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## ***COMPASS Education Series Presents:*** **Planning for a Smart Region – Innovation in the Public Sector**

*Meridian, ID* – Is your city “smart”? Is the Treasure Valley? Should it be?

New technology is always a risk, but the current market and state of our infrastructure demand new thinking. Join the Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho (COMPASS) as we welcome Clayton Levins from Smart North Florida to share his region’s challenges and successes in implementing “smart” technologies in north Florida in “Success is Not Final; Failure is Not Fatal – How Innovation Happens in the Public Sector.”

Mr. Levins will discuss what residents can expect from new technologies, how they can participate in their implementation, and how “smart” technology can help public infrastructure serve us better. He will lead a lively discussion and share lessons learned from Smart North Florida.

- Wednesday, June 7, 2023
- COMPASS; 700 NE 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Meridian (first floor Board room)
- 5:30 pm reception
- 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm presentation
- **FREE!** Please RSVP to [jgallup@compassidaho.org](mailto:jgallup@compassidaho.org) or 208/475-2226

COMPASS will also host a more technical presentation, “Creating a Smart Region: How the Public Sector Can Lead the Charge in Adopting New Technology,” on Thursday, June 8, from 9:00 am – 10:30 am at the same location. This presentation is also free and open to the public, but will have a more technical focus. Please RSVP as above.

This presentation is being offered by COMPASS as part of its annual education series. For more information, visit <https://compassidaho.org/education-series/>.