

Southeast Washington Economic Development Association

Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy

For Asotin, Columbia, Garfield, and Whitman Counties



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2017 CEDS Update

**South East Washington Economic Development Association
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**Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy
2017 Supplemental Update**

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SUMMARY

Welcome to the 2017 Southeast Washington Economic Development Association's (SEWEDA) Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) update! This update is the fourth to the current CEDS. A completely new CEDS will be produced in 2018.

The purpose of this document is to serve as a supplement to the 2013 SEWEDA CEDS, and to the 2016 update. Several annual updates have been made to the original document, and this update has been reformatted to illustrate the results of the continuing review/update process, rather than only listing the changes from the previous supplement.

Community projects lists are updated, and are presented in their entirety from those entities that responded to the update solicitations. The unemployment statistics are updated as of December 31, 2015.

The final section lists some of the accomplishments made by the various entities within the SEWEDA District to illustrate the progress made this past year. The list is not comprehensive of all of the individual accomplishments made by all entities this past year, but serves as reminder that programs and projects are being funded and built on a continuing basis.

LABOR FORCE

The Washington State Employment Security Department revises its calculation formulas every year for Labor Market Information. The numbers contained in this table are not comparable to similar tables contained in prior versions of the District's Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy document.

Since the last supplemental update in 2015, the labor force decreased in Garfield County, but increased in Asotin, Columbia and Whitman counties. The unemployment rate decreased in Asotin, Columbia, and Whitman counties. It remained the same in Garfield County. This supplemental update includes the 2015 Annual Average.

TABLE 9 - Civilian Labor Force and Unemployment Rate 2008-2015

County, WA	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Asotin								
Labor Force	10,520	11,190	10,410	10,460	10,240	9,540	9,875	9727
Unemp. Rate	6.1	10.5	8.9	8.6	8.4	5.8	5.0	4.7
Columbia								
Labor Force	1,580	1,710	1,550	1,570	1,510	1,430	1,720	1721
Unemp. Rate	7.1	7.1	11.2	10.8	10.6	9.7	6.6	6.4
Garfield								
Labor Force	1,010	970	1,060	1,050	1,030	984	960	927
Unemp. Rate	4.6	7.8	7.9	7.6	7.8	7.0	7.0	6.1
Whitman								
Labor Force	21,000	21,810	21,980	19,270	21,700	21,340	23,091	22743
Unemp. Rate	4.1	4.9	6.1	6.6	6.3	4.9	4.5	4.7
WA State								
Labor Force	3,476,770	3,551,620	3,531,630	3,494,800	3,495,920	3,432,770	3,544,002	3,568,849
Unemp. Rate	5.3	9.1	9.6	9.6	8.2	6.5	5.9	5.9

Source: www.workforceexplorer.com

2017 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Update

This update is formatted to reflect the current CEDS projects after the appropriate agency has reviewed, modified, deleted, and added to the previous year's document. This manner of presenting the results of the planning changes helps provide clarity into what the focus areas are for economic development with each of these agencies. Accomplishments and achievements for the last year are listed after the project list section.

Asotin County - Lead Organization for This Section, unless indicated otherwise.
(Job numbers are listed in each section, if any are estimated)

Capacity Building/Planning

5 year

- Improve working relationships and encourage the continued collaboration and meeting of elected officials and administrators in Nez Perce County, Asotin County, and Cities of Lewiston, Clarkston, and Asotin in order to discuss items of common interest, opportunities to consolidate services, and to expedite common goals.
- Continue expansion and support of the Confluence Waterfront Commission.

Education and Training

5 year

- WWCC-Support the 3 plus 1 program
- Develop worker-training programs for alternative energy projects.
- Support and maintain energy system programs.
- Maintain a High School Internship/skills training program. Collaborating with the Dream it Do it program.
- Encourage further development of the healthcare industry through a broader array of education and training programs, including the addition of medical assisting a one-year program intended to serve the health care community with highly trained individuals capable of working in the front office as well as providing direct patient care. Sustain the Patient Navigator Program.
- Collaborate with all neighboring colleges, universities, and K-12, to develop workforce development opportunities, and transfer educational programs that ensure students are able to complete degrees and skills training in a timely manner.
- Utilize state and federal job skills grants, partner with local business and manufacturers to provide training and skills upgrades to employees.
- Promote precision Ag industry, tourism, hospitality, Viticulture, enology and culinary education programs at WWCC Clarkston campus.
- Work towards accomplishing the Walla Walla Community College Clarkston master infrastructure plan.
- Develop sustainable Entrepreneurship Program.
- Continued support for the Asotin Co. Library Microsoft Suite Training Program.

10 Year

- Establish a skills center.

Infrastructure (Roads, River, Rail, Air, Water, Sewer, Energy, Telecom, Solid Waste, Transportation, Utilities, etc.)

- Develop an adequate supply of zoned and serviced industrial lands and buildings, to develop business growth.
- Address improvements on Bridge Street and North Clarkston intersections.
- Revitalize and expand the expansion of air service at the Nez Perce regional airport.
- Support and implement transportation plans being developed through the MPO and RTPO planning process.
- Continue funding and remodel for the Asotin County Fire District #1 Station upgrade.

- Support utility extensions to industrial properties.
- Work with the Corps of Engineers, the Port of Clarkston to advocate for and maintain a navigable river system that promotes commerce.
- Support implementation of recommendations from the Confluence Waterfront Coalition Report regarding the restoration of recreational and commercial docking facilities along the river system to optimum operating conditions.
- Maintain and Expand dock capacity for Freight movement.
- Construct sidewalks, local bike and ped plan where needed.
- Support the Port construction of rental buildings and associated infrastructure when feasible and needed.
- Continue to improve safety at the entrances to the Southway Bridge from Hwy 129.
- Promote additional modern telecommunications infrastructure in Asotin County.
- Support the expansion of the sewer system to include additional unincorporated areas of Asotin County.
- Determine need for adequate jail capacity. Examine collaborating with Nez Perce County.
- Develop improvements to the Snake River Road for safety and for access to recreational areas.
- Implement a Waterfront Development Master Plan.

10 Year

- Support a study to warrant another bridge to connect Asotin Co. to Nez Perce Co.

Business Development

5 year

- Assist local companies to expand their markets and their employment opportunities.
- Assist new business startup.
- Market the area to prospective businesses.
- Support the growth of the grape and wine industries throughout the region.
- Continue to support SEWEDA as ADO for both economic and community development.
- Attract precision Ag Industry.

Tourism

5 year

- Support the Valley-wide tourism bureau.
- Update tourism strategic plan.
- Support cruise boat tourism
- Support the building of a new Visitor Information / Hells Canyon Interpretive Center and Lewis Clark Waterway Transportation Museum in Clarkston.
- Support development and marketing of Lewis-Clark Valley Wine Alliance.
- Extend tourism market for shoulder seasons, i.e. golf, fishing, local community annual events, wayfinding improvement and beautification.

