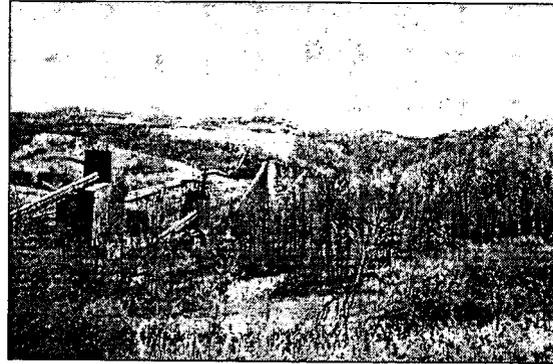
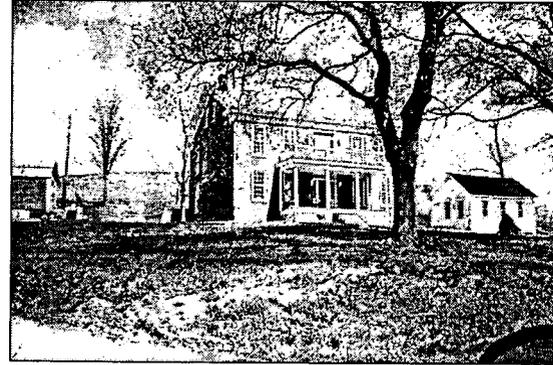
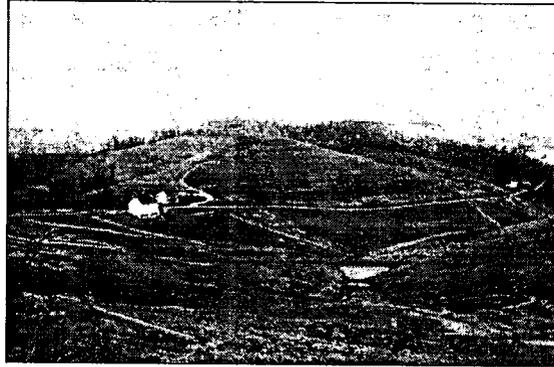


# WHITELEY TOWNSHIP COMPREHENSIVE PLAN 2000



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## **1. Introduction**

### **(i.) Communities Resolution For Adoption**

**Whiteley Township, Greene County**  
**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

A RESOLUTION OF WHITELEY TOWNSHIP, COUNTY OF GREENE, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA ADOPTING THE WHITELEY TOWNSHIP COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, JUNE 13, 2000 AS PREPARED BY THE WHITELEY TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS AND FACILITATED BY MACKIN ENGINEERING COMPANY, PURSUANT TO ARTICLE III OF ACT 247, AS AMENDED, OF THE PENNSYLVANIA MUNICIPALITIES PLANNING CODE.

**WHEREAS,** A copy of the Comprehensive Plan, which includes text, maps, charts and any other items which form the whole of the Comprehensive Plan is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

**WHEREAS,** the Comprehensive Plan was sent to the Greene County Planning Department on April 14, 2000; and

**WHEREAS,** the Comprehensive Plan was sent to the contiguous municipalities for review and comment on April 14, 2000; and

**WHEREAS,** the Comprehensive Plan was sent to the school district for review and comment on April 14, 2000; and

**WHEREAS,** the Comprehensive Plan was made available for public review in the Municipal Building; and

**WHEREAS,** the Whiteley Township Supervisors held a public hearing on June 13, 2000 to hear and consider public comments; and

**WHEREAS,** the Township has found that the Comprehensive Plan is beneficial to the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the Township.

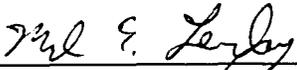
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WHITELEY TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS,** and it is hereby resolved and enacted by the authority of the same:

**SECTION I.** The Whiteley Township Supervisors, by this resolution, adopts the Comprehensive Plan, as attached hereto as Exhibit "A", pursuant to Article III of the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code.

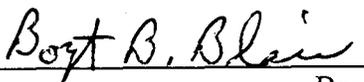
**SECTION II.** Any and all previous Comprehensive Plan documents are hereby repealed.

RESOLVED AND ENACTED THIS DAY OF June 13, 2000.

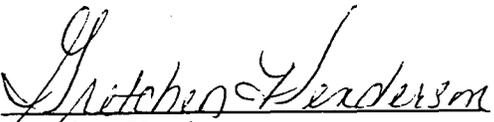
WHITELEY TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS

  
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Mark E. Lemley, Chairman

  
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Richard L. Patton

  
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Boyt B. Blair

ATTEST:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Gretchen Henderson,  
Township Secretary

## (ii.) Community Development Objectives

The community development objectives were developed by the compiling information from resident surveys, stakeholder interviews, and evaluating the strengths and weaknesses of the community.

