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## **COMPASS invites you to share your vision of the future of the Treasure Valley**

*Meridian, ID* – The Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho (COMPASS) is updating *Communities in Motion*, the regional long-range transportation plan for Ada and Canyon Counties. The update will be complete in 2014 and will plan to the year 2040 (*Communities in Motion 2040*).

To develop a plan for the future, COMPASS first needs to know what the future may hold. We know the population of the Treasure Valley will grow, but questions center around where and how the growth will occur and what its ramifications may be.

COMPASS is undertaking a process to help answer those types of questions. The end result will be a "preferred growth scenario" — a realistic vision of what Treasure Valley residents want the valley to look like in the year 2040, taking into account trade-offs and priorities. A final scenario must be approved by the COMPASS Board and will be the basis for [\*Communities in Motion 2040\*](#).

COMPASS is seeking individuals to participate in one of three all-day, hands-on workshops (February 29, March 1, and March 2, 2012) to identify three to four potentially desirable growth scenarios that could realistically occur and meet goals identified by workshop participants. These workshops will be the first step in developing a growth scenario for *Communities in Motion 2040*.

Interested individuals must submit a self-nomination form no later than 5:00 pm, Friday, January 20, 2012. The form and additional information can be found online at [www.compassidaho.org/prodserv/cim2040\\_scenarioplanning.htm](http://www.compassidaho.org/prodserv/cim2040_scenarioplanning.htm).

Space is limited, so there may not be room for everyone who self-nominates. Self-nominees will be chosen to include a broad cross-section of interests and opinions. Self-nominees will be notified in late January if they have been selected to participate.

There will be additional opportunities to be involved in choosing a growth scenario in the spring of 2012 when Treasure Valley residents will be invited to weigh in on the scenarios that emerge from the workshops. After public input, a final scenario will be presented to the COMPASS Board in late summer 2012 for consideration.

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