



Sustainable Growth Management Strategy for the Fort Bragg Region

LOCATION
Fort Bragg Region, NC

CLIENT
Fort Bragg Regional Alliance

MARKET
Planning-Land Use

Fort Bragg is the nation's largest military base. It is home to over 50,000 active duty soldiers, 12,000 reservists, 12,000 civilian employees and more than 150,000 active duty family members and army retirees. The 11-county region surrounding Fort Bragg includes some of the state's most productive agriculture areas and spans three distinct and diverse eco-regions. A comprehensive evaluation of these three systems - the military, working lands and natural resources - revealed that protection and promotion of one of these areas likewise supports the others, and provides economic development opportunities among the three.

LandDesign led a team of consultants to develop the Sustainable Growth Management Strategy (SGMS) for the Fort Bragg Region. The team hosted numerous public engagement activities and coordinated with a variety of stakeholders, regional staff and other invested parties to create the SGMS.

The SGMS, which is funded by a grant from the Department of Defense Office of Economic Adjustment in support of the Fort Bragg Regional Alliance, provides the platform for local governments, military interests, agencies, businesses and others to realize unprecedented coordination on infrastructure decisions, economic development strategies, critical resource protection, land compatibility, and other interconnected issues. This platform fosters more prosperous communities through sustained mission operability, new quality jobs and smart infrastructure investments. The devices that LandDesign helped develop during the SGMS include a land use modeling tool and set of strategies to help sustain and enhance the region's economy and quality of life for existing and future generations.