- Preserve the rural atmosphere of Whiteley Township
- Work with RAG Mining to acquire land and provide financial assistance to municipality
- Encourage the development of public water systems
- Provide additional recreational opportunities for local residents
- Diversify land use within the Township
- Inspire community volunteerism
- Protect the natural beauty of the township
- Promote the municipality to surrounding population centers and regional employers to attract new residents
- Protect property values
- Encourage development to be aesthetically compatible to surround land uses
- Continue to provide current level road maintenance
- Attract new employment opportunities for township residents
- Maintain low property taxes

### (iii.) What is a Comprehensive Plan?

Properly done, a comprehensive plan describes how, and at what pace, the community desires to develop physically, economically, and socially. It can help a community affect its growth and development and can be an important tool to prevent degradation of natural resources, preserve prime agricultural land, protect historic buildings, maintain the commercial and economic base, provide good public facilities, or improve the quality of the housing stock.

The comprehensive plan is the only public document that describes the community as a whole in terms of its complex and mutually supporting networks. It is also a package of policies that can respond to anticipated conditions and work together for the municipality as a whole. As a policy statement of long-term goals, it provides both a broad perspective and a guide to short-term community decisions.

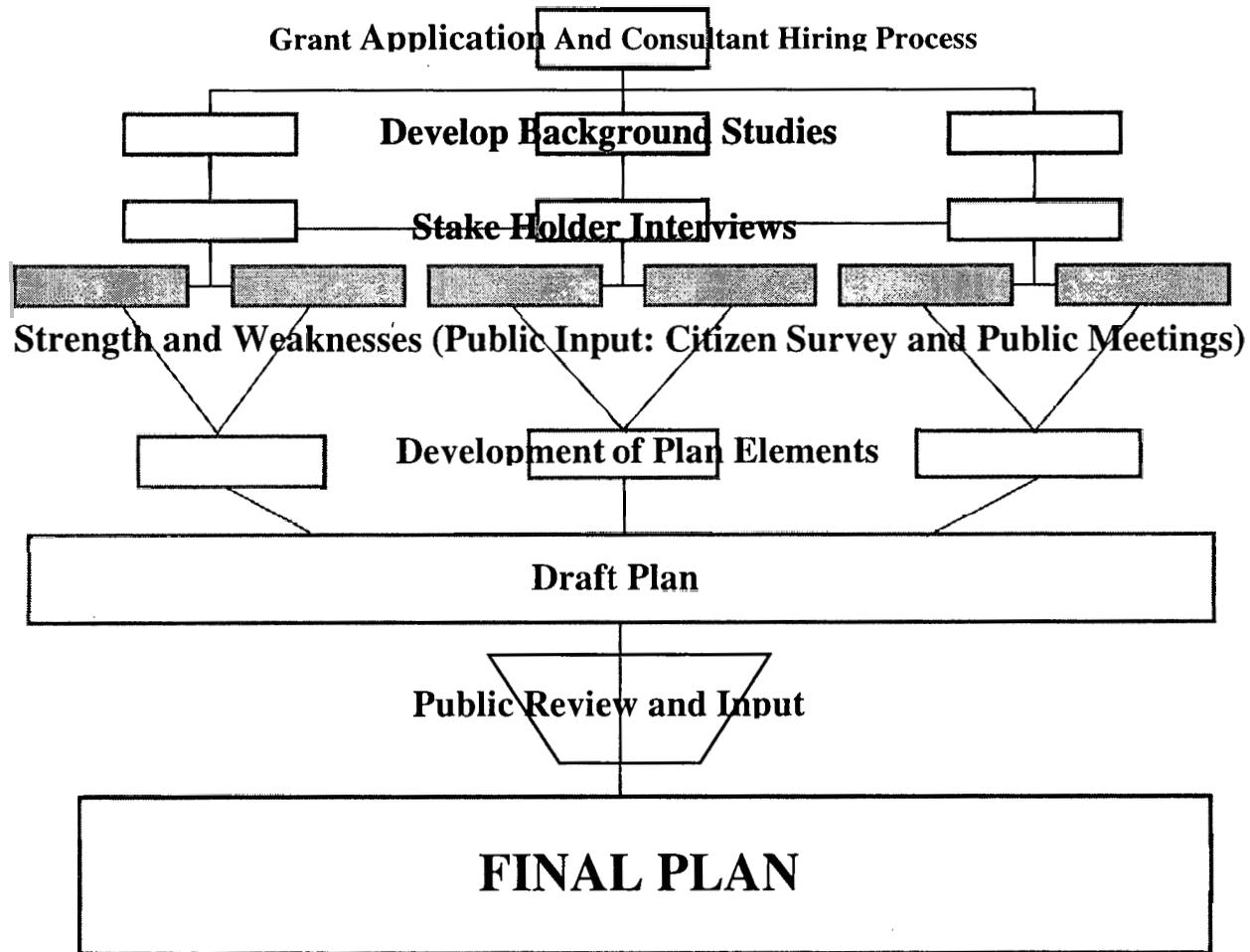
The Whiteley Township Comprehensive Plan prepared by Mackin Engineering Company is in accordance with the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code (Act 170 of 1988). Although it is not a legal binding document, once adopted by Township Supervisors, this document will be the official statement for future development in Whiteley Township.

