

Communities in Motion 2040 Development Review

The Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho (COMPASS) is the metropolitan planning organization (MPO) for Ada and Canyon Counties. COMPASS has developed this review as a tool for local governments to evaluate whether land developments are consistent with the goals of *Communities in Motion 2040 (CIM 2040)*, the regional long-range transportation plan for Ada and Canyon Counties. This checklist is not intended to be prescriptive, but rather a guidance document based on [CIM 2040 goals](#).

Development Name: Buxton-Wolfe






Agency: Nampa

CIM Vision Category: Future Neighborhoods

New households: 0

New jobs: 0

Exceeds CIM forecast: No

	<p>CIM Corridor: Happy Valley Road Pedestrian level of stress: R-Happy Valley Bicycle level of stress: R-Happy Valley</p>	<p>Level of Stress considers facility type, number of vehicle lanes, and speed. Roads with G or PG ratings better support bicyclists and pedestrians of all ages and comfort levels.</p>
	<p>Housing within 1 mile: 1,140 Jobs within 1 mile: 455 Jobs/Housing Ratio: 0.4</p>	<p>A good jobs/housing balance – a ratio between 1 and 1.5 – reduces traffic congestion. Higher numbers indicate the need for more housing and lower numbers indicate an employment need.</p>
	<p>Nearest police station: 3.5 miles Nearest fire station: 1.3 miles</p>	<p>Developments within 1.5 miles of police and fire stations ensure that emergency services are more efficient and reduce the cost of these important public services.</p>
	<p>Farmland consumed: Yes Farmland within 1 mile: 839 acres Farmland Value: N/A</p>	<p>Farmland contributes to the local economy, creates additional jobs, and provides food security to the region. Development in farm areas decreases the productivity and sustainability of farmland.</p>
	<p>Nearest bus stop: 2.3 miles Nearest public school: 0.1 miles Nearest public park: 0.8 miles Nearest grocery store: 2.2 miles</p>	<p>Residents who live or work less than ½ mile from critical services have more transportation choices. Walking and biking reduces congestion by taking cars off the road, while supporting a healthy and active lifestyle.</p>

Recommendations

The proposal would provide access from Happy Valley Road. Happy Valley Road is identified as the #31 priority corridor in the regional transportation plan, *Communities in Motion 2040*. Happy Valley Road serves eastern Nampa and is an alternate route to 12th Avenue/State Highway 45. Minimize access points to Happy Valley Road to ensure this corridor functions efficiently and is safe for non-motorized use. Also consider a shared parking arrangement with Columbia High School.

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