



Workshop participants were invited to view and respond to many items, including, but not limited to, the greenspace glossary, current greenspace maps, and a public input map shown above.

B SUMMARY OF PUBLIC WORKSHOPS

B.1 September Public Open House Workshops

The purpose of this section is to provide a summary of the Public Open House Workshops –an important avenue for needs identification-- that took place on September 21 and 22, 2005. The purpose of the workshops was to invite the citizens of Charleston County to view and respond to a working definition of the term ‘Greenbelt’; to view a glossary of terms that articulates how Greenbelts might be applied to the landscape of Charleston County; to view a media presentation describing the Greenbelt planning process; to view, respond and mark on maps of the existing County-wide greenspace, and share ideas for where future greenspace should be located; and finally, to fill out a public comment form that contained specific questions relevant to the future Greenbelt program.

B.1.2 Workshop Attendance

Three separate workshops were held in three locations throughout the County. On September 21st, a “Central” workshop was held at the County Public Services Building, at 4045 Bridge View Drive. A total of 98 citizens signed the attendance registration sheet at this workshop. On September 22nd, two workshops were held simultaneously at separate locations in the County. A “West County” workshop was held at the John’s Island Regional Library, at 3531 Maybank Highway. A total of 123 citizens signed in at this workshop. An “East Cooper” workshop was held at the Mount Pleasant Regional Library, at 1133 Mathis Ferry Road. A total of 102 citizens signed in at this workshop. The total attendance at all three workshops was 323 citizens.



Several members of the County Greenbelt Advisory Board were in attendance at each of the meetings. The meetings were also staffed by representatives from the County and by the consultant team, Greenways Incorporated.

B.1.3 Summary of Public Comment Form

One of the workshop objectives was to have participants fill out a public comment form, prepared by the consultant, Greenways Incorporated. This public comment form was reviewed and revised by the Greenbelt Advisory Board prior to use at the workshops. The comment form was designed to solicit input on a series of five questions. The responses to each question are summarized in the following text. A total of 348 responses were recorded. The discrepancy between responses to the comment form and attendance at the meeting is due to a couple factors. First, some residents that attended the first day of workshops picked up blank comment forms for friends and neighbors who were unable to attend the meetings. Second, the County posted the comment form to its web site, and some residents downloaded the form and mailed it to the County.

Question 1: Where Do You Live?

The majority of citizens that attended the workshops were from the West Ashley, Mount Pleasant and James Island communities.

Question 2: Which of these do you feel is important to be part of the Greenbelt program?

The response to this question was “weighted.” Citizens were asked to rank the different responses from 1 to 5. The total points accumulated by response were tabulated and ranked from highest priority to lowest priority. Comment form respondents stressed the need to protect greenspace, the low county natural resources and heritage landscapes, as their top three priorities. Active greenspace, productive (farmland and forestland) greenspace and reclaimed greenspace were regarded as lower priorities for the Greenbelt program.

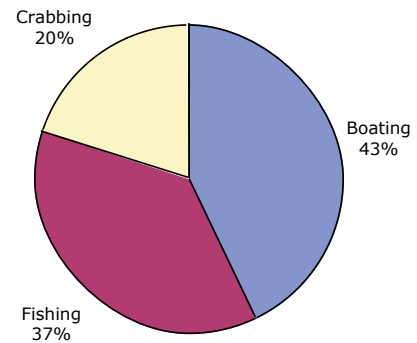
Question 3: How would you like to use the protected greenspace?

Again, the response to this question was weighted in the same manner as question 2. Comment form respondents ranked wildlife habitat protection, walking and biking and educational/interpretive parks as their top three priorities. Interestingly, active recreation was ranked last in this question.

Question 3A: Respondents who selected “Water Activities”:

Under question 3, respondents were asked to further select the type of water activity that they would prefer in terms of access and use.

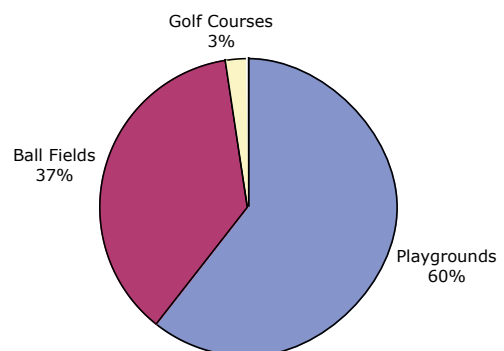
3.1) Respondents who selected 'Water Activities' prefer the following:

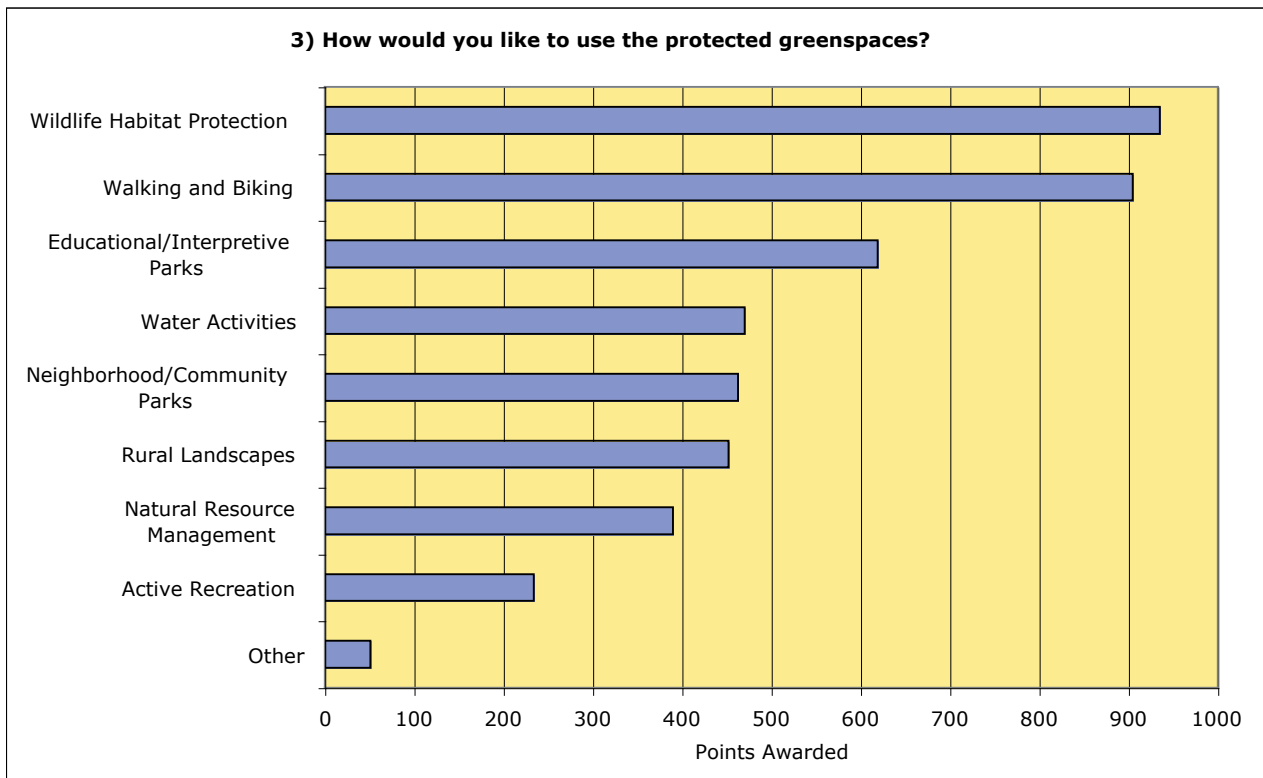
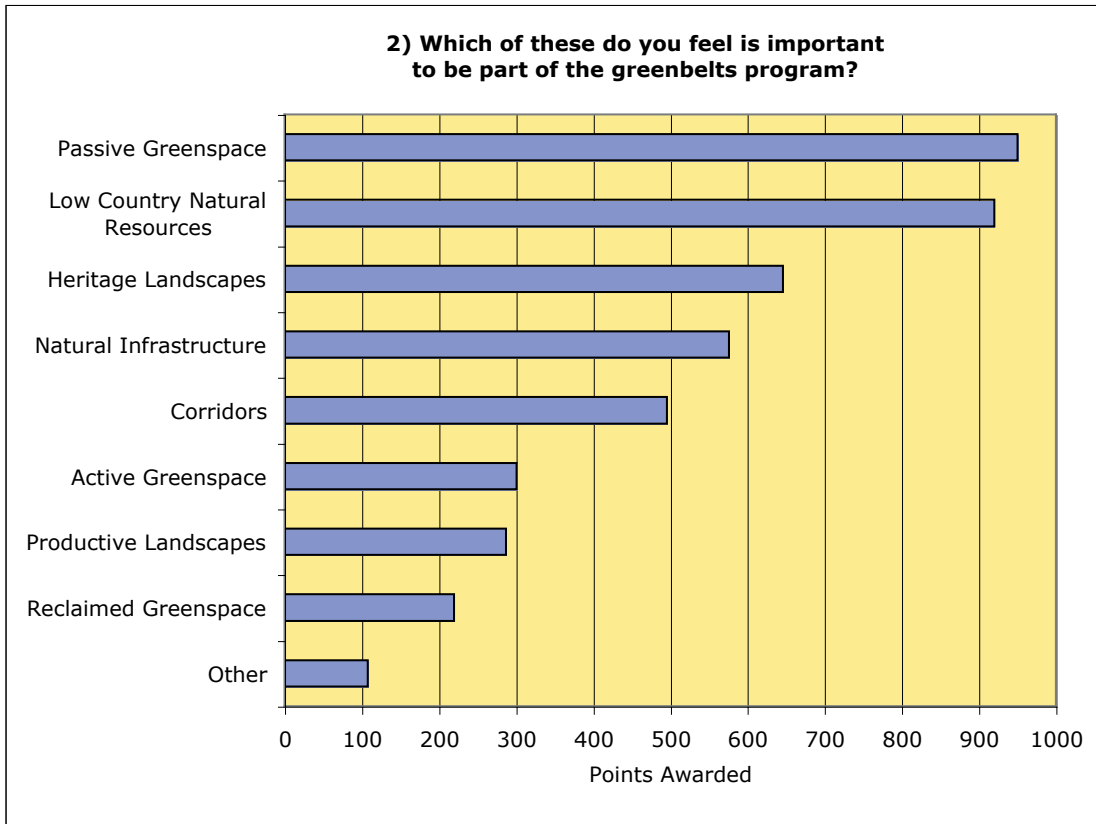


Question 3B: Respondents who selected “Active Recreation”:

Under question 3, respondents were also asked to further select the type of active recreation activity that they would prefer in terms of access and use.

