5. Protecting and preserving the rural character and unique sense of place:  
   (Critical) (Important) (Neutral) (Somewhat Unimportant) (Unimportant) (Not Sure)

6. Access to amenities and activities (parks, trails, recreation etc.):  
   (Critical) (Important) (Neutral) (Somewhat Unimportant) (Unimportant) (Not Sure)

7. Access to reliable telecommunications and broadband services:  
   (Critical) (Important) (Neutral) (Somewhat Unimportant) (Unimportant) (Not Sure)

8. Access to employment opportunities in Nelson County  
   (Critical) (Important) (Neutral) (Somewhat Unimportant) (Unimportant) (Not Sure)

9. Increased/continued growth in development:  
   (Critical) (Important) (Neutral) (Somewhat Unimportant) (Unimportant) (Not Sure)

10. Managed/reduced development:  
    (Critical) (Important) (Neutral) (Somewhat Unimportant) (Unimportant) (Not Sure)

11. Alternative transportation options (sidewalks, trails, bike lanes, etc.):  
    (Critical) (Important) (Neutral) (Somewhat Unimportant) (Unimportant) (Not Sure)

12. Alternative commuting options (bus, park & ride lot, carpool, etc.):  
    (Critical) (Important) (Neutral) (Somewhat Unimportant) (Unimportant) (Not Sure)

13. Clean water & watershed protection (wells, fishing, swimming, agriculture):  
    (Critical) (Important) (Neutral) (Somewhat Unimportant) (Unimportant) (Not Sure)

14. Clean air (air quality, level of visibility, etc.):  
    (Critical) (Important) (Neutral) (Somewhat Unimportant) (Unimportant) (Not Sure)

15. Preserving mountain scenery and scenic rural views:  
    (Critical) (Important) (Neutral) (Somewhat Unimportant) (Unimportant) (Not Sure)

16. Conserving environmental features (wildlife habitat, forests, wetlands, etc.):  
    (Critical) (Important) (Neutral) (Somewhat Unimportant) (Unimportant) (Not Sure)

17. Dark skies (minimal light pollution, maximum night sky visibility):  
    (Critical) (Important) (Neutral) (Somewhat Unimportant) (Unimportant) (Not Sure)

18. Economic vitality (job creation, growth, etc.):  
    (Critical) (Important) (Neutral) (Somewhat Unimportant) (Unimportant) (Not Sure)

19. Public infrastructure (roads, sewer, telecommunications):  
    (Critical) (Important) (Neutral) (Somewhat Unimportant) (Unimportant) (Not Sure)

20. Access to local foods and success of local agricultural operations:  
    (Critical) (Important) (Neutral) (Somewhat Unimportant) (Unimportant) (Not Sure)

Please rate your level of agreement with the following statements for questions 21-27: (circle one)

21. “Maintaining working farms, forests, and orchards in the Rockfish Valley is important to preserving the area’s rural character.”  
    (Agree) (Neutral) (Disagree)

22. “There should be a greater effort to balance development and rural preservation.”  
    (Agree) (Neutral) (Disagree)

23. “Traffic is not as big of a problem as one would think.”  
    (Agree) (Neutral) (Disagree)

24. “More should be done to increase, expand, or promote agritourism.”  
    (Agree) (Neutral) (Disagree)

25. “I feel positive about the future of Nelson County.”  
    (Agree) (Neutral) (Disagree)

26. “Overall, tourism is more harmful to our community than helpful.”  
    (Agree) (Neutral) (Disagree)

27. “The direction of change in Nelson County is positive.”  
    (Agree) (Neutral) (Disagree)
This survey is being conducted by Nelson County and the Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission as part of the Rockfish Valley Area Plan (RVAP). This survey will help identify local priorities, concerns, ideas, and values. Responses from the public will help guide the RVAP planning process and will shape the content of the final report. Your responses are voluntary and will remain anonymous. Thank you for participating!

The survey is also available online at the following link:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/rvap

Please submit your responses by July 1st 2016 – drop-off locations are listed at end of survey.

1. How long have you lived in Nelson County? (check one)
   - [ ] 0-3 years
   - [ ] 4-6 years
   - [ ] 7-10 years
   - [ ] 10+ years
   - [ ] Not a resident

2. What is your zip code? (fill in)
   - [ ]

3. Do you own property in Nelson County? (check one)
   - [ ] Yes
   - [ ] No

4. How often do you travel through the Rockfish Valley area? (check one)
   - [ ] Very frequently
   - [ ] Somewhat frequently
   - [ ] Neither frequently nor rarely
   - [ ] Somewhat rarely
   - [ ] Very rarely

Thank you for your input! Completed surveys can be returned to the Rockfish Valley Community Center or the Nelson County Planning & Zoning Dept.

Please attend the RVAP “Community Open House” meeting at Rockfish Valley Community Center on June 28th from 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm.