

**COLLIER COUNTY  
GROWTH MANAGEMENT PLAN**

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION ELEMENT**

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**AMENDMENTS TO COLLIER COUNTY GROWTH MANAGEMENT PLAN  
INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION ELEMENT**

<u>SYMBOL</u>	<u>DATE AMENDED</u>	<u>ORDINANCE NO.</u>
	February 5, 1991	91-15
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(I)	December 16, 2003	2003-67
(II)	January 25, 2007	2007-17 ***
(III)	October 14, 2008	2008-55
(IV)	January 8, 2013	2013-13 ****

The parenthesized Roman numeral symbols enumerated above appear throughout this Element and provide informational citations to adopted documents recorded in the Official Records of Collier County, as required by Florida law. These symbols are for informational purposes only, meant to mark entries amended after the 1997 adoption of the full Element and typically found in the margins of this document, but are not themselves adopted.

\* Indicates adopted portions.

\*\* This is the EAR-based amendment (1996 EAR). Due to the magnitude of the changes – which included reformatting the entire Element, affecting every page of the Element – a Roman numeral is not assigned. Similarly, amendments made by Ordinance No. 91-15 are no longer denoted on the pages of the Element with Roman numeral symbols.

\*\*\* Based on 2004 Evaluation and Appraisal Report (EAR).

\*\*\*\* Based on 2011 Evaluation and Appraisal Report (EAR).

(II) **I. INTRODUCTION**

Decisions made, or policies pursued, by Collier County may influence decisions made or policies followed by: municipalities within, or adjacent to, Collier County; adjacent counties; the District School Board of Collier County; service delivery agencies; and, the various independent special districts located within, or adjacent to, Collier County. Decisions and policies of these entities may, in turn influence those of Collier County. Throughout its planning process, Collier County pursues coordination with the surrounding jurisdictions and agencies. The Local Government Comprehensive Planning and Land Development Regulation Act of 1985, as amended, requires the inclusion of an element within local government comprehensive plans, that addresses coordination between units of government. This Intergovernmental Coordination Element is in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

(II) The Collier County Intergovernmental Coordination Element (ICE) contains a Goal, Objectives and Policies that deal with the following coordination issues:

- Intergovernmental communications and level of service coordination
- Coordination of land use planning strategies
- Coordination of municipal annexation plans
- Formal and informal coordination mechanisms

(II) The Collier County Intergovernmental Service Delivery Agreement Report, completed in 2004, is an appendix to this Element. This report summarizes Collier County's interlocal agreements with governmental or quasi-governmental entities that provide services to Collier County residents. The Report summarizes service delivery agreements between Collier County and various providers, with regard to eight (8) service categories:

- 1) Education
- 2) Sanitary Sewer
- 3) Public Safety
- 4) Solid Waste
- 5) Drainage
- 6) Potable Water
- 7) Parks and Recreation, and
- 8) Transportation Facilities.

(II) As of January 2005, there are three (3) municipalities within Collier County. These are:

- Everglades City
- City of Marco Island
- City of Naples

(II) = Plan Amendment by Ordinance No. 2007-17 on January 25, 2007

(II) Also as of January 2005, Collier County shared borders with the following jurisdictions:

- City of Bonita Springs (in Lee County)
- Lee County
- Hendry County
- Broward County
- Miami-Dade County
- Monroe County

(II) In addition to Federal and State agencies, the following governmental entities have jurisdiction over all, or portions, of Collier County.

The District School Board of Collier County  
Seminole Tribe of Florida  
Collier County Water-Sewer District  
Immokalee Water and Sewer District  
Florida Governmental Utility Authority  
Port of the Islands Community Improvement District  
Collier County Sheriff's Office  
Big Corkscrew Fire and Rescue District  
East Naples Fire Control and Rescue District  
Golden Gate Fire and Rescue District  
Immokalee Fire Control District  
Isles of Capri Fire and Rescue District  
North Naples Fire Control District  
Ochopee Fire Control District  
South Florida Water Management District/Big Cypress Basin Board  
Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council  
Cow Slough Water Control District  
Collier Soil and Water Conservation District  
Naples/Collier County Metropolitan Planning Organization  
Various Community Development District  
Various Municipal Service Taxing Units (MSTU)  
Various Municipal Service Benefit Units (MSBU)

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**GOAL, OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES  
INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION ELEMENT**

