

## Summary of Public Input

### Workshop Set #3

Location	Table	Topic	Num	Comment
<b>LUH Q1: These are the current land use designations used. Is there anything missing or inappropriate?</b>				
Rapid City	1	LUH	1	Missing a smaller, limited agriculture land use.
Rapid City	1	LUH	1	Multi-Family Zoning. Solar and Wind.
Rapid City	1	LUH	1	Multi-Family Zoning. Renewable zoning solar & wind.
Rapid City	1	LUH	1	Missing Multi-Family land use.
Rapid City	1	LUH	1	There is little for light industrial.
Rapid City	2	LUH	1	Septic systems are a real concern for the future. Needs to be more stringent!
Rapid City	2	LUH	1	General Agriculture – believe 20-acre minimum would be better – more consistent for across the state.
Rapid City	2	LUH	1	Buffer around heavy industrial (ie Rapid City Water Reclamation). Buffer around the airport. Long-range designation for Resignations.
Rapid City	2	LUH	1	Use policy for a model lighting ordinance to protect dark sky views. Impact on tourism, national parks, observatory, and nocturnal habitat. Require full cut-off fixtures to prevent light trespass, use motion sensors & light curfews to reduce light pollution.
Rapid City	3	LUH	1	Protection of visual assets. Scenic corridor.
Rapid City	3	LUH	1	Lot sizes do not always conform to the zoning. Can this be protected?
Rapid City	3	LUH	1	Don't build above the ridgeline.
Rapid City	3	LUH	1	How does the comp plan relate to the future of "legal non-conforming"? Will we have this forever?
Hill	4	LUH	1	Add land use for multi-family housing. Incorporate limits on lot size that are in area with limited water quantity.
Hill	4	LUH	1	Possibly a designation for the development of alternative energy generation (wind, solar, etc.)
Hill	4	LUH	1	Public land – is that planned usage / development being considered? If not, why? The forest service is pretty positive about allowing commercial exploitation of the national forest.
Hill	4	LUH	1	Something between low density & suburban resi. A designation for non-profit or for-profit entity open space, or conservation areas – such as property. The nature conservancy buys areas set aside for protection to save from development by other ??? than government such as housing association. Environmental group, etc.
Hill	4	LUH	1	Suburban residential should be 1-acre or less not ½-acre.
Hill	4	LUH	1	No comment.
Hill	4	LUH	1	No definition / protections for 1-3-acre lot – many scattered thru-out hills.
Hill	4	LUH	1	Nature Lands
Wall	5	LUH	1	½ ac to 3 ac property Commercial type ag designation / feedlots / large ag production that is high density.
Wall	5	LUH	1	Revamp single wide CUP to remove CUP Requirement.
Wall	5	LUH	1	Duplex – what use?
Wall	5	LUH	1	Owanka – Gen Commercial Sub Res (outdated). Wasta – limited ag north of Wasta back to ag.

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**LUH Q2: Looking at the map, mark areas you think should be changed relative to their future land use. Mark changes in red pen and write what use is desired in the future in these locations.**  
**RESPONSES TO THIS QUESTION RECORDED ON MAPS.**

Rapid City	1	LUH	2	Limited heavy industrial land.
Rapid City	1	LUH	2	In support of this measure
Wall	5	LUH	2	Give Creighton its own zip code.

**LUH Q3: Where are the best areas for new housing?**  
**RESPONSES TO THIS QUESTION RECORDED ON MAPS.**

**LUH Q4: Do you support adding policies designed to protect Ellsworth AFB and Rapid City Regional Airport from encroachment? Write your suggestions for how to protect the base and the regional airport operations on a blue card.**