3.2) Respondents who selected 'Active Recreation' prefer the following:





Question 4: What do you believe should be the most important aspect of the greenbelt plan in Charleston County?

Responses to this open-ended question provided guidance to the vision for this plan (see Greenbelts Vision, page 4-2). Each individual answer to this question is provided in this chapter, starting on page B-6.

Question 5: What is the Best way to Protect Greenspace?

The purpose of this question was to ascertain the general beliefs of respondents with respect to a preferred strategy for protecting and conserving greenspace. Government buying greenspace was the most favored strategy, followed by the private sector buying land, followed by voluntary donation. Government regulation was the least preferred method.

Question 5A: Respondents that selected “Government Buys the Land.”

Under question 5, respondents were asked to further select a lead agency for acquisition of greenspace. Respondents preferred that the County be the lead agency for conservation and protection of greenspace.

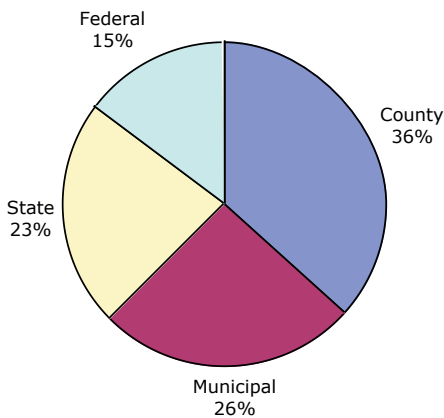
B.1.4 Comments on Working Definition

The final element of the Public Open House Workshops was with respect to the Working Definition that was developed by the consultant and Greenbelt Advisory Board. Citizens that attended the public workshops were provided with a printed copy of the working definition and were asked to submit written comments for consideration. The vast majority of comments received did not relate to changes in the definition, and many respondents indicated that the definition was acceptable. Less than a dozen respondents (out of 348) provided a list of recommended changes to the working definition. These included,

- 1) the addition of words and concepts of “wildlife habitat” protection and conservation to the working definition,
- 2) the topic of “health and wellness” was requested to be included, and
- 3) many participants suggested conflicting directions for the working definition, based on their perception of what they voted for during the sales tax referendum.

The first view is that active greenspace should have been a major component of the program, and the second viewpoint was that the sales tax money would be used to pay for habitat, scenic views and historical sites. All of the above recommendations were considered by the GAB in their revision of the working definition.

5.1) Respondents who selected ‘Government Buys the Land’ prefer the following:



The image above is from one of six public input maps that are filled with comments regarding greenspace in Charleston County.



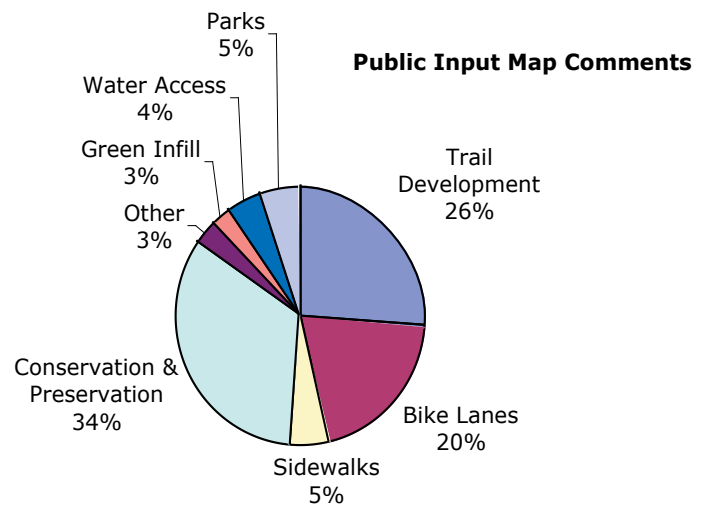
B.1.5 Public Mapping Comments

Workshop participants were also asked to provide written comments on maps, supplied by the consultant Greenways Incorporated. A total of 346 comments were made on the maps that were supplied at the three meetings. Due to the volume of comments, each workshop provided two maps for comments. As the first map was filled to legible capacity, it was posted on an adjacent wall and a clean map was provided to record additional comments. In total, six maps were used in this process.

There is a difference in greenspace interests and needs between the “urban” and “rural” landscapes of Charleston County. For the more “urban” areas of the County, such as the Charleston peninsula, North Charleston, West Ashley and Mount Pleasant communities, the preference for greenspace is in trail development, bikeways and sidewalks. In the “rural” areas of the County, the preference is for the preservation of the native or rural landscapes. A summary of all the input map comments is provided in the chart below, and each individual comment is provided in this chapter, starting on page B-12.



Workshop participants were invited to draw and write their ideas and concerns directly on public input base maps.



Map Comment Summary	Charleston Peninsula	N. Charleston, Lincolnton	West Ashley	Mount Pleasant/ East Cooper	West County	Edisto/ Wadmalaw Island	Johns Island	James Island	East County	County-Wide	Total Comments
Trail Development	9	12	30	16	4	3	6	13	1	20	114
Bike Lanes	12	8	12	15	3	0	4	14	1	16	85
Sidewalks	1	5	4	2	1	0	0	3	0	6	22
Conservation/Preservation	2	3	7	9	8	11	27	31	11	35	144
Parks	3	1	3	10	0	0	0	1	0	5	23
Green Infill	3	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	11
Water Access	1	2	4	7	1	0	2	0	0	2	19
Other	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	9	13



B.2 Public Comments from the September Public Workshops

The September Public Workshops yielded tremendous public input. The individual comments made by workshop participants are provided on the following pages.

B.2.1 Public Comment Form, Question 4

The answers to Question 4 (*What do you believe should be the most important aspect of the greenbelt plan in Charleston County?*) are provided below, according to where the respondent lives. Some comments were illegible and all were recorded verbatim.

Awendaw, McClellanville

1. Prevent the spilling over of suburban density into rural areas with amazing natural resources by providing buffers to protect these resources environmentally sensitive areas. Examples: Bull's Bay, Francis Marion National Forest
2. Preserve private farmlands
3. Something for everyone
4. Preservation of rural character and wetlands
5. Strategically sited passive use rural parks and a well designed purchase of development rights program
6. Provide boundary between urban and suburban area and rural land. Minimal disturbance of land, low impact uses
7. To preserve our natural heritage
8. Protecting wetlands
9. Buffer rural areas, bikeways
10. Buffer protection for Francis Marion National Forest and Cape Romain National Wildlife Refuge
11. Making sure we can find a greenspace in Charleston County

Charleston Peninsula

1. Greenspace with public access – rural easements only benefit the wealthy landowners. What we need is access to greenspace for urban/suburban residents – from the upper to the lower socioeconomic classes. Rural easements only benefit wealthy landowners. Every Charleston County resident should be able to

walk to a neighborhood park. Think about how much more affect this has on the daily lives of Charleston County residents, than the tract of land in the middle of nowhere, only accessed by a few! Urban/suburban parks and greenspace are a wonderful way to bring communities together as well as increase property values and draw new residents and businesses to the area. Parks = Economic growth. Greenspace and parks are not the enemy of development – they are the incentive. Greenways re great way to decrease auto-dependence.

2. Greenbelts that connect – take the greenbelts from point A to B and hang out at the destination, like our streets, only for bike and pedestrians only.
3. paced, minimalist development focusing on pedestrian accessibility and improving quality of life by varying environment settings; not just dropping a ballpark and parking lot in.
4. The most beautiful natural elements of our world should be preserved in a natural, undisturbed state providing habitat for wildlife, natural, indigenous flora and fauna.
5. Connecting greenspaces for biking/walking uses. I believe the word “belt” in greenbelt lead voters to think about connecting existing greenspaces with newly acquired greenspaces.
6. Create greenspace/parks accessible to bicycles to connect different areas of lowcountry.
7. Protecting the integrity and health of the natural environment oif Charleston County
8. Connect urban and suburban areas with trails for biking and walking to decrease auto use.
9. Continuous public participation in all reports of planning
10. Sustainable transportation with the least negative environmental impact i.e walking and cycle routes connecting cities and parks and schools and active and passive greenspaces
11. Integration of parks and greenspace in urban and suburban areas. Greenbelts plan should benefit all taxpayers, particularly those in urban areas.
12. Alternative transportation facilities
13. Bike lanes
14. Preserving the environment, promoting alternative transportation
15. Accessibility
16. Good environment



17. Accessibility, family oriented
18. Accessibility
19. Improving quality of life through more thoughtful, judicious use of land, especially in rural areas
20. Improve wildlife habitat and natural system functioning in urban areas
21. Acquire McLeod plantation. More greenspace on peninsula
22. Recreation
23. Connectivity. Allowing people to access greenspace by biking and walking
24. Cooperation among landowners, foundations, and government groups – win-win solutions
25. Connectivity of smaller parks/land to create accessible (bike or walk) to make larger spaces
26. Save McLeod Plantation. Make Ansonborough a park.
27. Environmental conservation and protection.
28. Leveraging money
29. Protecting rural vistas and habitat

Edisto

1. Permanently protecting open space, wildlife habitat, and rural agricultural land.

Folly Beach

1. Improving bicycle safety, rails to trails, bike lanes.
2. Protection/ Preservation of natural habitat and resources – wildlife and habitat. Wildlife corridors are important to connect “patches” of preserved areas. It is vital to consult local resource agencies like DNR to determine habitat types and needs of various species, and how best to protect endangered and threatened species
3. Active greenspace
4. Protect corridors for non motorized traffic
5. Preventing the development of land near marshes and waterways by establishing riparian buffer zones.
6. Linkages – connecting spaces for leisure activity, parks and environmental connection.