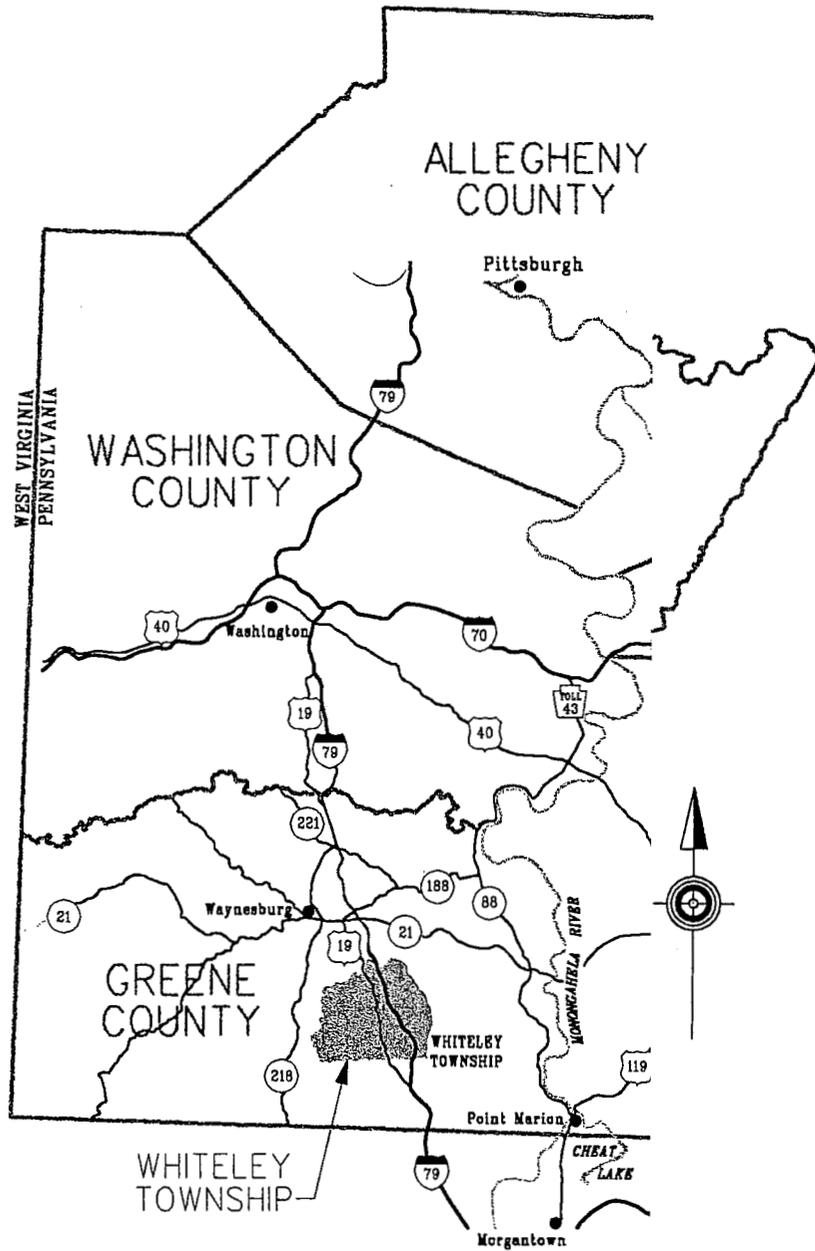
**In short, the Whiteley Township Comprehensive Plan will be:**

- general guidelines for future development of all land in a manner which will promote the public health, safety, morals and general welfare of all residents;
- a promotion of the public interest of all residents, rather than the interest of individuals or special interest groups;
- a public policy guide to decision making regarding the physical development of the community;
- strategies for future land use, housing, economic development, natural, cultural and historic features, transportation, community facilities and services, parks, recreation and open space;
- a statement of the past and present conditions of the community;
- a description of how, and at what pace, the community desires to develop physically, economically and socially;
- an expression of the community's "vision" of the optimally desirable pattern of development for the future.

(iv.) The Comprehensive Planning Process

Comprehensive Planning Process used for the development of the Whiteley Township Comprehensive Plan.





WHITELEY TOWNSHIP  
 GREENE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA  
 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

FIGURE 1  
 TOWNSHIP LOCATION

SCALE:  
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