Rapid City	1	LUH	4	Yes, control residential density near air fields.
Rapid City	2	LUH	4	Buffer around airports. No more water towers.
Rapid City	2	LUH	4	Yes – watch the encroachment to EAFB and regional airport.
Rapid City	3	LUH	4	Residential should not be allowed near airports.
Rapid City	3	LUH	4	Yes, support protecting airport & EAFB encroachment. Zone it. Security Reasons.
Hill	4	LUH	4	Yes! Ellsworth is a vital part of our national defense and should be in a special protection category. US Army (Ret)
Hill	4	LUH	4	Yes. Limit building so people that build near EAFB & airport don't complain about noise.
Hill	4	LUH	4	Yes – both EAFB and RCRA are critical to the community. Very limited development – maybe an area for some of the “value added ag” operations
Hill	4	LUH	4	Yes – very important NOT to develop; because they cannot be developed – make it nature, natural zen spaces.
Hill	4	LUH	4	Yes – buffer area or restriction on use that can't hinder the airports. They were there first.
Hill	4	LUH	4	Yes – protect airports from encroachment. On previous card I asked for open space designation. These areas could be in “open space” area.
Hill	4	LUH	4	Yes. Ellsworth provides jobs and strengthens our economy, as the only provider of air travel we must protect the airport. Being very careful of ordinance that may put regulatory restrictions on them.
Hill	4	LUH	4	Protect both. Airport buy a lot of close property.
Hill	4	LUH	4	Yes – these are important to protect. Don't know zoning around areas, but should not be developed residential, minimally. Anybody buying into area – for whatever use – presumable knew base & airport were there.
Hill	4	LUH	4	Yes – development density control.
Hill	4	LUH	4	No residential housing within 1 mile of flight paths. No bird sanctuaries within 5 miles of airfields.

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**LUH Q5: What do you think the County should do relative to keeping farm animals in residential areas?**

Rapid City	1	LUH	5	Classify animals based on "use" and density rather than by species. Many dogs/cats as problematic as a few chickens.
Rapid City	1	LUH	5	Yes, the County should have a say with lots 3 acres and below.
Rapid City	2	LUH	5	Lot size inside the city limits should be looked at for uses (ie horses, chickens, etc.)
Rapid City	2	LUH	5	Large animals & exotic animals on =>3-acres
Rapid City	2	LUH	5	Farm Animals should be outside the city limits – chickens included.
Rapid City	2	LUH	5	Keep allowing bees single family home with adequate land – 1-acre.
Rapid City	3	LUH	5	Thresholds. Minimum acreage and maximum animals.
Rapid City	3	LUH	5	The county should support HOA covenants re animals. At the least "may" consider HOA covenants.
Rapid City	3	LUH	5	Ordinance like leads – we want animals. Max animals 6 hens and need minimum acreage. Home owner's rules take precedence.
Hill	4	LUH	5	Farm Animals in residential areas – should take into consideration lot size. Sanitation (water/air quality) also – quality of life (smell/noise)
Hill	4	LUH	5	Which was there first? Farm or residential? Define farm animals! It makes a difference, and specify quantities/area. That makes a difference. Health & sanitation for the animals.
Hill	4	LUH	5	Allow chickens & other farm animals with certain conditions. For example, chickens are okay with small lots. Horses & other large animals require larger lots & and water source.
Hill	4	LUH	5	Area size of land helps.
Hill	4	LUH	5	Determine # animals. Don't change zoning after people have settled in with NO exceptions.
Hill	4	LUH	5	I think farm animals should be allowed in residential areas. However, if there becomes a problem it is animal owner's responsibility to cure conflicts.
Hill	4	LUH	5	Farm animals should NOT be in residential areas. Maybe if the lot is 3-acres or larger.
Hill	4	LUH	5	Good Fences.
Hill	4	LUH	5	Landowners should have freedom within reason to have animals as long as they are not neglected.
Hill	4	LUH	5	Landowners should have decision making authority on the use of their land. Neighbors should not have authority to dictate land use.
Hill	4	LUH	5	Case by case / location / land use / land area / access / zoning
Hill	4	LUH	5	A certain amount of acreage should be available for specific types of animals. No wild animals allowed to be housed in residential areas. Hens should be allowed.
Hill	4	LUH	5	I live in Uninc on one acre. It's possible that flies in my yard have proliferated due to horses maintained ¼ mile away. Therefore, I think it's best to put larger lot-size requirements in order to have horses, chickens, goats, etc.
Wall	5	LUH	5	Domestic animals in residential areas depends on size of land and distance from other residents.