James Island

1. Creation and improvement of cycling and walking facilities, this includes paths along existing roads for example Harbor View Road and Ben Sawyer Causeway
2. Preserving the unique characteristics of coastal South Carolina while encouraging recreational pursuits. I am particularly interested in safe bicycling
3. Opening the environment to non-motorized traffic
4. Protection of our most valuable resource – beautiful, lovely landscapes and waterways, etc.
5. Slowing the pace of development long enough to implement the plan – preferably by way of a county wide moratorium on the issuance of building permits
6. Save McLeod plantation – not 21 new buildings and 2 parking lots. ACBA needs to go somewhere else.
7. Providing public passive recreational amenities
8. Paths for people to get out into nature, out of doors and a boundary for the county’s growth
9. Preservation of natural resources and maintaining good quality of life.
10. Continuity among greenspace units. Preventing developers from overrunning the county
11. Protection of land from developers of homes and protection of natural environment
12. Plan should identify priority areas for conservation as well as priority methods for protecting land
13. Save McLeod Plantation
14. Connectivity of areas through green corridors
15. Passive greenspace
16. A positive environment
17. Boating access
18. Augment private conservation efforts, and greenbelt to stop urban sprawl
19. Long-term preservation of significant habitat and resource areas
20. Save McLeod
21. Multi-use areas – McLeod fields as a passive park with cultural heritage interpretation but as a waterfront park too. There are not many examples such as this but multi use could be a chain of ten acre parks connected by bike and walkways
22. Nurture and protect remaining wildlife habitat
23. Inclusion of as many taxpayers’ wishes as possible
24. Providing safe bicycle/walking trails/paths
25. Providing safe bicycle/walking paths



26. Preserve land, prevent residential development
27. We have an opportunity here to preserve some open natural landscape and agriculture land. Zoning, public transportation before the entire county is subdivided (to reduce the need for big highway projects) can be part of mix
28. Hiking/biking
29. Greenbelts must/should include areas targeted for urbanization, not just rural areas. All citizens deserve to share in this plan for greenspace
30. Beauty!
31. Passive greenspace and heritage landscapes
32. Natural undisturbed forests and wetlands with a few walking/biking/water access opportunities to the public
33. Protect natural habitat for wildlife
34. McLeod is probably one of the most complete and oldest in the nation with numerous outbuildings and slave cabins! The field is the last significant greenspace for miles on Folly Rd.

John's Island

1. Small, visible plots and long paths
2. preserving our beautiful natural resources
3. Not one big tract of land
4. Leveraging money by allying with existing conservation programs. Passive should be contributing factor
5. Protect marshes, flood plains, Rt. 61 historic areas
6. preserving forests and wildlife habitat
7. Preservation of natural habitat
8. upgrade existing space i.e. West Ashley Greenway – expand bike paths so bicyclists can be safe and use this alternative means of travel
9. Protect as much land as possible now. Use future funding development of parks, etc. Use all funds available now to buy or protect as much acreage as possible.
10. Using the _ cent sales tax to purchase PDR's
11. Preserving scenic beauty and protecting watersheds
12. PDRs
13. Getting as much of our natural resource protected now before it is lost forever or is too expensive to buy
14. Develop wisely to ease all pressure on the undeveloped areas. No more strip malls

15. Stop stripping and then trying to fix – offer safe way to transport oneself without cars- walk or bike
16. All sections of the county should have greenspace
17. There should be greenspaces in all areas – not just very large tracts.
18. Protect and preserve lowcountry for future generations
19. Leverage sales tax money similar to SC Conservation Bank to bring in match money on a scale that could turn \$221 million to \$1 billion
20. To save greenspace from being developed
21. Protect large rural areas. Halt the growth, limit and restrict

Kiawah

1. bike and walkways
2. protect wildlife and land
3. Improving natural infrastructure
4. Saving the environment while adding recreation bike trails, hiking trails
5. Spaces for “breathing room” from the hussle and bussle of cars and development
6. Safer biking and walking not just for exercise but for transportation needs
7. Preserve as much natural habitat as possible (stop urban sprawl and unplanned development)
8. Helping to preserve the natural beauty and biodiversity of this area for the future is crucial
9. Protection against City of Charleston
10. Preserve as much undeveloped property as possible before it is lost

Mount Pleasant

1. By not letting the developers clear cut and over-develop the land. Keeping the area as natural as possible
2. Linking public spaces with safe pedestrian and bicycle paths – off road
3. Balance to meet needs and interests of citizens and all plants and animals that live here.
4. Access for everyone either by foot or cycling
5. Making a belt around the city to stop sprawl
6. Protection of natural resources and lowcountry character and citizens' access to natural areas for passive enjoyment



7. Bicycle and pedestrian paths and walkways
8. Proper management, citizen input, meaningful greenspace
9. To preserve farm and timberland and historical areas, to provide fresh air
10. An interconnected tapestry of parks, trails, and water areas that provide recreational outdoor fitness and habitat protection and enjoyment opportunities
11. Keep places for children and adults to get away from the overcrowded, busy town
12. Pedestrian/bicycle, CARTA friendly
13. Recreation
14. Connectivity of greenbelt spaces
15. Conservation of natural resources, wildlife habitat, nature study, and preservation
16. Save the most natural land as possible with this money
17. Keep conservation land in private ownership purchase development rights program
18. That it be integrated throughout the county to the fullest extent possible
19. Preserving land throughout the area where people can walk
20. Lack of golf courses. Wildlife corridors to connect with other set-aside buffers and open space.
21. A plan that recognizes multiple interests not just preservation of habitat and farmland. Urban parks must be part of Plan
22. Paved trails for walking and biking joining areas to obtain lengthy trails. Please no narrow trails, we need width.
23. Preservation of natural habitat
24. Preservation of the lowcountry's unique wildlife, birds, and historical habitats
25. Natural resource protection
26. Walking and biking paths paved through and linking communities large enough for safe use. Ravenel Bridge paths reflect necessity as reflected in immediate high use. Many roads could have parallel paved paths.
27. Preserving our natural beauty and environment
28. Easy access
29. Interconnectivity to greenspaces
30. Environmental and scenic protection
31. Create an urban boundary to prevent sprawl and enhance urban areas
32. Conservation of irreplaceable resources
33. Biggest bang for the buck

34. Inclusion of lands within suburban area, preservation in rural areas of priority
35. Quality of life
36. Passive parkland
37. Encourage transportation by bike, walking, and mass transit
38. Preservation of natural resources
39. To preserve passive greenspace for its own intrinsic value.
40. That every citizen in Charleston County should benefit from it.

North Charleston, Lincolnville

1. Use to curtail/concentrate development and maintain the environment that makes that makes this area too desirable for everyone in the entire country!
2. Protect our natural resources that are threatened by unregulated development – use impact fees to discourage unreasonable development before we are forced to buy greenspace to do what could be better handled by other means.
3. Preservation of land today
4. Safe bicycle paths, high speed and recreational
5. make it available for bicycling
6. Smart growth; and a plan that benefits both urban and rural areas
7. Greenspaces provided for all sections of Charleston County regardless of economic status. Also, each municipality in Charleston County should control those sections of greenbelt under their jurisdiction.
8. Parks and playgrounds, heritage landscapes
9. Neighborhood community centers with parks and playgrounds
10. To promote land use and development away from [?]
11. Trees
12. Balanced access and preservation
13. Redevelopment of brownfields. Focus on Green Infill Projects Community Projects that will remove blighted conditions and change these areas to community paths
14. Clean-up of Brownfields. Development of community parks and recreation areas
15. Leaving as much natural landscape in tact as possible when building new businesses, offices, homes, retail space, etc. Replacing lost greenspace with added buffers to soften landscape.



- 16. To make sure that the citizens understand
- 17. The most impact for the people, i.e. I'd rather see a bike and walk path than a boat landing
- 18. Children
- 19. The citizens of this community and not tourists!
- 20. Education – understanding of long term benefits of greenspace i.e. better health, community character, biodiversity, and how all these are a plus for the area.
- 21. Helping to secure greenspace and playing fields for our children's future.
- 22. Think about the future. Charleston is a wonderful place to live now because of the natural beauty. If that natural beauty disappears who will want to live here?

Ravenel, Meggett, Hollywood

- 1. Buy open lands to create greenbelts along urban growth boundaries.
- 2. An active protection and hands on restoration
- 3. Buying and protecting the maximum amount of land to create greenbelts and protect our natural resources and rural landscapes
- 4. Water access for more people.
- 5. Use greenspace the county owns to highest and best use, not landfill site.
- 6. Protection of natural resources and locations for outside exercising (biking, running)
- 7. Protection of wildlife and work on connecting already protected lands
- 8. Bike safety, walking safety.
- 9. Preservation of natural landscapes and resources especially habitat for wildlife.

