

Rural Lands Task Force Recommendation

For Clark County, rural character is:

- where the natural landscape predominates over the built environment;
- where there is small acreage farming and forestry;
- where provisions have been made to protect the land for future generations;
- where there are modern economic opportunities to live and work in the rural area, particularly in and around Rural Centers;
- where fish and wildlife habitats are valued;
- where mining is a land use;
- where urban services are not generally provided; and
- where natural surface water and recharge areas are protected.

Rural Vision Statement: Clark County is to be positioned for present and future uses using fair, consistent and creative zoning. Specifically:

- Ease regulations and provide tax incentives for encouraging small scale agriculture and forestry;
- Expand cluster development in agricultural and forest zones;
- Create 5 acre agriculture and forestry homestead zones;
- Expand uses of Rural Centers to enhance their economic viability and community identity;
- Graduate lot sizes radiating from Rural Centers;
- Create a Zoning Fairness Board;
- Protect wetland and wildlife habitats;
- Allow and encourage alternative energy projects;
- Facilitate creation of local utility districts in and around Rural Centers; and
- Expand recreational opportunities.