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<b>LUH Q6: How should the County regulate signs and billboards?</b>				
Rapid City	1	LUH	6	Limit signage based on proximity to commercial areas, maximum size, spacing. No lighting.
Rapid City	1	LUH	6	Restrict billboards to no use on scenic highway/byways. Set standard for billboards such as single pole construction.
Rapid City	2	LUH	6	Billboards – control of distance & height light controls.
Rapid City	2	LUH	6	No signs or billboards within 2 blocks of schools and parks.
Rapid City	2	LUH	6	Signs should be regulated. Scenic byways should be more stringent.
Rapid City	3	LUH	6	Regulation billboards is necessary. Protect view shed. Reduce light pollution. NO lit billboards. Don't allow more than one per mile. NOT in residential area. No digital. Creates traffic hazard. Please use stringent policies and regulations. "Billboard TAX"
Rapid City	3	LUH	6	Smart phones have replaced signs and billboards.
Rapid City	3	LUH	6	As few as possible / limit size / no animation / no lighting (hrs of operation – lit only from 6 am – 10 pm) / natural construction / density limits.
Rapid City	3	LUH	6	Zoning – visual – scenic byway. Realtors aware (need to tell?). Airports also buy up property as a buffer zone. Size nec/animal
Rapid City	3	LUH	6	Digital – no large only non-digital / limit # per mile / limit # business / limit height & width / shut off after dark.
Rapid City	3	LUH	6	Signs – yes keep those billboards off county roads. Visual clutter – use smart phones. Limit height, # of billboards, limit only one every ___ miles. No lighting of signs. Let's stop them before they get a foot hold.
Hill	4	LUH	6	We say the area is beautiful and is a strength – why would you detract from our greatest asset with crazy loud signs? Signs should be limited in number and size – not sure what the limit should be....
Hill	4	LUH	6	Adhere to current ordinance – do not allow variances for spacing. Increase the time between different signs on e-signs. Right now, it is a few seconds. Should be much longer time interval.
Hill	4	LUH	6	Should limit size and density. Too many signs looks tacky. NO electronic or LED signs. Protect scenic vistas.
Hill	4	LUH	6	We are excessive in signs and number – no electronics for driving. Visual encroachment of our hills view. Control sign spacing, soon signs will be obsolete.
Hill	4	LUH	6	In good taste / quality
Hill	4	LUH	6	I very much object to amount of billboards. It must be reduced. Electronic signs should be restricted. Reduce 10 signs, reduce size, reduce height. Create a scenic designation where new signs can be outlawed – special designation to protect pure visuals from signs.
Hill	4	LUH	6	Regulate – yes. No electric signs – traffic danger.
Hill	4	LUH	6	Form task force – one size does not fit all. What is in place now?
Hill	4	LUH	6	Boards should be made to be kept in good shape. As digital, social media platforms advance, this will have a natural de-emphasis on boards.
Hill	4	LUH	6	Quantity + size should be relevant to area – commercial interstate less regulated, residential, green space more regulated.
Hill	4	LUH	6	Eye pollution is a big problem for the Black Hills. Limiting or controlling would have to be discussed in depth.
Hill	4	LUH	6	Yes – billboards should be regulated. They are necessary for local businesses. But too many & too big are a blight & unreadable while driving. Electronic are purely dangerous distraction. You only see what's shown while whizzing by. Don't need more light pollution.
Wall	5	LUH	6	Regulate signs & billboards. Tax billboard use! Help control plus bring in revenue.