Sullivan's Island and Isle of Palms

- 1. To preserve and create greenspace in existing communities and buffer rural areas from sprawl.
- 2. Bike paths connecting the areas together
- 3. To link urban and rural and contact suburban growth – greenways can do this while also providing opportunities to exercise
- 4. Preserve the natural infrastructure and resources wetlands etc. for the purpose nature intended.
- 5. Expansion!
- 6. Greenways, trails (multi-use – run or bike) and linear parks through out the county. Please do not ignore the

- Mount Pleasant area, at the current rate of development, most available land will be gone within a few years. Attempt to connect different parts of the county with greenways, for example Park West in Mount Pleasant, to the Cooper River Bridge and to connect different parts of the county with greenways when possible.
- 7. It should follow the dictates and limitations of Section 4-3730
- 8. Connectivity of greenspace areas and preserving sensitive habitat and ecosystems
- 9. Preservation of natural resources
- 10. Protect rural lands and timber and woods for wildlife and passive low intensity recreation

Wadmalaw

- 1. Active for our youth in the community
- 2. Safety for our children and active recreation
- 3. Preserve rural atmosphere and community continuity with farm and neighborhood parks that include sports fields.
- 4. Preserve natural and historic sites
- 5. Protect natural resources
- 6. Provide passive parks near population centers
- 7. Politics-free consistent application of rules and policies
- 8. Make sure that all groups (rich, poor, city, rural) can see a tangible result
- 9. Stopping sprawl by purchasing development rights on key parcels – out right purchase is fine but you won't get as much land protected.
- 10. Prevention of rogue infrastructure, out-of-control development.
- 11. That it reflects best interest for people and land
- 12. Protection and conservation
- 13. Smart preservation and planned development so we are prepared and avoid sprawl
- 14. Maximize your impact and efficiency by following the very successful established patterns of conservation lands, e.g. Wadmalaw, Ashley River corridor, etc. Your \$220 million won't go far in purchases, but could be huge in furthering existing initiations.



West Ashley

1. Protecting the natural environment of Charleston County
2. We need more neighborhood community parks and playgrounds
3. Greenbelts should not be laced with suburban development. A city is a city and open land is open land
4. Bicycle paths – maintain, remove broken glass, trim growth, better design and vehicle bollards. Need more thought in placement, more connections between separated areas: North Charleston to West Ashley to John's Island to Mt. Pleasant to James Island – light them up at night
5. Walking and biking trails connecting the scenic marsh vistas, waterways, and other beautiful areas including passive parks, as well as neighborhood and shopping to reduce car trips, improve health of people, and the environment
6. To minimize anthropogenic impact on the environment while providing access to natural areas
7. Undisturbed wild land
8. Preserving wildlife and native plants
9. Preservation of habitat for native plants and wildlife
10. Preventing urban sprawl that eradicates woodlands and marsh
11. A variety of projects with long-term maintenance goals
12. Actively protecting [?] makes Charleston special – natural and cultural resources
13. Development of areas that attract local people. People will be stimulated to become active
14. Restrict development
15. Connectivity between spaces in the greater Charleston area. Also, greenspaces need to be places that people can utilize and appreciate
16. Minimize the reduction of property taxes if don't remove urban from tax case
17. Arranging walk/bike trails so to encourage less vehicle traffic
18. Provide increased number of greenbelts adjacent to residential developments – easy access to walking and biking trails. Utilize existing corridors. Also – advertise – provide maps of greenways (both comprehensive map and of individual greenways) in several public locations. I found the website not easy to navigate and

retrieve maps

19. That it remains as natural a state as possible without impervious surfaces for support like parking lots – importance of educating public
20. Wildlife and habitat protection
21. Long-term vision toward non-petroleum transportation, reduction of impact
22. A way to link together and provide access to all the greenspaces
23. Walking and biking paths for recreation
24. Highways always need 100 foot tree buffers for beauty
25. I feel that we must take care to protect our natural resources and infrastructure as a good basis for our quality of life although it is not one of the more exciting considerations. I also feel that some of the other important programs fall under other sources of money such as the PRC
26. Access by community
27. Security, upkeep, general maintenance on a regular basis
28. Preserving habitat or scenic views
29. Space to enjoy Charleston area, parks, bike paths, walking trails
30. Something for everyone – all citizens should benefit from the plan
31. That the money allocated for greenspace is truly used for public space
32. Preserve land for future generations
33. Preserve marsh, Carolina Bays and stop growth on Edisto Beach
34. Retention of lands outside the cities and increase density of people in the city. Retain character of area as old and very European
35. Places for people and dogs
36. That it serve the variety of greenspace needs as articulated by a broad base of the community
37. Giving citizens easy access to walking and biking trails, environmental area for children, heritage landscape
38. Protect rural land for future generations
39. Access near and convenient to as many people as possible
40. Protect rural land
41. Protect wetlands and safety and maintenance of walking and bike paths
42. To have continuity in the greenspaces so that one



can walk/ride a bike through the county without having to fight car traffic

43. Control development, reclaim greenspace, make Charleston bicycle friendly

44. Safety – well protected so that everyone feels secure

45. bike lanes

46. Protecting heritage landscapes and scenic roadways and waterways

47. providing safer environments for pedestrians and cyclists for both exercise and transportation purposes

48. Saving property for the future

49. Access, access – we have beautiful waterways and greenspaces and can't get to them unless you have a lot of money

50. Historic and natural resource preservation

51. Protect the lowcountry resources and essence of Charleston's natural environment.

52. Creating/ contributing to walkable community. Promoting mass transit – less reliance on cars!

Other

1. A fair and balanced mix of habitat protection with active use areas.

2. Bikelanes

3. Being sure of the long-term upkeep of the chosen areas – such as historic places. Do not allow a school on this property.

4. Save historic McLeod Plantation, no school!

5. Preservation

6. Maintaining a natural and rural landscape and creating a permanent urban boundary.

7. Route 261 historic area, all existing coastal wetlands

B.2.2 Public Input Maps

Comments made on the Public Input Maps are provided on the following pages. There were six input maps in total: two from the Central Workshop, two from the East Copper Workshop, and two from the Johns Island Workshop. The following list is sorted first by the planning sub region in which the comment was directed, then by the type or category of the comment, then by the actual workshop at which the comment was made. A number was assigned to each comment provided, and can be found next to the comment. Some comments were illegible and all were recorded verbatim.

These comments provided guidance to the Greenbelt Vision (page 4-2). All comments in the category of trails, trail development, bike lanes and sidewalks were also shared with the Transportation Advisory Board's Project Officer.



Planning Sub-Region	Category	Workshop Reference	#/Comment
Charleston Penninsula	bike lane	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	6. Bike Lanes are needed to connect all islands to the Charleston Peninsula. Top priorities include East Bay St (as an extension of the bike/ped. Lane on Arthur Ravenel Bridge) and Coleman Blvd. Savannah Highway, HWY 61, Sam Rittenburg, Ben Sawyer Blvd., (mt. Pleasant) HWY 17, River Rd., Main Rd., Maybank Hwy., Clement's Ferry Rd. Many people would commute to work on bikes if the could ride safely. It is very stressful for cars and bikes to share the road. We need bike alnes desperately before any other person loses a life.
Charleston Penninsula	bike lane	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	7. [adding to comment 6] Yes!! Me too
Charleston Penninsula	bike lane	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	9. [adding to comment 6] I agree
Charleston Penninsula	bike lane	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	10. [adding to comment 6] I agree
Charleston Penninsula	bike lane	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	11. [adding to comment 6] I agree
Charleston Penninsula	bike lane	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	12. [adding to comment 6] Yes!
Charleston Penninsula	bike lane	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	31a. Bike lanes would be terrific from the bicycle path on the bridge down East Bay Street to the battery area. There is room on the North Side of the Road to extend it as a separate path – at least to John's St.
Charleston Penninsula	bike lane	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	48. Bridge bike path needs to extend down East Bay Street into downtown Charleston.
Charleston Penninsula	bike lane	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	49. [adding to comment 48] City is trying but needed part of East Coast Greenway Plan
Charleston Penninsula	conservation	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	6. Port Area should be ecotourism.
Charleston Penninsula	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	16. Buy Ansonborough Fields
Charleston Penninsula	green infill	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	30. Convert spoil areas such as Drum Island into recreational purposes – such as a kayaking destination.
Charleston Penninsula	green infill	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	2. Drum Island get rights from SPA for future greenspace -
Charleston Penninsula	park	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	5. public park (on Drum Island)
Charleston Penninsula	park - urban	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	47. [pointing to Charleston Penninsula Greenspace potential public sculptures
Charleston Penninsula	park - urban, green infill	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	62. Great opportunity for reclaimed greenspace and an area in desperate need of community parks and playgrounds.
Charleston Penninsula	trail devlopment	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	6. Rail Corridor, could build bike/pedestrtrain path along
Charleston Penninsula	trail development	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	17. Connect greenways to city
Charleston Penninsula	trail development	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	24. need to retrofit to allow safe walking, bicycling, an wheelchair access across both Ashley River Bridges. Also make connection to West Ashley Greenway
Charleston Penninsula	trail development	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	18. Extend West Ashley Greenway to marsh
Charleston Penninsula	trail development	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	37. The West Ashley Greenway needs to be completed such that one can cross the Ashley River Bridge into downtown. Very easy for some to walk or bike to downtown jobs and recreation.
Charleston Penninsula	trail development	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	46. Link Hampton park to White Point Gardens with safe bike/walking trails.
Charleston Penninsula	trail development, Bike lanes	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	43. Bike route [pointing to drawn route following rails from North Charleston to Charleston harbor and across to Mt. Pleasant]
Charleston Penninsula	trail development, Bike lanes	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	8. [adding to comment 6] I agree! Separate paths would be better
Charleston Penninsula	trail development, bike lanes, sidwalks	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	3. Cautileiur structure off Ashe River Bridge for Bike/Ped. Access – convert to W.A.G.