Housing

- Support affordable and available housing options.
- Work to ensure adequate assisted living facilities are available.
- Support development of upscale and affordable retirement facilities/communities.

Community Development

5 year

- Continue improvements to the public transportation system in Asotin County, including capacity and accessibility.
- Support ADA and safety issues.
- Expand and improve access to bike and pedestrian paths.

- Continue development of recreational facilities with amenities.
- Implement community clean up, including junk cars and trash, and beautify areas beyond downtown Clarkston, including flowers, paint, etc.
- Support local medical facilities.

10 year

- Adequately fund public safety.

City/Community Projects in Asotin County

Community of Anatone

Mid-Range (up to 10 years):

- Identify funding sources, plan for, and develop a wastewater treatment system.

City of Asotin

Short Range (up to 5 years):

- Construction of boat launch.
- Funding to dredge boat basin
- Clean up waterfront area.
- Install RV Dumping Station
- Surplus unused city property
- Waste Water Treatment Plant Upgrade.
- Seek funding and Install Stormwater Second Street Drainage System (Washington to Harding)
- Minor Restoration of Historic Community Center:
Windows
- Seek Grant Funding for Restoration of Historic Community Center
- Enhance bike path
- Obtain Property from USACE
- Replace & Update Utility Meters as needed
- Improve neighborhood appearances
- Repair sidewalks and streets
- Crack Seal and Chip Seal City Streets – per funding eligibility.
- Update & add Play Equipment to Asotin City Park.
- Develop Park at Riverpointe
- Enhance, preserve, protect, and increase the awareness of the community's best attributes (water, quietness, small-town feel, schools, clean air).
- Fish Shack with Amenities
- Archery Range, Volleyball Court, Splash Park, Skate Park, Bocce Court
- Repair Foundation and restoration of Community Center
- Develop RV Park, campground, or other overnight accommodations. At end of town
- Encourage renovation of, Jerry Flour Mill – Continuous (property Listed with realtor)

Long Range (up to 20 years):

- Bike Path Bridge over creek along highway.
- Extend bike path up Snake River Road.
- Encourage renovation of, Jerry Flour Mill, to include commercial activity. Such as music, arts, historical tours, etc. (Watch for Grant Funding or Buyer for Property)
- Recruit a small IGA-type grocery market

City of Clarkston

Short Range (up to 5 years):

- Extend sidewalks throughout the City of Clarkston into those areas where missing with emphasis on schools.
- Enhance all the entrances to the City of Clarkston including signage.
- Prepare a Downtown Revitalization Plan, to include Bridge Street (Highway 12).
- Beautify Diagonal Street.
- Support retention and further development of Aquatic Center.
- Implement community clean up, including junk cars and trash.
- Replace covered picnic shelter area at Beachview Park
- Install restroom at Vernon Park and add sidewalk along Park Street
- Improve traffic circulation throughout community
- Support community events, such as Alive After Five, Christmas Parade, RiverFest, etc.
- In partnership with the Port of Clarkston, cruise boat dock enhancement that would include signage, traffic control, beautification, wayfinding
- Support of a new high school

Port of Clarkston 2017 Goals and Objectives

Goal #1 Maintain and Expand Effective, Strategic Leasing Program

- Strategy #1a: Maintain effective leasing program and implement effective marketing strategy
- Strategy #1b: Expand inventory of property thru development of sustainable business park & purchases/construction
- Strategy #1c: Consider potential sale of land to achieve economic development goals
- Strategy #1d: Monitor and enforce lease terms, with special emphasis on weeds
- Strategy #1e: Establish fair market value of owned property and examine/set lease rates

Goal #2 Diversify Regional Economy through Small Business Development

- Strategy #2a: Take a leadership role in economic development activities in Asotin County.
- Strategy #2b: Create better business environment through education and workforce training, utilizing partnerships
- Strategy #2c: Examine industry clusters, encouraging growth & identifying support businesses w/ relocation potential
- Strategy #2d: Seek opportunities to diversify the economy, including exploring creation of incubators (regular business incubators, commercial kitchens, wine incubators, etc.) and supporting manufacturing
- Strategy #2e: Seek ways of growing existing manufacturing and bringing new related industry
- Strategy #2f: Promote tourism facilities, explore benefits of ownership, & participate in tourism development activities
- Strategy #2g: Create/maintain local and regional partnerships (NIMA, SEWEDA, Valley Vision, other Ports, etc.)
- Strategy #2h: Assist partners in developing business plan competition and other investment support for emerging/ growing businesses, including StartUp Asotin County
- Strategy #2i: Support/assist public market, Farmers' Market, Riverfest and other events to draw in tourism

Goal #3 Expand Marine Activity

- Strategy #3a: Explore lease options (crane and dock) to private entity
- Strategy #3b: Advocate for sediment removal and invest in dredging as needed
- Strategy #3c: Explore and implement needed improvements/maintenance at freight, cruise boat and recreational docks to benefit freight movement, cruise traffic and recreation
- Strategy #3d: Assist partners, such as the City of Asotin, in developing priority on-the-water projects

Goal #4 Create, Maintain and Enhance Assets of Port

Strategy #4a: Maintain and improve park, surrounding area, and un-leased property to keep it clean and attractive

Strategy #4b: Keep Port roads and paved pathways in good condition, complying with storm water requirements

Strategy #4c: Procure additional equipment, as needed, to assure effective operations

Strategy #4d: Landscape where needed, remodel where beneficial and initiate plan for sidewalks and streetlights

Strategy #4e: Enforce “clean port” expectations where tenants are concerned; tighten lease language

Strategy #4f: Assist where possible in reducing smell in community to make it more attractive to businesses and improve residents’ quality of life

Strategy #4g: Improve and/or enhance Port security system with greater linkages to law enforcers

Strategy #4h: Develop telecommunications infrastructure for community/business benefit

Goal #5 Enhance Transportation Options for the Community

Strategy #5a: Port Manager will continue to serve on Rural Transportation Planning Organization (RTPO) and MPO Technical Advisory Committee to facilitate partnerships and information exchange

Strategy #5b: Continue to advocate for sustaining & maintaining the dams & navigational channel, including adequate appropriations

Strategy #5c: Seek additional ways to enhance transportation options

Strategy #5d: Work w/ partners to: a) improve traffic flow; b) improve walkability; c) improve other bike/ped amenities

Goal #6 Provide Support in Solving Community Challenges (Stormwater, EMS, broadband connectivity, community facilities, weeds, etc.) through Effective Partnerships

Goal #7 Improve Public Outreach to Constituents

Strategy #7a: Increase Port’s visibility in community through interaction/presentations, seeking public opportunities to educate, including listening sessions

Strategy #7b: Improve website

Strategy #7c: Publish newsletter two/three times per year

Goal #8 Update Port’s Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements Annually

Columbia County - Lead organization for this section is the County, unless indicated otherwise. (Job numbers are listed in each section, if any are estimated)

Education and Training

5 years

- Continue to improve stability of local school district
- Improve relationships with high schools and colleges.
- WWCC (and/or WSU) to open branch or satellite office.
- Continue to expand programs at Dayton High School/Skill Center with WWCC. **Port**
- Encourage active participation in regional workforce training. **Port**
- Research community workforce need, develop programs to meet established needs. **Port**
- Provide incumbent worker training.
- Development of STEM programs.
- Expose student to and encourage them to CAN and other technical training opportunities.

