



FLOYD COUNTY  
**COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

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# A.1 REPORTS OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS

This section of the Appendix shows the reports of accomplishment for the 2008-2012 Short Term Work Program and the 2013-2017 Short Term Work Program.



# 2008-2012 SHORT TERM WORK PROGRAMS

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PROJECT NAME/DESCRIPTION	COMPLETE	UNDERWAY	POSTPONED	DROPPED	NOTES
<b>ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</b>					
Reassess the concept of economic development through the Rome/Floyd 20/20 process involving the two local government and the Greater Rome Chamber of Commerce (update of process completed in 2007)		x			Ongoing
The construction of a speculative industrial building will be completed				x	The focus of industrial marketing has moved toward development of large tracts of land with utilities, access, heavy-industrial zoning, etc.
Adopt new software program for marketing, recruitment and support of existing businesses		x			Ongoing
Increase efforts to support and recruit small businesses		x			Ongoing
Target avionic and aeronautic businesses for recruitment		x			Ongoing
Floyd County will continue to market and promote the Forum to increase conventions and trades show activity		x			Ongoing
<b>HOUSING</b>					
Establish a County-wide down-payment assistance program for new housing	x	x			Program was established in 2012
Floyd County will encourage, and work with neighborhood groups to actively promote redevelopment in blighted neighborhoods and preservation of existing healthy neighborhoods		x			Ongoing
<b>INFRASTRUCTURE, UTILITIES, SERVICES</b>					
The Floyd County Police Department will maintain its certification.		x			Ongoing
The Floyd County Police Department will work with other agencies to improve communication by upgrading to a multi-jurisdictional radio system.	x				Completed in 2013 with SPLOST funding
The Floyd County Police Department will work to retain experienced officers within the department		x			Ongoing

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<b>INFRASTRUCTURE, UTILITIES, SERVICES (CON'T)</b>					
Update the Local Emergency Operations Plan.		x			Ongoing
Improve communication infrastructure and upgrade the emergency communication system	x				Completed in 2013 with SPLOST funding
Construct new Work Release Center on Black Bluff Road	x				Completed in 2009
Floyd County will continue to contract with the City of Rome for the provision of fire protection services		x			Ongoing
The Fire Department will continue to relocate the existing stations as the joint facility study indicates when funds are available.		x			Ongoing
Renegotiate water purchase contract between Floyd County and the City of Rome		x			Ongoing
The County will place its primary emphasis on improving the existing water system and lines will be extended on a cost per customer basis		x			Some are completed, others remain
The County will protect potential sources of water for future use through actions that could include land acquisition, zoning, purchase of development easements, etc.		x			Ongoing
The County will continue to seek the best prices for its water supply		x			Contracting with the City of Calhoun
The County will review its water system operating and materials standards		x			Ongoing
Conduct a watershed assessment	x				Completed in 2012-2013
Review billing cycles periodically		x			Ongoing
Review water rate structures and minimum billing amounts		x			Ongoing
Initiate a program to replace all 2-inch water distribution lines		x			Ongoing
The County will continue to seek and develop new sources of groundwater		x			Ongoing
The County will work with the City of Rome to provide equitable sewer rates to County residents based on rate studies and/or arbitration.		x			Ongoing
Improve parking at Historic County Courthouse		x			
Construct parking deck adjacent river near the Forum	x				Completed in 2010

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PROJECT NAME/DESCRIPTION	COMPLETE	UNDERWAY	POSTPONED	DROPPED	NOTES
<b>RECREATION</b>					
Construct town green adjacent river, near Forum	x				Completed in 2010
Floyd County will continue to encourage further public and private development along the rivers, in areas where development is appropriate.	x	x			Ongoing
At-risk and low-income youth will be encouraged to participate in organized recreation activities via a scholarship program		x			Ongoing
Construct recreation center at North Floyd Park	x				Completed in 2010
Additional greenways and trails will be provided within the community incorporating the Pinhoti Trail through Floyd County, additional access to streams, and additions to the Rome and Cave Spring trail systems		x			Ongoing
Construct 2 new tennis courts at Etowah Park				x	Lack of funding
Renovate North Rome Swim Center	x				Completed in 2010
Renovate Marine Armory building for Recreation Administrative Offices	x				Completed in 2011
<b>TRANSPORTATION</b>					
Complete the projects identified within the Floyd-Rome Urban Transportation Study Area as part of the duly adopted Transportation Improvement Program.		x			Ongoing
Complete the projects identified by the Jordan, Jones and Golding study of 2002		x			Ongoing
Support the development of a direct connection to I-75 and I-85 from Rome and US 411.		x			Ongoing
Support the development of the completion of the Veteran's Memorial Highway road system around Rome		x			Ongoing
Support the widening to four lanes of Highway 101 from Rome to Rockmart, including intersection changes at the Ledbetter Interchange in Rome to feed traffic from SR 101 onto US411 and US27 without the use of Dean Street		x			Ongoing
Support completion of widening to four lanes of SR140 from US27 in northern Floyd County east to I75		x			Ongoing
Support completion of widening to four lanes of US27 from Chattanooga to I20		x			Ongoing