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<b>CIRC Q7: A key aspect of roadways in the county are the creation and use of road districts. How can road districts be improved?</b>				
Rapid City	2	CIRC	7	Road districts – before developing an area must have approved road areas.
Rapid City	2	CIRC	7	Road district – controls or templates with minimums.
Rapid City	1	CIRC	7	Create a list of contact info for each district.
Rapid City	3	CIRC	7	Road district should have a band for insolvency.
Rapid City	3	CIRC	7	Road districts work – maybe the citizens should be more educated about them.
Hill	4	CIRC	7	People who don't live on road district but use roads should pay something also. Road districts are not always fair.
Hill	4	CIRC	7	Enforce state law that requires roads maintained with road district funds to be open to public traffic.
Hill	4	CIRC	7	Road districts are an integral part of county development. They must keep the ability to make policy.
Hill	4	CIRC	7	Road districts are ridiculous – they need to be abolished. Taking care of “public” roads is a responsibility of government. People create road districts to get out of paying taxes.
Hill	4	CIRC	7	Consider limits on how much they can charge / regulate how they can spend their money.
Hill	4	CIRC	7	Why should a road district taxpayer pay the county for the relieving the county of maintenance costs? The county should give tax breaks to road district.
Hill	4	CIRC	7	County doesn't enforce their own zoning regulation specifying that contiguous lots under 5-acres that all front road & under one ownership be incorporated into one lot. Thus increasing denser house & more septic systems.
Wall	5	CIRC	7	Catron Blvd. and Hwy 16 intersection is dangerous. Needs to be re-done.
Wall	5	CIRC	7	Education for homeowners

<b>NCR Q8: What should the County do to better protect water quality and quantity?</b>				
Rapid City	2	NCR	8	National resources water quality. Stronger permits for water and septic.
Rapid City	1	NCR	8	County needs to inspect septic systems more frequently and all of the septic systems within the county.
Rapid City	3	NCR	8	Water is a huge issue – both quality and quantity. It must be addressed before subdivisions are allowed.
Rapid City	3	NCR	8	Water Quality and Quantity – septic inspection. Protect us from mining using water.
Hill	4	NCR	8	Do not allow a higher density of housing than can be supported by water source. If on a public water supply – no problem. Personal wells may tax the available water. State takes care of water quality county already does septic.
Hill	4	NCR	8	Embrace the science – if it is data-driven, sometimes the environment trumps individuals wants/desires. Ag / mining / industry should be ecologically sound / accountable.
Hill	4	NCR	8	Guidelines should be developed based on the proposed density of homes. Too many homes on septic systems in a small area would be cause for concern.
Hill	4	NCR	8	Monitor mining proposals before allowing additional commercial consumption specifically mineral mountain mining drilling and using 1.8 million gallons of water from Rapid City's water resources.
Hill	4	NCR	8	I feel state DENR should have this authority.
Hill	4	NCR	8	Follow federal and state DEMR guidelines.
Hill	4	NCR	8	Impose penalties to those that disregard the laws and not punish every resident for the mistakes of a few.
Hill	4	NCR	8	Already too strict regulations.
Hill	4	NCR	8	Ensure responsible, ecological, sound practices. Profit does not trump environmental impact. Cost / Benefit. What industries contribute to our economy – don't change tourism for a tiny bit of mining.

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Hill	4	NCR	8	Keeping the water gauges even when the board wants to get rid of them. Strong water septic systems. Regulating pesticides near water sources.
Wall	5	NCR	8	Water quality & quantity instead of annexing anymore get people already annexed hooked up to city water & sewer. County should be more stringent.
Wall	5	NCR	8	Community systems need to be responsible for offsite impacts. Individual responsibility to clean up when their systems fail.
Wall	5	NCR	8	County should protect rural property owners rights in flood zones similar to how they evaluate / verify it in incorporated areas.
Wall	5	NCR	8	Protect water quality & quantity. Consistent standards for both!!

