Public Participation Program and Schedule For Baker County and Newton

	TASK	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sept	Oct
1	Review Documents, Collect Data								EV.						
	First Public Meeting									100					
	Identify Stakeholders and Contact														
	Create Steering and Subcommittees														
	Presentation of First draft of Assessment to Committee Members and other interested parties														
	Informational														

	Presentations to various stakeholder groups such as City and County Councils, School Board, Health Department, Historical Society.							
	Corrections and Additions to Draft							
	Transmittal							
Phase 2								11
	Posters developed and hung							
	Phone Interviews with citizens carried out							
	Invitations to Primary Visioning							

	Session Sent out		
	Visioning Session	9	
Phase 3			
	Weekly (or bi) sessions with sub committees to develop Community Agenda Public Information Meetings Completion and presentation of Community Agenda Corrections, Additions, Further Comments Final Public Hearing Transmittal		

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The public participation plan entails the use of Print Media, both advertising and advertorials. Contacting Church leaders and keeping them informed with regular updates, so that they might pass on such news as they see fit to their congregation. Numerous open meetings are scheduled for months of March and April to follow the March 9th kick off visioning session. The questions posed at this session have been based upon the responses gathered through SWOT style random telephone survey of residents of Baker County and the City of Newton. Posters and flyers have been printed and distributed to the governments, local businesses and religious organizations.'

The stakeholders identified and contacted include, churches in Baker County and Newton, the Board of Education, the Baker County Health Department, The Baker County Sheriff's Department, The Newton Police Department, DFCS, The Agricultural Extension Office, Landowners and other concerned citizens.