



Evaluation & Appraisal and Update of Alachua County Comprehensive Plan: 2011-2030

Work Plan

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Presentation Outline

- Comprehensive Plan
- Work Plan for Evaluation & Appraisal and Comprehensive Plan Update

<https://growth-management.alachuacounty.us/planning/CompPlanUpdate>



Role of the Comprehensive Plan

- Expression of the community's long-range vision
- Policy framework adopted by the Alachua County Commission for guiding local decision-making
- County's Plan addresses a broad range of topics
 - Built Environment
 - Natural Resource Protection
 - Public Facilities and Services
 - Intergovernmental Coordination
 - Energy
 - Economic Development
 - Capital Planning
 - Housing
 - Historic Resources
 - Community Health
- Data and Analysis-Based
- Development decisions must be consistent with Plan



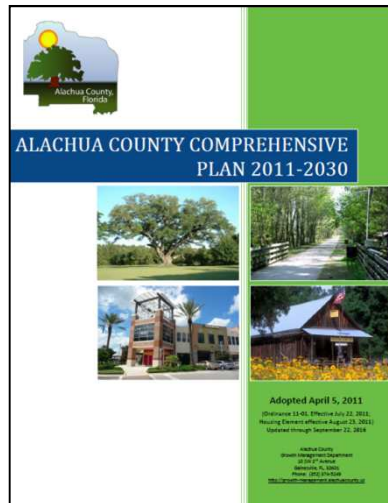
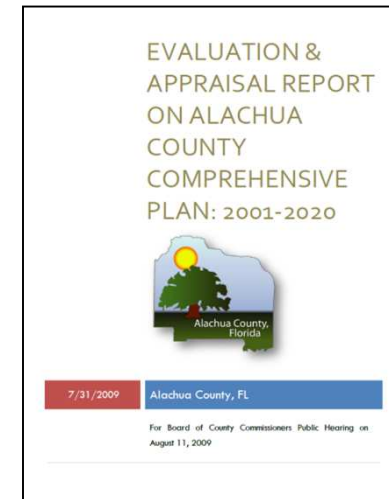
Comprehensive Planning Process





Alachua County Comprehensive Plan: 2011-2030

Last Evaluation and Appraisal
of Plan in 2008-2009



Last Plan update based on
Evaluation and Appraisal was
adopted by BoCC in 2011



Alachua County Comprehensive Plan 15 Elements

Future Land Use

Transportation Mobility

Housing

Potable Water & Sanitary Sewer

Solid Waste

Stormwater Management

Conservation & Open Space

Recreation

Intergovernmental Coordination

Capital Improvements

Economic

Historic Preservation

Public School Facilities

Community Health

Energy



Evaluation and Appraisal State Requirements

- Each local government is required to evaluate its comprehensive plan at least every 7 years
- Florida's "Community Planning Act" amendments adopted in 2011 simplified the Evaluation and Appraisal process and requirements (s. 163.3191, F.S.)
 - Local governments shall evaluate plans to determine if amendments are necessary to reflect **changes in state statutes** since the last update, and notify the state land planning agency.
 - Local governments are "encouraged to comprehensively evaluate and, as necessary, update comprehensive plans to reflect **changes in local conditions**" as part of the process.