Infrastructure (Roads, river, rail, air, water, sewer, energy, telecom, solid waste, transportation, utilities, etc.)

5 years

- Improve city streets and County, State & US Highway road infrastructure. **City & County**
- Implement the Commercial Street Corridor plan – Caboose Park Phase. **DDTF**
- Improve the water and sewer system infrastructure of the City of Dayton. **City**
- Obtain funding for maintenance on dike.
- Install Touchet Valley Golf Course sprinkler system.
- Long and short range plans for Fairgrounds, Golf Course, and Seneca property the county is acquiring.
- Create and improve walking & biking paths throughout the community, connecting Downtown, BMS, Fairgrounds, School, etc., and potentially between Dayton and Waitsburg. Bike and walking bridge over Touchet River. (see accomplishment 1)
- Install car charging station
- Seek funding to maintain short line railroad. **Port** (see accomplishment 2)
- Seek funding under the Safe Routes to Schools program
- Develop a Lyons Ferry Marina comprehensive facilities plan. **Port** (see accomplishment 3)
- Work toward mental health detox facilities.
- Improve West entrance to Dayton. **DDTF, City, Chamber**(see accomplishment 4)
- Work with private sector on addressing broadband infrastructure needs.

10 years

- Improve railroad tracks to include passenger service. **Port**
- Improve safety, access, and ADA accessibility for pedestrians on Hwy. 12 viaduct on E. Main Street.
- Jail/Law & Justice facility.

Business Development

5 years

- Continue to improve stability of local hospital district, including workforce training.
- Continue development of Blue Mountain Station Food Park. **Port** (see accomplishment 1)
- Facilitate youth internship/entrepreneurial program in school. **Chamber/Port**
- Increase crease coordination with downtown businesses and the school. **Chamber**
- Develop value added agriculture. **Port**
- Facilitate small business technical assistance and workshops. **Port/SEWEDA**
- Continue to encourage development of wind generation project.
- Encourage biomass energy production. (130 jobs) **Port & County with Columbia Pulp**
- Building capacity of local contractors to get on small works rosters, Sustainable Living Center list, etc. **Chamber** list resources and contractors on its website.
- Create targeted marketing strategy for downtown business recruitment. **Chamber/DDTF**
- New Industry at Lyons Ferry to take advantage of new infrastructure. **Port**
- Continue work with Choose Columbia County shop local/recruitment campaign. **Port**(see accomplishment 2)
- Construct new speculative building at Rock Hill Industrial park. **Port**
- Continue work on the development of the local food system
- Help local businesses with online presence (i.e. Google, social media, TripAdvisor, etc.)
- Develop assisted living facility. CCHD is investigating this

Tourism

5 years

- Develop additional opportunities for Ag tourism and seasonal recreation (hunting/fishing, biking, camping, horseback riding, outfitting, skiing, snowmobiling, zip lines, etc.). **Chamber**
- Develop additional opportunities for ag tourism **Chamber/Port/DDTF**
- Improve tourism web sites. **Chamber**
- Achieve funding for regional Way Finding program. **DDTF/Port**
- Encourage the establishment of cabin rentals.

- Encourage and improve West entrance to Dayton. **DDTF, City, Chamber**
- Maintain and enhance existing railroad depot. **DHDS**
- Install east end Welcome to Dayton sign. **Chamber**
- Incorporate recent tourism survey into work and evaluation of current tourism and retail business operations.
- Improve courthouse grounds

Housing

5 years

- Address and encourage affordable housing needs in Dayton and Starbuck. **Port, City, County, Starbuck, DDTF, Community Partners**
- Develop adequate senior and retirement housing.
- Rehab community housing (possibly with CDBG funds).
- Temporary/emergency housing assistance.
- Develop a sequential housing environment.

Community Development

5 years

- Develop Community Center
- Expand recreational opportunities at Bluewood, including purchase of snow machine. **Port/Bluewood**
- Encourage youth activities.
- Encourage development of Sports Complex for events and tournaments
- Fund and construct ADA pathways.

Planning and Capacity Building

- Continue Implementation of the B&O Main Street Tax Incentive Program **DDTF**
- Partner with Columbia County Transportation for additional van pools to Starbuck and the Dam
- Plan for the highest use for all industrial lands
- Encourage the community to adopt a leadership development program.

Port of Columbia County - Lead Organization for This Section, unless indicated otherwise.
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Goal #1

- Develop Blue Mountain Station Eco-Industrial Park:
- Design Blue Mountain Station in the most ecologically friendly manner possible at the time of construction.
- Implement recommendations in the marketing strategy for job creation through business recruitment and entrepreneurial development plans.
- Continue to extend infrastructure throughout Business Park as demand and finances call for.
- Plan for possible improvements to Hwy 12/Wagon Road intersection.
- Create marketing umbrella brand and program to promote business success.
- Create and promote food tourism, educational and networking opportunities for regional growers, producers, and business owners for value-added agriculture and food processing opportunities.
- Support BMS Co-op Market
- Create capacity within Port District to implement and manage new park and programs.

Goal #2

- Maintain access to water for use by the public:
- Operate Lyons Ferry Marina in cooperation with the Corps of Engineers.
- Implement capital facilities projects; rental cabins, laundry facility, updated restrooms, swimming pool, moorage repair/replacement, crib wall replacement, electrical system upgrade.
- Investigate opportunities to increase income and reduce costs while continuing maintenance of the marina.
- Grow the marina and park facilities and amenities as demand increases and where feasible.

Goal #3

- Maintain and grow Rock Hill Industrial Park:
- Create available space for business location and development.
- Implement capital facilities projects, such as lighting efficiency upgrades, new signage, landscaping improvements, etc.
- Assist tenant businesses with retention and growth requirements.
- Evaluate and make necessary changes to marketing plan to promote knowledge of available facilities.

Goal #4

- Encourage a balanced and economical multi-modal transportation system:
- Improve relationship with shippers and operator of PCC short-line railroad.
- Seek funding for rail rehabilitation projects on Port-owned rail lines.
- Collaborate and participate in the RTPO to address regional transportation issues.
- Support continued navigation on the Columbia/Snake River system.
- Support the continuation of short line rail operation within the Port District and throughout the State.

Goal #5

- Assist Port District communities and the regional economy by supporting economic development projects, programs, and partnerships:
- Acquire feasible sites within the Port District for cooperative development with interested communities and firms.

- Work in partnership with Port District communities, public agencies, and the private sector to enhance countywide economic development.

