

### Reorganization:

- **Goals** are general statements of desired outcomes of the community. While often broadly written, goals should be stated specifically enough so that it is possible to assess whether progress has been made in achieving them.
- **Objectives** are more specific and are a subset of goals, providing measurable strategies. Objectives should not stand alone without a goal. If an objective does not fit under a goal and it is considered important, then it may be more appropriately written as a goal. It is undesirable to have an Objective statement that actually contains numerous Objectives, this make intent hard to discern for policy formulation/implementation and makes measurability very difficult.
- **Policies** are “operational” actions that a community will undertake to meet the goals and objectives. The Comprehensive Plan’s policies can be categorized as existing (operational) policies, or ones that need further approvals from the County Commission. However, the Plan should not contain policies that are not implementable due to financial or staffing constraints as including these types of policies confuses the vision or direction and diminishes the meaning of the Plan on an operational level.
- **Planning hierarchy related** – The Comprehensive Plan should provide authorization or general policy direction for regulations implemented within the Land Development Code. This aids in interpretation of the Code.
- **Relocation to other elements** – General policy direction or Plan related authorization should be located in a logical place to ease implementation.

### Outdated or Duplicative:

- Policies may not have been implemented due to limited staff resources, limited funding or competing priorities.
- Policies and or objectives may be repeated elsewhere in the Plan to avoid internal inconsistencies and potential for implementation error.

### Statute and Administrative Code Related:

- The County is required to have a Coastal Management Element that meets the requirements of 163.3178(2) and (3), F.S.

### Substantive Changes:

- Coastal Dune Lake Protection Zone language relocated to new Coastal Management Element, language is consistent with recent settlement agreement and no substantive change is included but relocated.
- Coastal Protection Zone and Coastal Construction related language relocated to new Coastal Management Element.



## Coastal Management Element – Walton County Staff Analysis of Changes

- Flood zone and Coastal High Hazard Area language relocated to new Coastal Management Element
- Hurricane evacuation and Local Mitigation Strategy language relocated to new Coastal Management Element.
- Includes new language to be compliant with statutory requirements

### **Policy Issues:**

None at this time.