- (II)(IV) **GOAL:**  
**COLLIER COUNTY WILL MAINTAIN OR ENHANCE THE LEVEL OF COORDINATION AND COOPERATION AMONG THE VARIOUS GOVERNMENTS, AUTHORITIES AND AGENCIES MAKING DECISIONS AFFECTING NATURAL RESOURCES, HOUSING, HISTORIC AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESOURCES, PUBLIC FACILITIES, AND PUBLIC SERVICES WITHIN AND AROUND COLLIER COUNTY, TO RESOLVE DIFFERENCES AND TO ACHIEVE COMPATIBLE AND COORDINATED PLANS.**
- (II)(IV) **OBJECTIVE 1:**  
Collier County (County) shall continue to establish and maintain intergovernmental communication and level of service coordination mechanisms to be used by the County, Everglades City, the City of Marco Island, the City of Naples, and the City of Bonita Springs, adjacent Lee County, Hendry County, Broward County, Dade County, Monroe County, the District School Board of Collier County School Board, the State of Florida, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Florida Department of Transportation, and South Florida Water Management District, and any other entity that provides a service but may not have land use authority.
- (II) **Policy 1.1:**  
Collier County shall continue to utilize existing coordination mechanisms, e.g., interlocal planning agreements, joint meetings and any other mechanisms described in this Element, which promotes consistent planning activities.
- (II)(IV) **Policy 1.2:**  
The Collier County Comprehensive Planning Section shall be the designated liaison to disseminate information on proposed Growth Management Plan amendments under review by the County, which have the potential to affect any of the entities listed in Objective 1.
- (II)(IV) **Policy 1.3:**  
The Collier County Comprehensive Planning Section shall continue to prepare and review the Annual Update and Inventory Report (AUIR) as an annual level of service monitoring report for the capital facilities included within the Growth Management Plan. The purpose of this report is to provide the affected entities with the necessary information to evaluate and coordinate level of service standards.
- (II)(III) **Policy 1.4:**  
In situations where other public or private entities are providing a facility or service within Collier County for roads, water, sewer, drainage, parks, public schools, or solid waste, the County will coordinate its adopted level of service standard(s) within the parameters allowed by the Concurrency Management System of the Capital Improvement Element as part of the County's Growth Management Plan.

(IV) = Plan Amendment by Ordinance No. 2013-13 on January 8, 2013

- (II)(IV) **OBJECTIVE 2:**  
Coordinate County land use planning strategy, including an assessment of proposed development, with that of other governmental and private entities.
  
- (II)(IV) **Policy 2.1:**  
Collier County will continue to identify, develop, and pursue areas where intergovernmental land use planning and level of service agreements are needed between the County and appropriate governmental or private entities.
  
- (II) **Policy 2.2:**  
Collier County shall continue to develop intergovernmental planning agreements, which shall include provisions for review and comment(s) on Collier County land use plans and capital facility plans by neighboring governmental jurisdictions, regarding any proposed activities that may have an impact on such jurisdictions or cause inconsistencies with their respective comprehensive plans.
  
- (II) **Policy 2.3:**  
Collier County shall continue to participate in cooperative planning programs with other governmental entities.
  
- (II) **Policy 2.4:**  
Collier County shall continue to undertake, where appropriate and economically feasible, joint programs with other local governments regarding the planning for, and management of, natural resources that are shared by the County and adjacent governmental jurisdictions.
  
- (II) **Policy 2.5:**  
The County shall coordinate its plans, programs, regulations and activities for the provision of affordable housing with those of adjacent governments, particularly with the City of Naples.
  
- (I)(II)(III)(IV) **Policy 2.6:**  
The County shall continue to coordinate with The District School Board of Collier County for collaborative planning and decision making on population projections, the public school site selection for new public educational and ancillary facilities, and the location and extension of public facilities subject to concurrency, to support existing and proposed public educational facilities.
  
- (II) **Policy 2.7:**  
Collier County hereby adopts, as part of this Intergovernmental Coordination Element, the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council's Rule 29I-7, Florida Administrative Code, dated April 1994, which establishes a voluntary regional dispute process to reconcile differences on planning, growth management, and other issues among local governments, regional agencies and private interests.

(II)(IV) **Policy 2.8:**

The County shall coordinate with the South Florida Water Management District and other regulatory agencies in implementing the Growth Management Plan.

(III)(IV) **Policy 2.9:**

The County shall continue to coordinate with The District School Board of Collier County for the regulatory review of residential development for school concurrency.

(II)(IV) **OBJECTIVE 3:**

Develop procedures to identify and implement joint planning areas for the purposes of municipal annexation, municipal incorporation and joint infrastructure service areas.

(II)(IV) **Policy 3.1:**

Based upon Section 163.3177(h), Florida Statutes, Collier County shall work with the local municipalities to identify and implement joint planning areas and/or joint infrastructure service areas for the purpose of planning for potential future municipal annexation of such areas. The identified joint planning areas and/or joint infrastructure service areas shall be depicted on the County's Future Land Use Map series.

(II) **Policy 3.2:**

Collier County shall develop procedures to plan for potential future municipal incorporation (i.e., the creation of new municipalities) within Collier County. Upon official notification that an incorporation referendum for any portion of the County has been successful, the County will initiate contact with the new municipality for the purpose of establishing an expedient and efficient transition of responsibilities, services, and/or infrastructure to the new municipality.