

The City shall continue to participate in the National Flood Insurance Program. (Policy E.1.3.1)

The City will develop a formal program for protection of the natural drainage features within Starke based on the findings of a master drainage study. (Policy E.1.3.2)

The City shall act to protect and conserve minerals and the natural functions of existing soils, fisheries, lakes and floodplains by implementing programs and regulations. (Objective E.1.5, Policies E.1.5.1, and E.1.5.2).

The City shall protect and conserve the natural functions of existing soils, lakes and ponds, and floodplains through the implementation of the policies regarding these resources set forth in the various elements of this plan and enforcement of existing local, state, and federal regulations designed to protect and conserve these functions. (Policy E.1.5.1)

The City shall establish by ordinance a 50-foot buffer on either side of Alligator Creek. No new development shall be allowed within this buffer. (Policy E.1.5.2)

The City shall protect the natural functions of the 100-year floodplains from physical and hydrological

The City shall protect floodplains from adverse impacts by ensuring that: (Policy E.1.6.1)

- Site plans for new development identify the location and extent of the 100-year floodplains located on the property; and
- Site plans provide measures to assure that normal flows and quality of water will be provided to maintain the floodplains after development and every effort is made to achieve no net loss of floodplain areas.

The City shall adopt land development regulations, which limit the density of dwelling units within Federal Emergency Management Agency designated 100-year floodplains to the low-density land use classification (0 to 4.0 dwelling units per acre) so that existing flood storage is maintained and allowable densities do not create potential flood hazards, or degrade the natural functions of the floodplain. Within the Alligator Creek floodplain, the density shall be limited to 0 to 2 dwelling units per acre. No hazardous materials or hazardous waste should be stored, used or generated within the floodplain. Existing public facilities located in the floodplains shall continue as conforming uses. Any lot of record existing at the time of adoption of this comprehensive plan shall be allowed one residential dwelling regardless of lot size. (Policy E.1.6.2)