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Fairbanks North Star Borough

Comprehensive Roads Plan

Jan-Feb 2023 Open House



Project Purpose

To evaluate and update the 1991 Comprehensive Roads Plan to **improve the current and future road network** by creating appropriate and **strategic road corridors and access points** across the borough. This process aims to:



Bring together and build from the knowledge of residents, community leaders, transportation experts, and the private sector.



Understand how the borough has and is projected to grow and change, and related challenges and opportunities for a future roads network.



Take advantage of new and improved data on things like permafrost, wetlands, and other topographical features.



Share and document examples of successes and lesson learned from the 1991 Plan and related roads policies.

The Plan **DOES**:

- ...provide guidance and plan for future road corridors and land access while facilitating the securing of legal right-of-way (ROW) and physical road development through the land subdivision process.
- ...assign a purpose for a future road corridor through a functional classification that is tied to the FNSB's subdivision development process.
- ...encourage and support the FNSB and developers working together to develop a road system that protects the health, safety, and well-being of the community.

The Plan **DOES NOT**:

■ ...allow the Borough to:

- Acquire or "take" private property.
- Force roads through private property. Corridors in the plan will only be dedicated on private property at the time owners subdivide their land
- ...draw hard, fixed, unchangeable lines on a map development patterns and other change may call for alternative road corridors in the future the plan and related actions will respond and adapt to these changes.
- ...act as a barrier to development. Instead, the plan is a tool to increase collaboration, communication, and teamwork between FNSB, residents and the developer community.

Project Schedule

Spring 2021: Launch & Discover

- Convene Steering Committee
- Conduct initial research



Summer 2021-Summer 2022: Learn & Listen

- Invite public input
- Compile & analyze data
- Conduct Community Open Houses



Winter 2021/Fall 2022: Draft & Review

- Develop visionm, goals, strategies & actions
- Prepare maps & conduct Steering Committee review



Winter/Spring 2022-2023: Finalize & Adopt

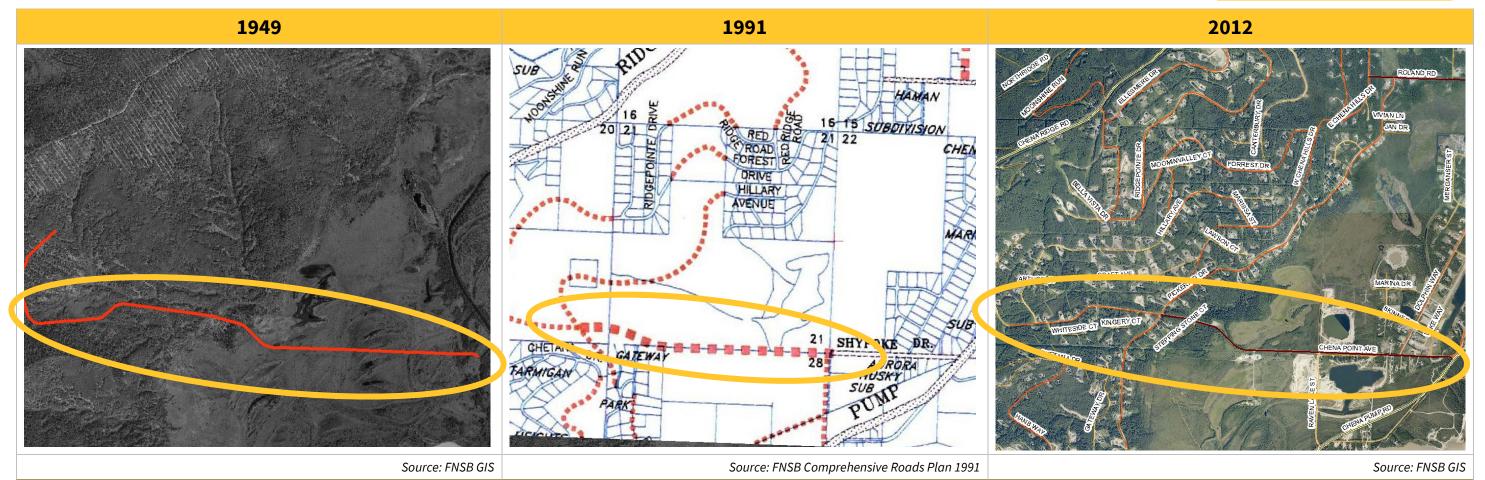
- Conduct Community Open Houses
- Develop draft plan
- Collect input on goals, strategies & maps
- Adopt plan



How the Plan is Implemented

- > Road corridors in the plan will only be dedicated on private property at the time that landowners subdivide.
- > The subdivision process allows for some flexibility in road alignment and design if the alternative corridor achieves the same goals as the connection identified in the plan.
- > The Road Plan is intended to encourage and support the FNSB and developers working together to develop a road system that protects the health, safety, and well-being of the community.

1991 Plan Progress – One Example of How a Line on a Map Became a Road in an FNSB Neighborhood: Chena Point Avenue



Chena Point Avenue Today

- Required incremental dedication from multiple private/public properties
- One of the most traveled roadways in FNSB

- Major Collector that serves:
 - 4+ minor collectors
 - 10+ local collectors
 - Hundreds of private lots

- Chena Point Service Area
- Surface treatment

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