

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: Spring Rock






Agency: Kuna

CIM Vision Category: Rural

New households: 2,274

New jobs: 700

Exceeds CIM forecast: Yes

	<p>CIM Corridor: None Pedestrian level of stress: R: Kuna Rd Bicycle level of stress: R: Kuna Rd</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: 230 Jobs within 1 mile: 140 Jobs/Housing Ratio: 0.6</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: >4 miles Nearest fire station: >4 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: 1,238 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: >4 miles Nearest public school: >4 miles Nearest public park: >4 miles Nearest grocery store: 3.7 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

This proposal exceeds growth forecasted for this area. Coupled with the Falcon Crest proposal to the southwest, transportation infrastructure may not be able to support the new transportation demands. This location is still in a largely farmland area. The proposal identifies future commercial, public school, and open space sites. However, until those are built, services will likely accessed only by vehicle. Although some housing mix and higher density is proposed, there are no public transportation planned for this area. Consider park and ride lots and other transportation demand management approaches to mitigate travel impact. The New York Canal has been identified as a key regional pathway in the *Communities in Motion 2040 2.0* plan. This pathway will connect downtown Kuna to other parts of the region, including the Boise Airport and Micron.

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