

Community Development Objectives

- Make coordinated, strategic investments in water and sewer systems to protect water supplies and to support strategically important growth and development (SPC regional vision).
- Ensure that investments in water and sewer infrastructure are consistent with County and regional plans and are coordinated with transportation investments and industrial site development projects.
- Improve public understanding of the need for planning on a watershed basis through the media and public hearings.
- Establish a regional forum within the County to develop cooperative and efficient approaches for making water and sewer system investments.
- Complete a countywide water and sewer plan in order to develop a list of infrastructure projects which can be grouped and prioritized.
- Ensure adequate funding for the expansion of public facilities and services. The County should assist municipalities in obtaining funding sources such as impact fees, taxes, increased federal and state funding, or the development of a uniform system of user fees and charges should be explored.
- Coordinate the extension of public sewer and water facilities within adopted “urban growth boundaries” to prevent sprawl. If new development occurs before the provision of appropriate infrastructures, the development should be required, through ordinances, to have capped sewer/water lines installed.