

Draft Regulations

Frequently Asked Questions – General Questions

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Q: Why haven't you recommended that the County establish a zoning system? This would solve many of our land use conflicts that directly relate to incompatibility.

A: Zoning can be a very useful tool as a means to reasonably regulate land use. However, it is not desired by many citizens of unincorporated Benton County and isn't absolutely necessary provided that Benton County establish a good alternative land use regulatory system that reasonably protects property values and quality of life of all citizens while allowing abundant freedom and flexibility to establish businesses in the county that provide jobs and tax revenues. We believe we have developed such a system based on compatibility predicated on performance standards and land use classifications. The system does not have a zoning map or any geographically defined zones so it is not zoning.