Goal #6

- Continue acquisition, development, and management of Port property and facilities:
- Maintain a flexible, market-rate leasing policy responsive to the needs of the Port District.
- Construct public port facilities as warranted by market demand.
- Pursue acquisition of additional land at all Port sites when existing facility occupancy is high and development is economically feasible.
- Incorporate proactive environmental planning with industrial development.

Garfield County (Including the City of Pomeroy)

Capacity Building/Planning

5 years

- Develop volunteer pool.
- Develop area-marketing strategy to attract new business.
- Continue to support SEWEDA as ADO for both economic and community development.

Education and Training

5 years

- Develop worker-training programs for alternative energy projects.
- Support and maintain energy system programs.
- Maintain a High School Internship/skills training program. Collaborating with the Dream it Do it program.
- Encourage further development of the healthcare industry through a broader array of education and training programs, including the addition of medical assisting a one-year program intended to serve the health care community with highly trained individuals capable of working in the front office as well as providing direct patient care. Sustain the Patient Navigator Program.
- Collaborate with all neighboring colleges, and universities, to develop workforce development opportunities, and transfer educational programs that ensure students are able to complete degrees and skills training in a timely manner.

- Develop CTE programs & curriculum with STEM and computer science emphasis.
- Explore community service for staff and students in k-12.

Infrastructure (Roads, river, rail, air, water, sewer, energy, telecom, solid waste, transportation, utilities, etc.).

5 years

- Update area planning:
- Update floodplain maps.
- Prepare GIS maps for the entire county.
- Explore and support the possibility of Hospital/Residential for treatment of mental health and substance use disorders.
- Improve critical local infrastructure, including city water facilities, sidewalks, telecommunications, streets, bridges, wastewater treatment, solid waste processing, and potential development build-out.
- Support WSDOT 6-year plan for Garfield County which includes:
 - Small roads and bridges projects
 - Blue Mountain Access Parking on Mountain Road
 - Countywide bridge repair
 - Fairgrounds Rd/Hwy 12 Intersection
 - Peola Rd construction
- Enhance municipal facilities including the golf course, swimming pool.
- Support repairs and maintenance of the Garfield County Food Bank.
- Continue to enhance the aesthetic quality of Main Street/Hwy. 12 through Community supported initiatives and municipal code enforcement.
- Work with property and land developers to create affordable single and multiple family housing units.
- Improve Fire District services:
 - Acquire additional property for expansion of present facilities.
 - Purchase new firefighting equipment and vehicles.
- Improve Hospital District facilities and services:
 - Replace Chemistry Analyzer in Lab
 - Replace x-ray equipment
 - Expand and resurface parking area
 - Provide for Handicap Accessibility

Business Development

5 years

- Market available Port District properties and other commercial space.
- Conduct Targeted Industries study
- Attract small manufacturers.
- Research and partner with site selection services for business recruitment.
- Attract new businesses and encourage competition in the business district.
- Develop community kitchen for food related entrepreneurs and start-ups
- Foster entrepreneurial environment
- Foster opportunities for value-added ag producers
- Develop micro-enterprise initiative.
- Promote the expansion and/or development of overnight accommodations.
- Support wind energy development throughout Garfield County.

Tourism

5 years

- Continue support of new and existing eating establishments.
- Develop resources to assist lodging and eateries in planning to make Pomeroy a travel destination.

- Implementation of Pomeroy Downtown Revitalization Master Plan
- Continue to improve the Senior Center and recover usable space for various community needs.
- Improve signage.
- Develop uniformity of sidewalk/street plantings.
- Promote the restoration of historic buildings throughout the county.
- Support and expand opportunities for the development of arts and culture through the Pomeroy Community Center:
- Build capacity for expansion of programs including health and wellness, continuing education, and the arts. *
- Continue improvements to city sidewalks.
- Plan and construct paths and trails for bicycles and pedestrians.
- Enhance/expand downtown museum.
- Continue to develop Ag History museum
 - Adding more display areas
 - Adding an external covered area on east wall of the new building.
- Restructure equestrian facilities to single multi-use outdoor arena
- Construct indoor arena for equine and other livestock events
- Purchase adjacent property to expand entrance/exit options

Housing

5 years

- Improve and develop single and multi-family housing units.

10 years

- Develop assisted living facilities.
- Develop retirement living facilities.

Port of Garfield - Lead Organization for This Section, unless indicated otherwise. (Job numbers are listed in each section, if any are estimated)

Goals

Within 1 year

- Be actively involved in tourism promotion
- Sell nonessential properties and use proceeds for economic development
- Work with WSU Economic Development to help identify businesses that would be compatible with Garfield County.
- Look into paving Central Ferry.
- Devise a strategy for the best possible methods of recruiting for Garfield County and the Port District.
- Market the Pataha RV Park using tools specific to the traveling public.
- Research the possibility and idea of developing a Homesteading/Small Farm Sustainable Agricultural Practices and Education Project for Garfield County, possibly to be called "Homestead University"
- Partner with SEWEDA to develop a Washington State "Downtown Main Street Program"
- Partner with SEWEDA in forming a board to direct the "Downtown Main Street Program", and continue learning about the program, through educational classes and visiting speakers.
- Keep researching the idea of a small "Community Kitchen".

Within 5-10 years

- Assist in locating a motel developer for Garfield County
- Research entrepreneurs in Garfield County that might be interested in the "Homestead University" as a business.
- Expansion of industrial park as needed.
- Continue business recruitment: new, expansion and relocation
- Continue to sell nonessential properties and use proceeds for economic development

- Work with WSU Economic Development to help identify businesses that would be compatible with Garfield County and continue working with the leads
- Pave RV Park if profitable.
- Construction of a facility for the “Homestead University” if needed.
- The 501C6 completed for the Downtown Main Street Program.
- Keep working with the Downtown Main Street Program and assist in its sustainability.
- The Homesteading/Small Farm Sustainable Agricultural Practices and Education Projects formed and private businesses joining the program, making the project sustainable.

Garfield County Hospital District

Short range (up to 5 years)

- Implement Electronic Health Records System
- Hospital / Long Term Care covered split entrance ramp
- Expand and resurface parking area
- Install HVAC in Hospital
- Mobile CT pad
- Expansion of clinic
- Installation of Physical Therapy Hydrotherapy pool
- Hospital facility Code Standards/Replacement

Whitman County - Lead Organization for This Section, unless indicated otherwise.

(Job numbers are listed in each section, if any are estimated)

Education and Training

5 year

- Coordinate with Workforce Development Council (WDC), Port of Whitman County, SEWEDA, and other agencies, to determine workforce and workforce skills shortages that need addressed in Municipalities (small towns) in Whitman County.
- Coordinate Career and Technical Education with k-12 schools with Higher education foundations: community colleges, universities, private business, SEWEDA, Library District and other civic organizations.
- Look into the possibility K-12 skills center
- Coordinate and outreach to develop or extend workforce training through the State and WDC.
- Encourage the WDC to conduct outreach to partner organizations and industry sectors.
- Continue to work with WSU extension in applicable economic development issues.
- Coordinate with USDA, other federal and state agencies, and private foundations area reps to better utilize programs such as Farmers Markets.
- Coordinate towns/cities with USDA to help provide needed infrastructure.
- Work with Regional 911 Agency (WHITCOM) to apply for a grant for reserve dispatchers and other training opportunities.
- Coordinate with AWC and other Agencies for GIS training in Whitman County include cities, universities.

