

## **9J-5: MINIMUM CRITERIA FOR REVIEW OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMPREHENSIVE PLANS AND PLAN AMENDMENTS, EVALUATION AND APPRAISAL REPORTS, LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS AND DETERMINATIONS OF COMPLIANCE**

### **9J-5.005 General Requirements.**

(e) The comprehensive plan shall be based on resident and seasonal population estimates and projections. Resident and seasonal population estimates and projections shall be either those provided by the University of Florida, Bureau of Economic and Business Research, those provided by the Executive Office of the Governor, or shall be generated by the local government. If the local government chooses to base its plan on the figures provided by the University of Florida or the Executive Office of the Governor, medium range projections should be utilized. If the local government chooses to base its plan on either low or high range projections provided by the University of Florida or the Executive Office of the Governor, a detailed description of the rationale for such a choice shall be included with such projections.

1. If the local government chooses to prepare its own estimates and projections, it shall submit estimates and projections and a description of the methodologies utilized to generate the projections and estimates to the Department with its plan when the plan is due for compliance review unless it has submitted them for advance review. If a local government chooses to prepare its own resident and seasonal population estimates and projections, it may submit them and a description of the methodology utilized to prepare them to the Department prior to the time of compliance review. The Department may request additional information regarding the methodology utilized to prepare the estimates and projections.

2. The Department will evaluate the application of the methodology utilized by a local government in preparing its own population estimates and projections and determine whether the particular methodology is professionally accepted. The Department shall provide its findings to the local government within sixty days. In addition, the Department shall make available, upon request, beginning on December 1, 1986, examples of methodologies for resident and seasonal population estimates and projections that are deemed by the Department to be professionally acceptable. The Department shall be guided by the Executive Office of the Governor, in particular the State Data Center, in its review of any population estimates, projections, or methodologies proposed by local governments.