

Communities in Motion 2040 2.0 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 2.0* (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 2.0 goals.

Development Name: Caldwell 23






Agency: Caldwell

CIM Vision Category: Existing Neighborhood

New households: TBD

New jobs: TBD

Exceeds CIM forecast: TBD

	<p>CIM Corridor: Franklin Road Pedestrian level of stress: R Bicycle level of stress: R</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: 2,360 Jobs within 1 mile: 4,310 Jobs/Housing Ratio: 1.8</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: 1 mile Nearest fire station: 1.6 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: 262 acres</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: 0.1 miles Nearest public school: 1.9 miles Nearest public park: 1.1 miles Nearest grocery store: 1 mile</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 is near downtown Caldwell, with thousands of jobs within a walkable or bikeable distance. A site plan was not provided with this Comprehensive Plan amendment proposal, but a mixed-use development is described in the application. A mix of residential and commercial uses can mitigate congestion by decreasing the amount of single occupancy vehicle trips generated on the transportation network and encourage non-motorized travel. The proposal is served by a nearby regional bus route to downtown Boise. ValleyConnect plans for additional service to this location. Providing necessary infrastructure to ensure safe and accessible pedestrian, bicycle, to nearby employment centers and bus stops will be critical in minimizing the impact of new traffic on the area and encouraging non-motorized traffic. Work with Valley Regional Transit on design that would accommodate future service during the planning and design phase.

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