Argitourism/Ecotourism Recommendations Summary:

The Work Group reviewed the current zoning regulations for recreational uses in the community, and found that the regulations were general in nature and often without many qualifying restrictions. For example, outdoor recreational uses are permitted in many zoning categories, but without many limitations on lighting, noise or hours of operation. Additionally, many contemporary recreational land uses were not contemplated in the 1990s when the Zoning Ordinance was updated for rural areas of the county by the Planning Commission and Urban County Council. As a result, the Work Group recommends several new land uses and accompanying definitions be added to the Zoning Ordinance. The Task Force discussed the following table, which provides a list of new land uses and recommends whether they should be principal permitted, accessory, conditional or prohibited uses in each zoning category. Further restrictions may be necessary to ensure compatible and sustainable development within the community.