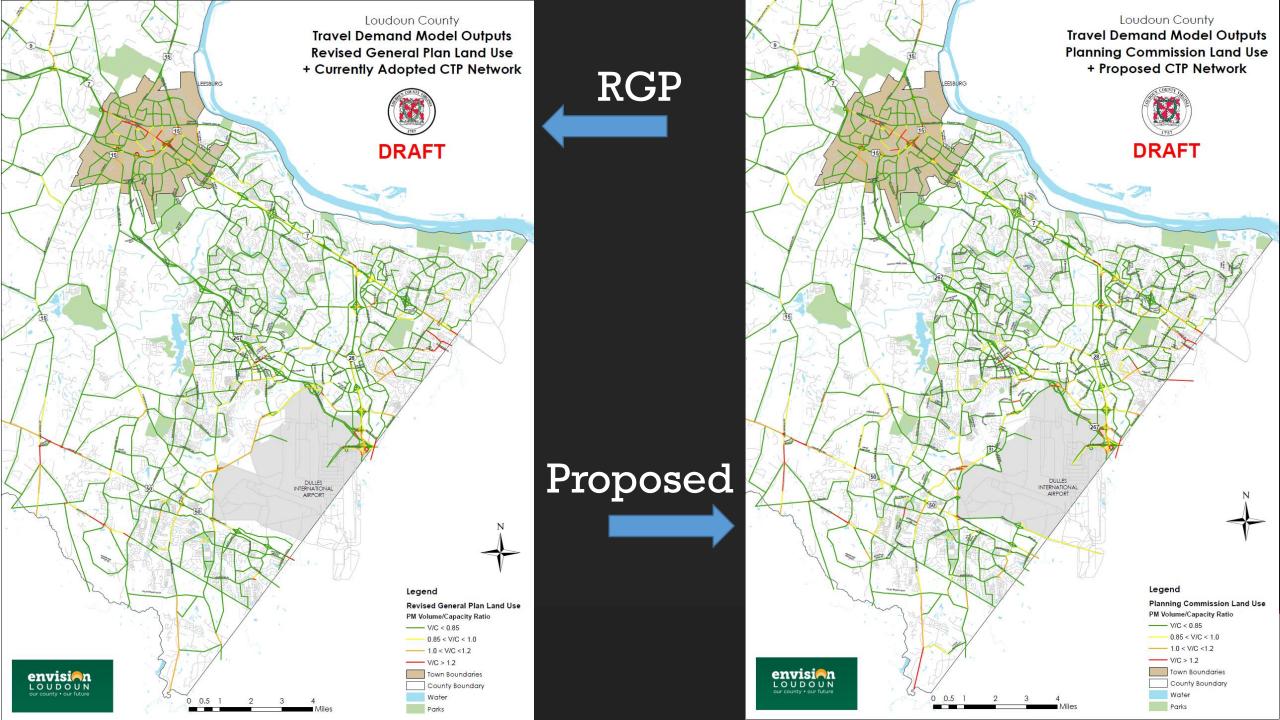
Residential Units, 2021-2040	LANDBAY M1	LANDBAY M2	LANDBAY M3
Loudoun 2040 Draft	2,380	4,520	1,890
Revised General Plan	190	480	120
Difference vs. RGP	2,190	4,040	1,770

790 units can be built by-right in these landbays under current zoning. The Draft Plan is forecasted to result in up to 8,000 additional units by 2040, subject to specific infrastructure requirements.

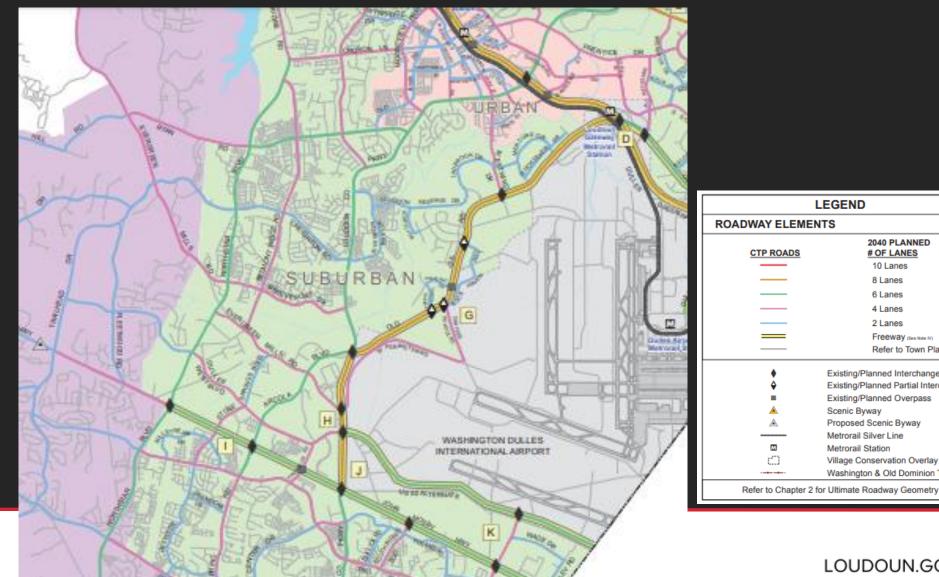


#### Proposed Countywide Transportation Plan





### Countywide Transportation Plan Route 606, Old Ox Road- 8 lanes, limited access





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Village Conservation Overlay District Washington & Old Dominion Trail

