

In 1994, Roscommon Township, Denton Township and Lake Township collaborated in producing the Houghton Lake Area-Wide Master Plan for Land Use (“1994 Plan”). In 2001, Denton Township and Roscommon Township, with the assistance of Lapham Associates, reviewed the 1994 Plan and prepared the South Houghton Lake Area Master Plan Update and Strategic Plan of Action (“2001 Plan Update”), which found that the 1994 Plan was still well-founded and identified work that still, remained to be done.

In 2009, Roscommon Township and Denton Township, with the assistance of Fahey Schultz Burzych Rhodes PLC, each adopted ordinances and entered into an agreement under the Joint Municipal Planning Act, MCL 125.131, et seq, forming a joint planning commission between the two townships.

In 2010, the Roscommon County Planning Commission, with the assistance of Lapham Associates, produced the Roscommon County Master Plan for Land Use, which provided a wealth of background data regarding the entire County and identified a number of actions designed to improve the County’s economic development.

In early 2015, the Denton Township and Roscommon Township Joint Planning Commissions, with the assistance of Fahey Schultz Burzych Rhodes PLC, began review of the current conditions in the two Townships to determine whether additional modifications should be made to the prior plans. The results of that review are contained in this 2016 Joint Master Plan.

After several meetings of the Joint Planning Commission, a proposed plan has been approved for distribution by Denton and Roscommon Township Boards in August of 2016. This proposed plan will soon be available for public review, a hearing will be set to receive written and oral comments from the public; surrounding planning commissions; county planning commission as well as public utility companies; and any other government entity that registers its name and mailing address for review with the planning commission.

Please stay tuned for updated information.