



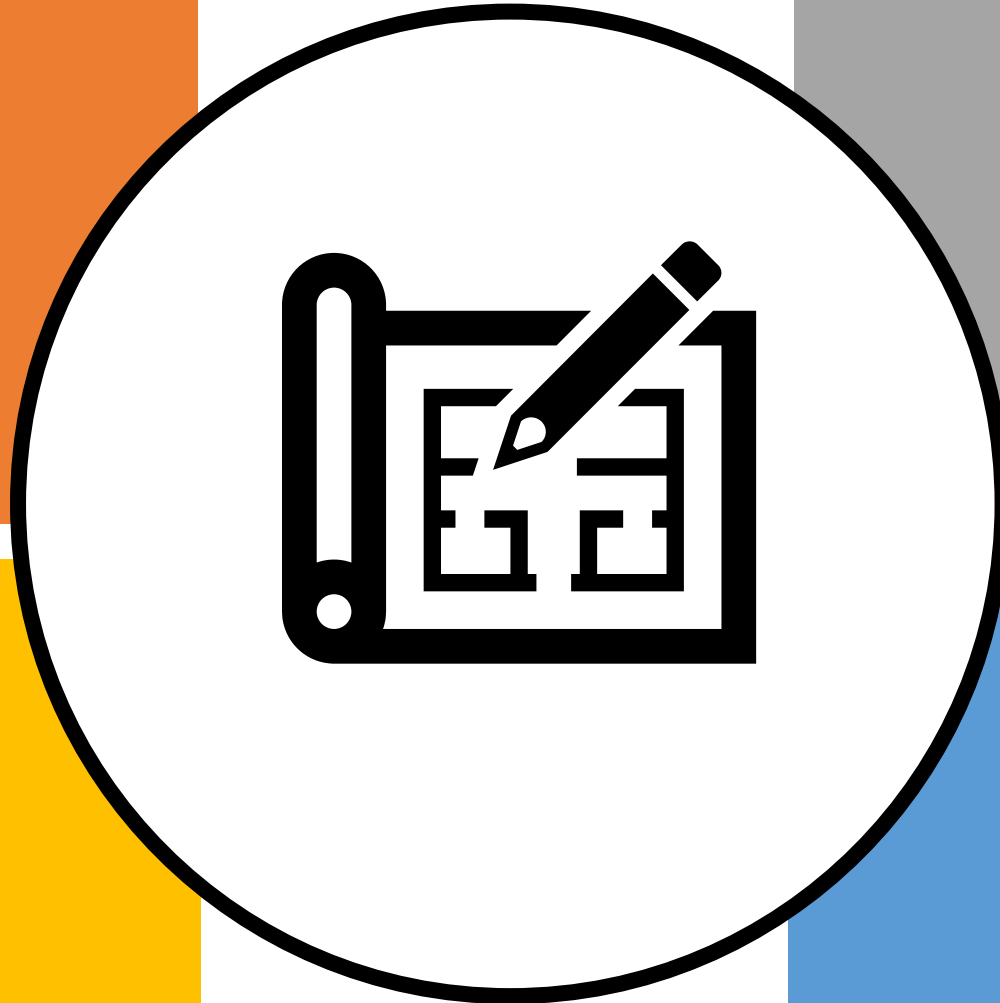
BERKS COUNTY
Planning Commission

Presentation to RATS Technical Committee
September 4th, 2025



THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

An official statement
of the County's future
land use goals



An overall view of
how the many
pieces of the
community
should work

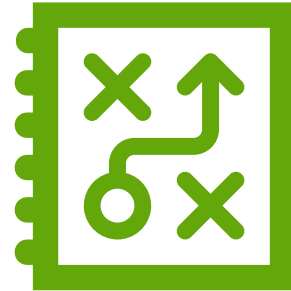
A tool for
evaluating
proposed land
development projects

Serves as a
guide for the
future development
of the County

The Implementable Comprehensive Plan



**Focus on
Relevant Land
Use Development
Issues**



**Creation of
Workable
Ideas and
Action Plans**



**Identifies the
Capacity and
Partners to
Implement**



**Community
Ownership**

MPC Requirements

Section 301 – Municipalities Planning Code

1 Development Objectives

2 Land Use Plan

3 Transportation Plan

4 Housing Needs Plan

5 Community Facilities Plan

6 Energy Conservation Plan

7 Natural/Historic Resources Plan

8 Water and Wastewater
Infrastructure Plan

9 Statement of Compatibility

10 Implementation Strategies

Plan Process



Tools

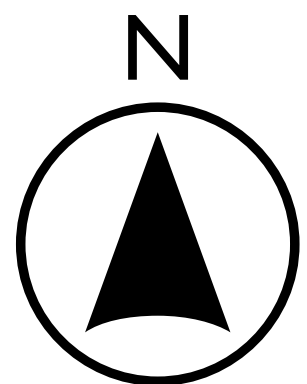
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Interactive Polling