**NCR Q9: What should the County do relative to timber and mining?  
Promote? Guiding locations? Operational Requirements? Visual protections? Reforestation / remediation? Value-added opportunities?**

Rapid City	2	NCR	9	Timber and mining – less trees per acre & types of trees, more or larger bond.
Rapid City	1	NCR	9	Water Resources – monitoring/funding of monitoring or water quantity/quality.
Rapid City	2	NCR	9	Should be more bonding so reclamation can be done. We see the gold mining just walk away.
Rapid City	3	NCR	9	We need to thin our forests for fire danger. Mining not so much a fan esp of now mining near Rochford area. They will us our water!
Rapid City	3	NCR	9	Most timber is on public land. On private land timber should be managed. Logging is OK. Reforestation is a must.
Rapid City	3	NCR	9	Mining (other than rock) ebbs. Wanes depending on the price of minerals. Mining should not be allowed unless there is enough \$\$ in escrow to do clean up.
Rapid City	3	NCR	9	Be as rigorous as can be. Leverage ??? for failed enterprises and accidents.
Hill	4	NCR	9	Good relations with the BH Forest. Need a new mining permit process no longer 40 year permits. Review at least every 10 years or so.
Hill	4	NCR	9	Make sure that truck traffic from mining & timber don't exceed highway capacity. There should be rules on industrial operations but not conflict or overlap state regulation. Zoning should be specific to mining.
Hill	4	NCR	9	Promote timber and mining / guidelines for rules and regulations / identify areas with natural resources and protect those areas / once homes are built on natural resources they are lost forever.
Hill	4	NCR	9	Stop new mining in the forests. Monitor them constantly.
Hill	4	NCR	9	EPA's – the waters of United States Rule needs to be kept & not removed by GOP. The Black Hills are over logged & over roaded. Beetles are natural / good fire is natural / good., Too much hysteria drives timber choices more roadless & premature areas that are left entirely alone & not logged, not roaded are needed.
Hill	4	NCR	9	Responsible mining and timber should be promoted. If a site meets the appropriate zoning designation, they should be allowed to operate.
Hill	4	NCR	9	Get bigger bonds to ensure remediation. Update mining laws to reflect more current ideology on environment protection.
Hill	4	NCR	9	Case by case decisions looking at run, land use, zoning, access, economic benefits.
Hill	4	NCR	9	Proper logging promotes healthy forests. Neglect in this area by the national forest service has led to the devastation by the pine beetles and fire danger.
Hill	4	NCR	9	Timber – make fed gov't responsible for their property.
Hill	4	NCR	9	Allow the timber to be harvested by inmates to help them learn a trade and earn their keep of incarceration. Inmates should be hired by private companies or farmed out to Forest Services.
Wall	5	NCR	9	Relative to timber and mining? Require higher bonding requirements.
Wall	5	NCR	9	Promote timber harvesting. Mining (support)
Wall	5	NCR	9	Mining 1 job in mining results in 2-7 support jobs in the community.
Wall	5	NCR	9	Use geology studies to determine where resources are and zone them appropriately

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<b>NCR Q10: Are there areas where protections of the environment are paramount? Circle areas that should be protected with green pen. Write the reason for protection in the areas circled.</b>				
<b>RESPONSES TO THIS QUESTION RECORDED ON MAPS.</b>				

Rapid City	2	NCR	10	Protection of environment – convince DENR to establish guidelines with waterways.
Rapid City	3	NCR	10	Waterways should be protected. Fragile areas should be protected. Lands should be protected.
Hill	4	NCR	10	Black Elk Wilderness not a hiking trail. Limit of sand gravel mining. Not allowing heavy mineral extractions without strong permissions and regulations.
Hill	4	NCR	10	Resources should be protected.

