

**IMPLEMENTATION (TABLE 8.)**

Tasks	Occurrence or Priority	Status	Responsible Committee(s)	Status Update/Comments
Review the comprehensive plan a semi-annual basis and develop a workplan to implement priority tasks	Semi-annual	COMPL ETE	TC; PC	- Plan review occurred at start of new Committee year with discussion and training on importance of Comprehensive Plan and accomplishing goals. Meeting held: Sept 19, 2023 with 15 attendees
Report semi-annually to the town council on status updates to the Comprehensive Plan	Semi-annual	COMPL ETE	PC	- Implementation Reporting Update presented to Town Council completed on May 24, 2024
Pursue grants and partnerships that support town priorities.	OG	IN PROG	TC, TM, PC	- Resiliency Working Group, working with UDel, has submitted application to DEMA for BRIC Grant opportunity
Enforce existing codes	OG	IN PROG	TM	- Active management of code enforcement is ongoing
<b>Review town ordinances and consider changes in regard to:</b>				
• The relationship between freeboard and fill in regard to the height allowance	ST	IN PROG	CO	- C&O formed special working group with Infrastructure Committee to further address changes in code as technical engineering data supports becomes available.
• Lighting and further prevention of light pollution	ST		CO	
• Enhanced landscaping and tree protection standards	ST		BUS, CO	
• Requiring bicycle parking as part of redevelopment in commercial areas	ST		BUS, CO	
• The use of sidewalks for pedestrian usage only	ST		CO	
<b>Promote and inform residents and visitors of the value, benefits, and opportunities for:</b>				
• Dark skies initiative	OG	COMPL ETE	BUS, ENV, RES	- Formed Dark Skies working group; actively update in Towns newsletter; working on Symposium this summer
• Green infrastructure and native landscaping	OG	COMPL ETE	BUS, ENV, RES	- Formed Green Infrastructure working group; actively involved in Earth Day events and education opportunities
• Bike and pedestrian safety	OG	COMPL ETE	PS	- Police utilizing active postings on social media, created bicycle patrol for summer season and manage staff to ensure coverage during peak times
• Importance of the dunes	OG	COMPL ETE	ENV, TM	-Held Dune Plantings event, educated about importance of dunes and created brochure for visitors
• Wellhead protection areas	OG		INFRA	
• Volunteer and public service opportunities in the town	OG	IN PROG	BEACH, BUS, ENV, TC	- Town utilizes social media, website and message board on town events and volunteer opportunities
Designate a town liaison to regularly communicate, coordinate and advocate with DelDOT, DNREC, and other state agencies.	ST	COMPL ETE	TM, TC	- Town Manager has been designated as overall coordinator for meetings/discussions and is responsible for keeping Mayor/Town Council and Committees updated on important meetings.
Invite the DelDOT circuit rider planner to attend town meetings on an annual basis, more if needed.	Annual	COMPL ETE	PC	- Pedestrian Safety Committee has held meetings with DelDOT to discuss safety issues, Police have obtained traffic study equipment to better learn traffic/vehicles passing along Rte. 1 and Town has revamped its Medians to visually enhance driving views per Complete Streets Recommendations. - Infrastructure Committee met with members of DelDOT resiliency team to discuss SR1 Resiliency
Coordinate with Sussex County, DelDOT, and local legislators to understand the path forward in advancing the town’s priority projects in the State’s transportation improvement plan.	OG	IN PROG	TC, PC	- Met with DelDOT to discuss need and priority for sidewalk placement as well as independent meeting to discuss unsafe crosswalk at Bayard St.
Invite DNREC Division of Parks to meet with the town and establish periodic check ins to discuss concerns and opportunities for collaboration	Annual	COMPL ETE	TC, PC	- Infrastructure Committee invited Matt Jones (DNREC) to enable Committee/Public to learn more about bulkheading, riprap and stormwater - Environmental Committee contacted DNREC to be included in Dune Plantings, March 2024