GIS and Interactive Mapping

BERKS COUNTY

Corridor Buildout



Legend

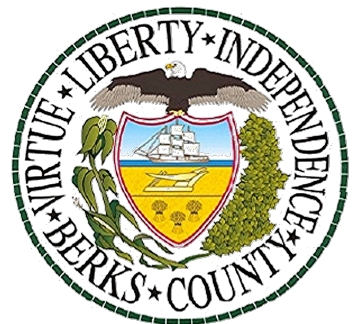
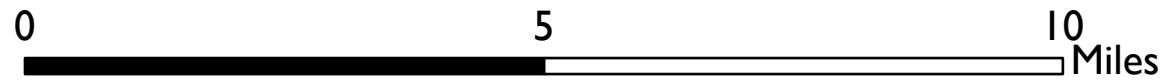
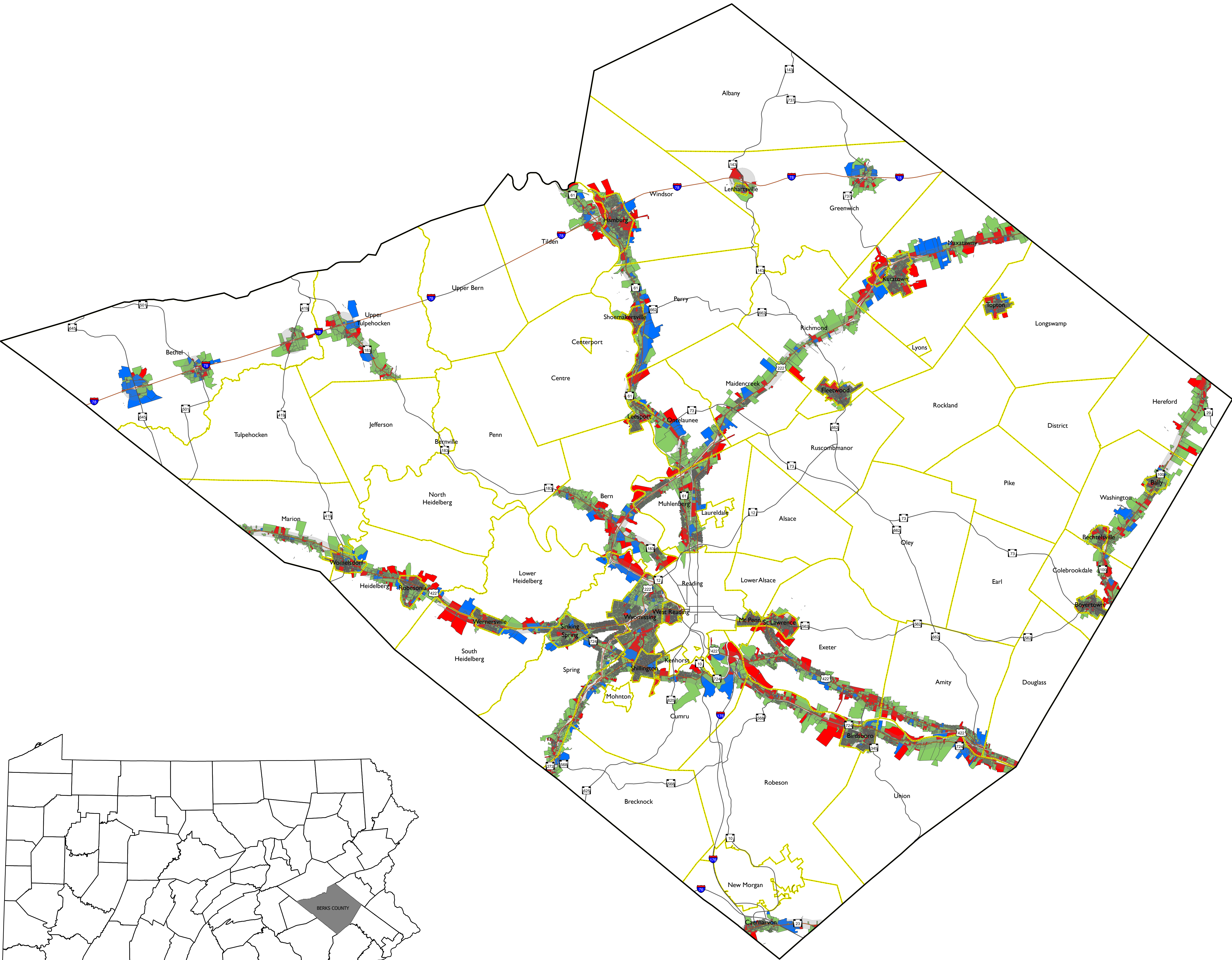
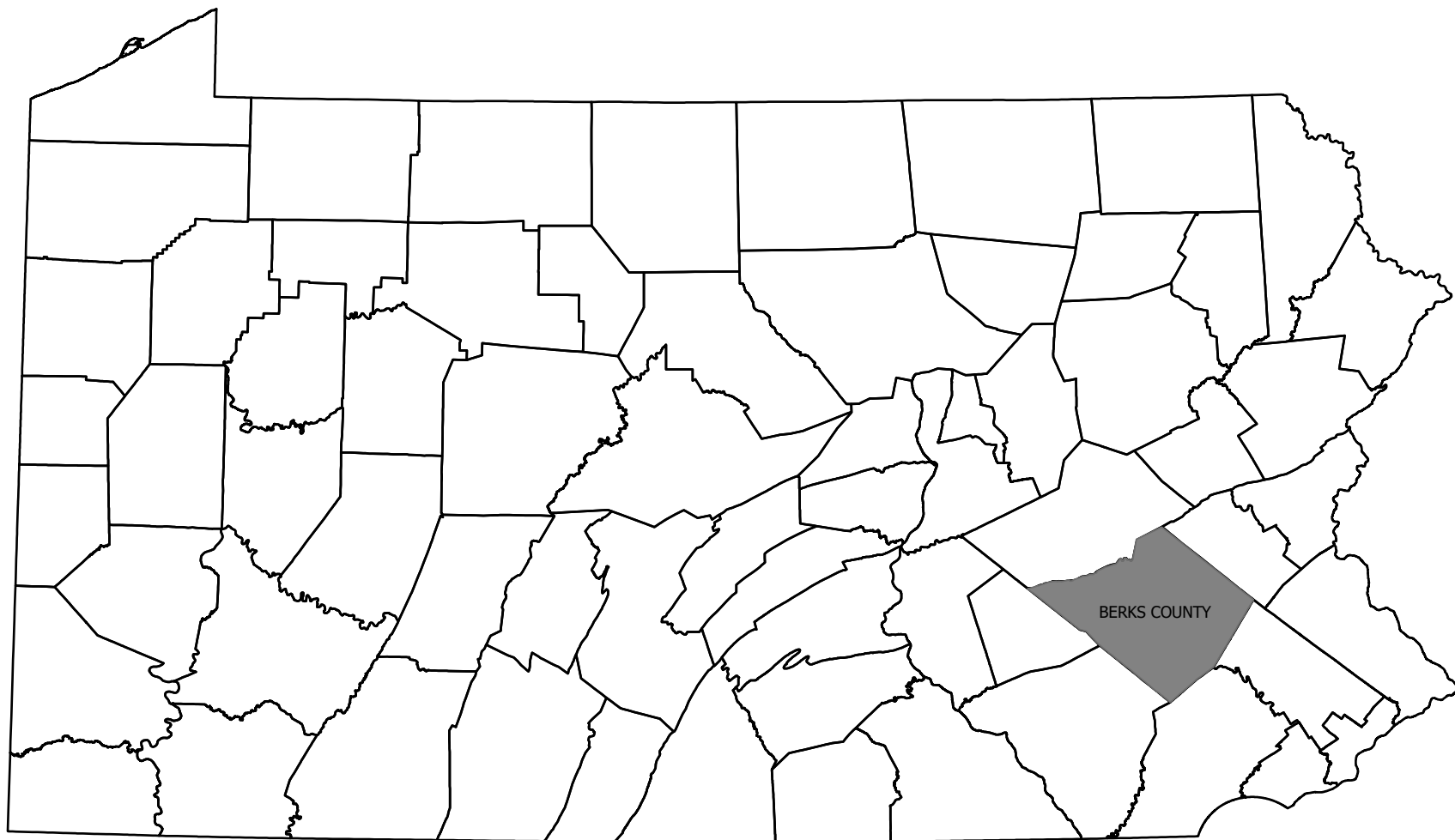
- Corridor (1000 ft buffer) and Interchanges (1/2 mile radius)
- Parcels Intersecting Corridor (40,878)
- Vacant Parcels within Corridor (3,697)
- Reviewed Subdivision and Land Development Plans
- Corridor Centerline
- Major Roads
- Municipal Boundaries

