

## **Big Horn County Land Use Plan**

***Our vision of Big Horn County in the year 2030: a rural county of productive farms and ranches, unobstructed pastoral and mountain scenery, clean air and water, abundant open space, and well planned communities where people can live and work enjoying small town living.***

### **Primary Land Use Goals**

- a) Retain farming and ranching as the preferred land uses in rural areas.***
- b) Sustain scenic areas, wildlife habitat, recreational areas, and other important open spaces.***
- c) Ensure that development protects water resource capabilities for established and future users.***
- d) Encourage development that is well planned with respect to environmental hazards and resource limitations and is compatible with established and future land uses.***
- e) Ensure that development is fiscally responsible and has adequate roads and other infrastructure.***
- f) Encourage residential development and business and industrial sites to locate close to towns and other developed areas.***
- g) Support the logical development and improvement of the county's towns to help make the towns more attractive to new residents and businesses.***
- h) Retain diversity of use on public lands and provide for conversion of public lands to agricultural, residential, commercial, or industrial use as would benefit the orderly development of existing communities.***
- i) Reduce impacts to public health, safety, and rural scenic values from junkyards and other nuisance land uses.***
- j) Encourage rehabilitation or replacement of substandard housing and/or structures and ensure that all new housing meets health and safety standards.***