Charleston Peninsula	water access	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	4. Boat landing – Romney St or interstate info plan for “Magnolia” in Neeh. Need area – regional park facility
County-Wide	accessibility	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	32. Money should be spent on projects that the public has access to
County-Wide	accessibility	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	36. Connectivity with paths link parks and safe pedestrian and bike access
County-Wide	active park, water access	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	36. Need more sports complexes for children in North Charleston. Also passive areas – boat landings, trails, fishing, crabbing, etc. Keep buffers for birds, etc.
County-Wide	bike lane	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	1. Please use the money to make biking safer in this county by adding bike lanes, widening roads – For example Rifle Range Rd and Ben Sawyer Bridge need bike lanes – Also East Bay in Charleston where Ravenel bridge bike lane ends – needs a lane
County-Wide	bike lane	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	13. We need bike lanes for alternative transportation and recreation. Many cities in Europe have great biking systems to support commuting
County-Wide	bike lane	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	25. Please add shoulders to roads for safer cycling areas people use to ride to work. Also runners and walkers will benefit also with a safer area to walk or run. Make more sidewalks for everyone and more so for mothers to have a safe place to walk with their stroller or children.
County-Wide	bike lane	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	18.b Do something to encourage bike paths along all highways, as well as ways to lessen car traffic.
County-Wide	bike lane	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	19. [adding to comment 18 b] yes!
County-Wide	bike lane	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	20. [adding to comment 18 b] yes, this is critical. Hwy 17 (along with many others) is dangerous. Create safe bikeways
County-Wide	bike lane	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	31c. Bike lanes on all bridges and newly built roads or bridges.
County-Wide	bike lane	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	78. [written along HWY 17] create bikelane corridor
County-Wide	conservation	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	12. Where would you like to have greenspace conserved?
County-Wide	conservation	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	13. Protect marsh islands from bridges and development
County-Wide	conservation	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	30. Wetlands to be protected – flood protection, water purification, species preservation
County-Wide	conservation	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	31. [adding on to comment 30] ditto here
County-Wide	conservation	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	37. promote smart growth1 Cap size of growth out, increase growth in city
County-Wide	conservation	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	41. Urban growth boundary, save the rural landscape
County-Wide	conservation	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	42. [adding to comment 41] ditto!
County-Wide	conservation	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	43. Save the farmland and heritage lands
County-Wide	conservation	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	44. [adding to comment 43] ditto!
County-Wide	conservation	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	47. advocate smart growth!
County-Wide	conservation	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	53. Focus on lowcountry natural infrastructure and heritage landscapes. Protect what is special about the area, particularly its natural environment.
County-Wide	conservation	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	11. Preserve open space, preferably in a connected fashion to create greenbelts along urban growth boundaries. This can include virtually anything but ball parks. Could include purchases of restrictions on types and density of developments.
County-Wide	conservation	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	35. In general, wetland protection needs to be reaffirmed as a #1 priority. They provide us protection from hurricanes, allow for wildlife and recreation and the aesthetic component of the wetlands is of immeasurable value.
County-Wide	conservation	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	14. preserve scenic vistas by requiring larger set backs from the marshes and waterways (could also require heavier buffers) Not all greenspace needs to be publicly accessible.



County-Wide	conservation	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	19. Protect developed marsh islands, especially in the developed environment. They may be the only intact natural sites in these areas.
County-Wide	conservation	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	21. Protect strips of blocks of upland adjacent to rivers and creeks and swamps to protect the complete habitats of animals that are not fully aquatic, particularly along the Edisto, but also along the Cooper and Ashley [rivers]
County-Wide	conservation	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	26. Sid Gautreau of Clemson who studied broad migration says that riparian areas are crucial.
County-Wide	conservation	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	32. Don't include active greenspace as acceptable use for this money, or if included, minimally.
County-Wide	conservation	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	35. Please use purchase of development rights to extend the money to protect greenspace that way
County-Wide	conservation	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	37. Ensure that sufficient wildlife/bird habitat is preserved to maintain the unique lowcountry character that we all enjoy and that makes living here enjoyable. I definitely lean toward a greater ratio of open/green space to overall population
County-Wide	conservation	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	38. Traffic and road development (and new buildings that need large amounts of parking) must take runoff into account because this has a significant effect on greenspaces.
County-Wide	conservation	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	54. Need stricter regulations for beachfront and waterfront development. Riparian zones, natural infrastructure is integral for hazard mitigation
County-Wide	conservation	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	57. Consider Hwy 17 corridor plan to be included in a greenbelt plan. This road has the potential to become more of a green corridor. Work with the Transportation Committee –partner on projects
County-Wide	conservation	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	61. Greenbelt around urban and suburban areas to provide edge between rural areas.
County-Wide	conservation	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	65. greenbelt sustained around urban growth boundary, please?!
County-Wide	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	26. Purchase as much land as close “in” as possible – before its gone!!!
County-Wide	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	34. Protect wetlands and flood plains (learn from Katrina!) Emphasize passive recreation over active
County-Wide	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	35. [adding to comment 34] ditto
County-Wide	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	36. [adding to comment 34] ditto [and underlined passive from comment 34]
County-Wide	general	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	32. Address mass transit
County-Wide	general	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	27. Ensure fuel coordination among Berkeley, Dorchester, and Charleston Counties and the local governments to ensure a comprehensive plan.
County-Wide	general	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	29. With portion of the half cents going to road construction, thus destroying greenspace in the process, some portion of money from roads should be used to re-vegetate rows. Greenspace money as a last resort should be used for street trees. Building roads and greenspace degradation do not have to be a given.
County-Wide	general	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	6. This really part of Charleston County by function, or at least tri-county area [pointing b/w North Charleston and Mt.Pleasant]
County-Wide	general	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	34. Stop building more and more highways for more and more people and their multiple cars/trucks/etc. Instead, start planning for elevated mass transportation to be implemented (or begin to implement) within the next 1-2 decades. Also, the highway Department and the local governments should begin repairs and improvements to the existing highways/roads we have now.
County-Wide	general	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	7. no Mark Clark!



County-Wide	general	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	10. Maximize your dollar value by purchasing development rights from willing farm and forest owners
County-Wide	green infill	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	52. Reclaim greenspace in highly urban areas
County-Wide	green infill	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	33. Need park and ride and bike and ride with trees for shade and wildlife connect to mass transit stops. Share/reclaim parking lots for this. Use porous pavement where needed.
County-Wide	park	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	38. Mullet Hall County Park is one of the best projects, more like it.
County-Wide	park	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	72. Fred Phillips community gardens east side
County-Wide	park - urban, trail developemnt, bike lanes	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	52. Neighborhood parks, bikeways/non-vehicular modes of transit needed in ALL populated areas!
County-Wide	park, conservation	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	53. --I would like to see more greenspace, playgrounds, recreation building, space for sweetgrass to grow. Get ditches clean in area (hwy Department), and trees planted in area
County-Wide	trail development, conservation	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	15. Need more bike and walking paths; protect natural resources; passive parks that preserve lowcountry beauty, character, and wildlife that citizens can enjoy; protect natural infrastructure for water quality and quantity benefits; community and neighborhood greenspaces we can walk to, not just accessible by vehicle.
County-Wide	trail development, conservation	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	39. Greensapce along major roads detached from [roads] so you don't get squashed!
County-Wide	trail devlopment	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	11. Would like to see pervious pavement [such as] recycled tires, Dorchester Park trails, crushed seashells, porous pavement
County-Wide	trail devlopment	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	48. more biking and walking trails for Charleston County!
County-Wide	trail devlopment	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	28. Include East Coast Greenway as a major focus of the overall plan.
County-Wide	trail devlopment	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	12. Include the East Coast Greenway in the Master Plan. Some segments have been constructed but many more segments are needed. The COG and local government planners are all aware and working on the East Coast Greenway segments in their communities. This is an important project in this region. (Horry and Georgetowne counties to the north use 80% of their fed. Enhancement moneys on this project)
County-Wide	trail devlopment	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	39. Bike and walking trails/paths Ex. East Coast Greenway
County-Wide	trail devlopment	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	40. [adding to comment 39] ditto
County-Wide	trail devlopment, Bike lanes	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	35. Paths need to be consistent. Many paths/lanes stop and start with many gaps. Improvements are needed for safety
County-Wide	trail devlopment, Bike lanes	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	58. Please make Charleston a more bike-friendly community
County-Wide	trail devlopment, bike lanes, sidewalks	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	20. Need to be able to travel without a vehicle to get across the street.
County-Wide	trail devlopment, bike lanes, sidewalks	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	33. Bike Ped connections?
County-Wide	trail devlopment, bike lanes, sidewalks	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	34. Connect our suburban and urban spaces with bike and pedestrian pathways
County-Wide	trail devlopment, bike lanes, sidewalks	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	56. Allow for people to move about in their local area walking/biking without having to drive a car



County-Wide	trail development, bike lanes, sidewalks	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	5. Note the great success of Cooper R. Bridge Pedestrian/Bike walkway. More people would get out if we'd have safe and attractive places to walk and bike. Buy lots of buffer land, but please provide access to people. They get out, use it, and that builds commitment.
County-Wide	trail development, bike lanes, sidewalks	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	6. [adding on to comment 5] and bohicket and Ashley River
County-Wide	trail development, conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	58. Connect as many greenspaces together as possible i.e. "Emerald necklace"
County-Wide	trail development, conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	59. [adding to comment 58] ditto
County-Wide	trail development, conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	60. [adding to comment 58] ditto
County-Wide	water access	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	77. Citizen guide to Charleston harbor
East County	bike lane	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	10. Bike lanes along 17 to 101 Connector
East County	conservation	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	9. Protect buffer for Francis Marion National Forest and Cape Romaine National Wildlife Refuge passive use parks, Heritage Landscapes; corridors, natural infrastructure, are appropriate uses. Uses and areas are safe for road bikes and wildlife observation.
East County	conservation	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	9. Wildlife conservation areas, focus on habitat [pointing to Francis Marion National Forest]
East County	conservation	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	36. Create an urban boundary in Awensdaw area that tapers density and transistions to rural.
East County	conservation	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	11. Need in rural East Cooper: well-sited passive use park and well-designed purchase of development rights program
East County	conservation	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	13. Retain rural nature of Awendaw
East County	conservation	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	15. Land should be purchased to provide a buffer for Francis Marion National Forest and Cape Romaine NWR to maintain prescribed burns and reduce runoff pollution.
East County	conservation	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	16. McCellanville is filling up with people – it would be good to preserve greenspace within town limits.
East County	conservation	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	17. [adding to comment 16] I agree, also surrounding it on the land side there are some large tracts which could be more open but now developed (Tibwin and Walnut Grove are some which come to mind) There is a big need in S. Sautee and other unincorporated areas near the Village which need ball fields, tennis courts, swimming access to local waterways if possible. We do not need water parks, golf courses, and such things.
East County	conservation	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	18.a Prohibit personal watercraft in the creeks of Cape Romaine and Sautee Coastal Reserve.
East County	conservation	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	29. Buffering between the rural areas of Awendaw and McClellanville and the encroaching development of Mt. Pleasant is critical!
East County	general	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	9. do not widen Stead Creek road to a 4 lane road
East County	trail development, conservation	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	14. USFS has a partnership with ECG – then would like to leverage federal money to construct trails through the forest (east of highway 17)
East County	trail development	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	46. Janna larger forest service McClellanville trails (unclear)
Edisto/Wadmalaw Island	conservation	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	27. Help protect Edisto beach without renourishment project.
Edisto/Wadmalaw Island	conservation	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	28. Protect natural wildlife – they were here first



