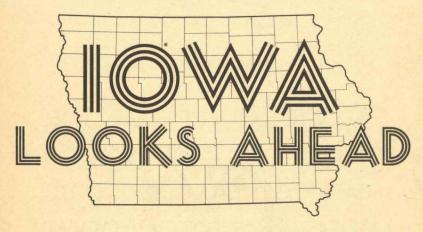
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Iowa State Planning Board

A brief outline of the major activities and services of the Iowa State Planning Board, a non-partisan agency.

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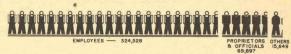
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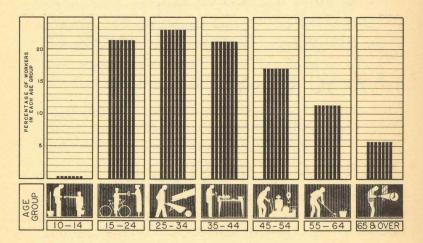
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INFORMATION

Progress requires planning, and planning requires facts. The Iowa State Planning Board, cooperating with other state agencies, has made:

*AGRICULTURAL STUDIES

Cropping Conservation Tenancy. Objective: Improved land use program. Cooperating agency: Iowa State College.

*BASE MAP SURVEY

Road, stream & farmstead locations, etc. Objective: Uniform county & township maps. (Rural Electrification program aided by this project.)

*TAX SURVEY

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Tax burden on homesteads & other property.

Objective: Data for legislative consideration.

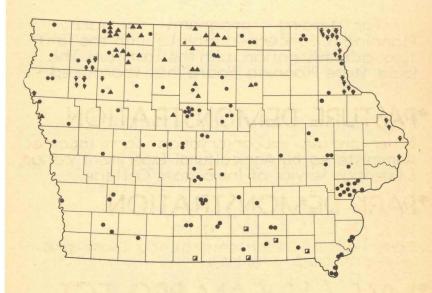
Cooperating agency: College of Commerce, S.U.I.

*POPULATION STUDIES

Social trends ··· Relief groups ··· Population movements, etc. Objective: Data for Social Security, etc. Cooperating agency: College of Commerce, S.U.I.

OTHER STUDIES

Schools ···· Recreation ···· Health ···· Accidents. Objective: Data for departmental action.



- Program recommended by Planning Board.
- Park or other recreation site Plans prepared by Planning Board.
- Lake and Stream improvement Program sponsored by Planning Board.
- * Indian site research

 Excavation sponsored by Planning Board.

DEMONSTRATION

Fact finding ... programs ... action.
Planning is concerned mainly with the first
two, administration with the last two. The
lowa State Planning Board has sponsored:

PASTURE DEMONSTRATION

Better land use "soil conservation "farm income. Administered by Agricultural Experiment Station, & Extension Service of Iowa State College.

*PARK DEMONSTRATION

Local parks athletic fields etc. Constructed under emergency work programs. (F.E.R.A. & W.P.A.)

*LAKE & STREAM PROJECT

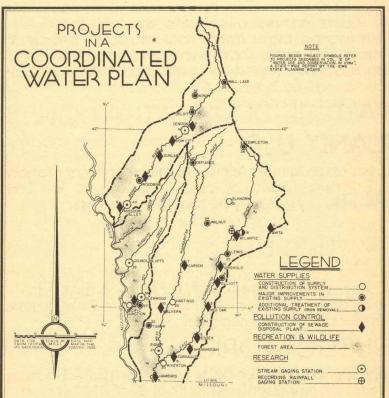
Conservation of soil, water, & natural scenery.
Administered by State Conservation Commission in furtherance of Iowa's 25 Year Conservation Plan.

*HISTORIC SITES PROJECT

Markers for historic sites throughout Iowa.Investigation of ancient Indian mounds.
Cooperating agency: Iowa Historical Society.

*OTHER PROGAMS PENDING

Recreation Reserve (Upper Des Moines River) Reforestation (Southern Iowa) Low-cost housing (larger cities)



WEST CENTRAL IOWA RIVER BASIN

INCLUDING THE NISHNABOTNA & BOYER RIVERS

PREPARED BY THE
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COORDINATION

Coordination saves time, energy & money. It is increasingly important in modern government. The lowa State Planning Board, recognized by federal as well as state agencies as a logical coordinating body, has demonstrated this function in regard to:

·LAND USE

Cooperating with Agricultural Experiment Station & Extension Service of Iowa State College, Soil Conservation Service, Resettlement Administration, U.S. Forest Service & National Park Service.

