WHERE DOES THIS “AREA PLAN” PROJECT FOCUS?

Project Scope:
The Rockfish Valley Area Plan would address a relatively large area, expanding well beyond the Route 151 corridor. The study area generally encompasses the entire Rockfish River watershed above Route 29.

More specifically, the project scope includes much of the North District and Central Districts; including the areas from Afton to Beech Grove and up to Reids Gap, and also the area from the Martin’s Store substation (at the Rockfish Valley Highway / River Road intersection) to Woods Mill (at the River Road / Route 29 intersection).

This scope provides the best opportunity for a consistent, coordinated evaluation of current (and future) issues that are common throughout the area. The majority of the project area is comprised of the Route 151 corridor and the Route 664 corridor, which share similar characteristics. They are both designated Scenic Byways passing through the heart of the Rockfish Valley; and both corridors are the center of Nelson County’s successful tourism industry (and associated events and land uses).

The inclusion of Route 6 (to Woods Mill) will provide a broader analysis of the Rockfish Valley, and allow the Rockfish Valley Area Plan to have a logical nexus with Route 29 – another strategic corridor for Nelson County and a Corridor of Statewide Significance for the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Project Study Area for Rockfish Valley Area Plan:
Route 151
Route 664
Route 6