Infrastructure (Roads, River, Rail, Air, Water, Sewer, Energy, Telecom, Solid Waste, Transportation, Utilities, etc.)

5 year

- Encourage development of key all weather road corridors throughout the county.
- Support keeping the Snake River dams in place.
- Coordinate towns/cities with USDA to help provide needed infrastructure.
- Support current dredging activities to maintain valuable barge traffic along the Snake River.

- Support maintaining rail under the WSDOT governance.
- Support the preservation of Rail Road rights of way to be potentially used for future Transportation projects as opposed to abandonment.
- Encourage the development and expansion of Trail systems.
- Encourage and support growth at the Pullman Regional Airport, including the new runway realignment and new terminal bldg.
- Full access to affordable high speed Internet throughout Whitman County.
- Funding and Planning of State Route 26 and US 195 Intersection.
- County wide cell service
- Identify additional funds for developing and maintain infrastructure.
- Support Industrial Park Expansion throughout Whitman County. SEWEDA partner in Lead.
- Continue to support funding for County Road Administration Board & Transportation Investment Board in their important rolls for County and City roads.
- Find a PBAC compliant way to get additional water to the SR 270 corridor for development. Support PBAC in their effort to bring additional water supplies to the Palouse basin area. Develop water, sewer, and power in the SR 270 corridor while complying with PBAC agreement.
- Continue to support SEWEDA as ADO for both economic and community development.
- Support wind/renewable energy projects in Whitman County.
- Encourage additional natural gas pipelines through the County.
- Support South Bypass in Pullman.
- Support Pullman/WSU Waste Water Reuse Project
- Funding and Planning for 3-5 lane Airport Rd. as North Pullman Bypass and development corridor.

Business Development

5 year

- Support improving innovative technology transfer from WSU to the local economy.
- Support existing businesses by providing educational opportunities, networking and joint promotional opportunities via SEWEDA, SBDC, Library Districts, other agencies, and SEWEDA ADO.
- Work to identify and recruit businesses that are suitable to the region via Port, SEWEDA, ADO and PKC.
- Encourage development of additional alternative energy sources.
- Explore Local incentive program workshop. SEWEDA Lead
- Continue to work with Port, INWP, DOC, SEWEDA, and PKC on recruiting opportunities.
- Encourage air service including small cities
- Encourage the build out of a regional retail concern in the Pullman – Moscow corridor.
- Encourage and support the business and retail base inside Pullman and other Whitman County towns.

Tourism

1 year

- Create image through marketing, websites, and publications via ADO & Scenic Byways.
- Support trails and parks.
- Support increasing air service.

5 year

- Work with area chambers and communities to highlight events and coordinate networking of cities and towns and a regional approach via SEWEDA and ADO.
- Continue updating state and other regional websites via SEWEDA and ADO.

- Support Whitman County Food Coalition
- Support agri- tourism and natural attributes (chambers)

Housing

1 year

- Identify cluster residential housing areas outside Pullman's planned expansion zone.

5 year

- Have at least two new cluster residential sites available for large lot development.
- Increase housing diversity. (Low Income, senior living etc.)
- Redevelop existing and historic properties.

Regional Partnerships

- Continue to support the Palouse Basin Aquifer Committee Research on aquifer issues.
- Explore a 'Council of Governments' (COG) concept in bringing together local governments and organizations.
- Investigate local tourism partnerships and State Legislative action to generate funds.

Port of Whitman County - Lead Organization for This Section, unless indicated otherwise.

(Job numbers are listed in each section, if any are estimated)

Goal #1

- Identify and assist in the development of alternative products, markets and industries.
- Undertake active recruitment of targeted industries.
- Create living wage job opportunities.
- Collaborate with Washington State University to aggressively pursue technology transfer.
- Promote tourism as a viable industry.

Goal #2

- Encourage a balanced and economical multi-modal transportation system:
- Manage maintenance of existing rail access at all port sites operated by the Port District.
- Manage, operate and maintain the Port of Whitman Business Air Center's general aviation airport and industrial park.
- Continue to participate as a partner in the operation, maintenance and improvement of the Pullman-Moscow Regional Airport.
- Partner and participate in the RTPO to address regional transportation issues.
- Support continued navigation on the Columbia/Snake River system.
- Support the continuation of short line rail operation within the Port District and throughout the State.

Goal #3

- Assist Port District communities by supporting economic development projects, programs, and Partnerships:
- Acquire feasible sites within the Port District for cooperative development with interested communities and firms.
- Work in partnership with Port District communities, public agencies and the private sector to enhance countywide economic development.

Goal #4

- Maintain Boyer Park & Marina for public use:
- Continue to maintain the free day use areas of Boyer Park & Marina as a public service to the citizens of Whitman County.

- Investigate opportunities to increase income and reduce costs while continuing maintenance of the park and marina.
- Grow the Park's facilities and amenities as demand increases where feasible.

Goal #5

- Continue acquisition, development and management of Port property and facilities:
- Maintain a flexible leasing policy responsive to the needs of the Port District.
- Construct public port facilities as warranted by market demand.
- Pursue acquisition of additional land at all port sites when occupancy reaches 75 percent or when invited and economically feasible.
- Incorporate proactive environmental planning with industrial development.

Goal #6

- Complete telecommunications infrastructure to facilitate Port District-wide capacity:
- Work within the guidelines of SSB 6675 to build telecommunication infrastructure.
- Maintain and increase partnerships to enhance telecommunications services and link Networks.

Washington State University - Lead Organization for This Section, unless indicated otherwise.
(Job numbers are listed in each section, if any are estimated)

Short Range (up to 5 years):

- Secure funding for Waste Water Reclamation
- Secure funding for Student Housing
- Secure funding for Clean Technology Laboratory
- Secure funding for Martin Stadium Phase 3
- Secure funding for US Agriculture Research Service Building
- Secure funding for Design Disciplines Building

Whitman County Hospital District and Medical Center Projects - Lead Organization for this Section, unless indicated otherwise. (Job numbers are listed in each section, if any are estimated)

Short Range (up to 5 years):

- Add an outpatient geriatric behavior health unit [6 jobs]
- Add a stepdown unit on the medical/surgical unit to enable more patients to be treated locally [2 jobs]
- Update computed tomography unit in imaging department to reduce radiation exposure and improve image quality.
- Expand an employee based wellness program into a community based wellness program to educate and inform, and to keep people out of the hospital
- Add tele-psychiatry services that will be available 24-7 in the emergency department and medical/surgical unit.
- Expand orthopedic serves [3 jobs]

Whitman County Rural Library District Projects - Lead Organization for This Section, unless indicated otherwise.