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2040 PLANNED **# OF LANES** 

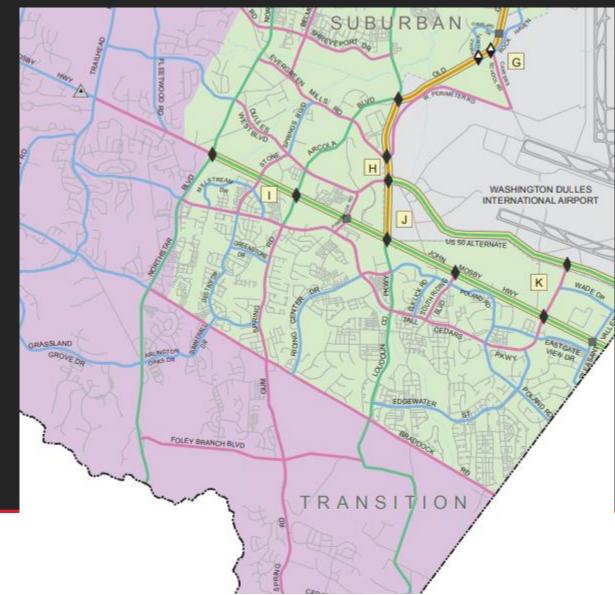
10 Lanes 8 Lanes 6 Lanes 4 Lanes 2 Lanes Freeway (See Note IV) Refer to Town Plan (See Note 11)

Existing/Planned Interchange Existing/Planned Partial Interchange Existing/Planned Overpass

Scenic Byway Proposed Scenic Byway Metrorail Silver Line

Metrorail Station

### Countywide Transportation Plan Northstar Boulevard- 6 lanes, median divided



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	LEGEND	
ROADWAY ELEME	NIS	
CTP ROADS	2040 PLANNED # OF LANES	
	10 Lanes	
	8 Lanes	
	6 Lanes	
	4 Lanes	
	2 Lanes	
	Freeway (See Note N)	
	Refer to Town Plan clean term	
•	Existing/Planned Interchange	
\$	Existing/Planned Partial Interchange	
	Existing/Planned Overpass	
<u>A</u> .	Scenic Byway	
A	Proposed Scenic Byway	
	Metrorail Silver Line	
M	Metrorail Station	
<u>C</u> )	Village Conservation Overlay District	
	Washington & Old Dominion Trail	

# Purchase of Development Rights (PDR) Program

- Program provides for the County to purchase development rights from private property owners.
- Planning Commission has not included language regarding PDR program in the current draft plan.
- Board of Supervisors discussed study of restarting program that has not been funded in several years. Motion failed 3-6 (Supervisor Letourneau opposed).



# Transfer of Development Rights (TDR) Program

- Program provides for private property owners in the rural area to sell development rights to developers for transfer to other areas of the County.
- Would be transferred to urban and suburban policy areas.
- County loses ability to factor full development impacts and collect proffers, transferred units considered by-right.
- Planning Commission has not included language regarding TDR program in the current draft plan.
- Board of Supervisors discussed study of potential TDR program in Loudoun.
   Voted 6-3 (Supervisor Letourneau opposed) to send this for further discussion and study at the Board's Transportation and Land Use Committee.



# Next Steps

Date	Meeting Type
4/27	Public Hearing
5/1	Work Session
5/8	Work Session
5/20	Work Session
5/29	Work Session
6/5	Work Session
6/20	Business Meeting – Potential Adoption of Loudoun 2040



# **Public Hearings**

#### • Saturday, April 27, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.

- Loudoun County Public Schools Administration Building (2100 Education Court, Ashburn)
- Advance Speaker Sign-Up open now to April 26 (5:00 p.m.)
- Advanced Sign-Up: 703-777-0200
- Written Comments:
  - Board of Supervisors
    - 1 Harrison Street, SE, P.O. Box 7000, Leesburg, VA 20177-7000; or
  - $\circ$  bos@loudoun.gov



### Public Access to Plan

- www.Loudoun.gov/loudoun2040

   Digital Version of Plan
   Upcoming Meeting Dates
   Public Input Process
- Loudoun County Public Libraries

   Printed Copy of Plan
   Internet Access to www.Loudoun.gov/loudoun2040



# QUESTIONS?

