

## **Goals, Objectives, and Strategies of the Green Mountain Scenic Byway Corridor Management Entity**

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### **Goal 1. It is a goal of the CME to preserve, maintain, protect and enhance the intrinsic resources of the Byway Corridor.**

#### Objective 1.1- Secure lands within the corridor for the purposes of preservation, restoration, and recreation.

Strategy 1.1.1 – Identify environmentally sensitive lands within the corridor for preservation and restoration. Promote and participate in plant and wildlife surveys and inventories.

Strategy 1.1.2 – Promote and expedite the implementation of the Lake Apopka Greenways and Trails Master Plan.

Strategy 1.1.3 – Support the expansion of the Oakland Nature Preserve.

Strategy 1.1.4 – Support the acquisition of land and easements to provide access from the Scenic Byway to the St John's River Water Management District's North Shore Restoration Area at Clay Island.

Strategy 1.1.5 – Support the development of the Ferndale Preserve.

#### Objective 1.2 – Preserve the corridor viewshed.

Strategy 1.2.1 – Promote changes in comprehensive growth plans and work with local developers to preserve the skyline and buffer new development.

Strategy 1.2.2 – Identify and seek grants for the purchase of scenic easements within the corridor, and seek voluntary agreements with landowners for such easements.

Strategy 1.2.3 – Buffer existing and future industrial and commercial development. Encourage and promote the use of native plant species in landscape buffers.

Objective 1.3 – Revitalize Montverde’s Town Center

Strategy 1.3.1 – Partner with the Town of Montverde in creating and implementing a program to enhance the Town Center.

Objective 1.4 – Preserve and revitalize Oakland’s West Side.

Strategy 1.4.1 – Partner with the Town of Oakland, local civic groups, residents and churches in creating and implementing a community revitalization program.

Objective 1.5 - Preserve the rural character of the unincorporated community of Ferndale.

Strategy 1.5.1 – Partner with the Friends of Ferndale, Lake County, and other groups and organizations in the creation and implementation of a plan to preserve the rural character of Ferndale.

Objective 1.6 – Identify, Preserve and Restore the Historic, Archaeological, and Cultural Resources of the Scenic Byway Corridor

Strategy 1.6.1 – Identify and apply for grants suitable for historical, archaeological, and cultural surveys within the corridor.

Strategy 1.6.2 – Promote and support the preservation and restoration of historic buildings, sites and areas. Work to list eligible buildings, sites, and areas on the National Register of Historic Places.

Strategy 1.6.3 – Promote and support the creation of the Oakland Three Cemeteries Trail.

Strategy 1.6.4 – Promote and support a comprehensive and definitive archaeological study of the Old St Paul Missionary Baptist Church African American Cemetery.

Strategy 1.6.5 – Support the completion of Oakland’s Old Town Hall History Center and Montverde’s Fish Camp Cabin History Center.

Strategy 1.6.6 – Promote, support and expand cultural aspects of events such as Oakland Heritage Day and Montverde Day.

Strategy 1.6.7 – Promote and support programs that enhance knowledge of the corridor’s Cultural Resources.

**Goal 2. It is a goal of the CME to maintain the Scenic Byway as an international destination for touring and competitive cyclists, to maintain and improve the safety of bicyclists, pedestrians, and motorists as they interact on the byway, while preserving the intrinsic resources of the corridor.**

Objective 2.1 – Make road improvements to the corridor in order to safely accommodate growing numbers of cyclists, pedestrians, and motorists.

Strategy 2.1.1 – Construct wide and well marked bike lanes along the roadway.

Strategy 2.1.2 – Continue involvement with Lake County’s Bicycle/Pedestrian Committee.

Strategy 2.1.3 - Work with local development interests to encourage pedestrian and bicycle friendly improvements.

Strategy 2.1.4 – Identify and apply for grants suitable for the construction of bicycle improvements.

Objective 2.2 – Reduce tensions between cyclists and drivers.

Strategy 2.2.1 – Create and implement a program that will include advance public notices and informational signage that coordinates large cycling events with the local community.