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<b>TRANSPORTATION (CON'T)</b>					
Purchase of right-of-way along US411 east for future construction of frontage roads	x				Completed in 2012
Construct connector road from Old School Road to Braves Boulevard	x				Completed in 2012
Improve Huffaker Road from Fouche Gap Road to Big Texas Valley Road		x			Ongoing
Complete economic development plan for Richard B. Russell Field	x	x			Ongoing
Construct new T-hangars at airport as needed			x		Postponed to 2017 due to lack of local funding match
Extend Runway 1/19 for 2,500 feet			x		Postponed to 2016; changed extension to 1,000 feet
Install edge lighting on Runway 7/25			x		Postponed to 2015
Extend Runway 7/25 for 750 feet			x		Postponed to 2018
Construct corporate hangar area west of terminal building			x		Postponed to 2014
Road resurface projects		x			Ongoing
<b>SOLID WASTE</b>					
The current Short-Term Work Program in the Joint Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan is hereby incorporated by reference.		x			Ongoing
Design, permit and construct new phases of the landfill as needed		x			Ongoing
Renovate remote solid waste site on Potts Road	x				
Renovate remote solid waste site on Hatfield Road	x				
<b>NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES</b>					
Continue to develop River Education Center at Old Pumping Station in Ridge Ferry Park	x				Completed in 2011
The County will continue its environmental awareness and education programs through participation in the Clean Community and Adopt-a-Stream/Wetland/Highway/Lake programs; and by conducting special events, workshops, and educational programs		x			Ongoing
Conduct a comprehensive survey of historic resources using the preliminary survey update				x	Lack of funding and staff

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NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES (CON'T)					
Continue to map existing cemeteries located within Floyd County		x			Ongoing
The County will continue to support the Sara Hightower Regional Library		x			Ongoing
LAND USE					
Consider revisions to the ULDC to support the goals and objectives of the new Comprehensive Plan		x			
Complete an overlay district for the area surrounding the Richard B. Russell Airport				x	Lack of community interest
Complete an overlay district for the Highway 411 Corridor				x	Lack of community interest
GENERAL GOVERNMENT					
The facilities and programs of the local governments will comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act handicapped access requirements		x			Ongoing
Floyd County will consider adopting business licensing				x	Dropped after consideration
The governments will develop a more equitable method of cost sharing based on level of service in accordance with the Service Delivery Strategy Act of 1997. Agreement between Cave Spring, Rome and Floyd County will be reviewed and revised in 2018		x			Ongoing
The County is committed to support public education		x			Ongoing
Floyd County will work with The City of Rome to address the impacts of their anticipated annexation		x			Ongoing

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# 2013-2017 SHORT TERM WORK PROGRAMS

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<b>ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</b>					
Reassess the concept of economic development through the Rome/Floyd 20/20 process involving the two local government and the Greater Rome Chamber of Commerce (update of process completed in 2007)	x				Update in 2014. Creation of Partners in Prosperity
Increase efforts to support and recruit small businesses				x	<b>This item is better suited as a policy, rather than a project.</b>
Target avionic and aeronautic businesses for recruitment				x	<b>This item is better suited as a policy, rather than a project.</b>
Floyd County will continue to market and promote the Forum to increase conventions and trades show activity	x	x			New private management contract with Safari Hospitality Management. \$1.4 million in facility improvements and support of development of downtown.
Adopt new software program for marketing, recruitment and support of existing businesses			x		Will discuss with economic development staff to look at possible software options
<b>HOUSING</b>					
Establish a County-wide down-payment assistance program for new housing				x	
Floyd County will encourage, and work with neighborhood groups to actively promote redevelopment in blighted neighborhoods and preservation of existing healthy neighborhoods				x	Working in Lindale, Shannon, and Riverside communities currently. <b>This item is better suited as a policy, rather than a project.</b>
<b>INFRASTRUCTURE, UTILITIES, SERVICES</b>					
The Floyd County Police Department will maintain its certification.	x				Complete March 2016
The Floyd County Police Department will work to retain experienced officers within the department		x			2015 Pay plan adopted with 3-year implementation. 50% funding of POAB in 2017. Retirement options under discussion.

