**Action Team – Interview and Data Collection Form**

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**How Might We:** Coordinate land use planning between towns and County

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**Insights:**

In Summit County there are four Basin Planning Commissions. Each has members appointed by the County and members can be appointed by the Town Councils in that basin. The intent is to coordinate land use planning between the unincorporated areas of the County and the incorporated town.

Don Reimer was the Chaffee County Planning Director and is now Planning Director for Summit County. When asked about the Basin Planning Commissions the following is his response.

Basin Planning Commissions, they are still in effect.  At this time, only Frisco, Blue River, and Dillon have representation on their respective Basin Planning Commission.  For some reason that I have not yet been able to find, Breckenridge, Silverthorne and Montezuma have declined.  From my perspective there are positives and negatives to this setup.  On the plus side, the basin planning commissions are very knowledgeable and invested in the particular challenges of their basin, and when there is a lot of activity, it spreads the planning commission hearings around a bit. On the minus side, if development activity is slow, the commissions may not meet with any frequency, for example the Lower Blue Planning Commission only met once last year.  As with the TDR program, joint planning also works best when you have a strong partner.  We did establish some IGA in Chaffee with each of the towns in the early 2000’s, with some success on planning the areas around the edges, and with trail planning.