**Goal 3. It is a goal of the CME to involve the community to the maximum extent possible, and to act with the support of the community.**

Objective 3.1 – Increase community involvement.

Strategy 3.1.1 – Hold regularly scheduled, noticed meetings at a time and place convenient for the public.

Strategy 3.1.2 – Further develop the Scenic Byway Website.

Strategy 3.1.3 – Create an email newsletter.

Strategy 3.1.4 – Invite and encourage community input on a continuing basis.

**Goal 4. It is a goal of the CME to increase the public's awareness of the Green Mountain Scenic Byway Corridor's unique intrinsic resources and the value of these resources to the community and state.**

Objective 4.1 – Educate the local community and the traveling public about the Corridor's resources.

Strategy 4.1.1 – Further develop the Scenic Byway Website.

Strategy 4.1.2 – Produce an educational brochure emphasizing the uniqueness of the Corridor's resources.

Strategy 4.1.3 – Further develop and refine presentational materials used for meetings with the public.

Strategy 4.1.4 – Develop and construct roadside educational signage.

Strategy 4.1.5 – Construct information kiosks at appropriate sites on the Scenic Byway. Possible sites include the Oakland Nature Preserve and the Ferndale Preserve.

Strategy 4.1.6 – Support and promote the Town of Oakland's Old Town Hall History Center and the Town of Montverde's Fish Camp Cabin History Center.

**Goal 5. It is a goal of the CME to protect, enhance and promote the Byway as a recreational resource, as well as support the development of an environmentally sustainable eco tourism and heritage tourism industry.**

Objective 5.1 – Protect and improve existing recreational resources.

Strategy 5.1.1 - Make road improvements to the corridor in order to accommodate growing numbers of pedestrians, cyclists and motorists.

Strategy 5.1.2 – Improve access to Lake Apopka and the North Shore Restoration Area.

Strategy 5.1.3 – Promote bird watching on Lake Apopka; cooperate and partner with groups such as Orange and Oklawaha Audubon.

Strategy 5.1.4 – Support the development of the Ferndale Preserve.

Objective 5.2 – Create new recreational resources.

Strategy 5.2.1 - Promote and expedite the implementation of the Lake Apopka Greenways and Trails Master Plan, with initial emphasis on the completion of the Lake Apopka Loop Trail.

Strategy 5.2.2 – Continue support for the Montverde Greenway Bicycle and Pedestrian Trail.

Strategy 5.2.3 – Support the public acquisition of lands for open space, green space, and passive recreation, and to link these lands by bicycle/pedestrian trails, wildlife corridors, and blue ways.

**Goal 6. It is a goal of the CME to support and enhance the restoration of Lake Apopka.**

Objective 6.1 – Support the Saint Johns River Water Management District's Lake Apopka Restoration efforts.

Strategy 6.1.1 - Support and monitor the implementation of the Apopka Basin Development Design and Resource Protection Ordinance.

Strategy 6.1.2 – Support and monitor the implementation of the Lake Apopka Phosphorus Discharge Rule.

Strategy 6.1.3 – Educate the public to the importance of the restoration effort by including an update on the effort in all Scenic Byway presentations.

Strategy 6.1.4 – Continue to partner and support groups such as the Friends of Lake Apopka in protecting and restoring Lake Apopka.

Strategy 6.1.5 – Support and closely cooperate with the Lake Apopka Basin Planning Initiative.

Strategy 6.1.6 – In partnership with the Friends of Lake Apopka, the Oakland Nature Preserve, and other groups, create and implement an educational program to educate the public on the restoration of Lake Apopka.

**Goal 7. It is a goal of the CME to support the Comprehensive Plans of the local governments with jurisdictions within the Scenic Byway Corridor.**

Objective 7.1 -The plans and actions of the CME shall be consistent with those of the local governments.

Strategy 7.1.1 - The Vision, Corridor Management Plan, and Action Plan shall support the Comprehensive Plans of the following local governments:

Lake County  
The Town of Montverde  
The Town of Oakland  
Orange County  
The City of Winter Garden

Strategy 7.1.2 - Policies and initiatives of the CME that are not directly addressed by local comprehensive plans shall be consistent with the comprehensive plan's intent and goals.