

Consistency

1. Require **Adoption and Use of International Building Code** (*Comm/Ind Land Use & Govt Services*)
2. Address planning issues by providing **uniform and consistent policies and terms** that reflect a standardized set of definitions relating to growth and development. (*Comm/Ind Land Use and Res. Land Use*)

Data

1. Create a **Regional GIS Database**: this data will be used for generating future land use maps through the analysis of the geographic features throughout the region. (*Water Planning*)
2. Develop an **impartial resource of information** that assists local units of government and the public to make educated decisions about managing growth. (*Res. Land Use*)
3. LUGs within the region should **support independent audits** of sustainable forestry practices on public lands. (*Public Land*)
4. Consider the **benefits and implications of mixed use developments** that incorporate clustered residential housing across the broad area of Southern Cass County and Crow Wing County instead of an isolated approach without connection to the entire region. (*Res. Land use*)
5. Improve publicity about how businesses **access economic development organizations and information.** (*Govt Serv*)

Regional coordination of land use and infrastructure:

1. Local units of government units (LUGs) within the region should establish a policy to **coordinate all public land-use maps** into one inclusive, regional land-use map for public lands. (*Public Land*)
2. Promote the development and implementation of a **consistent transportation access management strategy** that coordinates land use and transportation decisions to ensure safety and mobility of the traveling public while accommodating the access needs of local communities. (*Transportation*)
3. LUGs should work together to design and implement a **regional, state-of-the-art parks and trails system** that meets the requirements of intelligent growth -- it is environmentally, economically and socially appropriate for a rapidly growing, rapidly urbanizing, rapidly aging region. (*Public Land*)

4. Develop a **Regional Transportation Plan** for the micropolitan area of the Brainerd Lakes to guide local units of government in future development of their local comprehensive plans, transportation plans, and land use decisions. (a multi-modal plan that roads, transit, bike/pedestrian, air, rail, etc.) (*Transportation*)
5. Work with neighboring jurisdictions on a “wasteshed” basis to plan to **set aside land for solid waste/waste water purposes** before development causes prices to rise and selection to diminish. Work together to consolidate facilities where appropriate. Establish re-use and recycling efforts to maximize the resources and minimize the land needed. (*Solid Waste/Waste Water*)
6. As new communications technologies are considered within law enforcement, choose **systems that are compatible with those of the surrounding law enforcement agencies**. (*Govt Serv*)
7. **Develop and/or update land use strategies** that reflect the type of community desired and the types of commercial and industrial business that is appropriate for the desired type of community. (*Comm/Ind Land Use*)

Resource Management

1. Create a **model Water Management Plan** for incorporation into the local comprehensive plans (*Water Planning*)
 - 1a. Local ordinances incorporate the key elements from the revised comprehensive plans and should be **consistent to simplify and streamline the development process** and ease enforcement across government boundaries. (*Water Planning*)
2. Provide education to local governing bodies to illustrate how **low impact storm water design can be an asset**. (*Water planning*)
3. All LUGs within the region should adopt at the very least a **"no net loss" policy for public lands**. A higher, more preferred standard would be a policy of "no net loss per capita," which would address the question, "If a population is growing, shouldn't public lands grow accordingly to meet the increasing demand?" (*Public Land*)
4. Continue to **recruit potential firefighters** throughout the region. (*Govt Serv*)
5. LUGs within the region should work together to develop permanent, dedicated **funding options (as well as non-cash best practices) for the purchase of, and maintenance of, public lands** in order to establish a state-of-the-art, regional, interconnected network of public parks, trails and open space necessary to meet the diverse recreational needs of a growing, aging population. (*Public Land*)