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**APPLICATIONS NOW AVAILABLE FOR SMALL-SCALE AMENDMENTS  
TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

Immediate Release

**MARION COUNTY, Fla.** (June 27, 2011) – Take a quick glance at the 2035 Marion County Comprehensive Plan and you’ll see hundreds of pages and maps on everything growth management – from land use and environment to housing and transportation. But just as Marion continues to grow and evolve, so do many of the elements in this guiding document.

The Marion County Growth Management Department is now accepting applications for small-scale land use changes, or amendments, to the county’s Comprehensive Plan. Citizens who own property 10 acres or smaller and who are interested in changing their property’s designated land use, such as going from rural to commercial use, may now submit a small-scale amendment application. Per Florida Statute, the department may only accept up to a total 120 acres worth of small-scale amendment applications in one year. Applications will be accepted until 4 p.m. on July 29, 2011, or until the 120 acre maximum is reached, whichever comes first.

Application forms may be picked up at the Marion County Growth Management Department or downloaded from [http://www.marioncountyfl.org/Planning/land\\_use.aspx](http://www.marioncountyfl.org/Planning/land_use.aspx). For more information, contact Michael Kokosky at 352-438-2600. To learn more about the Marion County Comprehensive Plan, visit: [www.marioncountyfl.org/growthmanagement.htm](http://www.marioncountyfl.org/growthmanagement.htm).

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