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<b>INFRASTRUCTURE, UTILITIES, SERVICES (CON'T)</b>					
Update the Local Emergency Operations Plan.		x			Plan update is currently underway. Expected completion is fall of 2018
Floyd County will continue to contract with the City of Rome for the provision of fire protection services	x				Fire contract renewed in 2018.
The Fire Department will continue to relocate the existing stations as the joint facility study indicates when funds are available.		x			5 of 6 stations have been relocated. Discussions are underway on final relocation. Funding is available from previous SPLOST.
Renegotiate water purchase contract between Floyd County and the City of Rome		x			Partial plan was agreed to in 2016. Discussion is underway and anticipate a new agreement in 2018.
The County will place its primary emphasis on improving the existing water system and lines will be extended on a cost per customer basis		x			Fulton Well restarted in 2015, Everett Springs system online in 2018, Floyd County has connected with multiple sources for redundancy.
The County will protect potential sources of water for future use through actions that could include land acquisition, zoning, purchase of development easements, etc.				x	Biddy Road was last acquisition and is inactive but ready when needed. Future source development is ongoing. <b>This item is better suited as a policy, rather than a project.</b>
The County will continue to seek the best prices for its water supply		x			Improved connections with adjacent communities (Rome, Calhoun, Adairsville) have improved pricing along with re-activating Fulton Well.
The County will review its water system operating and materials standards		x			Ongoing in accordance with GA EPD.
Conduct a watershed assessment	x				Regional watershed was started in 2010 and adopted by the Northwest Regional partnership in 2012.
Review billing cycles periodically		x			Continuously evaluating to manage billing cycles. We added text messaging, voice mail, and email reminders that have drastically reduced cut offs from over 500 per month to less than 100 on average.

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<b>INFRASTRUCTURE, UTILITIES, SERVICES (CON'T)</b>					
Review water rate structures and minimum billing amounts		x			Last rate increase was in 2013. Bond debt ratio has been improving and maintenance has been steady. Rate study should be considered in next year.
Initiate a program to replace all 2-inch water distribution lines		x			Replaced 6 miles of 2 inch lines since 2013. Have about 40 miles left and budget to replace 2.5 miles per year.
The County will continue to seek and develop new sources of groundwater				x	Fulton Well Membrane System in 2015, Bidly Road well is also available for future use. Explorations in south Floyd County have continued. <b>This item is better suited as a policy, rather than a project.</b>
The County will work with the City of Rome to provide equitable sewer rates to County residents based on rate studies and/or arbitration.		x			This will work in conjunction with the City of Rome's water purchase agreement. <b>This item is better suited as a policy, rather than a project.</b>
<b>RECREATION</b>					
At-risk and low-income youth will be encouraged to participate in organized recreation activities via a scholarship program	x				Provide 50% off program fees for all foster children. Developed a scholarship program in 2017.
Additional greenways and trails will be provided within the community incorporating the Pinhoti Trail through Floyd County, additional access to streams, and additions to the Rome and Cave Spring trail systems				x	Floyd County is lead agency on Redmond Trail project connecting to other trails in the City of Rome. Lindale Trail was approved in 2017 SPLOST and will connect to King Fisher Trail to Lindale Community. Paddle in camp sites were also approved in 2017 SPLOST locations TBD. <b>This item is better suited as a policy, rather than a project.</b>

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<b>RECREATION (CON'T)</b>					
Floyd County will continue to encourage further public and private development along the rivers, in areas where development is appropriate.				x	Braves Blvd. area development, W 3rd Street streetscape, Support of 2 TAD projects (W 3rd & Braves Blvd.), dog park in North Ridge Ferry underway. <b>This item is better suited as a policy, rather than a project.</b>
<b>TRANSPORTATION</b>					
The community will implement the 20-year Transportation Plan by: 1. Developing a multi-modal approach to transportation incorporating trail and river corridors and public transit as well as roads to meet the future transportation needs of the community. 2. Committing adequate dollars to repair and maintain existing local roads, highways and bridges. 3. Continuing efforts to improve traffic flow on the three major arterials passing through Rome: Turner McCall Blvd., Shorter Ave., and Martha Berry Blvd.		x			20 year plan update in 2017. additional LMIG funds along with SPLOST funds and federal OSSP grants have increased additional dollars for maintaining local roads and bridges. Replaced Everett Springs bridge in 2017. Working with GDOT to widen Turner McCall bridge for improved flow through City center. This project should be broken out into several different projects in the next STWP to reflect progress and new transportation projects.
Complete the projects identified within the Floyd-Rome Urban Transportation Study Area as part of the duly adopted Transportation Improvement Program.	x				Redmond Trail (a one-mile loop) is complete. Other trail portions are complete and others are still under various states of development/ consideration. A pedestrian bridge over the Oostanula was constructed, connecting two sides of the Heritage Trail. Reconfiguration of the Ledbetter Interchange (US 411/SR 20/SR 53, SR 101/Dean Ave) is slated for future development.

