

Chapter 6 - Natural Resource Goals, Objectives and Policies

Goal 1 : Promote compatibility between agricultural uses, commercial development efforts, natural areas and environmental corridors within the Town of Vienna as identified in this plan.

Objective 1.0

Consider the potential impact on natural resources, environmental corridors, or habitat areas when evaluating potential residential, commercial, industrial and intensive agricultural uses.

Policies:

- 1.01 Compatibility with Threatened and Endangered Species – Discourage potential uses that would have an impact on documented threatened and endangered species.
- 1.02 Encroachment on Wetlands and Floodplains - Direct any new development to locate in a manner that does not encroach upon or impact delineated wetlands or floodplains.
- 1.03 Enforcement of Water Quality Regulations – Work with Dane County to enforce water quality standards for both surface water (rivers and streams) and groundwater through its stormwater management and erosion control ordinance.
- 1.04 Continue Groundwater Monitoring – Continue to monitor groundwater quality in the Town of Vienna through a testing program.
- 1.05 Coordinate Inspection of Private Septics and Private Wells – Ensure that proposed new development outside of the urban service area conducts proper soils tests and uses current design standards when installing septic systems and wells.
- 1.06 Joint Planning, Review and Enforcement – Reviews of proposed developments in the Town will be coordinated with neighboring communities, Dane County, and the drainage district as necessary.

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Utilize recreational opportunities and the preservation of open space to maintain the rural character of the Town wherever feasible.

Policies:

- 1.11 Role of the Town Park Commission – The Town Board may charge the Town Park Commission with the planning of future park facilities or expanded facilities in the Town as needed.
- 1.12 Preservation of Woodlands – Encourage the preservation of woodland areas to the extent possible while maintaining the preservation of productive agricultural lands as a priority.
- 1.13 Identification and Planning for Natural Resource Areas – Work with Dane County, Wisconsin DNR and other agencies to identify, plan for, and preserve open spaces, natural habitat and environmental corridors within the Town where appropriate.
- 1.14 Existing and Future Park Areas – Maintain the existing park spaces within the Town and consider expanding or adding to these areas by 2010 if the Town grows as anticipated.
- 1.15 Bike Trail Planning – Work to plan and develop a formal bike trail and route system throughout the Town that connects to the larger, regional system.
- 1.16 Coordination of Recreational Opportunities – Work with neighboring municipalities and school districts to ensure access to recreational opportunities for all Town residents.
- 1.17 ATV/UTV Routes – Monitor the Town’s new ATV/UTV ordinance on effectiveness and usage. Be prepared to revise or modify the Town Ordinance based on safety and welfare of the citizens; the creation of additional state regulation; or the creation of additional Town routes. See the ATV Map.