Edisto/Wadmalaw Island	conservation	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	29. Edisto is the best opportunity in Charleston County to model how open space and natural, wild resources and historical lands and rural lifestyle can be preserved! Make Edisto your preservation showcase! There is so much acreage left untouched and large tracts too! Plus Edisto provides the means to help lower income families who have lived there generations to keep their land. Greenbelt funds to purchase or facilitate conservation easements on this land is the key!
Edisto/Wadmalaw Island	conservation	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	30. Less pressure on wetlands, less development out Retain barriers
Edisto/Wadmalaw Island	conservation	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	30. Acquire areas on Edisto Island that compliment what is being taxed by non-profits and others
Edisto/Wadmalaw Island	conservation	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	31. Save the farmland in the Johns' Island Wadmalaw area and other local area's so that we can continue to support the local farmers and receive fresh local produce. Once its gone it won't come back.
Edisto/Wadmalaw Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	34. Protect Wadamalaw from inappropriate development or that which is not in line with culture
Edisto/Wadmalaw Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	36. [adding to comment 34] Ditto! No rogue infrastructure!
Edisto/Wadmalaw Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	37. [adding to comment 34] Ditto
Edisto/Wadmalaw Island	trail devlopment	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	49. Wadmalaw Is. has nothing! We need bike and walking PATHS!
Edisto/Wadmalaw Island	trail devlopment, conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	61. Edisto Island county park purchases – keep passive Save rural dirt roads. Extend bike paths along 174.
Edisto/Wadmalaw Island	trail devlopment, conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	62. [adding to comment 61] Yes!
James Island	bike lane	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	19. Bike lane on Riverlane Terrace Dr
James Island	bike lane	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	24. Finish bike path on harbor view road so it connects to connector
James Island	bike lane	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	31b. Bike lanes on Riverland and Harborview on James Island as well. Bike lane on connector to James Island.
James Island	bike lane	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	45. Folly Rd. is currently not conducive to bike traffic. A bike lane on or around this road is needed.
James Island	bike lane	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	9. Bike Lane not trails, to connect JI connector to Harboview – bike lane extended to Fort Johnson as well.
James Island	bike lane	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	20. extend bikepath on harbor view road and fort johnson road
James Island	conservation	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	22. Buy and protect McLeod Plantation
James Island	conservation	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	26. protect old coast guard station [on Folly beach]
James Island	conservation	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	32. City Park and Dill Tract Development – protect from Development
James Island	conservation	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	17. Need McLeod to be a passive park and be able to bike and walk there! Put ACB Arts on Old Navy base where it is now (part of it)
James Island	conservation	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	25. Save McLeod plantation. What was once 1500 acres and founded only 8 years after the Charles Town Colony. Now only 40 acres. Lets show the public where their half cent tax is going. Lets purchase McLeod to be the premiere park on James Island with a history trail, waterfront access, preserved cemeteries. Lets not build 21 new buildings and 2 parking lotson this National Historic Treasure. The school for the building arts can be built anywhere in the country. Why destroy this property and further the destructionof our quality of life on James Island? Thank you, Jack Duane 327-3762
James Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	1. James Island, although highly urbanized, must preserve from development. The little remaining greenspace and natural habitat – via? Purchase of development rights and protection of the entire county park, all in Chas County deserve greenspace to enhance quality of life! Save McLeod!



James Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	2. yes!
James Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	12. Cummings Point Morris Island 125 acres.
James Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	13. Protect Moriss Island, improve abandoned Coast Guard area on Folly to Lighthouse.
James Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	14. [adding to comment 13] ditto!
James Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	15. The federal government is willing to help provide money to protect Cumming's Point on Morris Island. The time to act is now!
James Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	16. [adding to comment 15] yes!
James Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	18. Save McLeod!
James Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	19. [adding to comment 18] ditto!
James Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	21. Protect scenic byway-Riverland Drive
James Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	22. [adding to comment 21] yes!
James Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	25. Protect this tidal node – sensitive to runoff – popular fishing and shrimping [pointing to Bohicket Creek]
James Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	17. Protect/restore Ft. Johnson Rd.
James Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	12. Save McLeod plantation
James Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	13. please!
James Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	15. These [arrow pointing to circled words from other comment reading "Morris Island and Long Island"] historical islands must be preserved from development! Keep it all natural (no parks)
James Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	18. save Morris Island and Long Island
James Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	19. yes!
James Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	24. Save McLeod
James Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	28. Save McLeod Plantation Historic Land
James Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	29. [adding to comment 28]Amen
James Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	30. [adding to comment 28]Yes, as Greenspace and passive park
James Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	31. [adding to comment 30]Ditto
James Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	32. [adding to comment 28]Ditto
James Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	33. [adding to comment 28]Ditto again and again!
James Island	park	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	23. [pointing to area on the souh side of Charleston Harbor] private at end of Sterling Dr. 2+ Acres potential! Park
James Island	sidewalk	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	21. Sidewalks on Dills Bluff and Fort Johnsaon
James Island	trail development, conservation	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	21. More greenspace of James Island, bike paths, sidewalks, etc.; and save McLeod!
James Island	trail devlopment	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	18. bike paths!



James Island	trail devlopment	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	28. bikepath from Harborview area to JI County park
James Island	trail devlopment	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	29. Agree with need! [adding on to comment 28]
James Island	trail devlopment, Bike lanes	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	37. Please improve bike travel safety! Pave the West Ashley Greenway, widen and improve the approach to Ben Sawyer Bridge. Spend some of this money on a real rails-to-trailsproject! We need safe connectivity between James Island, John’s Island, and West Ashley.
James Island	trail devlopment, Bike lanes	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	44. Riverland Terrace needs bike lane or greenway to allow alternative transportation.
James Island	trail devlopment, Bike lanes	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	50. As Folly Beach develops a strong corridor for bike traffic on the length of the Island will be increasingly important
James Island	trail devlopment, Bike lanes	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	51. Maybank Hwy. needs bike lane or greenway to allow alternative transportation.
James Island	trail devlopment, Bike lanes	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	21. [adding to comment 20] asphalt paths Ft. Johnson / Dills Bluff Harbor, View/Folly Rd
James Island	trail devlopment, Bike lanes	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	22. [adding to comment 20] and properly maintain
James Island	trail devlopment, Bike lanes	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	25. Extend bike path on Folly Road
James Island	trail devlopment, bike lanes, sidewalks	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	20. Need sidewalk/bike path along camp road to Folly Rd. Need connectivity! [and adding to comment 19] and/or use for CARTA stops, greensapce, small parks.
James Island	trail devlopment, sidewalks	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	19. Need sidewalks and bike paths with protective shade and/or palm trees to allow access from W. Ashley greenway to Folly Beach. Need parking lots to be partially converted to allow for park and ride bikes to Folly Beach.
Johns Island	conservation	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	34. more protection, beautification, and maintenance for River Road
Johns Island	conservation	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	26. Protect Angel Oak!
Johns Island	conservation	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	31. Save the farmland in the Johns’ Island Wadmalaw area and other local area’s so that we can continue to support the local farmers and receive fresh local produce. Once its gone it won’t come back.
Johns Island	conservation	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	55. Johns Island open and rural is important
Johns Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	23. Buy property development rights
Johns Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	24. [adding to comment 23] ditto!
Johns Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	25. Protect this tidal node – sensitive to runoff – popular fishing and shrimping [pointing to Bohicket Creek]
Johns Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	26. Protect marsh islands from development
Johns Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	27. No more shopping centers on Johns Island
Johns Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	28. [adding to comment 27] amen!
Johns Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	29. No 526
Johns Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	31. Protect scenic Bohicket Rd
Johns Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	32. [adding to comment 31] yes! Don’t cut anymore trees!
Johns Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	35. [adding to comment 34] and Johns Island too!
Johns Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	41. Preserve historic park Battle of Bloody Bridge [pointing to area by on west side of Stono River]