Mid-Range (up to 10 years) taken from WCL's Strategic plan which is approved by the Board of Trustees

- Upgrade and keep pace with the most current computing and transmission technologies for library service within our 14 branch locations, 15 annexed towns and for services accessed through the library's website. These include improvements to the library's computing infrastructure of telecommunication strategies, hardware and software and every level of computing including infrastructure between the Colfax Library and Neill Public Library in Pullman and also telecommunication infrastructure and networks within the region and state.
- Participate in cooperative partnerships to improve public services and programs for all ages.

Explore partnerships for facility improvement as well.

- Improve the Library District website and the services and products available there.
- Provide intensive outreach and in-house programming for community members of all ages on a variety of topics, workshops, programs and instructional classes.
- Continue to encourage community donations as a means of long-term support for library services and facilities.
- Focus on digitizing the historical photographs and collections from across Whitman County as part of the Whitman County Rural Heritage Project and in conjunction with the Washington State Rural Heritage Project.
- Capital projects to improve the library's 14 locations and outreach locations, including but not limited to:
 - Renovate the Community Enrichment Center (The Center) that sits adjacent to the Colfax Library.
 - Continue planning for library building improvements and handicap accessibility system-in all Whitman County Library Branch locations and/or locations where service outlet is needed.
 - Renovate the Albion City Hall to accommodate expanded library space including a nod to that facility's history and ADA accommodations.
 - Repairs needed to the Rosalia Library roof, porch and furnace.
 - Lend assistance to completing, equipping and moving into the Lamont Library.
 - Lend assistance to renovating the Farmington Library.

City/Community Projects in Whitman County

Albion

Short Range (up to 5 years):

- Upgrade Internet communications and phone lines.
- Renovate/repair/remodel/repaint Community Center.
- Construct Safety Building for Fire, Ambulance, and Police Departments on Front Street land owned by City.
- Build a skateboard facility and/or dirt bike area for Albion youth.

Mid-Range (up to 10 years):

- Find funding for establishing a local recreational program for all ages.
- Purchase property for new 200,000-gallon water storage tank.
- Construct new 200,000-gallon water storage tank to provide for increased population growth and fire demand.
- Expand sewer to accommodate increased growth (aeration system or another lagoon).
- Upgrade substandard housing, and/or build affordable housing units for low and moderate-income residents.
- Install bleachers at Community Park ball field.

Colfax

Short Range (up to 5 years):

- Schmuck Park Athletic Complex (Track, Restroom/Concession, Football/Soccer Goal, Bleachers, Turf, and Drainage)
- Rebuild Glenwood water line feeding city
- Reconstruct Oak Street from 8th to 11th.
- Reconstruct Cedar Street from 8th to 11th.
- Resurface North Palouse River Rd from Colfax Meatpacking to the Red Tail Ridge entrance
- Reconstruct wastewater siphons at Main/Island, Main/Thorn, and US 195/Wawawai.
- Reconstruct US 195 & SR 26 intersection to include one bridge over the North Palouse River.
- Replace Fire Engine
- Replacement of Swimming Pool with indoor Swimming Pool/Community Center
- Clay Street storm sewer
- Maintain Concrete River Channel
- Create Dog Park
- Pedestrian trail connecting Hauser Heights subdivision to Downtown

- Thorn Street Booster Replacement.
- Valleyview Water Main Replacement
- Riverside Lane Water Main Replacement
- Jennings Water System Loop improvement
- Repair State Route 272 between Hauser Heights subdivision and Mill Street
- Southview Pressure Zone
- Citywide wayfinding system
- Reconfigure intersection at S. Main/Highway 195Build comprehensive municipal GIS system
- Renovate City Hall
- Encourage commercial and industrial development
- Encourage redevelopment former St. Ignatius Hospital
- Encourage reutilization of second stories of historic structures downtown
- Replace fire hydrants
- Improve Main/Thorn Street intersection

Mid-Range (up to 10 years):

- Campground adjacent to McDonald Park
- Construct Lake Street Greenway from Best Western to Cooper Street.
- Replace Sixth Street bridge adjacent to Jennings Elementary School
- Work with Port of Whitman County on establishing industrial park out at the Port of Whitman Business Air Industrial Park
- Fairview Street sanitary sewer upgrades
- Establish partnership with Whitman County to develop Colfax Trail
- Nature park by Red Tail Ridge
- Reconstruct Main Street
- St. Ignatius/South Hill Water Loop Improvement
- Improve wastewater treatment plant
- Extend water service along SR 26, Airport Rd, North Palouse River Rd. and other areas that may be annexed
- Reconstruct US 195 bridge by Cooper Street
- Reconstruct SR 26 bridge by wastewater treatment plant
- Establish visitor center/restroom facility in former railroad station

Colton

Short Range (up to 5 years):

- Hard surface gravel streets
- Construct new sidewalks, curbs, and drainage for streets.
- Buy/lay 8-inch water piping to improve fire flow.
- Build a new water tower for water storage or add a pressure system.

Mid-Range (up to 10 years):

- Remodel public restrooms.

Endicott

Short Range (up to 5 years):

- Finding funding to continue to replace old water lines
- Complete construction of new water system.
- Fund and construct new emergency services/community building.

Farmington

Short Range (up to 5 years):

- Continue to rehabilitate the sewer system.
- Clean Pine Creek within town.
- Purchase additional park property.
- Plan and install new water services and meters for residences.

- Install new windows and winterize fire station.
- Renovate old jail; establish incubator for local cottage industry.
- Develop information center for McCroskey State Park.

Mid-Range (up to 10 years):

- Construct an additional water reservoir.
- Complete Phase 2 of sewer system rehab and sewer lagoon rebuild.
- Upgrade water service lines.
- Purchase equipment and site for composting of lawn/garden waste & tree trimmings.

Long Range (up to 20 years):

- Build larger water tower.

Garfield

Short Range (up to 5 years):

- Build gazebo/bandstand for the park.
- Conduct feasibility study for new fire station with training area.
- Retrofit old fire station into expanded community center and enlarge library space.
- Develop Water System Plan.
- Update inventory of vacant/available commercial space.
- Explore ways to recruit more housing availability.
- Extend water and sewer system into newly annexed areas.
- North 4th St. (Hwy 27): Level off sidewalk on west side, replace sidewalk with railing,
- Add retaining wall, pave shoulders on both sides, and possibly add new streetlights.
- Fix rainwater infiltrating sewer system to allow for more capacity at sewer plant.
- Provide air conditioning for library.
- Install new street signs.
- Acquire additional storage for city shop.

Mid-Range (up to 10 years)

- Extend water and sewer system into newly annexed areas.
- Main St. from Hwy 27 to east end of town: Replace sidewalks, pave shoulders, replace Streetlights.
- California Street 2nd to 3rd St: Renovate storefronts.
- Secure large facility for Community Center.