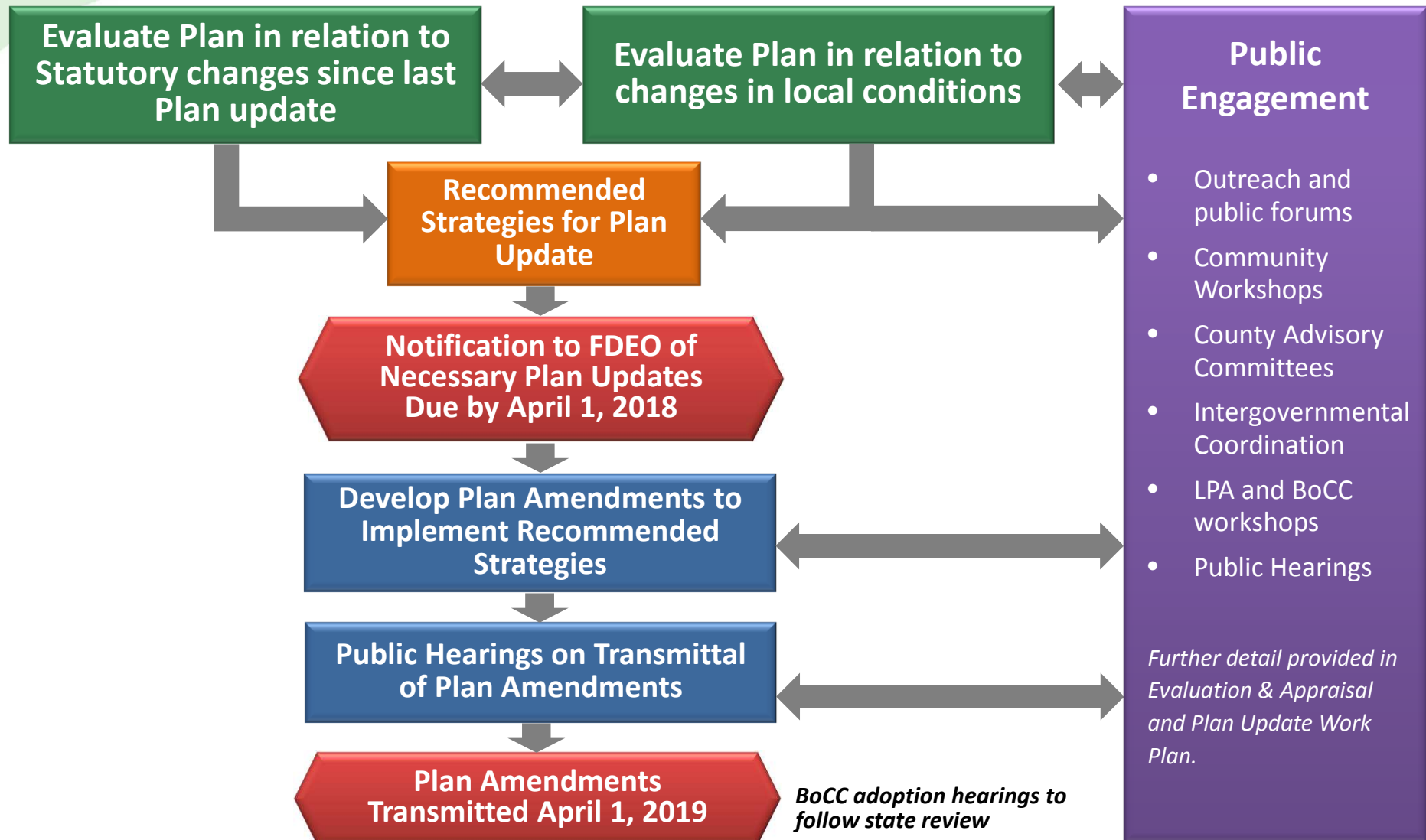


Evaluation and Appraisal Schedule for Alachua County

- Alachua County must submit a letter notifying the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) whether amendments to the Comprehensive Plan are necessary to reflect changes in state requirements no later than **April 1, 2018.**
- The County must transmit needed amendments for review by state agencies within 1 year of submittal of its notification letter (not later than April 1, 2019)



