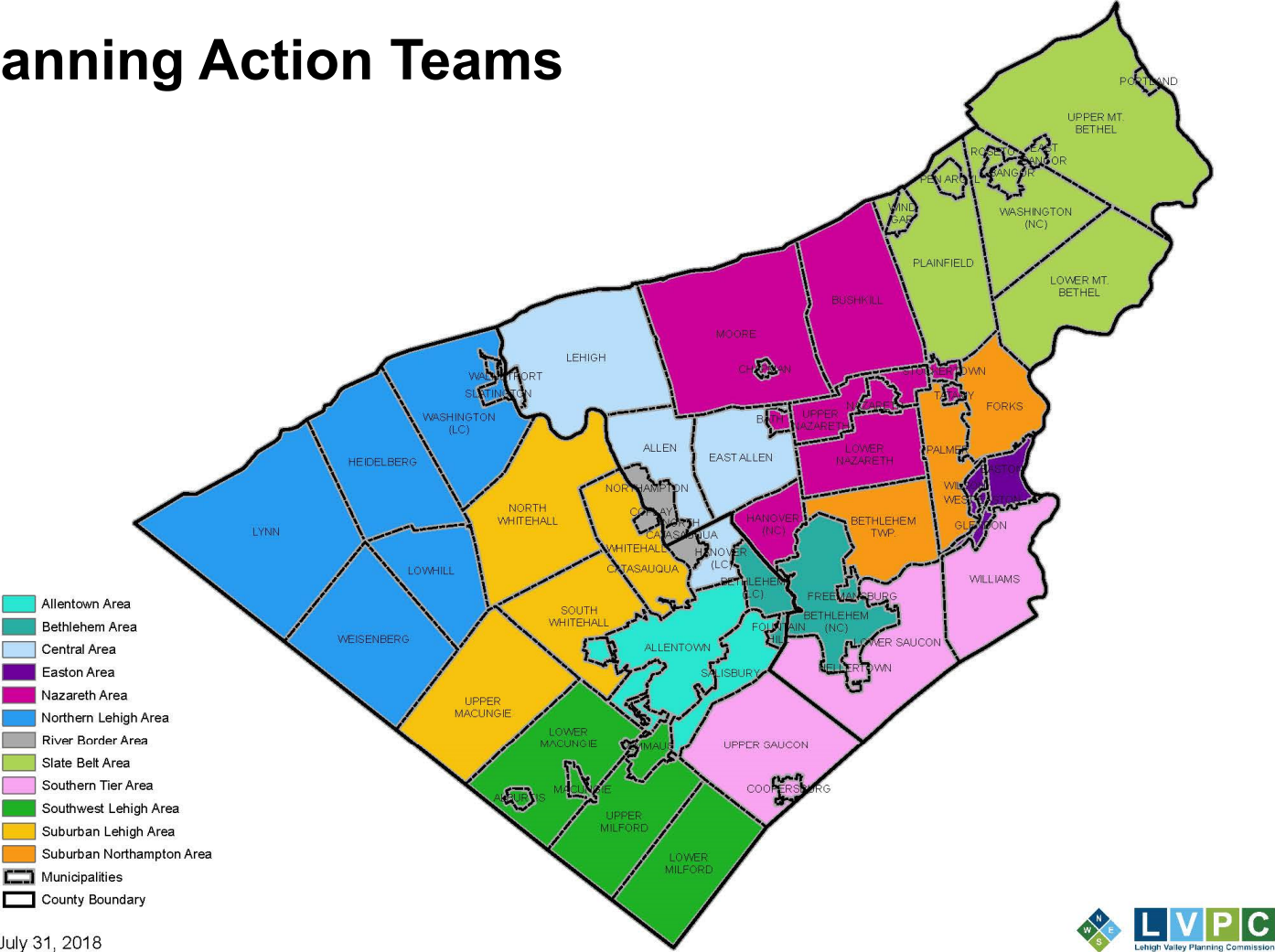




# Planning Action Team Meetings

*Meeting Updates*

# Planning Action Teams



# Upcoming Planning Action Meetings

October 16<sup>th</sup> @ Catasauqua Borough Hall,

7:00PM

- Northampton Borough
- North Catasauqua Borough
- Coplay Borough
- Catasauqua Borough

# Upcoming Planning Action Meetings

November 13<sup>th</sup> @ Pen Argyl Community Center,

5:30PM

- Plainfield Township
- Lower & Upper Mt. Bethel Townships
- Portland Borough
- Wind Gap Borough
- East Bangor Borough
- Bangor Borough
- Roseto Borough
- Pen Argyl Borough
- Washington Township

# Major Themes To Date

- Pace of growth and change
  - Overgrowth of warehouses
  - People moving in too quickly to respond to associated needs
  - Cultural and values of the region are changing; not sure what this means
  - Need help creating more sophisticated zoning to address today's challenges and opportunities
- Desire to collaborate across municipal boundaries

# Major Themes To Date

- Infrastructure
  - Impacts of freight traffic
  - Maintenance costs of water/sewer systems
  - Feel it is the best way to limit growth in farming and rural communities
  - Meeting/affording stormwater (MS4) requirements
- Services
  - Sustainability of volunteer fire companies and state police coverage
  - Costs of full-time police and/or fire
  - Expansion of school facilities without public water/sewer service
- Fear of raising taxes to meet municipal obligations
- Housing attainability