La Crosse

Short Range (up to 5 years):

- Improve sewage disposal system (upgrade lagoons, and construct a new lagoon, and other related upgrades):
- Repair or replace much of collection system.
- Add secondary treatment and upgrade final disposal.
- Improve potable water system (upgrade entire system).
- New Well
- New higher reservoir.
- Re-roof Shop.
- Replace or repair park restroom to be ADA compliant.
- Seal coat town streets.
- Install underground sprinkler system for park.

Lamont

Short Range (up to 5 years):

- Pave and install sidewalk on following loop: 4th Street to Spokane St. - Spokane Street from 4th to 8th Street, and 8th street from Spokane to Main St.
- Chip seal Main and 9th Streets.

Malden – No Entries

Oakesdale

Short Range (up to 5 years):

- Finish work on Willows Bldg. to house recycling facility.
- Locate funding for public restrooms near SR 27.
- Locate funding for RV parking with water, sewer and electric hookups.
- Locate funding and property for a helipad to be used by area air ambulance service providers.
- Look into possibilities of remodeling the area above the Library to include in Business Incubator Program.
- Update Comprehensive Plan and develop medium to long-range plans for Oakesdale.
- Update Capital Improvement Plan to include plans to improve water distribution system.

Palouse

Short Range (up to 5 years):

- Update water system plan, including construction of new water tank reservoir on the South Hill in Palouse
- Wastewater treatment facility updates/upgrades
- Telecommunications upgrade. Port of Whitman has installed fiber optic line to south of city limits. The City is currently investigating what additional infrastructure will be needed to get fiber optic to City residents
- Encourage development of East Main Street. Brownfields site will be available for commercial/residential development beginning December 2018
- Continue upgrading arterial streets in Palouse
- Continue to develop nature/walking trails along Palouse River and abandoned railroad beds
- Install new swimming pool bleachers with shade

Mid-Range (up to 10 years):

- Construct new cemetery outbuildings and restrooms
- Develop business park/light industrial site. Municipal infrastructure currently in place includes:
 - Water, sewer and storm drain
 - Rail Access
 - Highway access (SR 27, 272, Palouse Cove Rd)
 - Telecommunications access
- Recruit high-tech and light industrial business

Long Range (up to 20 years):

- New ball fields/play field complex for football, soccer, baseball, softball.
- Improve recreational facilities to include, but not limited to a Trap/Skeet Shooting Facility and a Golf Course.

Pullman

Short-Range (up to 5 years):

- Realign and lengthen the runway at the Pullman-Moscow Regional Airport
- Expand Lawson Gardens to include features identified in the Master Plan update
- Continue to enhance transit service, replace aging fleet, and upgrade transit equipment
- Construct a new fuel island
- Develop Mary's Park
- Develop Itani Park/Sunnyside Park Linear Path
- Construct interior remodel improvements to the Police Station to create additional usable space
- Complete the door security system at the Police Station
- Develop pedestrian/bicycle paths in accordance with adopted Pedestrian/Bicycle plan and WSU plan
- Construct an entrance sign in conjunction with Grand Avenue Greenway efforts

- Construct Grand Avenue – Center Street Traffic Signal
- Construct new NE High Water Tank
- Construct UV Disinfection project
- Construct Welcome Park on Davis Way
- Work with WSDOT to obtain portions of former SR276 right-of-way
- Work with developers to construct portions of Golden Hills Drive

Mid-Range (up to 10 years):

- Extend water and sanitary sewer into the Pullman-Moscow Highway corridor and the Airport Road corridor
- Replace Spring St. Bridge
- Pursue expansion of RV Park and construct a shower facility
- Remodel Neill Public Library to accommodate growth
- Develop Emerald Pointe Park
- Construct Effluent Reuse facility/distribution system or other alternative water supply.
- Construction Lawson Gardens “Garden House”
- Construct new NW High Water Tank and booster pump station

Long-Range (up to 20 years):

- Construct new fire station
- Provide channelization enhancements to Bishop Boulevard; ultimately to a 5-lane section
- Construct a new City Hall
- Provide a beltway for both the northwest and southwest portion of Pullman.
- Construct a new Police Station
- Develop remaining 9 acres of the City Cemetery
- Construct a Performing Arts Pavilion
- Construct the South Bypass

Rosalia

Short Range (up to 5 years):

Infrastructure: Listed according to department first, according priority next

Water- Bolded items of greatest importance

- **repair and/or replace all aging main lines increasing size to meet today’s standards**
- Replace/repair well pumps- keeping one for redundancy
- Buy and set up generators for 1-wells/pumps and 2-reservoir for emergency outages
- Add shut-off valves and other maintenance aids as needed, finish replacing water meters (getting old inside meters replaced to outside)
- Replace fire hydrants – add meters for water purchase as needed
- Create new well for redundancy
- Repair/build new reservoir
- Include GIS mapping as all repair work is going on

Wastewater-

- **Repair and/or replace all aging sewer lines**
- **Uncover and line all manholes – updated to today’s standards**
- Purchase property for final wetlands wastewater stage
- Repair, replace, create storm drains and basins where needed
- Add current septic tank users to wastewater system where and when appropriate to be compliant with current standards
- Add lift station at south end of town when required to be compliant
- Include GIS mapping as all repair work is going on

Streets and sidewalks-

- **Create and install directional signs through town to help visitors find points of interest**
- **Repave Whitman (ADA sidewalk on 1 side only) between 4th and 5th**
- **Sidewalk from Whitman and 9th down to park and pool (4-way stop signs at corner)**
- Continue paving 1-2 streets per year, working from worst to least
- Grade/pave alleyways where appropriate- note 6-year street plan
- Add bike lanes one side down Whitman Ave and elsewhere where appropriate
- Add decorative – sidewalk friendly, draught resistant trees along Whitman Ave
- Add bike racks on Whitman and other streets where appropriate
- Straighten 7th-8th road to Hwy 27 west of town
- Explore and determine need for sidewalk paths in residential areas
- Encourage and partner with state parks in a volunteer program for up keep of the Battleground State Park
- Encourage development of the John Wayne Trail with appropriate trailhead and partner maintenance program
- Create walking path from Summit/ ball park down to school on old 9th St. (may not be able to do ADA)
- Create serpentine path from Josephine downhill to Whitman Ave between 5th and 6th (behind city shop) make area around path a park featuring native grasses and plants
- Include GIS mapping as all repair work is going on

Rosalia Municipal Airport- First 5 items already in process to be completed by 2018

- Construct taxiway
- Access road improvements
- Build hangars for 4+ small aircraft
- Replace fuel liner and upgrade card swipe for refueling area
- Build/create pilots lounge to include restroom and shower facilities and Wi-Fi/office center
- Environmental assessment- future land acquisition
- Re-habilitate runway 2-20
- Acquire land for approaches
- Construct new fuel facility
- Construct RSA to meet design standards and relocate Squaw Road outside of OFA
- Runway extension