<b>ECON Q11: What are the industries that the County should work to attract to Pennington County?</b>				
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Rapid City	2	ECON	11	Industries – innovation or incubators, Costco, encourage manufacturing that has low water consumptions. Ammo Co., technology companies
Rapid City	1	ECON	11	Any businesses that have good paying jobs, such as a factory. Use railroad for commercial.
Rapid City	2	ECON	11	Engineering – because of Tech. Bring in Costco and Trader Joe’s.
Rapid City	3	ECON	11	Attract clean industries. Attract industries that fit within the environment.
Rapid City	3	ECON	11	Ag transformation / year-round local food market / winter/local food production.
Rapid City	3	ECON	11	More farm oriented, seed mills / manufactured homes – build them / jewelry mfg / new medical eg Sanford / plastics that make tourist trinkets / Trader Joe’s
Hill	4	ECON	11	Pennington County should develop sensitive & appropriate sales of native American art – such as sunstate before Governor Mansum.
Hill	4	ECON	11	Need heavy industrial areas for it. Make sure manufacturing doesn’t impact nature.
Hill	4	ECON	11	Technology / medical / science / research / enhance tourism / alternative energy
Hill	4	ECON	11	Rehab / support for veterans
Hill	4	ECON	11	Manufacturing of goods that are tourist related
Hill	4	ECON	11	More timber management. Value added furniture particle board manufacturing.
Hill	4	ECON	11	Increase opportunities for private tourism. It is a clean industry and paid by others dollars.
Hill	4	ECON	11	Light industry – call centers
Hill	4	ECON	11	Allow industries that would keep students from SOSM&T here. We educate them, then the students move to other parts of the country for jobs.
Hill	4	ECON	11	Business that deal with outdoor recreation? But then how much “stuff” do you need for a quiet hike in the woods? Good shoes & a jacket.
Wall	5	ECON	11	Value add agriculture / agritourism, tourism, mining, timber
Wall	5	ECON	11	Agritourism

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<b>HS Q12: What should the Comprehensive Plan include relative to wildland fire protections?</b>				
<b>Hazardous fuel mitigation   Firewise guidelines   Addressing requirements</b>				
Rapid City	2	HS	12	Fewer trees/acre and no cedar shingles. Removal of ladder brush.
Rapid City	1	HS		Promote timber operations (except in flood plains). Strictly limit mining operations. Protecting water resources is a priority.
Rapid City	1	HS	12	Promote timber operations.
Rapid City	3	HS	12	Yes we do to save our own property / clear trees so far back / clear brush away / mow grass around buildings.
Rapid City	3	HS	12	All of the above on the screen. Address – the only one way is on and in subdivisions out in the hills – this is a fire safety issue.
Hill	4	HS		Acquire public land along river on east county. Black Hills National Forest Land and Resource Management. 2017 Public Hunting Atlas.
Hill	4	HS	12	Adaption of fire & life safety in building codes. Incentivize defensible space/firewild efforts. Limit fire-fighting activities (let burn policy).
Hill	4	HS	12	System to remove deadwood from forests.
Hill	4	HS	12	No
Hill	4	HS	12	Promote firewise guidelines in wooded area. Incentivize sprinkler systems in homes through building permit process.
Hill	4	HS	12	Firewise guidelines – yes. Buffer areas / defensible space – yes. Timber clearing / thinning – yes.
Hill	4	HS	12	Follow federal guidelines that are already in place.
Hill	4	HS	12	GPS markings.
Hill	4	HS	12	Thin forest.
Hill	4	HS	12	Layered firewise guidelines. Enforced, recommended, not one size fits all.
Hill	4	HS	12	Fire is a natural process by nature. Mostly need housing protection. We’ve learned too many trees are actually unhealthy. Actually, controlling our own human population would answer most of these dilemmas.
Hill	4	HS	12	I think the Black Hills fire program is too aggressive. People & homes should make their homes fire resistant – not so far away – home owners need to be responsible also.
Wall	5	HS	12	Yes – develop a plan for wildfire mitigation