Participate in planning processes by DNREC's Division of Parks and other relevant agencies to promote preservation of the beaches as noncommercialized open space and recreation.	OG		TC, PC	
Participate in regional planning initiatives sponsored by nonprofit partners, federal and state partners, and others on topics of importance to the town.	OG	COMPL ETE	TC	- We attend ACT, SCAT, DNREC sponsored activities, Sea Grant activities, Center for Inland Bay activities. We are also on the Delaware Sea Grant Advisory Council.
Work with DeIDOT and Sussex County to convert SR 1 into a resilient, multi-modal, and cohesive "Complete Street" from SR 54 through Fenwick Island State Beach Park.	LT/OG	IN PROG	PS	- Pedestrian Safety Committee has held meetings with DeIDOT to discuss safety issues, Police have obtained traffic study equipment to better learn traffic/vehicles passing along Rte. 1 and Town has revamped its Medians to visually enhance driving views per Complete Streets Recommendations.
Explore traffic calming alternatives for <a href="#">SR 1 and</a> Bunting Avenue with the Fenwick community	ST	IN PROG	PS	- Pedestrian Safety is working with DeIDOT on initiatives such as Moving crosswalk at Bayard St to the north side, placement of sidewalks throughout the remainder of Town and performing survey of crosswalk signs on Rte. 1. The Town has also obtained traffic study equipment to track vehicles along Rte. 1 in terms of numbers, speed and will use this data to enforce traffic laws.
Advance policies that support pedestrian and bicycle safety.	OG	COMPL ETE	PS	- Town has begun initiatives such as creating bicycle patrol for summer season, refocusing community to ensure enforcement of speed/crosswalk safety and actively communicate on social media and town newsletters.
Advocate for DeIDOT to gather, analyze, present, and share timely and accessible traffic data with municipalities in order to provide a clearer picture of seasonal traffic demands and conflicts.	ST	IN PROG	PS, TC	- Pedestrian Safety has had regular discussion with DeIDOT on the importance of Town safety, critical areas of Town that need strong DeIDOT support/change. Discussions are ongoing to gain mutual agreement.
Work with DNREC and other coastal partners to identify ways to manage the demand for beach access in light of the continued population growth and heightened tourist demand in Southeast Sussex County.	OG		ENV	
Continue to support ongoing, periodic beach replenishment	OG		TC, TM	
Continue to provide and enhance universal access to the beach, while enhancing protection and maintenance of the dunes	ST		TM	
Advocate for Fenwick's position regarding Off-shore Wind Energy	OG	IN PROG	BUS, ENV, TC	- Our Mayor, Planning Commissioner and Environmental Committee have all written letters, attended local forums with residents to be active and voice their opinions on OSW energy. Residents have also attended forums at Indian River High School and Bethany Beach most recently.
Continue to provide and improve systems and services pertaining to beach patrol, parking and sanitation management during peak season	OG		BEACH, TM	
Provide support for safe recreational boating	ST		DREDGE	
Continue to pursue funding to improve navigation of the bay through the channel dredging project.	ST	COMPL ETE	DREDGE	- Dredging Committee has been working with DNREC and has received funding over \$1.8M in our dredging efforts. Work is schedule to begin this fall.
Continued monitoring of canal health. Identify resources to characterize depths of waters in Little Assawoman Bay or consider ways to obtain such data to better inform needs for boating.	MT		DREDGE	
Promote and participate in sustainable management of Little Assawoman Bay	OG		ENV, INFRA	
Consider a variety of strategies to protect and increase tree canopy and native landscaping in Fenwick Island, including resident education programs and volunteer opportunities, the planting of trees on existing public lands, and seeking grants to assist in all of these efforts.	ST	IN PROG	RES	- Residential Committee is in the process of developing a Symposium event on Dark Skies and Green Infrastructure to be held later this summer.
Review recommendations contained in the 2021 State of the Inland Bays report, with a particular focus on Little Assawoman Bay. Identify actions that may be appropriate to implement in Town.	ST		INFRA	
Continue to coordinate with DNREC and other state and federal partners on resiliency and flood mitigation efforts.	OG	IN PROG	INFRA, PC	- Resiliency Working Group has worked with UDel to submit grants for our resiliency efforts. In the interim, the Town is working on identifying work projects and firms to partner with as we move forward.
Continue to engage and coordinate with DeIDOT regarding the long-term resiliency of SR 1.	OG	IN PROG	INFRA	-Pedestrian Safety Committee has regular and ongoing dialogue with DeIDOT. A number of initiatives have been discussed as mentioned above.

Work with the Fenwick Island community to determine how to move forward with the recommendations from the 2023 resiliency study, including preparation for potential grant funding, establishing a resilience fund, code updates, and potential resiliency design guidelines and standards.	ST	IN PROG	PC	-Resiliency Working Group has focused efforts from the 2023 resiliency study to move forward with and has submitted Grant application, as mentioned above.
Establish and maintain public engagement on SLR, climate change and the town's approach.	OG	COMPL ETE	INFRA	- Infrastructure held a Resiliency and Flooding Information and Discussion session in late Summer 2023. Information gained has provided a foundation for work through the 2024 Committee year.
Continue evaluating and making improvements to the town's stormwater infrastructure, including the promotion of rain gardens and other innovative green infrastructure.	OG		INFRA, TC, TM	
Limit impervious surface cover throughout Fenwick Island through enforcement of ordinances and consideration of more porous systems.	ST	IN PROG	TC	- The Town enforces current code of reviewing impervious surfaces at the permitting process, as well as at the Inspection process.
Maintain existing zoning in regard to maximum heights, floor area ratio, impervious surfaces, and parking requirements.	OG	IN PROG	CO, TC, TM	- The Town enforces current code of reviewing impervious surfaces at the permitting process, as well as at the Inspection process.
Develop a pollinator way station on Town owned property	ST	COMPL ETE	ENV	- Environmental Committee has worked diligently to establish a Pollinator Garden in Fenwick Island. The Garden is now up and running and being enjoyed by residents and visitors.
Support collaborative efforts and ongoing discussions to address affordable workforce housing in Delaware, and specific efforts to address the housing needs of its seasonal workforce.	ST/OG		CO, TC, PC	
Continue to seek opportunities to support the health and cultural aesthetics of residents and visitors through parks, recreational opportunities, and open spaces.	OG		RES	
Develop an electronic document management system to allow easier sharing of documents with the public.	ST		TM	