Number of Boroughs: 20
 Number of Townships: 28
Total Municipalities: 48

***Attached is a list of the municipalities by corridor**

Source: Berks County Planning Commission GIS, Berks County GIS, Berks County Mapping Department

TRCA, BAB 07/25



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PARTNERS



FOCUS GROUPS



NEW METHODS

Outreach Plan

Community Engagement



SURVEY

HELP US
PLAN OUR FUTURE

Complete Our Quick Survey and

Make a Difference!

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Outcomes



A Comprehensive plan that establishes specific goals, actionable steps, and collaborative partnerships to guide land use development and preservation for the County, municipalities, and stakeholders.



A Practical plan designed to support funding applications for the County, municipalities, and partners.



A Guide for municipalities and partners to develop regional planning documents to address land use development and preservation.



Greetings!

The Berks County Planning Commission is excited to begin preparing a new, state of the art, implementable Comprehensive Plan. The Comprehensive Plan will be guided by the [10 Smart Growth Principles](#).

Our goal is to produce a document that will promote cooperation and coordinated planning among municipalities that supports balanced growth, protects valuable land resources, and maintains the unique identities of our local communities.

Our mission is to have a process that includes all segments and sectors of our community and economy, and to produce a Plan with a clear vision for the future that all Berks Countians will be proud of.

We invite you to join us in the planning process! Please continue to visit this page for updates about the planning process and upcoming public engagement events!

THE
PROCESS

THE
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