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<b>TRANSPORTATION (CON'T)</b>					
Complete the projects identified by the Jordan, Jones and Golding study of 2002	x				Several Commercial and Civic projects (Marriott, parking deck, town green) have been constructed, while others remain to be built/renovated (Unity Point)
Support the development of a direct connection to I-75 and I-85 from Rome and US 411.		x			Created the Bartow / Floyd Development Corridor in 2017 and now have a new project identification number with the 411 connection to I-75. Environmental studies are underway and construction is expected in 2022.
Support the development of the completion of the Veteran's Memorial Highway road system around Rome		x			New section completed and opened in 2015 SR 20 in Coosa to US 27. US 27 / Six Mile to SR 101 ready for construction and expected to let in 2019. Final section from SR 101 to US 411 scheduled in 2020. This project should be broken out into two different projects in the next STWP to reflect forecasted completion dates and updated cost estimates for each piece of the Bypass.

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<b>TRANSPORTATION (CON'T)</b>					
Support the widening to four lanes of Highway 101 from Rome to Rockmart, including intersection changes at the Ledbetter Interchange in Rome to feed traffic from SR 101 onto US411 and US27 without the use of Dean Street				x	GDOT has a revised project corridor to improve the Ledbetter Interchange connection by passing Dean Street. Discussions have been to utilize State Funding to complete the project. Other widening and improvements are still in planning stages to the bypass connection in Silver Creek. Areas south of the bypass have been revised to only include intersection improvements to the County line. <b>This item is better suited as a policy, rather than a project.</b>
Support completion of widening to four lanes of SR1-40 from US-27 in northern Floyd County east to I-75		x			SR 53 to I-75 currently under construction. Completion in 2020. Section from US-27 to is in planning stages.
Support completion of widening to four lanes of US-27 from Chattanooga to I-20				x	Support with GDOT and in Floyd County. <b>This item is better suited as a policy, rather than a project.</b>
Road resurface projects		x			Increased by 3 miles annually from previous 5 year period. Also have 5.2 million in SPLOST funding secured for paving over next 5 year period.
Improve Huffaker Road from Fouche Gap Road to Big Texas Valley Road		x			Some ROW has been purchased and preliminary planning. Was proposed in 2013 and 2017 SPLOST applications but did not make the final list.



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<b>TRANSPORTATION (CON'T)</b>					
Complete economic development plan for Richard B. Russell Field		x			ALP was completed in 2017 and approved 2018. GDOT is currently working with Floyd County to complete and economic development plan anticipated to be complete in 2019.
Construct new T-hangars at airport as needed		x			Have not had the need to build new T-Hangars due to the recession. We bottomed out at 85% occupancy in 2010 but are currently 92% occupied. When needed we have adequate space reserved for them.
Extend runway 1/19 for 1,000 feet		x			Runway extension plans are complete. Bids are scheduled to be open June 29, 2018. Recommendation to commission in July 2018.
Construct corporate hangar area west of terminal building	x				Corporate hangar construction funding was approved in 2017 SPLOST. Construction date TBD.
Install edge lighting on runway 7/25			x		It is in the 5 year CIP currently. Currently scheduled for 2019 pending GDOT joint funding.
<b>SOLID WASTE</b>					
The current Short-Term Work Program in the Joint Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan is hereby incorporated by reference.		x			
Design, permit and construct new phases of the landfill as needed 2X		x			Phase 7 has begun
<b>NATURAL &amp; CULTURAL RESOURCES</b>					
The County will continue its environmental awareness and education programs through participation in the Clean Community and Adopt-a-Stream/Wetland/Highway/Lake programs; and by conducting special events, workshops, and educational programs		x			Ongoing through joint partnership and funding with City of Rome.

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<b>NATURAL &amp; CULTURAL RESOURCES (CON'T)</b>					
Continue to map existing cemeteries located within Floyd County	x				
The County will continue to support the Sara Hightower Regional Library		x			Annual support of \$1.259 million for operations and additional \$242k in capital projects in last 5 year period with an additional \$25k budgeted in 2018. Partnered with RACA to develop the Sennett Amphitheater on county property adjacent to the Library.
<b>LAND USE</b>					
Consider revisions to the ULDC to support the goals and objectives of the new Comprehensive Plan		x			ULDC and land use maps are updated annually.
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>					
The governments will develop a more equitable method of cost sharing based on level of service in accordance with the Service Delivery Strategy Act of 1997. Agreement between Cave Spring, Rome and Floyd County will be reviewed and revised in 2018		x			Floyd County has 31 joint agreements with Rome and Cave Spring. We continue to evaluate our joint agreements and equity throughout Floyd County with our Joint Services Committee that meets every other month.
Floyd County will work with The City of Rome to address the impacts of their anticipated annexation				x	Ongoing with minimal annexations in last 5 year period. <b>This item is better suited as a policy, rather than a project.</b>