

VII. Implementation Strategies

The following County actions are necessary to implement the goals and policies set forth in this Plan.

1. Planning Department staff - working closely with municipal planners and maximizing public participation opportunities – will continue to refine the Area Land Use Plans.
2. Planning Department staff will prepare draft provisions recognizing the function of the Area Land Use Plans and providing guidance as to their development and content. When the draft provisions are complete, Planning staff will submit proposed Land Use Plan amendments to the Planning Board and Board of Commissioners for review and adoption. The proposed amendments are scheduled to be completed by July 2000. *[Note: Done – see Section VIII A]*
3. Planning Department staff will develop draft expansions and refinements of this Plan's land use classifications that will provide the additional specificity needed to more effectively guide determinations about consistency with the Land Use Plan (applicable to rezonings and Special Use Permit petitions). When the draft provisions are complete, Planning staff will submit proposed Land Use Plan amendments to the Planning Board and Board of Commissioners for review and adoption. *[Note: Being done separately for each Aerea Land Use Plan – see Section VIII A]*
4. Planning and Parks and Recreation Department staff - using consultants, working closely with municipal planners and the County's Open Space Advisory Committee, and maximizing public participation opportunities - will develop an open space plan that will analyze twelve watershed-based study areas and identify the most significant ecological, recreational, and cultural lands and resources within each study area, then recommend actions the County might take to protect such lands and resources. When the draft open space plan is completed, Planning staff will prepare the Land Use Plan amendments necessary to incorporate the open space plan's

recommended actions, then submit the proposed amendments to the Planning Board and Board of Commissioners for review and adoption *[Note: Plan for Harris Lake watershed adopted; - see Section IX]*

5. Planning Department staff will prepare draft revisions of the County's zoning and subdivision regulations to implement this Plan's transitional urban development policies (see Transitional Urban Development Policies in Section III). *[Note: Uniform Development Code to be developed 2003-2004]*

6. Planning Department staff and representatives from the Board of Commissioners will participate, along with municipal staff and elected representatives, as part of the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) to complete development of its Transportation Plan Update 2025, which will recommend multi-modal strategies for meeting transportation needs in Wake County. When the Update is completed and adopted, Planning staff will prepare any Land Use Plan amendments necessary to incorporate the Update's policies relating to land use. *[Note: The Update was completed in April 2002. The next update is currently underway. Planning Staff, using consultants, and working closely with municipal planners and citizen groups, developed a Wake County Transportation Plan including an Implementation Plan adopted by the Board of Commissioners in 2003. Planning staff will work with CAMPO to incorporate the County Plan into the CAMPO plan.]*