Johns Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	42. Conservation easement to SALR tomato fields
Johns Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	43. conservation easements [circled corner of Stono and Kiawah Rivers]
Johns Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	44. Protect John's Island rural farm land. Protect from inappropriate development
Johns Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	45. [adding to comment 44] I second this
Johns Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	46. [adding to comment 44] I concur! I agree
Johns Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	50. Expand Angel Oak park by buying property for sale by health group
Johns Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	51. [adding to comment 50] I concur!
Johns Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	52. [adding to comment 50] yes!
Johns Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	53. [adding to comment 50] Good idea!
Johns Island	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	54. Conservation easements [circled area on north corner of Wadmalaw River and Bohickel Creek]
Johns Island	trail development	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	47. Development will be able to build around the biking and hiking nature trails. Plan it now on John's Island and others places before its covered with concrete!
Johns Island	trail development	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	48. Study corridor access John's Isl. Private properties (utility corridor)
Johns Island	trail development, Bike lanes	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	37. Please improve bike travel safety! Pave the West Ashley Greenway, widen and improve the approach to Ben Sawyer Bridge. Spend some of this money on a real rails-to-trails project! We need safe connectivity between James Island, John's Island, and West Ashley.
Johns Island	trail development, Bike lanes	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	51. Maybank Hwy. needs bike lane or greenway to allow alternative transportation.
Johns Island	trail development, bike lanes, conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	37. Bike paths and greenspace for John's Island
Johns Island	trail development, bike lanes, conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	38. [adding to comment 37] [ditto's and] yes!
Johns Island	water access	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	30. Small paddle access at Mullet Hall
Johns Island	water access	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	55. Public boat landing [written on south corner of Wadmalaw River and Stono River]
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	bike lane	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	14. [put a] bike lane on Rifle Range [Rd]
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	bike lane	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	16. connect bike lane to bridge lane [on Sullivan's Island]
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	bike lane	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	13. Bike lane on route 41
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	bike lane	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	24. Extend bike lane to and along Ben Sawyer Causeway to S.I.
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	bike lane	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	2. Mark Mathis Ferry for bicycling and make it wider, traffic comes from residents
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	bike lane	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	17. Mark Rifle range road for bikes, widen road.
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	bike lane	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	23. Finish marking bike lanes and extend to Wild Dunes. Partial Marking is already there. Connect them all



Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	bike lane	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	41. A bike trail along waterway Blvd. and Palm Blvd. on the Isle of Palms
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	conservation	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	10. Corridor for wildlife range (points to southern Cape Romaine)
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	conservation	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	11. Need in rural East Cooper: well-sited passive use park and well-designed purchase of development rights program
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	conservation	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	31d. Preserve existing sweet grass marshes for cultivation and historical importance and ecological protection of the marshes in which they grow.
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	conservation	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	63. Consider the pre-existing sweetgrass conservation and production areas for marsh, rebuild ecologies. Identify and fit in new areas for greenbelt preservation for the future areas should be located near communities who historically have used areas for crafts and survival. Such areas enhance marsh wetland ecologies as well in generalized area.
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	11. Emphasizing Large parcels East of Cooper. Natural Lands, not just bike/hike stuff
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	correction	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	15. Existing DNR easement (at Patriots Point)
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	green infill	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	5. K-mart parking lot could be reclaimed as greenspace.
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	other	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	18. Do not widen Mathis Ferry Road or do anything to stall traffic, such as red lights or round-abouts. When HWY 17 is changed to accommodate more traffic, Mathis Ferry will no longer carry such a heavy load
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	park	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	4. Playground on labor Camp Rd.
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	park - urban	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	2. urban parks must be included in this plan, not just rural protection
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	park - urban	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	21. Mt. Pleasant needs another large park that is multi-use. I'm thinking of something similar to James Island County park or Palmetto Island County Park. Need a large park near Carolina Park master planned community.
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	park - urban	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	22. [adding to comment 21] I second this, more parks needed in Mt. Pleasant
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	park - urban	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	23. [adding to comment 21] I third this! More parks in Mt. Pleasant!
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	park - urban	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	24. [adding to comment 21] Agreed!
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	park - urban	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	27. Need playground near town center
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	park - urban	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	33. In Mt. Pleasant, create more areas like downtown's waterfront park or the playground and with old live oaks across from Alhambra Hall.
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	park, conservation	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	10. Need to protect Harlbeck Creek from --towne golf course. There is a bridge at the end of parker Island Road. This is a community land mark. It needs repair and money to maintain it. Dunes west and Park West has clear cut for development, the Phillips community wants a buffer between the two communities will not be development or clear cut. Phillips community is in the county, we need space for recreation and playground
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	park, trail development, water access	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	25. Need an interconnected tapestry of parks, trails, and water access that provides recreational and fitness opportunities. Weave path over utility right of ways to provide biking, running, walking, and hiking opportunities interspersed with parks, playgrounds, and ball fields. By using utility right of ways, gets bikes, walkers, to safer and more enjoyable areas (away from 17 N). Think rails-to trails spread across all types of utilities.



Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	trail development, conservation	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	1. When Hungry Neck Blvd is extended north to Porcher's Bluff Rd. a greenbelt should be purchased with the row for a linear park and bikeway. Or buy land along Rifle Range Rd. for a linear park and bikeway.
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	trail development, conservation	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	26. There is a dedicated public right of way on Goat Island which could be greenspace trails, paths, gardens. This is adjacent to a large conservation easement (LOCLT)
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	trail development	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	14. Improve bike access on existing path [pointing to coastline along Isle of Palms]
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	trail development	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	23. Ben Sawyer Bridge: allow bike/pedestrian access.
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	trail development	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	3. Mountain
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	trail development	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	5. [building on comment 3]Example: Legend park in Clayton NC – has different levels of skill areas – ensures safety
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	trail development	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	28. Need a WO&D (it's in Northern Virginia and is hugely popular and successful) type biking and hiking trail in Mt. Pleasant
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	trail development, Bike lanes	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	43. Bike route [pointing to drawn route following rails from North Charleston to Charleston harbor and across to Mt. Pleasant]
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	trail development, Bike lanes	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	4. Connect and improve existing bike paths. More people would use bicycles for work or errands and save on gas if access was logically developed (also applies bus routes and buses with bike racks)
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	trail development, Bike lanes	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	3. Greenway or bike lanes to allow transportation via bike or hiking Charleston to Georgetown and specifically for commuters to travel Mt. Pleasant to downtown for work, shopping, and recreation.
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	trail development, Bike lanes	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	40. Mt. Pleasant needs more paths for mopeds, foot-powered bikes and walkers. Nothing is presently designed to encourage these modes of transportation. Neither does any one if the local governments encourage other modes of transportation to get about here. To live here one needs a fossil-fuel powered vehicle! Not good!
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	trail development, Bike lanes	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	17. add a bikepath to bridge [line drawn from Isle of Palms through marshland to mainland]
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	trail development, bike lanes, sidewalks	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	42. [pointing to Sullivan's Island] "New" Bridge should include separate pedestrian/bike bridge. IoP County Park is getting overwhelmed; need another beach park in front of Cooper area.
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	trail development, bike lanes, sidewalks	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	59. increase width of Ben Sawyer Blvd. to allow for a bike and pedestrian lane from Mt. Pleasant to Sullivan's Island. The current path is too small for walkers, or cyclists.
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	trail development, water access	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	16. There needs to be an access path to Ocean Blvd. close to the parking lot at Breach Inlet. The city has a pump station on Charleston. Put in a bike/run/walk path here.
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	water access	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	9. Buy Republic traffic for waterfront park
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	water access	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	43. More public beach access, not recreation
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	water access, conservation	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	36. More beachfront/water access in East Cooper area, Do not include active greensapce uses for greenspace (no pools, sports fields, etc.).
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	water access, green infill	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	7. Use OK Tire Store lot for a public waterfront park with boardwalks and dock access on Shem Creek.
Mt. Pleasant/East Cooper	water access, green infill	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	8. [adding to comment 7] yes!
North Charleston	bike lane	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	4. [need] bike lane (on state hwy 7 bridge)
North Charleston	bike lane	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	45. Bike paths on Cosgrove bridge



North Charleston	bike lane	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	46. [adding on to comment 45] ditto
North Charleston	conservation	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	2. Protect the greensapce in Wands Woods.
North Charleston	conservation	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	6. Port Area should be ecotourism.
North Charleston	conservation	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	7. Save Grand oak trees!
North Charleston	green infill	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	3. Clean up and redevelop greenfields and brownfields
North Charleston	green infill	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	8. Reclaim old Navy base
North Charleston	other	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	5. Keep boat container terminal off Navy base.
North Charleston	park	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	51. Great need for a community park on East Moutague Avenue (Liberty Hill)
North Charleston	sidewalk	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	1. Sidewalks on Rivers Avenue and Northsaide Drive to Ward Avenue.
North Charleston	sidewalk	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	3. Need sidewalks to be added where missing along all of Sam Ritt Blvd. and connect to retrofit North Bridge to N. Chas. Make sure handicap accessible!
North Charleston	sidewalk	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	39. Enhance sidewalk on Hwy 61 from base of Ashley Bridge to Moreland Subdivision to allow for safe pedestrian use.
North Charleston	trail devlopment	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	6. Rail Corridor, could build bike/pedesrtrain path along
North Charleston	trail devlopment	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	7. Need bike and walking path retrofit! [along Ashley River, and state hwy 7 bridge)
North Charleston	trail devlopment	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	1. Bike paths especially along rivers. Dorchester, N. Rhett Ext.
North Charleston	trail devlopment	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	4. Lots of old rail lines through the "neck" area could be developed
North Charleston	trail devlopment	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	38. Bike paths and routes in Summerville, Old and New, through Goose Creek to Wanamaker Park
North Charleston	trail devlopment	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	40. Old rail to new bike and pedestrian trail to airport
North Charleston	trail devlopment	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	42. Pressure Charleston landing bike path – sidewalks to Charlestowne landing
North Charleston	trail devlopment, Bike lanes	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	2. N. Charleston bike paths/lanes needed.
North Charleston	trail devlopment, Bike lanes	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	43. Bike route [pointing to drawn route following rails from North Charleston to Charleston harbor and across to Mt. Pleasant]
North Charleston	trail devlopment, Bike lanes	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	38. We need more bicyce paths in the Crowfield area. How about designing a bike route from the Naval Weapons Station?
North Charleston	trail devlopment, bike lanes, sidewalks	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	3. Northbridge bike and pedestrian lane is desperately needed here for the many people who use this as their main transportation corridor.
North Charleston	trail devlopment, bike lanes, sidewalks	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	4. ditto
North Charleston	water access	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	7. More access to rivers and streams by general public.
North Charleston	water access	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	8. [adding to comment 7] but not motorboats.
West Ashley	bike lane	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	4. [need] bike lane (on state hwy 7 bridge)
West Ashley	bike lane	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	20. Repair [bike lane on 17, from Charleston to Ravenel]
West Ashley	bike lane	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	23. glass in connector [on bridge]
West Ashley	bike lane	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	16. [adding to 15] and bike lanes
West Ashley	bike lane	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	45. Bike paths on Cosgrove bridge
West Ashley	bike lane	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	46. [adding on to comment 45] ditto
West Ashley	bike lane	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	22. Bike lane to connect downtown to West Ashley/ S. Windermere
West Ashley	conservation	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	39. No more Poplar Grove style developments
West Ashley	conservation	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	40. Protection on the scenic Ashley River and Ashley River Road is crucial. These are important resources.
West Ashley	conservation	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	41. [adding on to comment 40] yes!