•WATER USE

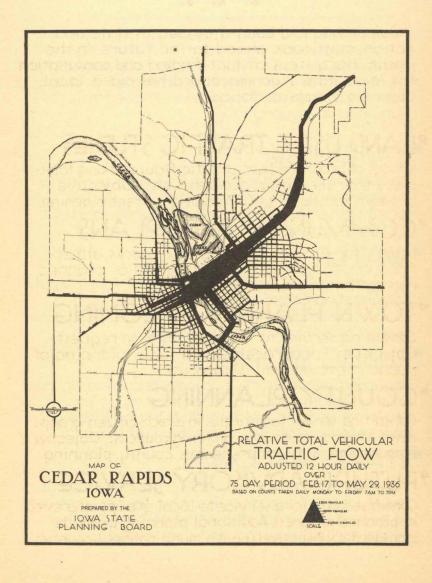
Cooperating with State Department of Public Health, Conservation Commission, Highway Commission, lowa Geological Survey, Iowa Institute of Hydraulic Research & U.S. Geological Survey.

*PUBLIC WORKS

Analyzing public works projects proposed by lowa counties, municipalities, school districts, etc., in order to coordinate individual proposals & prepare reservoir of useful employment projects.

*STATE-NATIONAL

The National Resources Committee has integrated the studies of the state Planning Boards in order to effect regional and national coordination of research, planning and construction.



AID TO LOCAL PLANNING

Community and county, as well as state and nation, must look ahead to the future. In the preliminary steps of fact-finding and consultation the lowa State Planning Board has aided local planning groups as follows:

*LAND USE & TRAFFIC STUDIES

Surveys of urban land uses, traffic flow, parking facilities & their use, traffic accidents, etc. Objective: Broader factual basis for zoning & street planning.

COMMUNITY PARK PLANS

Designs for nearly a hundred local parks, athletic fields, etc. Objective: Encouragement of planned recreation development.

TOWN PLANNING & ZONING

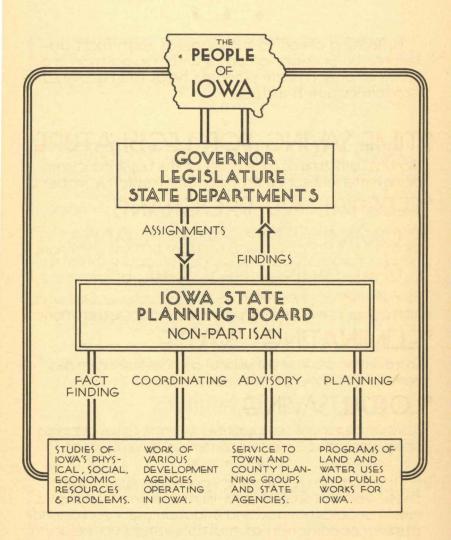
Consulting service to towns & cities on request.
Objective: Encouragement to local planning of public improvements & land uses.

*COUNTY PLANNING

Consulting service to counties in which citizen groups desire to organize county planning councils. Objective: Encouragement to comprehensive county planning.

*FUTURE ADVISORY SERVICE

Continued advisory service to local groups interested in planned progress. Additional planning projects sponsored cooperatively with municipalities & counties.



ECONOMY

By "looking ahead" to future needs with facts uncolored by pressure-groups & with non-partisan programs of action, state planning helps to effect great economies which include:

*TIME SAVING FOR LEGISLATURE

Working with standing committees of the Legislature, compiling material bearing on important legislative matters.

*FEDERAL AID PROGRAMS

Helping to obtain all possible advantage from programs of land use, public works & improvement of living conditions.

CONSERVING RESOURCES

Formulating long-time programs for land, water and other resources, thus saving millions to present & future generations.

*ELIMINATING WASTE

Coordinating programs of various agencies. Making studies pertaining to governmental consolidation.

*LOCAL SAVING

Assisting municipalities & counties desiring local planning programs which lead to economical development.

The Iowa State Planning Board has illustrated these various economies in its tax survey, public works programming, land & water use recommendations, coordination of multiple interests relating to common problems & aid to local planning bodies.

Planning is not new. Theodore Roosevelt was an outstanding champion of planning to preserve national resources. Secretary of Agriculture Hyde called the first national land use planning conference. The White House Conference on Housing and the work of the Research Committee on Social Trends were the result of President Hoover's interest in public planning.

In its "Report on a Survey of Administration in Iowa", made in 1933, the Institute for Government Research of the Brookings Institution concluded that there is an apparent need for "a body of public spirited citizens, including members of the General Assembly, to act as a research and planning council"— an advisory, coordinating body having nothing to do with the specialized research and planning of the various administrative departments. The proposed planning council "should aim to ascertain what facts are needed by the Governor and the Legislature; and it should suggest to research agencies what fields of study are likely to be most practically helpful".

State planning boards have been given permanent legal status by legislatures in 35 states. Twelve other states, including lowa, have boards appointed by executive order of the respective governors. The responsibilities of these boards are increasing steadily as both national and state governments recognize the value of their services.

State planning is a technical instrument by which representative government, looking ahead to desirable objectives, may determine the facts relative to state problems, prepare programs for action, and coordinate all related activities toward the economical achievement of those objectives.

For further information as to special reports, maps or other phases of its program address the lowa State Planning Board.

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