Future Infrastructure Development-

- **Update Comprehensive Plan**
- **Create Policies and Procedures for all government entities and departments**
- Provide infrastructure to Summit property to be developed (3-4 new homes)
- Create necessary infrastructure (including lift station) for development north of Rosalia
- Provide necessary infrastructure for business development in commercial and industrial areas as needed
- Encourage light industry/business development
- **Include GIS mapping as all repair work is going on**

Future Development for new business, tourism and residency-

- **24/7 vault type restrooms at visitor center (Texaco Station)**
- **Build 3-bay garage type facility to house antique equipment, act as incubator/farmers' market business center**

- **Connect to local fiber and provide high speed internet/Wi-Fi to every business and residence in town**
- **Create commercial kitchen (incubator business) in community center**
- Medical Clinic partnered with Whitman County Medical/ to include telemedicine
- Relocate city hall to allow for museum expansion
- Relocate city shop and equipment to allow for park and path between Josephine and Whitman
- Annex North Rosalia from north boundary line to north highway entrance
- Locate and build a new pool (possibly covered)
- Rebuild park facilities to upgrade restrooms, cook shack, and play equipment
- Develop GIS system-with each system as work and mapping permit
- Support Whitman County Food Coalition to improve community health
- Support and encourage housing development
- Encourage and support assisted/senior housing development
- Encourage and support businesses that provide healthy life- physical therapy/ fitness
- Encourage and support businesses that encourage tourism
- Encourage and support businesses that encourage families to locate in Rosalia
- Partner with rail system to maintain safe rail crossings
- Continue to support and aid Rail road school locating in Rosalia
- Support and encourage future rail transit between Spokane and Pullman
- Repairs to library facility
- Expand the library to include the current council chambers (move council to another site)
- Enhance RV Park by adding landscaping and generally improving the facility
- Abate abandoned buildings to sell or rehab for other uses, beginning with the Turnley and Lowery buildings
- Recruit service/gas station
- Old Christian Church- rehab as Performing Arts Center or sell to developer with a plan and the capability

Items may be added or removed as needs, goals and priorities change.

St John

Short Range (up to 5 years):

- Move and upgrade sewer treatment plant and upgrade sewer lines.
- Improve water distribution system to include replacement of at least one well.
- Improve telecommunications including cell phone service and internet service to make the business climate more attractive.
- Improve streets.
- Enhance recreational facilities in area to include a lighted bike/walking path; enclose and upgrade swimming pool; and improve city park.
- Create St. John brochure and build web page. Provide Visitor Information and participate in Whitman County tourism efforts.
- Develop Business Park.
- Improve fairgrounds including a horse barn and arena.
- Expand RV services.
- Beautify waterway through downtown St. John.
- Preserve and enhance the downtown area.
- Construct a new building for Whitman Medical Group. (2 Jobs)
- Attract a bio-fuel production facility to St. John.
- Construct a new water reservoir.
- Add pedestrian bridge on Park Street.

Mid-Range (up to 10 years):

- Improve Highway 23 between US 195 and Interstate 90.

- Improve railroad crossings in the area.

Tekoa

Short Range (up to 5 years):

- Add new sewer lines (received CDBG for portion in 2013/received additional funds from CDBG in 2014 and got a loan from DOE for more sewer lines in 2014). To be completed in 2015.
- Recruit business and industry and make use of our incubator building.
- Construct hiking and biking trails.
- Update Community Center Facility.
- Re-roof Museum/Library building.
- Continue to update safety and improve aesthetics at sewer treatment plant.
- Street renovations Park Streets.
- Chip seal gravel streets planned the first phase for the summer of 2015 and will continue for three years.
- Water and electricity to cemetery.
- Safe routes to school – sidewalk installation.
- Seek funding for Truck Route

Mid-Range (up to 10 years)

- Add new sewer lines.
- Prepare Wastewater Facilities Plan
- Renovate Old Empire Theatre (historical project).
- Build affordable housing.
- Build a new sewage treatment plant.
- Build industrial park at local airport.

Uniontown

Short Range (up to 5 years):

- Line sewer lagoons.
- Install sprinkler system at Holzer Park.
- Recruit business to town and create a brochure.
- Construct bike/pedestrian path between Uniontown and Colton.
- Preserve buildings that are part of Uniontown's history.
- Update the Comprehensive Plan.
- Grade, pave, add sidewalks & drainage to the St. Boniface-Church street loop.
- Inspect/repair reservoir.

Mid-Range (up to 10 years):

- Encourage more housing units.
- Develop a creek park or fishing pond.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The following is a listing, by county, of a sampling of the accomplishments of the last year:

Asotin County

- New American Viticulture area approved.
- Funding secured for planning boat launch jetty and dredging in City of Asotin
- Supported Corp of Engineers to save the four lower dams on the Columbia River system.
- Supported the development of the Confluence Project at Chief Timothy Park.
- Working with WWCC on development of the Entrepreneur Program.
- Held the first Dream It Do It Youth Conference.

Columbia County

- Increased capacity at Blue Mountain Station by hiring a part time market manager.
- Constructed new playground at Lyons Ferry Marina
- Assisted start up hair products businesses by leasing space for shipping and receiving. (2 jobs)
- Remodeled GSA-specific leasable space in order to retain local USDA and NRSC offices in our community. (5 jobs)

Garfield County

- Upgrade to the Track and Field facility
- Update to the Floodplain maps.
- Gould City Mayview Rd. Phases 3 and 4
- Seal Coat on Meadow Creek Rd.
- Repair and enhance bridges within the City of Pomeroy, in accordance with City 6 year transportation plan, including 6th Street bridge.
- Replacement of Hospital Nurse's Station
- Updated radiology equipment
- Improve electrical wiring to vending booths, fairgrounds.
- Play equipment at the City Park.

Whitman County

- Support and encourage development of high tech businesses in the region i.e. Innovation Partnership Zone and Smart Electrical Grid.
- Finalize "Tax Sharing Agreement" with Pullman addressing Pullman's planned expansion zone.
- Expansion of wind energy within county.

Port of Whitman County

- Recipient of an Innovation Partnership Zone designation and \$1 million grant for land
- Acquisition and the launch of the Green IT Center for Excellence at the Pullman Industrial Park.
- Constructed new dry storage building (by Central Ferry Dry Fertilizer) at Central Ferry.
- Filled the Ports Industrial Park with new business.

Lacrosse

- Improve potable water system (upgrade entire system) ~1/2 completed with DWSRF Grant.
- Update electrical and controls on wells
- Replace pump control system
- Replace pressure line from Lift Station #2 to Lagoon #1 ~ Wastewater Grant/Loan
- Update electrical and controls on sewer lift stations.
- Constructed desperation pipe in second cell / lagoon

Pullman

- Construct a traffic signal for the Bishop Boulevard/Klemgard Avenue intersection
- Construct a wading/spray pool
- Construct an extension to the garage of Fire Station 2 to accommodate new, longer equipment
- Construct a pedestrian crossing on Grand Avenue at Ritchie Street