## RECOMMENDATIONS

Support environmentally friendly programs and encourage community involvement such as oyster gardening and use of rain barrels.	OG		BUS, ENV	
Incorporate resiliency and flood mitigation strategies as part of future road improvements.	OG	COMP	INFRA	- Infrastructure Committee discussions and efforts have been made for short-term remediations of flooding on N. Schulze between Dagsboro and Ebb Tide Cove Streets
Prioritize law enforcement practices that promote pedestrian and bicycle safety.	OG	IN PROG	PS, CO	- As mentioned above, our Police Department has made great strides in providing additional bicycle patrol for the summer season, managing staff during peak season and utilizing social media to communicate key messages.
Decorative street lighting to improve the visibility, comfort and security of pedestrians at intersections, pedestrian crossing areas and areas of high pedestrian activity.	OG		PS	
Engage the community on suggestions for traffic calming measures in order to maintain the character and usage of Bunting Avenue and other town streets, particularly in the summer months	OG		PS	
Support placement of bicycle amenities along the SR 1 corridor including, but not limited to, bicycle racks at commercial sites and benches. Consider including in town ordinances.	OG		PS, CO	
Increase public awareness and understanding of pedestrian and bicycle safety.	OG		PS	
Encourage the development of bicycle riding groups and other bicycle centered events.	OG	COMP	RES, PS	- Community Bike event to support our new FIPD Bike Patrol has been held in early summer.
Support signage that promotes pedestrian and bicycle safety awareness.	OG		PS	
Coordinate with DelDot and DNREC regarding the traffic control measures and standstills created at the Fenwick island State Beach Park.	OG		PS	
Coordinate with DTC regarding the adequacy of transit service and stops (pads, benches and shelters)	OG		PS	

Monitor availability of parking for town residents by permit and for visitors by daily fees. Identify ways to improve access for residents and for visitors as feasible and consistent with other needs for the town.

Median enhancements such as natural plantings with trees and other landscaping to provide pedestrian refuge, incorporate green infrastructure opportunities, and create a neighborhood environment complimentary to Fenwick's unique character.

Inform residents and visitors about the importance of the dunes and how to protect them through town communications.

Encourage residents and visitors to participate in state-sponsored projects to plant new vegetation on dunes.

Maintain or enhance capacity to provide on-going grooming of the beach contours and dune crossings to meet needs.

Continue to provide and enhance essential public safety services for beach users for public safety, largely through a well-trained and organized beach patrol unit, assisted by the FIPD, Coast Guard and other entities.

Continue to provide surface mats to ease pedestrian crossing to the beach. Work with DNREC as needed to quickly remedy deficiencies in the placement of the Mobi mats when access is reduced.

Consider Resiliency Funding

Advocate for and support change in law in DE that requires vehicles to stop at all crosswalks prior to pedestrians entering the crosswalks

Continue to provide refuse collection services adequate to the need for beach users through facilities at the parking areas near the pedestrian crossings.

OG		PS	
OG	COMP	PS	- Town Management has completed median enhancements to improve driving visibility into and out of Fenwick. Enhancements at all medians include new sod and Crepe Myrtles. Front entrance enhancements include adding Oakland Holly.
OG	COMP	TM	- As mentioned above, Environmental Committee has held Dune Planting events and provided educational materials on the importance of our Dunes.
OG	COMP	BUS, ENV	- Dune grass planting, supported by DNREC, was completed in March 2024
OG	COMP	BEACH	- This has been completed and reviewed weekly by Public Works.
OG	COMP	BEACH, TC, TM	- Town Management continues to provide ongoing public safety services such as ATV support to transport those in need to the beach, a robust beach patrol that has seasoned staff for improving life saving services, ongoing coordination services with FIPD, Beach Patrol to keep communication efforts going.
OG	COMP	TC, TM	- Town Management provides support and maintenance of surface mats and routinely reviews safety of our beach ends.
OG	COMP	TC	- Resiliency Working Group, along with UDel, has submitted application to DEMA for BRIC Grant opportunity.
OG	IN PROG	TC, PC	- Discussions have been held with local State Legislators.
OG	COMP	TM	- Town Management continues to source vendor to provide refuse collection services for maintaining the beach ends.

**Footnote:**  
 TM = Town Management/Manager  
 TC = Town Council  
 PC = Planning Commission  
 PS = Pedestrian Safety Committee  
 RES = Residential Committee  
 BEACH = Beach Committee  
 INFRA = Infrastructure Committee  
 ENV = Environmental Committee  
 BUS = Business Committee  
 CO = Charter & Ordinance Committee  
 DREDGE = Dredging Committee