West Ashley	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	69. Protect [circled area NNE of the start of Stono River]
West Ashley	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	71. Protect Ashley River corridor. Consider bike/walking trail along Ashley River Road
West Ashley	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	73. Protect Ashley river corridor from inappropriate development
West Ashley	correction	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	50. State, not federal preserve [points to northmost strip of Ashley River]
West Ashley	green infill	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	74. Improve/acquire lands adjacent to RR from SC 61 to west Ashley Park (not West Ashley bikeway)
West Ashley	park	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	33. need a playground or park in Melrose
West Ashley	park	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	75. Regional Park W. Ashley
West Ashley	trail development	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	7. Need bike and walking path retrofit! [along Ashley River, and state hwy 7 bridge)
West Ashley	trail development	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	17. Connect greenways to city
West Ashley	trail development	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	24. need to retrofit to allow safe walking, bicycling, an wheelchair access across both Ashley River Bridges. Also make connection to West Ashley Greenway
West Ashley	trail development	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	25. hot asphalt = hot impervious – contrary to concept of real environmental stewardship – greenspaces, not blackspaces
West Ashley	trail development	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	35. Pavement markers and signage [pointing to Ashley river greenway]
West Ashley	trail development	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	36. no bike provisions [written along railroad]
West Ashley	trail development	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	38. Make improvements to this trail, police to keep motorized vehicles off trail. [Ashley river Greenway]
West Ashley	trail development	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	39. [still referring to Ashley River Greenway] Maintenance a problem – mowing Betsy Raod crossover Vision a problem with overgrowth, traffic crossings – speeding.
West Ashley	trail development	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	40. [Referring to Ashley River Greenway] Scenic vistas are great! Need part of greenway paved for bikes and wheelchair access. Need some left unpaved for jogging. Need to connect at main road over Stono River Bridge to John's Island
West Ashley	trail development	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	49. 61 corridor, scenic highway, nearby greenspace, good for trail
West Ashley	trail development	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	12. Use native trees along path
West Ashley	trail development	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	18. Extend West Ashley Greenway to marsh
West Ashley	trail development	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	22. Approve the bike/pedestrian approaches to the Ashley Bridges.
West Ashley	trail development	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	34. Need sidewalk/bike path along Stenson Rd. and Dupont Rd. This area is used a lot by pedestrians but not safe currently due to traffic! Need trees added for traffic calming and wildlife.
West Ashley	trail development	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	37. The West Ashley Greenway needs to be completed such that one can cross the Ashley River Bridge into downtown. Very easy for some to walk or bike to downtown jobs and recreation.
West Ashley	trail development	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	41. bicycle path on Hwy 61 can be done where the telephone poles are.
West Ashley	trail development	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	44. West Ashley Greenway extended with branches
West Ashley	trail development	East Cooper, Map#2 9/22/05	60. Extend and upgrade West Ashley greenway bike and running paths.
West Ashley	trail development	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	5. [dotted arrow pointing to highlighted road west of Ashley River in Charleston] Opportunity for improvement!
West Ashley	trail development	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	6. west ashley greenway – add access to adjoining neighborhoods / cut bushes and trees off path / increase safety at road crossings
West Ashley	trail development	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	7. ditto!
West Ashley	trail development	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	8. Yes!



West Ashley	trail development, Bike lanes	East Cooper, Map#1 9/22/05	37. Please improve bike travel safety! Pave the West Ashley Greenway, widen and improve the approach to Ben Sawyer Bridge. Spend some of this money on a real rails-to-trailsproject! We need safe connectivity between James Island, John’s Island, and West Ashley.
West Ashley	trail development, Bike lanes	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	1. Asheville/Maryville Bikeway Extension and pier at river
West Ashley	trail development, bike lanes, sidewalks	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	3. Northbridge bike and pedestrian lane is desperately needed here for the many people who use this as their main transportation corridor.
West Ashley	trail development, bike lanes, sidewalks	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	4. ditto
West Ashley	trail development, bike lanes, sidewalks	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	3. Cautileiur structure off Ashe River Bridge for Bike/Ped. Access – convert to W.A.G.
West Ashley	trail development, park, conservation	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	45. Providence Commons – 7 acres behind Sturhs Funeral Home was protected wetland reclassified in the dead of night now high industrial. No trees cut down yet. Make it a park/fitness trail. [pointing to area on southern edge of Charleston]
West Ashley	trail development, sidewalks	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	15. Need to add numerous trees along sidewalk along Sav. Hwy to make it more “green” and provide shade for walkers and wheelchair users. Trees should also slow traffic to allow more human scale and safer for pedestrians. Need safer crosswalks with medians (with trees added) and allow for resting spot to allow people to cross safely
West Ashley	trail development, water access	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	27. Maryville/Asheville bike path Extension to the river will give people west of Ashely access to the Ashley river to west Ashley citizen’s.
West Ashley	water access	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	10. No paddling access for 10 miles on Stono River CBTY Maybank – Sollagare – need more access! Try to buy small parcels on various waterways to provide paddling access with simple “throw-ins” – not much needed in terms construction and place to park a few cars. The same problem with water access occurs in numerous places in our country. Buy some small parcels and allow people more ways to get in water.
West Ashley	water access	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	11. [adding to comment 10] Another example – much of the scenic Ashley (plantation area) not accessible easily by paddling. Paddling information - check with Ralph Earhart, author of Paddling Charleston (lives near Charleston landing). Need public access to James Island.
West Ashley	water access	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	76. Asleyville/Maryville pier and path
West County	bike lane	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	27. extend lane [in Ravenel]
West County	conservation	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	30. Less pressure on wetlands, less development out Retain barriers
West County	conservation	Johns Island, Map#1 9/22/05	33. Buy property development rights [points to area east of Hollywood, across Wadamalaw River]
West County	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	56. Dixie plantation café. Potential nature center [circled area directly across Wadmalaw River from comment 54]
West County	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	63. Use the greenspace Chas County already owns and wants to use (the historic landscape) as a municipal solid waste landfill known as Hwy 17S landfill site. Its mostly wetlands and has already cost TAXPAYERS and estimated \$4 million TO DATE
West County	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	64. [adding to comment 63] (754 acres) FEMA \$\$ Wetland Bank? African American Garrow Report – Rural Historic Landscape
West County	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	65. [adding to comment 63] I second this please



West County	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	66. Battlefield Plantation (Stono Rebellion Site Mead Westvaco)
West County	conservation	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	67. Connect the three private lands into one! [circled Ravenal and Hollywood]
West County	trail development	Central, Map#1 9/21/05	36. no bike provisions [written along railroad]
West County	trail development	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	70. Acquire RR ROW where blocked south of Main Rd. south in Hollywood or alternative route [arrow pointed to railroad parallel to HWY 17]
West County	trail development, Bike lanes	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	68. [arrow pointing to HWY 17] should be paved for road bikes as well
West County	trail development, bike lanes, sidwalks	Central, Map#2 9/21/05	31. Bike/pedestrian along 17...and/or off road
West County	water access	Johns Island, Map#2 9/22/05	57. Small boat access [in Megett]



B.3 March Public Meetings

This section provides a summary of the March Public Meetings that took place on March 6, 7, 8, and 9, 2006. The purpose of the meetings was to invite the citizens of Charleston County to view and respond to the Draft Comprehensive Greenbelt Plan; to view a series of Greenbelt Component Maps (see Chapter 4, p.4-9); and to hear feedback on the draft in the form of question and answer and through public comment forms. Meetings were conducted on March 6 at the John’s Island Public Library, March 7 at the Charleston Museum, March 8 at the Charleston County Public Services Building and March 9 at the Mount Pleasant Public Library. The meetings were attended by 180 County residents. The project consultant began each meeting with a presentation of the Draft Comprehensive Greenbelt Plan. This was followed by an open question and answer session. Each meeting concluded with residents reviewing the draft plan maps and filling out a public comment form. The results of the public comment form were summarized by County staff.

B.3.1 March Public Comment Results

145 County residents filled out and returned the March public comment form to Charleston County. The results of this public input follow:

Question 1: Do you support the recommendations of the Draft Greenbelts Plan as presented by the GAB and consultant?

73% were in favor;
26% were opposed;
1% other

Question 2: Do you support the greenspace goals articulated within the Comprehensive Greenbelts Plan?

82% in favor;
14% opposed;
4% other

Question 3: Please rank the order of importance for all Greenbelt components:

#1 ranked Lowcountry Wetlands;
#2 ranked Greenway Corridors;
#3 ranked Rural Greenbelt Lands;
#4 ranked Urban Greenbelt Lands;
#5 ranked Francis Marion National Forest;
#6 ranked PRC Parkland.

Question 4: Do you support the funding allocation model in the Plan, that defines a 70% allocation of Greenbelt funding for rural lands and a 30% allocation of Greenbelt funding for urban lands?

57% yes;
12 % no;
21% suggested alternate funding formulas;
10% other.

Question 5: Do you prefer that the County fund Greenbelt projects as soon as possible, or spread the funding out over 25 years?

84% in favor of obtaining funds now;
10% in favor of spreading funding over 25 years;
6% other