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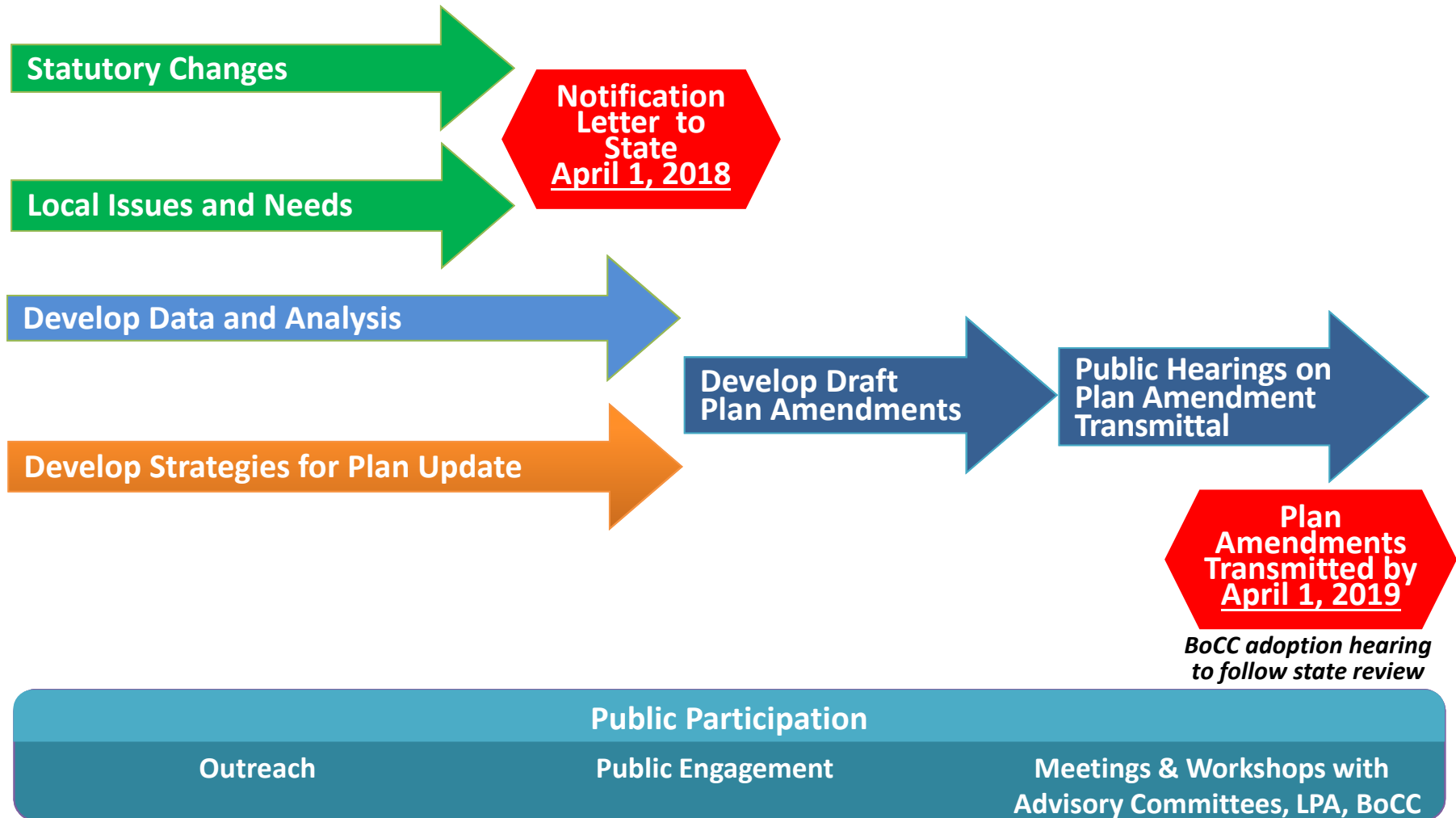
Public Engagement

- **Outreach**
 - Website
 - Email List
 - Public Comment Email Address
 - Press Releases
 - Channel 12 Content
 - County Social Media
 - Community Update Newsletter
 - Brochures
 - General & Community Newspapers
 - Community Surveys
- **Direct Engagement with Public**
 - Community Workshops
 - Stakeholder Groups
- **Local Government Meetings and Public Hearings**
 - Advisory Committees, including Alachua County Planning Commission/Local Planning Agency
 - Board of County Commissioners



Evaluation & Appraisal and Plan Update Timeline

04/17 | 06/17 | 08/17 | 10/17 | 12/17 | 02/18 | 04/18 | 06/18 | 08/18 | 10/18 | 12/18 | 02/19 | 04/19





WEBSITE ON EVALUATION & APPRAISAL/PLAN UPDATE

- Sign Up for Information
- Work Plan approved by County Commission
- Statutory Requirements
- Overview of adopted Alachua County Plan
- The 15 Elements of the Plan

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